

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 4:26 p.m., **Monday, July 13th, 2026** in the Council Chambers of Coleraine City Hall.

WORK SESSION

3:00 p.m.

The long work session consisted of conversations and various ideas on how the blight process now works and what could be done. Members of the Zoning & Planning Commission, Police Chief Beach, Attorney Shaffer, and all council were present – Councilpersons Swanson, Giving, Wilson, Sobtzak, and Mayor Antonovich.

The main concern of Zoning & Planning was that they didn't want to have conversations with the blight offenders because of the risk involved; they are requesting contact be made by a Police Officer. Council concurred that they didn't want to put Z & P members in harm's way. There was a lengthy discussion of what has happened in the past, various frustrations, and how the process could be done differently. Communication and notification between the residents, the city, the commission and city departments need to be better. A plan was talked about and a new process will be presented to the Council at the next council meeting for consideration. It was stated that this will not require a public hearing as it is an internal process.

Another concern is that Zoning & Planning was concerned that they never hear back after a ticket has been issued. It was stated that once a ticket is issued, it's out of law enforcement's hands and they don't hear anything back. Attorney Shaffer stated that he could provide some kind of report.

The other part of the conversation was regarding what to do about a property owner who has been non-compliant, what has transpired, and what can be changed and done to put some additional teeth into the ordinance for vacant properties that fall into further disrepair. Revisions to the ordinance will be drafted and will require notice and a public hearing.

REGULAR MEETING

4:26 p.m.

The regular meeting was called to order by Mayor Antonovich at 4:26 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. A roll call was done by Clerk-Treasurer Anderson. **Members present: Councilpersons Swanson, Giving, Wilson, and Mayor Antonovich. Councilperson Sobtzak was absent with notice.** Attorney Shaffer was also present.

Moved by Councilperson Swanson, supported by Giving, **to approve the consent agenda which included minutes of 6.22.26, correspondence, and Public Utility claims of \$37,916.55 and claims of \$149,114.63.** Roll Call: Ayes: Councilpersons Swanson, Wilson, Giving, and Mayor Antonovich. Nays: none. Motion carried.

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

DEPARTMENT HEADS

Police

Chief Beach was present and provided a brief verbal report.

Public Works

Public Works Supervisor Tabaka provided a written report that Clerk Anderson expanded on with his notes. The most notable is that the gate at the City Compost site will be open to residents Monday through Thursday until 3pm. The water meter installation began today with 50 residents being completed.

ATTORNEY

Covered any report in work session.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution No. 2026-07.13—Write-in Votes – Motion by Councilperson Giving, with support from Swanson **to approve Resolution No. 2026—07.13—Write-in Votes governing write-in vote counting.** Roll Call: Ayes: Councilpersons Giving, Swanson, Wilson, and Mayor Antonovich. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 2026-07.13—Election Judges – Motion by Councilperson Swanson, supported by Giving, **to approve Resolution No. 2026-07.13—Election Judges appointing Election Judges for the 2026 Primary and General Elections.** Roll Call: Ayes: Councilpersons Swanson, Giving, Wilson, and Mayor Antonovich. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Request for additional signage on Midway Lane – The request was for an additional 20 mile per hour speed limit sign and a Children at Play sign. Moved by Councilperson Giving, supported by Wilson, **to approve the additional signage and have PW put up.** Roll Call: Ayes: Councilpersons Giving, Wilson, Swanson, and Mayor Antonovich. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Appointment of new member to Zoning & Planning Commission – Motion by Councilperson Giving, with support from Swanson, **to approve the appointment of Beth Ann Mackey to the Zoning and Planning Commission as recommended.** Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

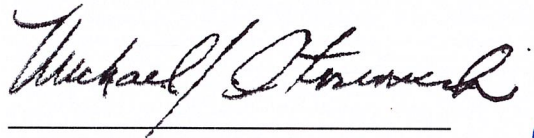
Revised blight procedure – this was handled in the work session. Revised blight Ordinance to be placed on the agenda.

Comprehensive Plan/Strategic Plan – Motion by Councilperson Wilson, supported by Swanson, **to move forward with a using ARDC to develop a solid quote for development of a new Comprehensive Plan.** Roll Call: Ayes: Councilpersons Wilson, Swanson, Giving, and Mayor Antonovich. Nays: none. Motion carried.

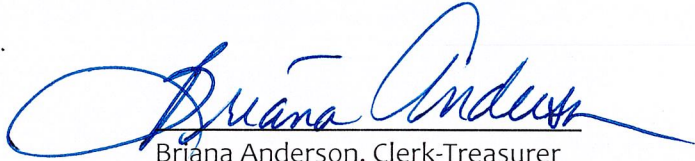
COUNCIL CONCERNS:

Sobtzak: Absent
Giving: None
Swanson: None
Wilson: None
Antonovich: None

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



Mike Antonovich, Mayor



Briana Anderson, Clerk-Treasurer