

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COBALT

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING COBALT COMMUNITY HALL

November 23, 2021

To commence upon completion of Special meeting of Council at 6:30 pm
MINUTES

PRESENT:

Mayor George Othmer

Councillors: Pat Anderson
Joe Dube
Matthew Johnson
Angela Adshead via zoom
Bill Gabbani via zoom
Doug Wilcox via zoom

Staff: Steven Dalley, Town Manager
John Hodgson, Clerk-Treasurer Advisory
Dale Taylor, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer
Cassandra Beaudoin

Media Moderator

1. **Call to Order**
Mayor Othmer called the meeting to order at 6:54 p.m.
2. **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof**
Councillors Dube and Johnson declared a conflict of interest with item 12.1 – Schedule of Accounts
3. **Approval/Amendment of Meeting Agenda**
Councillor Wilcox requested an amendment to the Agenda under Closed Session – labour negotiations

RESOLUTION No. 2021-201

MOVED BY: D. Wilcox
SECONDED BY: B. Gabbani

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the agenda of the Regular Meeting dated November 23, 2021 as amended.
CARRIED

4. **Approval of Minutes**

RESOLUTION No. 2021-202

MOVED BY: P. Anderson
SECONDED BY: B. Gabbani

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the following minutes as presented:
Regular meeting of Council November 2, 2021.
CARRIED

5. Business Arising from The Minutes

None

6. Inquiries – Members of the General Public

None

7. Delegations and Presentations

None

8. Business Arising from Delegations and Presentations

None

9. Staff & Committee Reports**9.1 Public Works**

Councillor Gabbani asked which company would be supplying the winter sand for this season.

Councillor Dube asked for the expected arrival date of the Public Works building.

Mayor Othmer responded staff would respond with that information.

9.2 By-Law Enforcement**9.3 Fire Department****RESOLUTION No. 2021-203****MOVED BY:** M. Johnson**SECONDED BY:** B. Gabbani**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council accept the Staff and Committee reports as presented.

CARRIED

10. Items for Council direction:**10.1 Holiday schedule for approval.****RESOLUTION No. 2021-204****MOVED BY:** P. Anderson**SECONDED BY:** J. Dube**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council accept the proposed Holiday Schedule for 2021/2022.

CARRIED

10.2 Report on re-opening of the municipal office for the public**RESOLUTION No. 2021-205****MOVED BY:** P. Anderson**SECONDED BY:** J. Dube**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council accept the report recommendations that will allow for continued access by appointments, following established COVID-19 protocols and that the decision to reopen the office be reviewed again in March of 2022, as the municipal office cannot provide two metre physical distance options at present.

CARRIED

10.3 Set schedule for re-establishment of the Committee of the Whole meeting process.

RESOLUTION No. 2021-206

MOVED BY: D. Wilcox
 SECONDED BY: B. Gabbani

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council re-establish the Committee of the Whole meeting process. Committee meetings will be the 1st Tuesday of every month and Regular council meetings will be the 3rd Tuesday of every month.
 CARRIED

Mayor Othmer stated that the December meetings are as follows:

Committee of the Whole – December 7, 2021

Regular Meeting – December 21, 2021

10.4 Council to consider partnering with the OPP in the SCRAM Project that allows for sharing security video in the event of a possible crime.

RESOLUTION No. 2021-207

MOVED BY: M. Johnson
 SECONDED BY: P. Anderson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town partners with the OPP and promotes community partnership that allows for the voluntary sharing of security video for the investigation of wrongdoing.
 CARRIED

10.5 Training opportunities for councillors and heads of council available.

RESOLUTION No. 2021-208

MOVED BY: D. Wilcox
 SECONDED BY: M. Johnson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town promotes training opportunities both internally and on our website for anyone considering running for election next fall.
 CARRIED

Items for Council information:

None

11. By-laws

None

12. General Business

Councillors Dube and Johnson left the meeting and did not participate in the vote.

12.1 Schedule of Accounts

RESOLUTION No. 2021-209

MOVED BY: B. Gabbani
 SECONDED BY: A. Adshead

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives the following Schedules as presented:
 Schedule No. 2021-21 in the amount of \$176,913.79
 CARRIED

13. Motion for which prior notice has been given

None

14. Mayor's Report

None

15. Notices of Motion

None

16. Councillor Updates

Councillor Wilcox gave an update on the contract negotiations process.

17. Council Question and Answer

None

18. Closed Session**RESOLUTION No. 2021-210****MOVED BY:** D. Wilcox**SECONDED BY:** M. Johnson**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council convene in Closed Session as per Section 2239 of the Municipal Act, 2001 as amended in order to address a matter pertaining to subsection:

(2) (d) Labour relations or employee negotiations

CARRIED

RESOLUTION No. 2021-211**MOVED BY:** M. Johnson**SECONDED BY:** J. Dube**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Closed Session portion of Council be adjourned at 7:21 p.m. and reconvene to the open portion of the meeting.

CARRIED

19. Business Arising from Closed Session

None

20. Confirmation By-law**RESOLUTION No. 2021-212****MOVED BY:** B. Gabbani**SECONDED BY:** P. Anderson**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-law No. 2021-38 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 23rd day of November 2021.**AND FURTHER THAT** the said By-law be signed by the Mayor and Clerk and recorded in the By-law book.

CARRIED

21.

Adjournment

RESOLUTION No. 2021-213

MOVED BY: M. Johnson

SECONDED BY: J. Dube

BE IT RESOLVED that the Regular Meeting of Council be adjourned at 7:23 p.m.
CARRIED

Mayor

Clerk