

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COBALT

SPECIAL MEETING COBALT COMMUNITY HALL April 25, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. MINUTES

Present:

Deputy Mayor: Doug Wilcox

Councillors: Pat Anderson
Harry Cooper
Angela Hunter (via zoom)
Gary Hughes
Jim Starchuk

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

1. **Call to Order:**
Deputy Mayor Wilcox called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof**
Nil
3. **Adoption of Meeting Agenda**

RESOLUTION No. 2023-119

MOVED BY: G. Hughes

SECONDED BY: H. Cooper

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the agenda of the Regular Meeting dated April 18, 2023 as presented.

CARRIED

4. **Business**

4.1 2023 Capital Budget

S. Dalley, Town Manager presented the Capital Budget and reviewed expenses in the amount of \$671,709.27.

S. Cooper, Town Mechanic presented recommendations for fleet replacement for a 2023 ½ ton truck and 2023 trackless.

S. Hearn, Fire Chief and S. Cooper, Town Mechanic presented recommendations for replacement of pumper truck.

Staff was directed to provide a financial information report on the purchase of a new pumper truck.

4.2 2023 Operating Budget

S. Dalley, Town Manager presented the Operating Budget and reviewed expenses in the amount of \$3,021,163.00. Options to address the revenue shortfall were presented and discussed by Council.

RESOLUTION No. 2023-120

MOVED BY: H. Cooper
SECONDED BY: P. Anderson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council suspend the Procedural By-Law to allow a motion to be introduced regarding the 2023 Budget.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION No. 2023-121

MOVED BY: P. Anderson
SECONDED BY: G. Hughes

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: at the Special Meeting of April 25, 2023 Council reviewed the 2023 Capital and Operational Budget summary as presented, including tax levy scenarios;

AND WHEREAS after discussion, Council approved the 2023 Budget in the amount of \$3,692,872 with a 12% increase to taxes plus 8% to water operating + 8% to water capital.

AND FURTHER THAT Staff be directed to prepare the necessary By-Laws.

CARRIED

5. Adjournment

RESOLUTION No. 2023-122

MOVED BY: J. Starchuk
SECONDED BY: P. Anderson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Special Meeting of Council be adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

CARRIED

Mayor

Clerk