

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COBALT

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING COBALT COMMUNITY HALL October 15, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. MINUTES

Present:

Mayor: Angela Adshead

Councillors:

Pat Anderson
Gary Hughes
Angela Hunter (arrived at 6:20 p.m.)
Rene Lafleur
Jim Starchuk
Doug Wilcox

Staff: C. Beaudoin, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer
S. Dalley, Town Manager (absent with notice)

1. Call to Order

Mayor Adshead called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

None

3. Public Meetings

3.1 Planning Application 2024-04 - Zoning By-Law Amendment for 1 Hudson Bay Road pursuant to Section 34 of the Planning Act.

No Pecuniary Interest was declared.

Mike Henderson, Vice-President, President for TIME Ltd, owner of 1 Hudson Bay Road was available to answer questions.

There were no comments or concerns received from members of the public.

4. Deputations/Delegation

None

5. Adoption of Meeting Agenda

RESOLUTION No. 2024-179

MOVED BY: Councillor Anderson

SECONDED BY: Councillor Lafleur

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the agenda of the Regular Meeting dated October 15, 2024 as presented.

CARRIED

6. Adoption of Previous Council Minutes

RESOLUTION No. 2024-180

MOVED BY: Councillor Lafleur

SECONDED BY: Councillor Wilcox

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

Regular Meeting of Council – September 17, 2024

Special Meeting of Council – October 3, 2024

CARRIED

7. Staff Reports

RESOLUTION No. 2024-181

MOVED BY: Councillor Starchuk

SECONDED BY: Councillor Hughes

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

7.1 Public Works – October 2024

7.2 Cobalt Public Library Minutes – August 12, 2024

7.3 Staff Report 2024.10.15.01 - Variance Report 2024 - Quarter 3

7.4 Staff Report 2024.10.15.02 – Capital Budget Update 2024

7.5 Staff Report 2024.10.15.03 – Zoning By-Law Amendment (Planning Application 2024-04)

CARRIED

8. Items for Council consideration

8.1 2025 Budget Advisory Group

RESOLUTION No. 2024-182

MOVED BY: Councillor Anderson

SECONDED BY: Councillor Lafleur

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Councillor Starchuk and Councillor Lafleur be appointed to the 2025 Budget Advisory Group.

CARRIED

8.2 Library Operating Grant Request

RESOLUTION No. 2024-183

MOVED BY: Councillor Anderson

SECONDED BY: Councillor Wilcox

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council disperse \$12,500 to the Cobalt Public Library effective immediately.

CARRIED

8.3 Non-Mandatory Services Review

RESOLUTION No. 2024-184

MOVED BY: Councillor Lafleur

SECONDED BY: Councillor Hughes

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council directs Staff to disperse the non-mandatory services review survey by mail to the residents of Cobalt at a cost of approximately \$110.00.

CARRIED

9. Items for Council information

RESOLUTION No. 2024-185

MOVED BY: Councillor Lafleur

SECONDED BY: Councillor Anderson

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

9.1 Timiskaming Health Unit – Q2 Board of Health Report

CARRIED

10. By-Laws and Agreements

10.1 By-Law 2024-39 – Zoning By-Law Amendment – 1 Hudson Bay Road (Staff Report 2024.10.15.03 – Planning Application 2024-04)

RESOLUTION No. 2024-186

MOVED BY: Councillor Wilcox

SECONDED BY: Councillor Hughes

WHEREAS the Corporation of the Town of Cobalt has received planning application 2024-04 to amend Zoning By-Law 2022-24 for 1 Hudson Bay Road;

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

AND WHEREAS Council received Staff Report 2024.10.15.03 with a recommendation to adopt By-Law 2024-39;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 2024-39 being a By-Law to amend Schedule “A” to Zoning By-Law 2022-24 to allow for a site-specific exception to the Institutional (I) zoning of the property to allow the building to be used for cold storage and allow light manufacturing on the property be taken as read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 15th day of October 2024;

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

CARRIED

10.2 By-Law 2024-40 – Council Vacancy Procedure

RESOLUTION No. 2024-187

MOVED BY: Councillor Starchuk

SECONDED BY: Councillor Lafleur

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 2024-40 being a By-Law to provide for the filling of Council vacancies during a term of Council be taken as read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 15th day of October 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**

13.1 Schedule of Accounts

RESOLUTION No. 2024-188

MOVED BY: Councillor Lafleur

SECONDED BY: Councillor Anderson

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

Schedule No. 2024-18 in the amount of \$705,349.63.

Schedule No. 2024-19 in the amount of \$176,301.72.

CARRIED

13. **Mayor's Report**

Mayor Adshead announced that the Town took possession of the new fire truck and there will be an open house and BBQ at the Fire Hall on October 26, 2024, from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. weather permitting.

14. **Closed Meeting**

RESOLUTION No. 2024-189

MOVED BY: Councillor Hughes

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)(b) Personal Matter about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board members

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

CARRIED

15. **Business Arising from Closed Meeting**

Direction was given to Staff on Closed Session matters.

16. **Confirmation By-Law**

RESOLUTION No. 2024-190

MOVED BY: Councillor Anderson

SECONDED BY: Councillor Hunter

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 2024-41 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 15th day of October, 2024.

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

CARRIED

15. Adjournment

RESOLUTION No. 2024-191

MOVED BY: Councillor Wilcox

SECONDED BY: Councillor Lafleur

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Regular Meeting of Council be adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

CARRIED



Mayor



Clerk