

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COBALT

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

COBALT COMMUNITY HALL

August 2, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Mayor G. Othmer

Councillors: Pat Anderson
Angela Adshead
Gary Hughes
Doug Wilcox

Absent: M. Johnson (with notice)
J. Dube (with notice)

Staff: S. Dalley, Town Manager/Clerk-Treasurer
J. Hodgson, Clerk-Treasurer Advisory (via zoom)
D. Taylor, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer
C. Beaudoin, Administrative Clerk
A. Williams, Public Works Superintendent
E. Franks, Municipal Intern

Media Moderator

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**

RESOLUTION No. 2022-128

MOVED BY: A. Adshead

SECONDED BY: D. Wilcox

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the agenda of the Committee of the Whole Meeting dated August 2, 2022 as presented.

CARRIED

4. **Approval of Minutes**

RESOLUTION No. 2022-129

MOVED BY: P. Anderson

SECONDED BY: D. Wilcox

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

Regular Meeting of Council – July 19, 2022.

CARRIED

5. **Business Arising from The Minutes**

Nil

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

Nil

7. **Delegations and Presentations**

7.1 Cobalt Fire Chief Shawn Hearn – Discussion of Fire Apparatus Repairs

Chief Hearn and Deputy Chief Cooper reviewed the quotes from JJ Fire Service for the repairs that are required on Pumper #1 (48 years old) and #2 (30 years old). Chief Hearn recommended that repairs be completed on Pumper #2 and that Council look to purchase a good, used truck. The Fire Department has approximately \$11,000 from their fund-raising efforts to put towards the purchase.

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

Direction: Staff was asked to prepare a motion for the next meeting to authorize funds that can be accessed by the Fire Department in the event they are able to source a used truck.

9. **Staff & Committee Reports**

9.1 Public Works - July 2022

Aaron Williams reviewed the report with Council. Staff is concentrating on the hand railings in the downtown core and prioritizing others that are in a state of disrepair.

9.2 Animal Control – June and July 2022 reports

Direction: Ms. St. Germain will be requested to attend the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

9.3 By-Law Enforcement – July 2022

A property of concern was issued an order.

9.4 Municipal Intern – update on Teck Park upgrades

Evan Franks reported that the project is in a bit of a holding pattern until orders and further quotes come in. He and Mayor Othmer thanked the volunteers who have spent time weeding the Mini Putt and Playground areas.

RESOLUTION No. 2022-130

MOVED BY: P. Anderson

SECONDED BY: A. Adshead

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

CARRIED

10. **Items for Council direction:**

10.1 Corrie McFadyen – request to waive invoice re: Open Air Burning violation

Direction: Council has denied the request to waive the invoice and is in full support of the Cobalt Fire Department’s recommendation.

10.2 Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation – Proceed with Wellness Centre

Direction: Council agreed to proceed with acceptance of this funding opportunity. The project start date will be January 2023. A motion will be brought to the next meeting.

10.3 By-Law 2022-19 to provide for the owners of privately owned outdoor swimming pools to erect and maintain fences

Direction: A motion will be brought to the next meeting to adopt the By-Law with a correction to page 3 to remove reference to a Fence By-Law.

Items for Council information:

10.4 FONOM – Concerned with Criminal Justice System’s Practice – “Catch and Release”

Direction: A motion in support of FONOM’s concern will be brought to the next meeting.

RESOLUTION No. 2022-131

MOVED BY: P. Anderson

SECONDED BY: D. Wilcox

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept the items for Council direction and information as presented.
CARRIED

11. **Other Business**

Nil

12. **Outstanding Business**

Councillor Adshead requested that a review of By-Law 2013-37 being a By-Law to regulate the keeping of animals and the registration of dogs and cats within the Town of Cobalt.

Councillor Wilcox requested an update to the Animal Control contract negotiations.

13. **Closed Session**

Nil

14. **Business Arising from Closed Session**

Nil

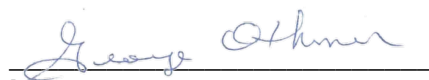
15. **Adjournment**

RESOLUTION No. 2022-132

MOVED BY: A. Adshead

SECONDED BY: D. Wilcox

BE IT RESOLVED that the Committee of the Whole Meeting of Council be adjourned at 7:19 p.m.
CARRIED



Mayor



Clerk