

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A work session was held beginning at 3:30 p.m. and the regular meeting of the Coleraine City Council was held at 4:01 p.m., **Monday, March 10th, 2025**, in the Council Chambers of Coleraine City Hall.

WORK SESSION

3:30 p.m.

Ryan Sutherland of Itasca County explained the planned work that will be done on Hwy 61 that runs through town. Most of the work will be a mill and overlay. They will also replace curbs and gutters that need attention as well as any portion of sidewalks. There will not be a city cost share as the funding comes from gas tax dollars. The work will be done in 2025 but there is no timeline yet. Ryan and Interim Public Works Supervisor Campbell will meet and walk through the length of the project so that any trouble areas are pointed out.

Councilperson Giving wanted to get a feel from Council on addressing the ordinance regarding chickens. She has been contacted by several residents asking why they couldn't raise chickens on their property. Giving expressed interest in pursuing making a change allowing hens, no roosters. Giving will talk to Lloyd Anderson, Zoning Officer regarding this.

REGULAR MEETING

4:01 p.m.

The regular meeting was called to order by Mayor Antonovich at 4:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. A roll call was done by Clerk-Treasurer Anderson. **Members present: Councilpersons Swanson, Wilson, Giving, Sobotzak, and Mayor Antonovich.** Paul Shaffer, City Attorney, was also present.

Moved by Councilperson Sobotzak, supported by Giving, **to approve the consent agenda which included minutes of 2.24.25, correspondence, and claims of \$19,867.59.** Roll Call: Ayes: Councilpersons Sobotzak, Giving, Swanson, Wilson, and Mayor Antonovich. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Moved by Councilperson Sobotzak with support of Giving, **to approve the meeting agenda as presented.** Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no public comments.

DEPARTMENT HEADS

Police

Interim Chief Beach went over a written report, which included department updates and a long discussion on a potential agreement with the City of Bovey.

Public Works

Interim Public Works Supervisor Campbell went over his written report that was included in Council packets.

ATTORNEY

Attorney Shaffer explained the resolution on the agenda regarding the purchase of firearms by an officer and the logic behind it.

NEW BUSINESS:

Annual Grading, Snowplowing & Dust Control Contract renewal with Itasca County – Motion by Councilperson Giving, with the support of Swanson, **to approve the 2025/2026 Maintenance Contract with Itasca County for grading and snowplowing of City Roads.** Roll Call: Ayes: Councilpersons Giving, Swanson, Wilson, Sobtzak, and Mayor Antonovich. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Liability Coverage Waiver Form – Motion by Councilperson Sobtzak, supported by Giving, **to “Not Waive the monetary limits on municipal tort liability”.** Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

New garage door for shop--\$2350 – Stated this was actually for a heavy-duty commercial door opener. **Motion** by Councilperson Swanson, with support from Wilson, **to approve the purchase provided someone checks with the Fire Department to see if they have one that they are not using.** Roll Call: Ayes: Councilpersons Swanson, Wilson, Giving, Sobtzak, and Mayor Antonovich. Nays: none. Motion carried.

PD Policies—Pepperball Launchers, Projectiles and Blast Policy and Kinetic Energy Projectile Guidelines – Motion by Councilperson Giving, supported by Wilson, **to approve both policies as presented.** Roll Call: Ayes: Councilpersons Giving, Wilson, Swanson, Sobtzak, and Mayor Antonovich. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Contract with First Call for Help – Motion by Councilperson Giving **to approve \$500 to First Call for Help for contracted services.** The motion was seconded by Sobtzak. Roll Call: Ayes: Councilpersons Giving, Sobtzak, Wilson, Swanson, and Mayor Antonovich. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Resolution/policy regarding police officer city issued handguns – Motion by Councilperson Sobtzak, with support from Swanson **to approve Resolution No. 2025-03.10—PD Firearm authorizing the City of Coleraine to permit the Chief of Police/Officer of the City of Coleraine to Purchase Duty Firearm.** Roll Call: Ayes: Councilpersons Sobtzak, Swanson, Giving, Wilson, and Mayor Antonovich. Nays: none. Motion carried.

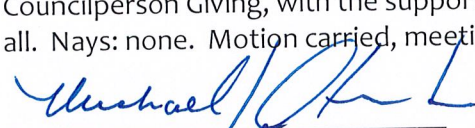
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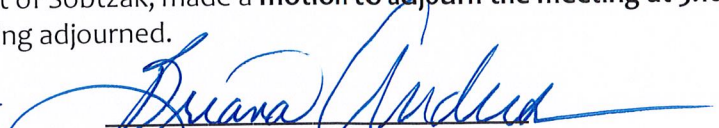
None

COUNCIL CONCERNS:

- Sobtzak:** None
- Giving:** Inquired on the status of the two open positions.
- Swanson:** None
- Wilson:** None
- Antonovich:** None

Councilperson Giving, with the support of Sobtzak, made a **motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:10pm.** Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried, meeting adjourned.


Mike Antonovich, Mayor


Briana Anderson, Clerk-Treasurer