

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COBALT

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING COBALT COMMUNITY HALL February 4, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. AGENDA

1. Call to Order

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

3. Public Meetings

None

4. Deputations/Delegation

4.1 – Jeff Manners – Northeastern Public Health – Community Safety & Well-Being Plan

5. Adoption of Meeting Agenda

DRAFT MOTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the agenda of the Regular Meeting dated February 4, 2025 as presented.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

**DISCUSSION
VOTE**

6. Adoption of Previous Council Minutes

DRAFT MOTION

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

Regular Meeting of Council – January 14, 2025

Moved by:

Seconded by:

**DISCUSSION
VOTE**

7. Staff Reports

DRAFT MOTION

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

Moved by:

Seconded by:

DISCUSSION

7.1 By-Law Enforcement Report - October 2024 to January 25, 2025

7.2 Animal Control Reports – July, August, September, October 2024

7.3 Staff Report 2025.02.04.01 – Appoint Persons to the Cobalt Committee of Adjustment

VOTE

8. Items for Council consideration

8.1 Planning Services from Temiskaming Municipal Services Association (TMSA)

DRAFT MOTION

WHEREAS Council for the Corporation of the Town of Cobalt has received the information from the Temiskaming Municipal Services Association (TMSA) regarding the adoption of Planning as a mandatory service;

BE IT RESOLVED that Council hereby supports the integration of planning as a mandatory service with the Temiskaming Municipal Services Association (TMSA).

Moved by:

Seconded by:

DISCUSSION

VOTE

9. Items for Council information

DRAFT MOTION

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

Moved by:

Seconded by:

DISCUSSION

9.1 Staff Report 2025.02.04.02 Fire Protection Grant 2024 – Targeting Cancer Prevention

9.2 By-Law 2013-037 – To Regulate the Keeping of Animals and the Registration of Dogs and Cats Within the Town of Cobalt

VOTE

10. **By-Laws and Agreements**

10.1 By-Law 2025-05 – Appoint Persons to the Cobalt Committee of Adjustment (Staff Report 2025.02.4.01)

DRAFT MOTION

WHEREAS Council received Staff Report 2025.02.04.01 with a recommendation to adopt By-Law 2025-05;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 2025-05, being a By-Law to establish a Committee of Adjustment in accordance with Section 44 of the Planning Act of the Planning Act R.S.O. 1990, c. P. 13, be hereby established and the following members of council shall be considered and hereby appointed to the Town of Cobalt Committee of Adjustment for a period of 1 year

- Angela Adshead
- Gary Hughes
- Rene Lafleur
- Douglas Wilcox
- Pat Anderson
- Angela Hunter
- Jim Starchuk

AND FURTHER THAT Steven Dalley be appointed as Secretary for the Town of Cobalt Committee of Adjustment.

BE TAKEN AS READ a first, second and third time this 4th day of February 2025 this 4th day of February, 2025;

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

Moved by:

Seconded by:

**DISCUSSION
VOTE**

11. **Unfinished Business**

12. **New Business**

12.1 Schedule of Accounts

DRAFT MOTION

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

- Schedule No. 2025-02 in the amount of \$ 38,441.15
- Schedule No. 2025-03 in the amount of \$144,068.15

Moved by:

Seconded by:

**DISCUSSION
VOTE**

February 4, 2025

13. **Mayor’s Report**

14. **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(b) Personal matter about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;

Moved by:

Seconded by:

VOTE

15. **Business Arising from Closed Meeting**

16. **Confirmation By-Law**

DRAFT BY-LAW

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 2025-06 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 4th day of February, 2025;

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

Moved by:

Seconded by:

VOTE

17. **Adjournment**

DRAFT MOTION

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

Moved by:

Seconded by:

VOTE



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COBALT

BY-LAW NO. 2025-05

Being a By-Law to Appoint Persons to the Cobalt Committee of Adjustment

WHEREAS Section 44 (1) of the Planning Act R.S.O. 1990, c. P. 13 provides that if a municipality has passed a By-Law under Section or a predecessor of such section, the council of the municipality may by By-Law constitute and appoint a committee of adjustment for the municipality composed of such persons, not fewer than three, as the council considers advisable;

AND WHEREAS Section 44 (3) of the Planning Act R.S.O. 1990, c. P. 13 provides that the members of the committee who are not members of a municipal council shall hold office for the term of the council that appointed them and the members of the committee who are members of a municipal council shall be appointed annually;

AND WHEREAS Section 45 (1) of the Planning Act R.S.O. 1990, c. P. 13 provides that the committee of adjustment, upon the application of the owner of any land, building or structure affected by an By-Law passed under section 34 or 38, or a predecessor of such sections or any person authorized in writing by the owner, may, despite any other Act, authorize such minor variance from the provisions of the By-Law, in respect of the land, building or structure or the use thereof, as in its opinion is desirable for the appropriate development or use of the land, building or structure, if in the opinion of the committee the general intent and purpose of the by-law and of the official plan, if any, are maintained;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Cobalt hereby enacts as follows:

1. **THAT** a Committee of Adjustment in accordance with Section 44 of the Planning Act of the Planning Act R.S.O. 1990, c. P. 13 be hereby established.
2. **THAT** the following members of council shall be considered and hereby appointed to the Town of Cobalt Committee of Adjustment for a period of 1 year
 - Angela Adshead
 - Gary Hughes
 - Rene Lafleur
 - Douglas Wilcox
 - Pat Anderson
 - Angela Hunter
 - Jim Starchuk
3. **THAT** Steven Dalley be appointed as Secretary for the Town of Cobalt Committee of Adjustment.

3. **THAT** this By-Law shall come into force and effect upon the final passing thereof.
4. **THAT** all other By-Laws and resolutions, or parts thereof, contrary hereto or inconsistent herewith, be and the same are hereby repealed.

TAKEN AS READ a first, second and third time and passed this 4th day of February 2025.

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

Mayor

Clerk

DRAFT



**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWN OF COBALT**

BY-LAW NO. 2025-06

**Being a By-Law to Confirm the Proceedings of Council
of the Corporation of the Town of Cobalt**

WHEREAS pursuant to Section 5(1) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25 as amended, the powers of a municipality shall be exercised by its Council;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to Section 5(3) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25 as amended, a municipal power, including a municipality's capacity rights, powers and privileges under Section 8 of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25 as amended, shall be exercised by By-Law unless the municipality is specifically authorized to do otherwise;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient that the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Cobalt at this Session be confirmed and adopted by By-Law.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Cobalt hereby enacts as follows:

1. **THAT** the actions of the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Cobalt in respect of all recommendations in reports and minutes of committees, all motions and resolutions and all actions passed and taken by the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Cobalt, documents and transactions entered into during the February 4, 2025 Council meeting, are hereby adopted and confirmed, as if the same were expressly embodied in this By-Law.
2. **THAT** the Mayor and proper officials of The Corporation of the Town of Cobalt are hereby authorized and directed to do all the things necessary to give effect to the action of the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Cobalt during the said meetings referred to in paragraph 1 of this By-Law.
3. **THAT** the Mayor and the Chief Administrative Officer or Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute all documents necessary to the action taken by this Council as described in Section 1 of this By-Law and to affix the Corporate Seal of The Corporation of the Town of Cobalt to all documents referred to in said paragraph 1.

TAKEN AS READ a first, second and third time and passed this 4th day of February, 2025.

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

Mayor

Clerk