THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COBALT

**REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL**

**COBALT COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2016**

**MINUTES**

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2016 COMMENCING AT 6:30 PM.**

**PRESENT:**

**T. Sartoretto Mayor**

**G. Othmer Councillor**

**G. Bigelow Councillor**

**P. Wuest Councillor**

**M. Harrison Councillor**

**R. Schwartz Councillor**

**S. Nielsen Councillor**

**STAFF: D.Taylor, M. Anderson**

**AUDIENCE: Darlene Wroe (Speaker), Jim Patrick (CJTT)**

**30 members of the public**

**The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Mayor T. Sartoretto**

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

16-293

## MOVED BY: M. Harrison

SECONDED BY: P. Wuest

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The regular council meeting Agenda dated October 4, 2016 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OR PECUNIARY INTEREST

None.

**ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

16-294

MOVED BY: P. Wuest

SECONDED BY: M. Harrison

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The minutes of the following meetings be adopted as presented:

1. Regular Council meeting of September 20, 2016

2. Special meeting of September 24, 2016

3. Special meeting of September 27, 2016

4. Special meeting of September 28, 2016

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

16-295

MOVED BY: P. Wuest

SECONDED BY: M. Harrison

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Mayor be authorized to engage the services of a DWQMS Provider for a period of 2 months beginning October 7, 2016.

CARRIED

Mayor Sartoretto advised Council that discussions regarding OCWA, DWQMS and Public Works operations are ongoing and a meeting is scheduled for Wednesday for a tour of the water plant. She advised that due to other commitments, the parking situation with St. Patrick’s School has been addressed at this time.

PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS

16-296

MOVED BY: M. Harrison

SECONDED BY: P. Wuest

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Council receives the presentation by Chris Oslund, Temiskaming Transit Committee.

CARRIED

16-297

MOVED BY: G. Bigelow

SECONDED BY: M. Harrison

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Council for the Town of Cobalt hereby approves the submission of an application to the Public Transit Infrastructure Fund (PTIF) for two (2) – 32 passenger accessible transit buses in order to improve the service reliability of the Temiskaming Transit System; AND THAT Council for the Town of Cobalt hereby confirms this project would not have been undertaken without the support of Federal Funding through the Public Transit Infrastructure Fund.

CARRIED

STAFF REPORTS

None

REPORTS, RESOLUTIONS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS PRESENTED BY COUNCIL COMMITTEES

## 6.1 Mayor’s Update

16-298

MOVED BY: R. Schwartz

SECONDED BY: M. Harrison

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: the staffing be increased to 35 hrs until such time as the management situation is resolved.

CARRIED

a) Arena Survey – Mayor Sartoretto advised she met with Mr. Blackburn regarding the proposed change order and it was decided to proceed with the original request for the survery. A zoning amendment will need to be completed at a later date.

b) Audit – Mayor Sartoretto advised that OCWA will complete the water audits and a wetlands meeting will be set up to discuss the operations.

c) CAO – Mayor Sartoretto reported the process is ongoing. An offer has been made to the candidate of choice and a meeting will be scheduled to update Council on potential scenarios.

d) Public Works Administrator – It was agreed the part time employee will provide support to the Municipal Office and Public Works for 35 hours a week. The Union will be informed.

e) Solar Park – Mayor Sartoretto advised that there has been activity on site and the fencing has been installed.

## 6.2 Finance and Public Safety

Michelle, EDO gave an update on her meeting with AECOM with respect to the OCIF application. She updated Council on the Clean Water & Wastewater Fund. Council agreed with her suggestion that we apply for both funds for the same project.

## 6.3 Public Works and Safety

**6.4 Economic Development & Tourism**

## 6.5 Housing & Social Services

Councillor Schwartz reported the clothing swap was very successful and she will provide an account of funds received to the Municipal Office.

## 6.6 Recreation

Councillor Nielsen reported the Canada 150 tulips the Town received would be planted in the downtown area on Friday, October 7, 2016 beginning at 10:00 a.m. and asked for volunteers to assist. Mayor Sartoretto congratulated all participants on a very successful Culture Days.

**Outside Boards, Committees and Commissions**

## SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS

## CORRESPONDENCE FOR COUNCIL COMMENT

## CORRESPONDENCE FOR COUNCIL INFORMATION

16-299

## MOVED BY: G. Bigelow

SECONDED BY: P. Wuest

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The correspondence for Council Information items be noted, filed and recorded in the minutes of this meeting.

CARRIED

## BY-LAWS

## ON-GOING BUSINESS

## NOTICE OF MOTION

Freedom to Speak - Councillor Nielsen will bring forward a motion for the next meeting.

## CLOSED SESSION

**OTHER BUSINESS**

16-300

MOVED BY: G. Bigelow

SECONDED BY: P. Wuest

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: the Fire Department provide Council with regular written monthly reports and/or share their minutes with Council but especially two reports involving their latest actions regarding the swarming of Councillor Bigelow led by the Fire Chief Shawn Hearn and the meeting the Mayor attended with the Fire Department that ended badly.

Councillor Bigelow F

Councillor Harrison A

Councillor Othmer A

Councillor Schwartz A

Councillor Nielsen A

Councillor Wuest Abstain

DEFEATED

Mayor Sartoretto requested that the Fire Department be reminded to provide their minutes/reports to Council.

## CONFIRMATION BY-LAW

16-301

MOVED BY: G. Bigelow

SECONDED BY: P. Wuest

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: By-law No. 2016-042, 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 4th day of October 2016; AND FURTHER THAT: the said by-law be signed by the Mayor and CAO and recorded in the by-law book.

CARRIED

## ADJOURNMENT

16-302

MOVED BY: G. Bigelow

SECONDED BY: P. Wuest

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The meeting adjourn at 7:34 pm

CARRIED

Mayor

CAO