

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COBALT

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING COBALT COMMUNITY HALL September 17, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. AGENDA

1. **Call to Order**

2. **Oath of Office – Council**

Oath of Office by Rene Lafleur for the Office of Councillor of the Corporation of the Town of Cobalt.

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

4. **Public Meetings**

None

5. **Deputations/Delegation**

5.1 Danielle Girard – Kemp Elliot & Blair - presentation of the 2023 Audit

DRAFT MOTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives the 2023 Financial Statements for the Corporation of the Town of Cobalt and the Cobalt Public Library as presented by Kemp Elliott & Blair LLP, Chartered Professional Accountants.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

**DISCUSSION
VOTE**

6. **Adoption of Meeting Agenda**

DRAFT MOTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the agenda of the Regular Meeting dated September 17, 2024 as presented.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

**DISCUSSION
VOTE**

9.2 Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing - Council Training

DRAFT MOTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct staff to invite the Municipality’s Municipal Advisor from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to a Special Meeting on Tuesday October 29th, 2024 to provide Council training.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

**DISCUSSION
VOTE**

10. Items for Council information

DRAFT MOTION

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

Moved by:

Seconded by:

DISCUSSION

10.1 Ontario Northland - Notice of Studies in Cobalt

VOTE

11. By-Laws and Agreements

11.1 By-Law 2024-33 – Fire Department Communication Agreement (Staff Report 2024.09.17.01)

DRAFT MOTION

WHEREAS Council received Staff Report 2024.09.17.01 with a recommendation to adopt By-Law 2024-33;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 2024-33 being a By-Law to authorize the execution of an agreement with other municipalities for the purchase and joint maintenance of a Fire Department Communication System be taken as read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 17th day of September 2024;

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

Moved by:

Seconded by:

**DISCUSSION
VOTE**

11.2 By-Law 2024-35 – Being a Deeming By-Law under Section 50(4) of the Planning Act (Staff Report 2024.09.17.02)

DRAFT MOTION

WHEREAS Section 50(4) of the Planning Act enables Council to pass a By-Law to deem certain lands a registered plan of subdivision to not be within a plan of subdivision;

AND WHEREAS the effect of deeming land to no longer be part of a plan of subdivision will have the effect of merging said lands should they be abutting and in the same ownership;

AND WHEREAS the owner of the lands specified in this By-Law has requested that Council deem said lands to no longer be in a plan of subdivision knowing the effects of the By-Law on the lands;

AND WHEREAS Council received Staff Report 2024.09.17.02 with a recommendation to adopt By-Law 2024-35;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law 2024-35 being a Deeming By-Law under Section 50(4) of the Planning Act be taken as read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 17th day of September 2024;

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

Moved by:

Seconded by:

**DISCUSSION
VOTE**

11.3 By-Law 2024-36 – Amendment No. 3 to User Fee By-Law 2023-33 (Staff Report 2024.09.17.03)

DRAFT MOTION

WHEREAS Council received Staff Report 2024.09.17.03 with a recommendation to amend Schedule “D” of User Fee By-Law 2023-33;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 2024-36 being a By-Law to adopt Amendment No. 3 to User Fee By-Law 2023-33 be taken as read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 17th day of September, 2024;

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

Moved by:

Seconded by:

**DISCUSSION
VOTE**

11.4 By-Law 2024-37 – To Repeal By-Law 79-9 Heritage Designation for 34 Cobalt Street (Staff Report 2024.09.17.04)

DRAFT MOTION

WHEREAS the Town of Cobalt passed By-Law 79-9 designating 34 Cobalt Street as being of architectural value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Clerk for the Town of Cobalt has received an application to repeal the heritage designation at 34 Cobalt Street;

AND WHEREAS Council received Staff Report 2024.09.17.04 and it is deemed desirable by Council to repeal By-Law 79-9 to remove the heritage designation at 34 Cobalt Street;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 2024-37 to repeal By-Law 79-79 to designate the property municipally known as Cobalt Unit Church Manse (34 Cobalt Street) as being of architectural value or interest as a Heritage property under the terms of Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, 1974, S.O. Chapter 122, be taken as read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 17th day of September, 2024;

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

Moved by:

Seconded by:

DISCUSSION

VOTE

12. Unfinished Business

13. New Business

13.1 Schedule of Accounts

DRAFT MOTION

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

Schedule No. 2024-16 in the amount of \$110,886.95.

Schedule No. 2024-17 in the amount of \$191,543.61.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

DISCUSSION

VOTE

14. Mayor’s Report

15. **Closed Meeting**

DRAFT MOTION

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

Moved by:

Seconded by:

VOTE

16. **Business Arising from Closed Meeting**

17. **Confirmation By-Law**

DRAFT BY-LAW

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 2024-38 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 September, 2024

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

Moved by:

Seconded by:

VOTE

18. **Adjournment**

DRAFT MOTION

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

Moved by:

Seconded by:

VOTE