



The Corporation of The Town of Cobourg
Community Services, Protection, and Economic Development Standing
Committee
Minutes

Wednesday, November 27, 2024
9:30 a.m.
Council Chambers, Victoria Hall, Cobourg

Members Present: Councillor Aaron Burchat, Chair
Councillor Adam Bureau
Mayor Lucas Cleveland

Staff Present: Kevin Ashfield, Deputy Fire Chief
Brian Geerts, Director, Community Services
Adam Giddings, Treasurer/Director Corporate Services
Cristal Laanstra, Director, Planning and Development
Brent Larmer, Town Clerk/ Director, Legislative Services
Kristina Lepik, Deputy Clerk/Manager, Legislative Services
Cassidy Sweet, Council and Committee Coordinator
Tracey Vaughan, Chief Administrative Officer

1. Call to Order

Chair, Councillor Aaron Burchat called the Meeting to Order at 9:39 a.m.

2. Traditional Land Acknowledgement

The Town of Cobourg respectfully acknowledge that we are located in the traditional and treaty territory of the Michi Saagiig (Mississauga) and Chippewa Nations, collectively known as the Williams Treaties First Nations, which include: Curve Lake, Hiawatha, Alderville, Scugog Island, Rama, Beausoleil, and Georgina Island First Nations.

The Town of Cobourg respectfully acknowledge that the Williams Treaties First Nations have been stewards and caretakers of these lands and waters, and that today remain vigilant over their health and integrity for generations to come. We are all Treaty people.

3. Introduction of Addendum Items

None.

4. Confirmation of Agenda

4.1 Confirmation of the Community Services, Protection, and Economic Development Standing Committee November 27, 2024 Agenda

Moved By Mayor Lucas Cleveland

Seconded By Councillor Adam Bureau

THAT the Committee confirm the agenda, as circulated.

Carried

5. Disclosure of Pecuniary (Financial) Interest

There were no Declarations of Pecuniary Interest from Members of Council.

6. Community Announcements

None.

7. Delegations

7.1 Delegation from David Moore regarding Amendments to By-law No. 012-2016 to Include Safety Gear

Moved By Councillor Adam Bureau

Seconded By Mayor Lucas Cleveland

WHEREAS the Committee adopt the following recommendation and refer to Regular Council for final approval.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council refer the delegation from David Moore regarding Amendments to By-law No. 012-2016 to Include Safety Gear to staff for a report back.

Carried

8. Outside Presentation / Information from Advisory Committees or Task Forces

None.

9. Consent Agenda

Moved By Councillor Adam Bureau

Seconded By Councillor Aaron Burchat

THAT the Committee adopt the following recommendations contained within the staff reports on the consent agenda as a single motion and refer to Regular Council for final approval.

9.1 Report No. COMM-2024-025 from Director, Community Services and Treasurer/Director, Corporate Services regarding Art Gallery of Northumberland - Agreement

WHEREAS the Committee adopt the following recommendation and refer to Regular Council for final approval.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives this report for information purposes; and

FURTHER THAT Council commends the Art Gallery of Northumberland (AGN) for its delivery of cultural services and experiences that benefit the residents of Cobourg; and

FURTHER THAT Council commends the Board of the AGN for its creative thinking in this updated shared-service delivery model that clarifies the role of the AGN and the Town in supporting a vibrant arts and culture community while maintaining clear deliverables for each organization; and

FURTHER THAT Council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to execute the attached agreement as approved by the Board of the AGN, recognizing the financial amounts related to the agreement will be reviewed and approved through the municipal budget process annually.

9.2 Report No. COMM-2024-026 from Director, Community Services and Treasurer/Director, Corporate Services regarding Cobourg Museum Foundation MOU

WHEREAS the Committee adopt the following recommendation and refer to Regular Council for final approval.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receive this report for information purposes; and

FURTHER THAT Council approve the attached Memorandum of Understanding and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute the document, subject to the finalization of minor terms and conditions by staff and the Cobourg Museum Foundation.

Carried

10. Items Extracted from Consent Agenda

10.1 Report No. COMM-2024-025 from Director, Community Services regarding Fire Hall Theatre Proposal Update

Moved By Mayor Lucas Cleveland

Seconded By Councillor Adam Bureau

WHEREAS the Committee adopt the following recommendation and refer to Regular Council for final approval.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receive this report for information purposes; and

FURTHER THAT Council congratulates the Northumberland Players for their longevity and continuing positive impact in the town; and

FURTHER THAT Council considers the arts to be integral to a thriving town as noted in the Strategic Plan and Culture Master Plan; and

FURTHER THAT Council commends the Northumberland Players on the professionalism and detail included within their proposal; and

FURTHER THAT Council encourages the Northumberland Players to further focus and develop improvement ideas for the Fire Hall Theatre building to provide a modern, accessible, enjoyable, and home-town experience but at a smaller scale to provide targeted improvements; and

FURTHER THAT Council encourages the Northumberland Players to continue to deliver intimate small-audience experiences in the Fire Hall Theatre and continue to partner with local facilities (including the Town's Concert Hall) to provide larger-scale shows.

Carried

Council recessed at 10:50 a.m. and reconvened at 10:58 a.m.

11. Notice of Motion

11.1 Notice of Motion from Mayor Lucas Cleveland regarding Ad-Hoc Committee for 310 Division Street

12. Departmental Updates/Discussion

Directors provided information and updates to the Committee and the Public on Divisional areas.

Councillor Adam Bureau left the meeting at 11:05 a.m.

13. Adjournment

Chair, Councillor Aaron Burchat called for adjournment at the completion of all items on the Agenda at 11:50 a.m.