

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COBALT

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING COBALT COMMUNITY HALL September 20, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. MINUTES

Present:

Mayor: George Othmer

Councillors: Angela Adshead
Pat Anderson
Gary Hughes
Matthew Johnson
Doug Wilcox

Absent: Joe Dube (with notice)

Staff: S. Dalley, Town Manager/Clerk-Treasurer
D. Taylor, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer
C. Beaudoin, Administrative Clerk

Media Moderator

1. **Call to Order**

Mayor Othmer called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. and called for two minutes of silence in memory of Queen Elizabeth II.

2. **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof**

Nil

3. **Approval/Amendment of Meeting Agenda**

S. Dalley requested two amendments to the agenda:

- 1) Section 10 – to include By-Law 2022-20 to establish a Compliance Audit Committee as per the Municipal Elections Act
- 2) Section 10 – to correct a numbering error to item 10.2

RESOLUTION No. 2022-151

MOVED BY: M. Johnson

SECONDED BY: A. Adshead

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the agenda of the Regular Meeting dated September 20, 2022 as amended.

CARRIED

4. **Approval of Minutes**

RESOLUTION No. 2022-152

MOVED BY: P. Anderson

SECONDED BY: D. Wilcox

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

Committee of the Whole – September 6, 2022.

CARRIED

5. **Business Arising from The Minutes**

Nil

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

Nil

7. **Delegations and Presentations**

Nil

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

Nil

9. **Items for Council direction:**

9.1 2021 Financial Statements and 2022 Letter of Engagement

RESOLUTION No. 2022-153

MOVED BY: M. Johnson

SECONDED BY: D. Wilcox

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept the 2021 Financial Statements and the 2022 Letter of Engagement as presented by Kemp, Elliot & Blair, Professional Chartered Accountants.

CARRIED

9.2 Resolution of support for Fauquier-Strickland re Ontario One call locates

RESOLUTION No. 2022-154

MOVED BY: A. Adshead

SECONDED BY: P. Anderson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council support the Township of Fauquier-Strickland and requests that staff forward a letter to the Ministry of Government and Consumer Services, Ontario One Call and G-Tel and express concerns about the excessive wait times for locates and the negative impact that it has caused and call on the Provincial Government to streamline and advance development in a safe and cost-effective manner for residents, businesses and communities that they serve.

CARRIED

Items for Council information:**9.3 Municipal Planning Consultants – Official Plan and Zoning By-law.****RESOLUTION No. 2022-155****MOVED BY:** P. Anderson**SECONDED BY:** A. Adshead**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council accept the items for Council direction and information as presented.
CARRIED**10. By-Laws****10.1 By-Law 2022-23 Being a By-law to repeal the Official Plan in accordance with Section 17(22) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended.****RESOLUTION No. 2022-156****MOVED BY:** M. Johnson**SECONDED BY:** A. Adshead**WHEREAS** the Official Plan for the Town of Cobalt was adopted by By-Law 1997-019;**AND WHEREAS** the Official Plan is outdated and Council has directed that a new Official Plan be prepared,**AND WHEREAS** the Council of the of the Town of Cobalt has undertaken all of the public and agency consultations required under Section 17 of the Planning Act regarding the new Official Plan and has informed the public that it intends on rescinding the current Official Plan and replacing it with a new Official Plan;**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, the Council of the Town of Cobalt hereby enacts as follows:

1. That By-Law 1997-019 of the Town of Cobalt, that had the effect of repealing the 1989 Official Plan and adopting a new Official Plan is hereby repealed,
2. That Council shall use the Provincial Policy Statement and the Growth Plan for Northern Ontario as a basis for planning decisions until such time as a new Official Plan is adopted by Council and approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs, and
3. This By-Law shall come into full force and take effect on the day of the final passing hereof.

Read a first, second, and third time and finally passed in Open Council this 20th day of September, 2022;**AND FURTHER THAT** the said By-Law be signed and sealed by the Mayor and Clerk.
CARRIED

10.2 By-Law 2022-24 Being a By-Law to repeal the existing Zoning By-Law and accept the new Zoning By-Law.

RESOLUTION No. 2022-157

MOVED BY: P. Anderson

SECONDED BY: D. Wilcox

1. That By-Law 2022-24 of the Town of Cobalt, upon this By-law coming into force and effect, By-law No. 2006-13 of the Town of Cobalt and all amendments thereto are hereby repealed.
2. This By-Law shall come into force and effect on the date it is passed by the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Cobalt subject to the applicable provisions of The Planning Act, R.S.O., 1990, c.P13., as amended.

Read a first, second, and third time and finally passed in Open Council this 20th day of September, 2022;

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

CARRIED

10.3 By-Law 2022-20 Being a By-Law to establish and appoint the Timiskaming District Joint Compliance Audit Committee

RESOLUTION No. 2022-158

MOVED BY: M. Johnson

SECONDED BY: P. Anderson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 2022-20 being a By-Law to establish and appoint the Timiskaming District Joint Compliance Audit Committee is hereby established pursuant to Section 88.37 of the Municipal Elections Act and pursuant to the Timiskaming District Joint Compliance Audit Committee's 2022-2026 Terms of Reference as established by the Town of Cobalt, to deal with the matters provided for in Sections 88.33, 88.34, 88.35 and 88.36 of the Municipal Elections Act;

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

CARRIED

11. General Business

11.1 Schedule of Accounts

RESOLUTION No. 2022-159

MOVED BY: D. Wilcox

SECONDED BY: P. Anderson

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

Schedule No. 2022-16 in the amount of \$111,699.13.

Schedule No. 2022-17 in the amount of \$221,100.16.

CARRIED

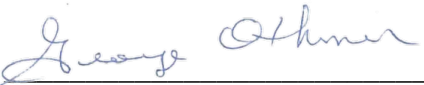
- 12. **Motion for which prior notice has been given**
Nil
- 13. **Mayor's Report**
Nil
- 14. **Notices of Motion**
Nil
- 15. **Councillor Updates**
Nil
- 16. **Council Question and Answer**
Nil
- 17. **Closed Session**
Nil
- 18. **Business Arising from Closed Session**
Nil
- 19. **Adjournment**

RESOLUTION No. 2022-160

MOVED BY: D. Wilcox

SECONDED BY: M. Johnson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Regular Meeting of Council be adjourned at 6:48 p.m.



Mayor



Clerk