

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COBALT

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING COBALT COMMUNITY HALL August 20, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. MINUTES

Present:

Mayor: Angela Adshead

Councillors:

Pat Anderson
Gary Hughes
Angela Hunter
Jim Starchuk
Doug Wilcox

Staff: S. Dalley, Town Manager
C. Beaudoin, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer

1. **Call to Order**
Mayor Adshead called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof**
Councillor Hughes declared a pecuniary interest on item 8.1
Mayor Adshead declared a pecuniary interest on item 12.1
3. **Public Meetings**
None
4. **Deputations/Delegation**
None
5. **Adoption of Meeting Agenda**

RESOLUTION No. 2024-152

MOVED BY: Councillor Anderson

SECONDED BY: Councillor Hunter

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the agenda of the Regular Meeting dated August 20, 2024 as amended.

Items 7.7 and 10.4 – By-Law 2024-33 Amendment No. 3 to User Fee By-Law 2023-33
Item 8.1 be changed from a Ballot Vote to a Show of Hands Vote.

CARRIED

6. **Adoption of Previous Council Minutes**

RESOLUTION No. 2024-153

MOVED BY: Councillor Anderson

SECONDED BY: Councillor Starchuk

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

Regular Meeting of Council – July 23, 2024

CARRIED

7. **Staff Reports**

RESOLUTION No. 2024-154

MOVED BY: Councillor Hunter

SECONDED BY: Councillor Hughes

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept the staff reports as presented.

7.1 Public Works – July 17 to August 13, 2024

7.2 Animal Control - None

7.3 By-Law Enforcement – July 2024

7.4 Cobalt Public Library Minutes –

7.5 Staff Report 2024.08.20.01 – By-Law 2024-30 2024 Fire Truck Debenture

7.6 Staff Report 2024.08.20.02 – By-Law 2024-32 Silverland Cemetery Operations By-Law

7.7 Staff Report 2024.08.20.03 – ~~By-Law 2024-33 Amendment No. 3 to User Fee By-Law 2023-33~~

CARRIED

8. **Items for Council consideration**

8.1 Council Vacancy

Councillor Hughes left the room and did not participate in the discussion or vote.

RESOLUTION No. 2024-155

MOVED BY: Councillor Anderson

SECONDED BY: Councillor Starchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following individuals, who have signified in writing that they are legally qualified to hold office and consented to accept the office if they are appointed to fill the vacancy, be considered for appointment to fill such vacancy.

The applicants, in alphabetical order based on their last name are:

Gary Bigelow, Rene Lafleur, Stephen Ward.

Appointment to Council Selection Process:

Each applicant, in alphabetical order based on their last name, will be given 2 minutes to address Council and the audience to outline why they should be selected to serve on Council. Upon hearing all the submissions of the candidates, Council will proceed to vote:

- Each member of Council will cast their **vote for one candidate only**.
- The Clerk will tabulate and announce the results.
- If the candidate receiving the greatest number of votes does not receive more than one-half of the votes (3 out of 5 votes), the candidate who received the fewest number of votes will be excluded from further rounds of voting.
- The vote will be taken again by the Clerk, and if necessary, more than once, excluding in each successive vote, the candidate who receives the fewest number of votes until the candidate

receiving the greatest number of votes has also received more than one-half of the votes of the voting members of Council.

Possible outcomes not decided by Council vote:

- a) In the event of a three-way tie, names will be placed in a container and drawn by an independent observer to select the winner.
- b) In the event of a two-way tie, a coin will be tossed to select the winner.

Vote #1 G. Bigelow – 1 R. Lafleur – 3 S. Ward – 1

Candidate Lafleur received the majority of votes and will be sworn in at the next regular meeting.

CARRIED

9. Items for Council information

- 9.1 Councillor Hughes – Library Update
- 9.2 Councillor Anderson – Medical Board Update
- 9.3 OCWA – Quarter 2 2024 Operations Report

RESOLUTION No. 2024-153

MOVED BY: Councillor Hughes
SECONDED BY: Councillor Anderson

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

CARRIED

10. By-Laws and Agreements

10.1 By-Law 2024-30 - Fire Truck Debenture (Staff Report 2024.08.20.01)

RESOLUTION No. 2024-157

MOVED BY: Councillor Wilcox
SECONDED BY: Councillor Starchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 2024-30 being a By-Law to authorize the borrowing upon amortizing debentures in the principal amount of \$ 605,500.00 towards the cost of a fire truck purchase be taken as read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 20th day of August 2024;

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

CARRIED

10.2 By-Law 2024-31 – Phippen Waste Management 2025-2030 Contract

RESOLUTION No. 2024-158

MOVED BY: Councillor Wilcox
SECONDED BY: Councillor Hunter

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 2024-31 being a By-Law to authorize the execution of a 6-year contract with Phippen Waste Management for the collection, removal and disposal of refuse as per the attached quote of \$9,018.91 plus HST monthly from January to March 2025, and \$4,509.46 + HST per month from April 2025 to December 31, 2025 and a CPI increase annually be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 20th day of August 2024;

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

CARRIED

10.3 By-Law 2024-32 – Silverland Cemetery Operations (Staff Report 2024.08.20.02)

RESOLUTION No. 2024-159

MOVED BY: Councillor Starchuk
SECONDED BY: Councillor Anderson

WHEREAS Council received Staff Report 2024.08.20.02 recommending the adoption of the Silverland Cemetery Operations By-Law;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 2024-32 being a By-Law to establish rules, regulations and tariff of rates for the Silverland Cemetery be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 20th day of August 2024;

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

CARRIED

10.4 By-Law 2024-33 – Amendment No. 3 to User Fee By-Law 2023-33 (Staff Report 2024.08.02.03)

RESOLUTION No. 2024-

MOVED BY: Councillor
SECONDED BY: Councillor

WHEREAS Council received Staff Report 2024.08.20.03 with a recommendation to amend Schedule “D” of User Fee By-Law 2023-33;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 2024-33 being a By-Law to adopt Amendment No. 3 to User Fee By-Law 2023-33 be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 20th day of August, 2024;

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

DEFERRED

- 11. **Unfinished Business**
None

- 12. **New Business**

Mayor Adshead left the room and did not participate in the discussion or vote. Deputy Mayor Anderson chaired the meeting in Mayor Adshead’s absence.

12.1 Schedule of Accounts

RESOLUTION No. 2024-160

MOVED BY: Councillor Hunter
SECONDED BY: Councillor Starchuk

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

Schedule No. 2024-14 in the amount of \$188,337.95.
Schedule No. 2024-15 in the amount of \$139,281.05.

CARRIED

13. **Mayor's Report**

Mayor Adshead reminded residents to be respectful of their neighbors.

14. **Closed Meeting**

None

15. **Business Arising from Closed Meeting**

16. **Confirmation By-Law**

RESOLUTION No. 2024-161

MOVED BY: Councillor Anderson

SECONDED BY: Councillor Starchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 2024-34 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 20th day of August, 2024

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

CARRIED

15. **Adjournment**

RESOLUTION No. 2024-162

MOVED BY: Councillor Wilcox

SECONDED BY: Councillor Hughes

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Regular Meeting of Council be adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

CARRIED



Mayor



Clerk