

#### CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A work session was held beginning at 3:00 p.m. and the regular meeting of the Coleraine City Council was held at 4:00 p.m., **Monday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2026** in the Council Chambers of Coleraine City Hall.

#### WORK SESSION

**3:30 p.m.**

The work session consisted of a discussion of proposals for a Comprehensive Plan and a Strategic Plan. An inquiry was made as to why these would be needed – specifically “would it get us any funding”? It was explained that this would provide a road map for the current and future councils to assist in the decision-making process. There was concern about the cost. Clerk-Treasurer Anderson was instructed to get a strategic plan proposal from ARDC along with samples of recent work done. Anderson also asked to schedule a work session for both to provide a presentation as to provide reasoning for why these were important and for council to be able to ask questions. The meeting is to be scheduled for 5 to 7pm on a Tuesday evening.

#### REGULAR MEETING

**4:00 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, Giving, Wilson, Soltzak, and Mayor Antonovich.** Attorney Shaffer was not present.

**Moved** by Councilperson Soltzak, supported by Giving, **to approve the consent agenda which included minutes of 3.23.26, correspondence, PU claims sent of \$36,469.32, claims of \$17,938.66, and J Beach reimbursement of \$646.40 for training.** Roll Call: Ayes: Councilpersons Soltzak, Giving, Swanson, Wilson, and Mayor Antonovich. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**Moved** by Councilperson Soltzak with support of Giving, **to approve the meeting agenda with the addition of “Bolted Tank Service-Leak Repair” under new business.** Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion carried.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS:

A Coleraine resident, living on Roosevelt, wanted to know if neighbor could be sited for blight. It was stated that the neighbor’s yard is full of dog poop and it is going to start smelling. Barb also reported that there are three dogs there. An inquiry was made as to what the ordinance states. It was stated that the ordinance allows three pets: two dogs and one cat, or two cats and one dog. It does not allow 3 dogs.

Jake Langeslag used three minutes to comment on the old MN flag in council chambers, he wanted to promote jammers for men, that he is trying to get the Police Chief to talk to him, wants an apology for “coming at me”, PD policy manual a good thing, stated lots of people are being bullied in town and I am one of them, wants to talk about Eagle Ridge Golf Course and stated a resident there is trying to run him out of town and trying to impact his Door Dash employment where he stated he has a stellar record, wants to talk about another resident that changed lyrics at a karaoke event at the Locker Room that was disrespectful to

him, trying to apply as a substitute teacher and he was run out of school district office by a member of their staff, feels that he is being targeted and black balled, any stated a variety of other things.

## DEPARTMENT HEADS

### Police

Chief Beach provided a short verbal report and inquired if Council had any questions or comments on the updated Coleraine PD Policy Manual. They did not.

At **4:15pm**, Councilperson **Sobtzak motioned to recess the regular Council meeting and begin the public hearing on a variance request.** The motion was supported by Swanson. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Public Hearing #1 began.

Zoning Officer Anderson gave a brief summary of the variance request. There were no public comments on the variance request.

At **4:17pm** Councilperson Swanson, with support of Giving, **motioned to close the public hearing, and return to the regular Council meeting.** Ayes: all. Nays: none. Returned to regular meeting.

### Public Works

Public Works Supervisor Tabaka went over his written report beginning with City Clean-Up days which will be June 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. At this time, he introduced Jamie from the ReStore. Jamie explained the trial partnership with the County for last years Clean-Up days. The ReStore provided pods and volunteer staff to divert usable items that could be rehomed. They filled 4 pods last year, diverting over 15,000 pounds from going into the landfill. That partnership will extend to Coleraine this year and pods and staff will be available at the City's site to divert usable items.

At **4:30pm**, Councilperson Sobtzak, with support from Swanson, **motioned to recess the regular Council meeting and begin the public hearing on vacation of a portion of Mesabi Avenue alley.** Ayes: all. Nays: none. Public Hearing #2 began.

Clerk-Treasurer Anderson gave a brief synopsis of why the vacation was being requested. It was noted that the vacated alley would become part of the requester's property. There were no public comments on the vacation request.

At **4:33pm** Councilperson Sobtzak, supported by Wilson, **motioned to close the public hearing and return to the regular Council meeting.** Ayes: all. Nays: none. Returned to the regular council meeting.

Public Works Supervisor Tabaka continued with going over his written report. He informed that bag and brush pickup will start the first Monday in May and continue on Mondays until the last Monday in October, that he requests to hire summer help and will only want up to three, and explained why the CBT roof repairs had to be approved by each City Council.

## ATTORNEY

Absent; nothing to report.

## NEW BUSINESS:

**Variance request of Itasca Ski & Outing – Motion to approve the variance request** was made by Councilperson Swanson with the support of Wilson. Roll Call: Ayes: Councilpersons Swanson, Wilson, Giving, Sobtzak, and Mayor Antonovich. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**Vacation of a portion of Mesabi Avenue and/or alley – Motion** by Councilperson Sobtzak, supported by Giving, **to approve the vacation.** Roll Call: Ayes: Councilpersons Sobtzak, Giving, Swanson, Wilson, and Mayor Antonovich. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**Approve updated Coleraine Police Department Policy Manual – Motion** by Councilperson Wilson, with support from Swanson, **to approve updated PD Policy Manual.** Roll Call: Ayes: Councilperson Wilson, Swanson, Giving, Sobtzak, and Mayor Antonovich. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**Approve Water Supply Plan** – Clerk-Treasurer Anderson indicated a copy of the plan is available for review upon request and reiterated Tabaka’s comment that the DNR had approved. **Motion** by Councilperson Giving, supported by Wilson, **to approve the Water Supply Plan.** Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**Comprehensive Plan/Strategic Plan** – tabled

**Banyon Data Meter Interface Module** – Clerk-Treasurer Anderson indicated that this module is necessary for the new water meters to talk to Utility Billing. The module has a one-time cost of \$2,295 and an annual support cost of \$395. Councilperson Sobtzak, with support from Giving, **motioned to approve the purchase of the software and its annual cost.** Roll Call: Ayes: Councilpersons Sobtzak, Giving, Swanson, Wilson, and Mayor Antonovich. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**Resolution No. 2026-4.13—Library** – Clerk-Treasurer Anderson explained the potential grant and how it came about from the Library Director. It is a \$25,000 grant over 2 years with a focus on digital literacy. **Motion** by Councilperson Giving, supported by Swanson, **to approve the resolution to apply for and accept funding of \$25,000 should the grant be awarded to the Coleraine Library.** Roll Call: Ayes: Councilpersons Giving, Swanson, Wilson, Sobtzak, and Mayor Antonovich. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**CBT Roof Project** – A **motion to approve the CBT roof project** was made by Councilperson Giving, with the support of Swanson. Roll Call: Ayes: Councilpersons Giving, Swanson, Wilson, Sobtzak, and Mayor Antonovich. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**Post for Summer Help** – **Motion to approve posting for summer help starting with two students but allowing up to three at Public Works Supervisor Tabaka’s discretion** was made by Councilperson Sobtzak, with the support of Swanson. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**Bolted Tank Service-Leak Repair** – **Motion** by Councilperson Sobtzak, supported by Giving, **to approve the leak repair by Northern Steel Tanks for \$4,200.00.** Roll Call: Ayes: Councilpersons Sobtzak, Giving, Wilson, Swanson, and Mayor Antonovich. Nays: none. Motion carried.

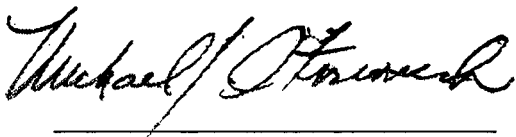
## UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

**COUNCIL CONCERNS:**

**Sobtzak:** None  
**Giving:** None  
**Swanson:** None  
**Wilson:** None  
**Antonovich:** None

Councilperson Sobtzak, supported by Giving, **motioned to adjourn the meeting at 4:49 pm.** Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried, meeting adjourned.



Mike Antonovich, Mayor



Briana Anderson, Clerk-Treasurer