

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COBALT

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING COBALT COMMUNITY HALL August 16, 2022 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 August 16, 2022 as presented.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

DISCUSSION

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4. **Approval of Minutes**

DRAFT MOTION

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

Committee of the Whole Meeting – August 2, 2022

Moved by:

Seconded by:

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5. **Business Arising from The Minutes**
6. **Inquiries – Members of the General Public**
7. **Delegations and Presentations**
8. **Business Arising from Delegations and Presentations**

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9. Items for Council direction:

9.1 Motion to authorize funds for Cobalt Fire Department to put towards possible purchase of used Fire Truck.

DRAFT MOTION

Be it Resolved That a designated reserve be set up for replacement fire equipment by reallocating \$50,000.00 from the \$181,732.00 2021 Working Reserves.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

DISCUSSION

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9.2 Motion to discuss proceeding with Contribution Agreement with NOHFC for funding for Cobalt Wellness Centre given recent increases in projected expenditures for 2022.

DRAFT MOTION

Be it Resolved That the Town of Cobalt forgoes the signing of commitment contract documents for the Wellness Project, and that the Province be petitioned to set aside final decision pending direction from the next term of Council for their 2023 consideration.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

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9.3 Motion for support of FONOM's concern re Justice System

DRAFT MOTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports FONOM's creation of a Northern Working Group to focus on the issue of catch and release justice and supports the group bringing these concerns to the province during the upcoming AMO conference in August;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of the resolution be forwarded to FONOM.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

DISCUSSION

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9.4 Motion to fill vacancy to the Cobalt Public Library Board (Paul Penna Library)

DRAFT MOTION

WHEREAS a vacancy became available on the Cobalt Public Library Board;

AND WHEREAS individuals were asked to submit their interest to the Cobalt Public Library Board for review;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves of the recommendation from the Cobalt Public Library Board (Paul Penna Library) and appoints Helene Culhane to the Cobalt Public Library Board.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

DISCUSSION

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9.5 Timiskaming Drug and Alcohol Strategy – International Overdose Awareness Day August 31, 2022

DRAFT MOTION

WHEREAS the Corporation of the Town of Cobalt does affirm and acknowledge the harm and hardship caused by drug overdose;

AND WHEREAS we recognize the purpose of International Overdose Awareness Day as remembering loved ones lost to overdose and ending the stigma of drug-related deaths; and

AND WHEREAS we resolve to play our part in reducing the toll of overdose in our community, which claimed the lives of over 4,000 Ontarians in 2021 together with countless more affected forever;

AND WHEREAS from January to June of 2022 there have been 7 suspected drug-related deaths compared to 4 deaths during the whole of last year in Timiskaming Health Unit region;

AND WHEREAS we affirm that the people affected by overdose are our sons and daughters, our mothers and fathers, our brothers and sisters, our friends, and deserving of our love, compassion and support;

THEREFORE I, George Othmer, Mayor, do hereby proclaim August 31st, 2022, as Overdose Awareness Day in the Corporation of the Town of Cobalt.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

DISCUSSION

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Items for Council information:

None

DRAFT MOTION

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

Moved by:

Seconded by:

DISCUSSION

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10. By-Laws

10.1 By-Law 2022-16 - Amendment to User Fee By-Law re Tax Registration files

DRAFT MOTION

WHEREAS By-Law 2020-50 being a By-Law to establish user fees for the Town of Cobalt facilities and services includes Schedule “C” - Administration rates;

AND WHEREAS costs associated with Tax Registration files are not currently included;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 2022-16 being a By-Law to amend By-Law 2020-50 Schedule “C” to include Administration costs associated with Tax Registration files be taken as read a third time and finally passed this 16th day of August 2022;

AND FURTHER THAT the said By-Law be signed and sealed by the Mayor and Clerk.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

DISCUSSION

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10.2 By-Law 2022-19 Swimming pools and Fences

DRAFT MOTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 2022-19 being a By-Law to provide for the owners of privately owned outdoor swimming pools to erect and maintain fences be taken as read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 16th day of August, 2022;

AND FURTHER THAT the said By-Law be signed and sealed by the Mayor and Clerk.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

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10.3 By-Law 2022-20 – Amendment to Agreement with Pete Gilboe for the Provisions of By-Law Enforcement Services for the Town of Cobalt to include the Title of Property Standards Officer.

DRAFT MOTION

WHEREAS under Section 8 of the Municipal Act S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended, the powers of a municipality under this or any other Act shall be interpreted broadly to confer broad authority on the municipality to enable the municipality to govern its affairs as it considers appropriate and to enhance the municipality's ability to respond to municipal issues.

AND WHEREAS under Section 9 of the Municipal Act S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended, a municipality has the capacity, rights, powers and privileges of a natural person for the purpose of exercising its authority under this or any other Act;

AND WHEREAS under Section 10 (1) of the Municipal Act S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended, a single tier municipality may provide any service or thing that the municipality considers necessary or desirable for the public;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of Town of Cobalt enacts as follows:

1. Pete Gilboe's title be amended to include "Property Standards Officer" in the original By-Law including Schedule "A".

11. General Business

11.1 Schedule of Accounts

DRAFT MOTION

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

Schedule No. 2022-14 in the amount of \$174,092.33.

Schedule No. 2022-15 in the amount of \$262,971.68.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

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12. Motion for which prior notice has been given

13. Mayor's Report

14. Notices of Motion

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15. **Councillor Updates**

16. **Council Question and Answer**

17. **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 matters pertaining to subsection:

(2) (d) Labour relations or employee negotiations

Moved by:

Seconded by:

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18. **Business Arising from Closed Session**

19. **Adjournment**

DRAFT MOTION

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

Moved by:

Seconded by:

VOTE