THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COBALT

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING COBALT COMMUNITY HALL October 17, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. AGENDA

1. Call to Order

2. <u>Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof</u>

3. Public Meetings

Zoning Amendment for Argentite Street (Train Station) pursuant to Section 34 of the Planning Act

4. <u>Deputations/Delegation</u>

Emilie Mercier - Cobalt Food Bank

5. Adoption of Meeting Agenda

DRAFT MOTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the agenda of the Regular Meeting dated October 17, 2023 as presented.

Moved by: Seconded by:

DISCUSSION

VOTE

6. Approval of Previous Council Minutes

DRAFT MOTION

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

Regular Meeting of Council – September 19, 2023 Committee of the Whole Meeting – October 3, 2023

Moved by: Seconded by:

DISCUSSION

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7. Items for Council consideration

7.1 Motion for support for FONOM – Support for Northern School of Medicine

DRAFT MOTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Cobalt strongly requests the Provincial Government grant NOSM University's request for a permanent increase in annual base funding by \$4.0 million before the end of this fiscal year so it can continue to deliver on the mandate that the Conservative Government initially established in response to the needs of Northern municipalities.

Moved by: Seconded by:

DISCUSSION VOTE

7.2 Surplus Lots

DRAFT MOTION

WHEREAS at the Regular Council Meeting on September 19th 2023, Council declared the following lots as surplus;

AND WHEREAS all lots were evaluated by a licensed realtor;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following lots will be advertised for sale with the estimated current value of the property and all transferable legal fees will be the responsibility of the purchaser.

1.	14 Lang Street	vacant lot	\$12,000.00
2.	16 Lang Street	vacant lot	\$10,000.00
3.	8 Helen Street	lot with house	\$15,000.00
4.	17 Argentite Street	vacant lot	\$ 5,000.00
5.	21 North Avenue	vacant lot	\$14,000.00
6.	28 Laird Crescent	vacant lot	\$12,000.00
7.	39 Watson Place	vacant lot	\$16,000.00
8.	32 Pyrite Street North	vacant lot	\$16,000.00
9.	35-39 Pyrite Street North	vacant lot	\$20,000.00
			\$120,000.00

Moved by: Seconded by:

DISCUSSION VOTE

7.3 – Timiskaming Health Unit – Community Placemaking Grant

DRAFT MOTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Cobalt submit an application to the Timiskaming Heath Unit – Community Placemaking Grant.

Moved by: Seconded by:

DISCUSSION VOTE

7.4 - Elimination Credit Card Transactions

DRAFT MOTION

WHEREAS at the Committee of the Whole Meeting on October 3, 2023, Council received Staff Report 2023.10.3.1;

AND WHEREAS Municipal data indicates that credit card transactions are the least preferred method of payment but carry the highest costs;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the cost saving measure of eliminating credit card transactions beginning January 1, 2024 and public notice be given.

Moved by: Seconded by:

DISCUSSION VOTE

DRAFT MOTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept the items for Council consideration as presented.

Moved by: Seconded by:

DISCUSSION

VOTE

Items for Council information

7.5 Q3 Variance Report – January 1 to September 30, 2023 (Staff Report 2023.10.17.02)

7.6 Funding to Cobalt Public Library - \$12,500.00

DRAFT MOTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the releasing of \$12,500.00 as an operating grant to the Cobalt Public Library as directed at the Committee of the Whole Meeting of October 3rd, 2023.

Moved by: Seconded by:

DISCUSSION

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DRAFT MOTION

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

Moved by: Seconded by:

DISCUSSION

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8. By-Laws and Agreements

8.1 By-Law No. 2023-25 - To Adopt a Water Utilities Management Policy

DRAFT MOTION

WHEREAS Council received Staff Report No. 2023.09.05.03 at the Committee of the Whole meeting, September 5, 2023 with a recommendation to adopt a Water Utilities Management Policy;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 2023-25 being a By-Law to Adopt a Water Utilities Management Policy for the Town of Cobalt;

READ a first and second time on 19th day of September 2023.

BE READ a third time and final time and passed this 17th day of October 2023;

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

Moved by: Seconded by:

DISCUSSION VOTE

8.2 By-Law No. 2023-28 - To Adopt Amendment No.1 to By-Law 2022-24 Zoning By-Law

DRAFT MOTION

WHEREAS the Corporation of the Town of Cobalt has received an application to amend Zoning By-Law No. 2022-24;

AND WHEREAS authority is provided pursuant to Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O 1990, c.P.13 to pass this By-Law;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Town of Cobalt held a Public Meeting in accordance with the requirements of Section 34 of the Planning Act;

NOW THEREFORE the Corporation of the Town of Cobalt enacts that By-Law No. 2022-24 be amended as follows:

- Zoning By-Law 2022-24 is amended by rezoning the property municipally known as
 Argentite Street (Train Station), from the Light Industrial (M1) Zone to the Light Industrial Exception
 One (M1-1) Zone as shown on Schedule "A-1" attached to and forming part of this By-Law.
- 2. And further, an exception is added by including the Light Industrial Exception One (M1-1) Zone as section 4.7.3.1, and shall read as follows:

"Light Industrial Exception One (M1-1) Zone:

Notwithstanding the provisions of the Light Industrial (M1) Zone to the contrary, within the Light Industrial Exception One (M1-1) Zone, residential uses, up to 4 dwellings, are permitted uses in the M1-1 Zone. In all other respects the provisions of the M1 Zone shall apply."

TAKEN AS READ a first and second time this 17th day of October 2023.

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

Moved by: Seconded by:

DISCUSSION VOTE

8.3 By-Law No. 2023-29 - To Adopt an Amendment to User Fee By-Law 2020-50

DRAFT MOTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 2023-29 being an Amendment to the User Fee By-Law to amend Schedule "D" to include Encroachment fees as presented at the Committee of the Whole meeting October 3, 2023;

BE TAKEN AS READ a first, second and third time this 17th day of October, 2023;

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

Moved by: Seconded by:

DISCUSSION VOTE

8.4 By-Law No. 2023-30 - Amendment No. 1 to Accessibility Plan By-Law 2023-23

DRAFT MOTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 2023-30 being Amendment No. 1 to the Accessibility Plan By-Law to amend Schedule "A" – Customer Service as presented at the Committee of the Whole meeting October 3, 2023;

BE TAKEN AS READ a first, second and third time this 17th day of October, 2023;

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

Moved by: Seconded by:

DISCUSSION VOTE

8.5 By-Law No. 2023-31 – To Appoint a Chief Building Official, Inspectors and a Fire Prevention Officer for the Town of Cobalt

DRAFT MOTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 2023-31 being a By-Law to adopt a Chief Building Official, Inspectors and a Fire Prevention Officer for the Town of Cobalt as presented at the Committee of the Whole meeting October 3, 2023;

BE TAKEN AS READ a first, second and third time this 17th day of October, 2023;

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

Moved by: Seconded by:

DISCUSSION VOTE

9. <u>Unfinished Business</u>

10. New Business

10.1 Schedule of Accounts

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

Schedule No. 2023-18 in the amount of \$200,333.69. Schedule No. 2023-19 in the amount of \$185,936.55.

Moved by: Seconded by:

DISCUSSION VOTE

10.2 Mayor's Report

11. Closed Meeting

None

12. Business Arising from Closed Meeting

13. Confirmation By-Law

DRAFT BY-LAW

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 2023-32 being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council of the Corporation of the Town of Cobalt be taken as read a first, second and third time this 17th day of October, 2023

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

Moved by: Seconded by:

VOTE

14. Adjournment

DRAFT MOTION

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

Moved by: Seconded by:

VOTE