

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COBALT

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING COBALT COMMUNITY HALL October 12, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. AGENDA

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof**
3. **Approval/Amendment of Meeting Agenda**

DRAFT MOTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the agenda of the Regular Meeting dated October 12, 2021 as presented.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

DISCUSSION

VOTE

4. **Approval of Minutes**

DRAFT MOTION

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

Regular meeting of Council – September 21, 2021

Moved by:

Seconded by:

DISCUSSION

VOTE

5. **Business Arising from The Minutes**

6. **Inquiries – Members of the General Public**

7. **Delegations and Presentations**

Cobalt Historical Society – Liability insurance for the Heritage Silver Trail

8. **Business Arising from Delegations and Presentations**

10.4 Recommendation to approve Option 3 to fix and repair the structural issues at the Fire Museum/Food Bank Building at an estimated cost of \$20,000.

DRAFT MOTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Cobalt hire a firm to do an emergency repair to the Fire Museum/Food Bank building in accordance with Option 3 of the Engineer's report on the matter.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

DISCUSSION

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10.5 A resolution supporting FONOM's efforts to petition the Province of Ontario to consolidate agencies to address Northern Ontario's crisis in addressing challenges with mental health and addiction services.

DRAFT MOTION

WHEREAS Communities across the province are addressing an intensified social crisis and Northern Ontario is no different. We recognize that creating solutions will require a multi-ministry approach but if there are lessons to be learned from this pandemic, what were once cracks in the health care foundation, there are now large gaps forming especially around mental health, addictions, and homelessness;

WHEREAS Northern Ontario has significant challenges when it comes to accessing mental health and addictions services for our people in our communities;

WHEREAS over 300 Childcare staff who provide services to over 21,000 licensed child care spaces in over 340 locations across the North and they see the effects of Mental Health and Addictions every day in the children they care for and the parents they support;

WHEREAS, the defined area of Northern Ontario is over 800,000 square kilometers. Also, annually over 500 Social Services staff provide financial and employment assistance to over 15,000 families in 37 delivery sites across the North. Over 300 Community Housing staff provide safe and affordable housing to over 17,000 families in the North. In addition, there are many Police Officers and over 900 paramedics who responded to 200,000 medical emergency 911 calls. Paramedics have seen the direct results of the Mental Health and Addictions crisis in the North and some cases becoming ill themselves trying to cope with what they have seen;

WHEREAS FONOM appreciates the efforts of all the agencies that are working to help and support those addicted to opioids. In some districts, over 30 agencies are providing some assistance. But we would like to see consolidation of these agencies with the input of Municipalities/DSSAB's and local stakeholders. As we believe, a streamlined agency would be able to put the combined funds to better use;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that FONOM ask that our Northern Ontario Health Teams, in consultation with Municipalities/DSSAB's and local stakeholders, support a province-wide strategy that supports such consolidation;

FUTHER BE IT RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution to be shared with Premier Ford, Christine Elliott the Minister of Health, Michael Tibollo the Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions, the Leaders of the Provincial Oppositions, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO).

Moved by:

Seconded by:

DISCUSSION

VOTE

Items for Council information:

11. By-laws

11.1 By-Law 2021-32 to regulate traffic and parking of vehicles in the Town of Cobalt.

DRAFT MOTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 2021- 32 being a By-Law to regulate traffic and parking of vehicles within the Town of Cobalt be taken as read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 12th day of October 2021.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

DISCUSSION

VOTE

11.2 By-Law 2021-33 to regulate the removal and relocation of snow within the Town of Cobalt (repeals By-Law 2008-12)

DRAFT MOTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 2021- 33 being a ByLaw to regulate the removal and relocation of snow within the Town of Cobalt, be taken as read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 12th day of October 2021.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

DISCUSSION

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12. General Business

12.1 Schedule of Accounts

DRAFT MOTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives the following Schedule as presented:

Schedule No. 2021-18 in the amount of \$119,570.70

Moved by:

Seconded by:

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13. **Motion for which prior notice has been given**

14. **Mayor's Report**

15. **Notices of Motion**

16. **Councillor Updates**

17. **Council Question and Answer**

18. **Closed Session**

DRAFT MOTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council convene in Closed Session as per Section 239 of the Municipal Act 2001, as amended, in order to address a matter pertaining to subsection:

(2) (b) personal matter about an identifiable individual, including municipal or school board employees.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

DISCUSSION

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19. **Business Arising from Closed Session**

20. **Confirmation By-law**

DRAFT MOTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 2021- 34 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 12th day of October 2021.

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

Moved by:

Seconded by:

VOTE

21. **Adjournment**

DRAFT MOTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Regular Meeting of Council be adjourned at

Moved by:

Seconded by:

VOTE