

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COBALT

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING COBALT COMMUNITY HALL February 6, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. MINUTES

Present:

Mayor: Angela Adshead

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

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

1. **Call to Order:**
Mayor Adshead called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.
2. **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof**
None
3. **Deputations/Delegation**
None
4. **Adoption of Meeting Agenda**

RESOLUTION No. 2024-019

MOVED BY: Councillor Cooper

SECONDED BY: Councillor Hughes

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the agenda of the Committee of the Whole Meeting dated February 6, 2024 presented.

CARRIED

5. **Staff Reports**
 - 5.1 Public Works – January 2024
 - 5.2 Animal Control – January 2024
 - 5.3 By-Law Enforcement – January 2024
 - 5.4 Cobalt Public Library Minutes – September 6, 2023
December 13, 2023
December 17, 2023
December 28, 2023

RESOLUTION No. 2024-020**MOVED BY:** Councillor Anderson**SECONDED BY:** Councillor Starchuk**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council accept the Staff reports as presented.

CARRIED

6. Items for Council consideration:**RESOLUTION No. 2024-021****MOVED BY:** Councillor Hughes**SECONDED BY:** Councillor Anderson**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council review the items for Council consideration as presented.

CARRIED

6.1 Draft By-Law No. 2024-XX – To Regulate Smoking and Vaping Within the Town of Cobalt
(Staff Report 2024.02.06.01)Recommendation: a motion will be presented at the next meeting.**6.2** Draft By-Law No. 2024-XX – Amendment No. 3 to By-Law 2015-016 Solid Waste Management –
Owners Responsible for Containers (Staff Report 2024.02.06.02)Recommendation: Council has agreed to leave the By-Law as is.**6.3** Temiskaming Municipal Services Association (TMSA) – Planner Opt In or Opt Out
(Staff Report 2024.02.06.03)Recommendation: a motion will be presented at the next meeting to opt in to TMSA – Planner.**6.4** Councillor Wilcox – Notice of Motion – Closed Meeting MaterialsRecommendation: Staff to consult with IT professionals for possible options and will be presented in a staff report at the next meeting.**6.5** Mayor Adshead - Frequency of Meetings (Staff Report 2024.02.06.04)Recommendation: a motion will be presented at the next meeting to change the frequency of the meetings to every 4 weeks with the agenda being available the Wednesday prior to the meeting and to revisit the frequency in 1 year.**6.6** Temiskaming Shores and Area Physician Recruitment and Retention Initiative – Letter for 5 year
Commitment.Recommendation: a motion will be presented at the next meeting to continue supporting the Temiskaming Shores and Area Physician Recruitment and Retention Initiative.**6.7** Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO) – Resolution – Promote Stability of Municipal FinancesRecommendation: a motion of support will be presented at the next meeting.**6.8** Cobalt Public Library Board Member - 1 New Applicant – Catherine LafoyRecommendation: a motion will be presented at the next meeting to appoint Catherine Lafoy to the Cobalt Library Board.**6.9** Councillor Anderson – Cobalt Day December 29thRecommendation: a motion of support to recognize December 29th as Cobalt Day will be presented at the next meeting.

6.10 Create a Negotiating Committee for upcoming Union Collective Agreement.

Recommendation: a motion will be presented at the next meeting to appoint Councillor Hughes and Councillor Starchuk to the Negotiating Committee along with the Town Manager.

Items for Council information:

7.1 District of Timiskaming Social Services Administration Board (DTSSAB) 2024 Budget

7.2 Fire Truck Update (Staff Report 2024.02.06.05)

Recommendation: Staff to provide a staff report with insurance scenerios at the next meeting. Mayor Adshead requested the attendance of the Fire Chief at the next meeting.

RESOLUTION No. 2024-022

MOVED BY: Councillor Hughes

SECONDED BY: Councillor Anderson

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

8. Unfinished Business

None

9. New Business

9.1 Mayor's Report

Mayor Adshead will be hosting a Community Engagement Initiative Meeting for February 2024 for spring ideas.

10. Closed Meeting

RESOLUTION No. 2024-023

MOVED BY: Councillor Cooper

SECONDED BY: Councillor Starchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council convene in Closed Session as per Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001 as amended, in order to address a matter pertaining to subsection:

(2)(a) The security of the property of the municipality or local board

(2)(i) a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial, financial or labour relations information, supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board.

CARRIED

11. Business Arising from Closed Meeting

Direction was given to Staff on a Closed Session matters.


12. Adjournment

RESOLUTION No. 2024-024

MOVED BY: Councillor Hughes

SECONDED BY: Councillor Cooper

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Committee of the Whole Meeting of Council be adjourned at 8:52 p.m.
CARRIED



Mayor



Clerk