



TOWN OF COBALT NEWSLETTER

Issue 2023.2

2023 BUDGET

At the April 25, 2023 Special Meeting of Council, the 2023 Budget was reviewed and discussed. At the May 16, 2023 Regular Meeting of Council, Tax By-Laws 2023-13 and 2023-14 were adopted and can be viewed at www.cobalt.ca.

2023 Highlights:

- No Changes to Sewer Rates
- No Changes to OPP Charges
- 8% increase to Water Operating
- 8% increase to Water Capital
- 12% increase to Tax Levy

2023 Revenues
\$3,692,872

TOWN OF COBALT
 Property Taxes
\$708,937

Reserves
\$260,430

Water & Sewer
\$552,963

Policing User Fees
\$365,925

Provincial & Federal Grants
\$913,783

Other Revenue
\$182,051

User Fees
\$175,051

Capital Projects
\$533,732



2023 Expenses
\$3,692,872

General Government
\$632,180

Transportation
\$763,110

Health & Social Services
\$266,340

Recreation & Culture
\$55,413

Planning & Development
\$7,000

Protection to Persons & Property
\$554,962

Environmental Services
\$742,158

Capital Projects
\$671,709

CRIME STOPPERS 'See it. Say it. Stop it.'

To submit a crime tip, please call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or visit www.ontariocrimestoppers.ca

Crime Stoppers does not collect any of your personal information, so your identity is protected. Crime Stoppers promise of anonymity has never been broken and has been sanctioned by the Supreme Court of Canada.

Members of Council

Mayor Angela Adshead

Councillor Pat Anderson

Councillor Harry Cooper

Councillor Gary Hughes

Councillor Angela Hunter

Councillor Jim Starchuk

Councillor Douglas Wilcox

Municipal Services

Municipal Office
P.O. Box 70
18 Silver Street,
Cobalt ON P0J 1C0

705-679-8877

Telephone Hours: Mon—Fri
8am – 12pm & 12:30pm—4 pm

Email: cobalt@cobalt.ca

Website: www.cobalt.ca

Public Works **705-679-8110**
Aaron Williams, Superintendent
Email: awilliams@cobalt.ca

By-Law Enforcement **705-648-3750**
Pete Gilboe, By-Law Officer

Animal Control **705-650-2378**
Roxanne St. Germain, Animals First

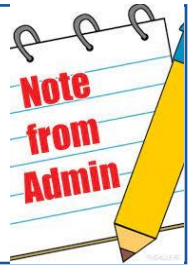
Building Permits **705-563-2426**
David Barton, Chief Building Official

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- Please save your tax bills as you may require them for future reference or for income tax purposes. Reprint of property tax bills or statement of accounts are \$10.00 per account per year (User Fee By-Law 2023-50)
- Parents registering their children for sports within the City of Temiskaming Shores may qualify for reimbursement of the "Out of Town User Fee" portion of the registration fee. Visit www.cobalt.ca for more information.



REMINDER NOTICE

The Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) provides the Residential Unit (RU's) on each property to the Town of Cobalt. The Town uses this information to bill Residential, Multi-Residential and Commercial properties. As per By-Law 2020-50 "Being a By-Law to Establish User Fees", Water/Sewer/OPP are charged per RU.

If you disagree with the information MPAC has on record, please contact MPAC directly at 1-836-296-6722. **The Town of Cobalt cannot correct this information for you.** If there is a correction, MPAC will forward the information to the Town with the 2024 assessment roll and your tax bill will be adjusted with the 2024 tax bill.

Property Tax Billing Due Dates

Final Billing

1 st Installment	August 31, 2023
2 nd Installment	September 28, 2023



DID YOU KNOW?

As a property owner in Ontario, you are required to support a school board, even if you do not have children or your children are not currently attending school. Property owners can select which school board they choose to support. By default, your school support is directed to the English Public School Board. Additionally, property owners will be able to vote for trustees in the next municipal election for the school board that they choose to support. The Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) is legislatively required to collect school board information and provide it in the assessment roll to every municipality and school board.

Changing your School Support Online: Property owners registered with MPAC can view and update the school support designation online. To learn more or change your school support designation, please visit mpac.ca/schoolsupport. A step-by-step guide is available which will help users navigate MPAC's school support portal. Alternatively, you can obtain the Application for Direction of School Support (ADSS) Form from www.mpac.ca.

Tax Payment Methods

Have your 19 digit property **roll number** ready. This is available on your Property Tax Bill.

- Online Banking
- Bank Payment in Person
- Bank Payment by Telephone
- In Person
- By Mail
- Dropbox

Not Receiving your Tax Bill?

If your property tax bill does not have the correct mailing address, it may not be delivered to you. Please ensure that we have your correct mailing address on file for all your properties within the Municipality of Cobalt.

If you have a change of address, please notify the Municipal Office as soon as possible in person or by emailing cobalt@cobalt.ca. Bills will only be sent to the address currently on file.

Tax Sale Policy

Municipal Property Tax Policy By-Law 2020-32:

If you do not pay your 2022 tax bill in full by December 31, 2023, your property will be placed in **Tax Registration** in accordance with proceedings prescribed by the *Municipal Act, 2001* and *Ontario Regulations 181/03* for **Municipal Tax Sale**.

Waste Management

Please visit www.cobalt.ca for restrictions and conditions.

Location: Haileybury Landfill Site located on Dump Road off Hwy 11. The hours of operation are:

Tuesday to Saturday	8:30 AM to 4:30 PM
Sunday, Monday, Stat Holidays	Closed



Have a problem or concern to report?

Your Municipal Office makes it simple! All you have to do is make us aware of your concern. We will then be able to address the issue quickly and effectively.

We encourage you to submit your inquiries by emailing cobalt@cobalt.ca or in person at the Municipal Office. All concerns are kept confidential.