

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COBALT

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
COBALT COUNCIL CHAMBERS
TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 2018 @ 6:30 p.m.
MINUTES**

PRESENT:

Mayor Tina Sartoretto
Councillors Mike Harrison
Sue Nielsen
George Othmer (arrived at 6:50 – Fire Call)
Perry Wuest

ABSENT:

Councillors Garry Bigelow (with reason)
Rochelle Schwartz (with reason)

Staff: Michelle Larose, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer

Delegation: Tammy Legault – Lions Club of Cobalt and Coleman

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Tina Sartoretto welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF - NIL

3. APPROVAL/AMENDMENT OF THE AGENDA

Resolution # 18-57

MOVED BY: Councillor Mike Harrison

SECONDED BY: Councillor Sue Nielsen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the agenda of the regular meeting for March 6, 2018, as presented.

CARRIED

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Resolution # 18-58

MOVED BY: Councillor Sue Nielsen

SECONDED BY: Councillor Mike Harrison

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the minutes of the regular council meeting of February 20, 2018, as presented.

CARRIED

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

CAO, Michelle Larose, presented a report that explained the municipal liability insurance implications of initiating a recreation program.

6. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Tammy Legault of the Lions Club of Cobalt and Coleman presented a letter to Council requesting to hold a Good Old Day's Festival on Saturday, September 8, 2018 on Silver Street from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The request asked for the Town to cover the event for liability insurance and have the road closed during that time. Council was receptive of the idea and congratulated the Lions Club for their initiative.

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Council gave direction to staff to determine if the events can be covered under the Town's Insurance Policy. Direction was also given to staff to provide options regarding the road closure and report back to Council.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 Action List

Council reviewed the Action List.

8.2 2018.ML.002.DR – CAO/Clerk-Treasurer Staff Report for February 2018

Council received the report for information.

8.3 2018.ML.002.INF – Statement of Remuneration and Expenses for 2017

Council received the report for information.

8.4 2018.ML.002.ISS – Request to Attend AMCTO Zone 8 and Annual Conference – Follow-up report

CAO, Michelle Larose presented the report requesting to attend the Zone 8 meetings and AMCTO Annual Conference. Council requested additional information.

8.5 Draft RFP – Relocation of Hoist Room (GYM) Operation and Maintenance

Direction was given to remove the clause "A private enterprise would be preferable". The due date for the RFP will be April 13, 2018.

8.6 List of Municipal Properties

The CAO presented the list of all municipally owned properties to Council. The list will be further defined to show only vacant land.

8.7 Councillor Session presentation – Verbal – Michelle Larose, CAO

Michelle Larose reported that Liana Bacon of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs would be willing to do a presentation on becoming a member of council to current councils and potential candidates in our area. It was asked that the session take place in early April, 2018.

9. CORRESPONDENCE – FOR INFORMATION

9.1 Council reviewed the Cobalt/Coleman, Latchford and Area Food Bank 2017 Activity Report. Mayor Sartoretto will be sending a letter of congratulations to the Food Bank.

9.2 – 9.5 These items were received for information.

CORRESPONDENCE – FOR ACTION

9.6 Letter from Mario Chitaroni re. display case and memorabilia

CAO, Michelle Larose advised that Mr. Chitaroni's memorabilia was returned to him. She has contacted the new owner of the Arena to gain access to remove the display case and has advised Mr. Chitaroni of this.

9.7 Request for Municipal Contribution from Community Living Temiskaming South

Council will not be contributing due to budget constraints.

9.8 Letter from Timiskaming District Secondary School – request for Silver Medallion Award and Bursary

Direction was given to staff to provide a bursary and silver medallion for the graduation ceremony.

9.9 Letter from Nation Defence – re. recognition for MC Michael Ruddy, CD

Council would like to recognize all those who have served and retired from the Military that are from Cobalt. Mayor Sartoretto indicated that she would contact the Department of National Defence. Councillor George Othmer will contact the local Legion to obtain names of residents that have served.

10. OTHER BUSINESS

10.1 Fraser Building – Update

Council was advised that apartment #311 will be vacant at the end of April 2018. The property management company has been advised to begin advertising.

The parking signs have been installed on Prospect Avenue to assist people for parking.

10.2 2018.BYLAW.001.DR – By-Law/Animal/Property Standards Report

Council received the report for information.

11. CLOSED SESSION

Resolution # 18-59

Moved BY: Councillor Sue Nielsen

SECONDED BY: Councillor George Othmer

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council convene in closed session to approve closed session minutes and, as per section 239 (2) (i), a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial, financial or labour relations information, supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board, which, if disclosed, could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of a person, group of persons, or organization; regarding the water plant upgrades.

CARRIED

12. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION

Resolution # 18-60

MOVED BY: Councillor George Othmer

SECONDED BY: Councillor Mike Harrison

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the proposal by EXP for the engineering, contract and project management for the OCIF Top-Up funding for water plant upgrades.

CARRIED

13. CONFIRMATION BY-LAW

Resolution # 18-61

MOVED BY: Councillor Sue Nielsen

SECONDED BY: Councillor Mike Harrison

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 2018-77, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council of the Corporation of the Town of Cobalt, be taken as read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 6th day of March 2018;

AND FURTHER THAT the said by-law be signed by the Mayor and Clerk and recorded in the by-law book.

CARRIED

14. ADJOURNMENT


Resolution # 18-62

MOVED BY: Councillor Perry Wuest

SECONDED BY: Councillor Sue Nielsen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting adjourn at 8:31 p.m.

CARRIED



Mayor



Clerk