

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COBALT

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING COBALT COMMUNITY HALL OCTOBER 6, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. MINUTES

Present

Mayor George Othmer
Councillor Angela Adshead
Absent Pat Anderson
Present Joe Dube
Bill Gabbani
Mathew Johnson
Doug Wilcox
Staff: John Hodgson Interim Clerk/Treasurer
Dale Taylor Deputy Clerk/Treasurer
Alex O'Brein Consultant with EXP
There were four people in the audience

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm.

Mayor Othmer asked Council to rise and observe a minute of silence in recognition of former Mayor Tina Sartoretto. Mayor Othmer encouraged everybody that if they wished to honour the memory of the former Mayor a donation to the *Cobalt Legacy Fund* would be an appropriate way to do so. Councillors were asked for statements and several were made in recognition of Mayor Sartoretto's service to the Community.

1. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

There were no disclosures.

2. Approval/Amendment of Meeting Agenda

Res No. 2020-198

Moved by: B. Gabbani Seconded by: M. Johnson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the agenda for the Committee of the Whole Meeting dated October 6, 2020 as presented.

Carried

3. Approval of Minutes

Res No. 2020-199

Moved by: D. Wilcox Seconded by: A. Adshead

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

Regular Meeting of Council – September 15, 2020

Special Meeting of Council – September 28, 2020

Carried

4. Business Arising from The Minutes

There was no business arising.

6. Inquiries – Members of the General Public

No inquiries were submitted at the time of Agenda.

7. Delegations and Presentations

7.1 Alex O’Brein, EXP – briefed Council on the Water Treatment Plant Upgrades and noted the impacts on Phase 2 Water Tower upgrades. Information included that some portions of the upgrade would be put off to 2021. Consultant O’Brein responded to questions by Councilors

Res No. 2020-200

Moved by: J. Dube

Seconded by: D. Wilcox

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept the presentation as presented.

Carried

8. Business Arising from Delegations and Presentations

There was no business arising.

9. Staff & Committee Reports

9.1 Public Works Department – September report was presented

9.2 Animal Control – July, August and September report was presented.

9.3 By-Law Department – August and September report was presented.

9.4 Update on RBC Recreation Grant program was deferred.

9.5 CAO gave a verbal update on a number of items that will be coming to the Regular Council as recommendation; Social Media Management Agreement, Housekeeping bylaws (noted later in minutes). Discussion centred on the proposed changes to the due dates of tax bills for 2021.

Res No. 2020-201

Moved by: M. Johnson

Seconded by: J. Dube

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept the Staff and Committee reports as presented.

Carried

10. Correspondence for Council direction:

10.1 Classic Theatre – request to use Theatre for live streaming and recording rentals. Staff was given direction to send a letter to the Theatre confirming tenure

10.2 Celebrate Canada 2021 – notice of application deadline – November 21, 2020. Council to submit ideas for this grant in time for the submission

10.3 Lions Club request for use of Community Hall for their meetings was deferred. Lions Club will be asked to present.

Correspondence for Council information:

10.5 2021 OPP Billing – increase of \$11,311.00 over 2020. OPP to be contacted to review the upcoming year budget. A committee will be selected to attend.

10.6 Town of Latchford – Service Agreement proposal was reviewed. Staff was directed to respond to the Town informing them that we are under contract at this time.

Res No. 2020-202

Moved by: D. Wilcox

Seconded by: J. Dube

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept the correspondence items as presented

Carried

11. Other Business

- 11.1 By-law 2020-32 Municipal Property Tax Policy – amendment to due dates to be presented at Regular Council, with possible revisions to dates.
- 11.2 By-law 2014-07 Disposal of surplus goods - recommendation to determine a method of disposal for the 444H loader to be presented at Regular Council
- 11.3 By-law 2020-42 - to Appoint an Interim Clerk-Treasurer – J. Hodgson to be presented at Regular Council.
- 11.4 By-law - to delegate authority to execute Extension Agreements to be presented at regular Council.
- 11.5 Updated quote from Pro Pipe for piping work at Water Plant was noted and the work is to proceed noting an increase in the budget of 5k.

12. Closed Session

13. Business Arising from Closed Session

14. Confirmation By-law

Res No. 2020-203

Moved by: D. Wilcox

Seconded by: M. Johnson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 2020-43 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 October 2020;

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

Carried

15. Adjournment

Res No. 2020-204

Moved by: J. Dube

Seconded by: B. Gabbani

BE IT RESOLVED that the Committee of the Whole Meeting of Council be adjourned at 7:30 pm

Carried

MAYOR

INTERIM CLERK/TREASURER