

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COBALT

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING COBALT COUNCIL CHAMBERS January 14, 2020 @ 6:30 pm

MINUTES

Present:

Mayor George Othmer
Councillors: Angela Adshead
Bill Gabbani
Joe Dube
Matthew Johnson
Doug Wilcox

Absent: Pat Anderson (with notice)

Staff: Brian Walker, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer
Dale Taylor, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer
David Adshead, Public Works
Steven Cooper, Public Works

1. **Call to Order:**

Mayor Othmer 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 Meeting Agenda**

The agenda was amended to include:

- (b) Q1 task list under section 8.4 Administration reports
- (c) Weekender delivery to Cobalt

RESOLUTION No. 2020-001

MOVED BY: Councillor Gabbani

SECONDED BY: Councillor Johnson

BE RESOLVED THAT Council approve the agenda of the Committee of the Whole Meeting dated January 14, 2020 as amended.

CARRIED

4. **Approval of Minutes**

RESOLUTION No. 2020-002

MOVED BY: Councillor Wilcox

SECONDED BY: Councillor Dube

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the following minutes as presented:

- 4.1 Regular Meeting of Council: December 17, 2019
- 4.2 Special Meeting of Council: December 19, 2018 Afternoon w/ D. King
- 4.3 Special Meeting of Council: December 19, 2018 Evening w/ D. King

CARRIED

5. Business Arising from The Minutes

Nil

6. Delegations and Presentations

6.1 EXP & Pedersen re: Water Treatment Plant Update
Alex O'Brein and Jamie Hawken of EXP gave Council and update on the status of the Water Plant Upgrades Project.

RESOLUTION No. 2020-003

MOVED BY: Councillor Johnson

SECONDED BY: Councillor Dube

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept the Delegations and Presentations items 6.1 as presented.

CARRIED

7. Business Arising from Delegations and Presentations

Nil

8. Staff & Committee Reports

- 8.1 By-law Enforcement Report
Council reviewed the By-Law task list.
- 8.2 Animal Control Report: PetSmart program
Roxanne St. Germain reviewed her report with Council and gave an update on the PetSmart Program and a fundraiser at the end of February to raise funds for Spay/Neuter clinics.
CAO Walker reported that he has received good feedback from the community on the approach Animals First takes to resolve issues.
- 8.3 Public Works Report: Report and Upcoming projects
Staff D. Adshead and S. Cooper were present to review the Public Works report with Council and to answer questions regarding the Water Plant Upgrades. Council requested that Public Works investigate a way to sand down the center of the road as our equipment is a sider sander. The concerns with gaining access to the Bunker Museum for Public Works employees will be resolved.
- 8.4 Administration Report:
 - (a) EMO Emergency Information Officer appointment
Council discussed options for appointing this position. Staff was directed to investigate further.
 - (b) Q1 task list
CAO Walker reviewed the January to March 2020 list of Administrative tasks to complete in that quarter.
 - (c) Weekender
CAO Walker reported that the Weekender will now be available from kiosks at 6 locations throughout Town and there will be an increased volume available at regular newsstands. Home delivery was requested to be discontinued due to the numerous complaints from residents with respect to safety and damages.

RESOLUTION No. 2020-004

MOVED BY: Councillor Johnson

SECONDED BY: Councillor Dube

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receive the Staff and Committee reports items 8.1 to 8.4 as discussed.

CARRIED

9. Correspondence

Nil

10. Other Business

Mayor Othmer reported on the meeting held January 9, 2020 with Minister Yurek, Ministry of the Environment, in his Toronto office. Mayor Othmer, CAO Walker, Vic Legault/OCWA and Maria Story/Story Environmental attended to present the Town's case that the numbers and indicators from the Wetlands System proves it qualifies as a secondary treatment and should be treated the same as other systems and to gain top down support to allow the system to be on evaluated its own merit. The presentation was well received and a file has been set up with the Minister for staff to forward documents at their request for further evaluation.

11. Closed Session

NIL

12. Business Arising from Closed Session

13. Confirmation By-law

RESOLUTION No. 2020-005

MOVED BY: Councillor Adshead

SECONDED BY: Councillor Gabbani

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 2020-01 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 14th day of January 2020;

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

CARRIED

14. Adjournment

RESOLUTION No. 2020-006

MOVED BY: Councillor Wilcox

SECONDED BY: Councillor Gabbani

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Committee of the Whole Meeting of Council be adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

CARRIED

Mayor

Clerk