

CITY COUNCIL NO. 21-70

July 13, 1970.

A Regular Meeting of City Council was held this evening with the following members present: His Worship Mayor N. Kaneb, Aldermen L. Gauthier, R. Carrara, A. Clement, R. Brunet, D. A. Fawthrop, D. Webster, F. Guindon, G. Cameron, K. Bough, A. M. Lebano, J. Pescod and M. Holden.

DELEGATIONS

East Cornwall Business Men's Association - Parking on Montreal Road - Messrs. M. Bourgon, A. Daigneault and M. Lalonde of the East Cornwall Business Men's Association were present to again ask Council to eliminate parking meters on Montreal Road at lease for one year trial period. Alderman Lebano reminded the delegation that it was at the request of the Merchants' Association that parking meters were installed at the former Nativity School grounds. Mr. Bourgon replied that this request was from the former executive and that the members now have different views on the parking.

In answer to Alderman Pescod, Mayor Kaneb stated that the Board of Commissioners of Police had discussed controlled parking along Montreal Road, as requested by the Association, and the Board was of the opinion that this would be a most difficult situation to enforce and, to do it adequately, additional men would have to be taken on. Mr. Bourgon challenged the need for additional policemen as he pointed out that one

or two officers now patrol the area between 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Replying to Alderman Cameron, Mr. Bourgon stated that a number of shoppers had informed him that they were definitely against having to pay into parking meters for the privilege of shopping in the stores and that business in this area will greatly improve if the meters are removed.

Sam Pond - By-law to condemn building on Tollgate Road - Mr. Sam Pond, owner of a residence on Tollgate Road, informed members of Council that he no longer has the health to work and that, if he is forced to tear down the building where he now resides, he will lose everything in having to move. Mayor Kaneb reminded Mr. Pond that the City had received reports from Hydro, the Health Unit and various City departments and it was as a result of these reports that the by-law was passed. Mr. Pond was advised that he should move for his own safety and that, if he is unable to continue work, there must be some help available to him.

Rule '48' - Moved by Alderman Lebano, seconded by Alderman Brunet that Rule '48' be suspended to allow Parking Authority reports of July 7th and 10th to be brought forward. Unanimously adopted.

Moved by Alderman Clement that Council reject the report of July 7th and adopt the report of July 10th but exclude parts of the by-law referring to parking meters on Montreal Road. There was no seconder to the motion.

Aldermen Fawthrop, Carrara and Holden pointed out that, if we were to delete from \$8,000 - \$10,000, then the whole Parking Authority budget would be destroyed.

Moved by Alderman Clement, seconded by Alderman Brunet that By-law No. 860, 1970 be read a Third Time, PASSED, SIGNED and SEALED with the deletion from Schedule "A" of the following streets:

Marlborough Street, both sides, southerly from First Street to the Cornwall Pants and Prince Clothing Company

McConnell Avenue, west side only, from Walton Avenue, south to Montreal Road

Montreal Road, both sides, from Marlborough Street, east to Carleton Street

Water Street, both sides, from Gloucester Street, east to Marlborough Street

An amendment to the motion was made by Alderman Fawthrop, seconded by Alderman Guindon that By-law No. 860, 1970 be given a Third Reading and passed in the same form as presented to Council on March 23rd. Alderman Brunet asked for a recorded vote with the following results:

FOR Amendment - Aldermen R. Carrara, D. Fawthrop, F. Guindon, G. Cameron, A. Lebano, J. Pescod and M. Holden.

AGAINST Amendment - Aldermen L. Gauthier, R. Brunet, A. Clement, D. Webster and K. Bough.

The amendment carried.

By-law No. 860, 1970 - Moved by Alderman Fawthrop, seconded by Alderman Guindon that By-law No. 860, 1970 be read a Third Time, PASSED, SIGNED and SEALED. The motion carried.

Adoption of Minutes - Moved by Alderman Pescod, seconded by Alderman Gauthier that the Council minutes of meetings held June 29th and July 6th be adopted as received. Unanimously adopted.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Remembrance Association, Silver Cross Women of Canada - Tag Day, May 15, 1971 - Moved by Alderman Clement, seconded by Alderman Holden that the Remembrance Association, Silver Cross Women of Canada be permitted to hold a Tag Day on May 15, 1971. Unanimously adopted.
2. Comite de la Semaine Francaise - Letter of Thanks - Moved by Alderman Gauthier, seconded by Alderman Cameron that the letter be filed. Unanimously adopted.
3. Property Owners & Ratepayers Association - Municipal & School Board Elections - Moved by Alderman Bough, seconded by Alderman Guindon that the Association be advised that their request is now under review by the Department of Municipal Affairs. Unanimously adopted.
4. Downtown Shopping Centre Association - Two-way Traffic, Third Street East - Moved by Alderman Gauthier, seconded by Alderman Cameron that the letter be referred to the Public Works Committee. Unanimously adopted.
5. St. Lawrence & Ottawa Valleys Health Unit - Intent to lease office space - Moved by Alderman Cameron, seconded by Alderman Bough that study of the letter be deferred and brought up later this evening. Unanimously adopted.
6. International Seaway Bathtub Derby - Filling of Canal - Moved by Alderman Gauthier, seconded by Alderman Lebano that the letter be referred to Alderman A. Clement and the special committee set up to meet with the St. Lawrence Seaway Authority. Unanimously adopted.

7. Northeastern Ontario Municipal Association - Proposed Increase in Natural Gas Rates - Moved by Alderman Cameron, seconded by Alderman Brunet that the letter be filed. Unanimously adopted.

8. Department of Social & Family Services - Children's Aid Society 1970 Estimates - Moved by Alderman Holden, seconded by Alderman Bough that the letter be referred to the Finance Committee. Unanimously adopted.

Moved by Alderman Guindon, seconded by Alderman Clement that letter #8 also be referred to Mr. S. E. Fennell for his opinion as to whether the City may legally decline membership in the Children's Aid Society. Unanimously adopted.

PETITIONS

PE #23-70 - Marie Berthe Viau & Others - Requesting that City Council take immediate action concerning the waterfront between McConnell Avenue and Alice Street

Moved by Alderman Gauthier, seconded by Alderman Guindon that the petition be referred to the Public Works Committee. Unanimously adopted.

Alderman Carrara referred to the very unattractive condition along the shoreline. He stated that Mr. Earl Myers is checking with the man, appointed by Hydro, to clean up the eels, as to whether he would be in a position to also clean up some of the debris. Alderman Lebano suggested that the boathouses in this area be removed and a break-water wall be built and the bay filled in which would eliminate the stagnant water. On behalf of the delegation, Alderman Brunet submitted pictures to the Clerk, showing the dilapidated condition of the area. It was noted, at this time, that the Engineering Department

had attached signs to certain boathouses whereby they must be removed by May 27th with signs on other boathouses, giving the owners until June 1st to discuss with the Engineer, the reconstruction or demolition of the buildings. It was pointed out that the structures still exist with no changes whatsoever. The problem was turned over to the Public Works Committee with Mr. Art Seguin being invited to attend the meeting. In this respect, the Department of Lands and Forests is to be contacted to determine what jurisdiction the City has.

REPORTS

Finance Committee No. 10-70 - Moved by Alderman Fawthrop, seconded by Alderman Gauthier that the report be adopted as received. Unanimously adopted.

Technical Co-ordinating Committee No. 2-70 and No. 3-70 - Moved by Alderman Pescod, seconded by Alderman Gauthier that the reports be adopted as received. Unanimously adopted.

Redevelopment Committee No. 2-70 - Moved by Alderman Cameron, seconded by Alderman Guindon that the report be adopted as received. Unanimously adopted.

Alderman Cameron reported verbally on a meeting held earlier this evening of the Redevelopment Committee, the members of which Committee, unanimously adopted a resolution that a Civic Complex, composed of a basement and four floors, be erected at a total gross cost of \$1,432,625.00. Alderman Cameron pointed out that the project would be almost self-liquidating and that no greater than one-half mill increase should be experienced over the twenty year debenture period. Costs of the project would be

absorbed by the tenants and, to date, we have one floor to be used by Po with a second floor to be rented by the Board of Health.

With one floor being allotted to the Probation Office and Magistrate Court, this would leave one floor of rentable space available at this time.

Moved by Alderman Cameron, seconded by Alderman Guindon that we proceed immediately with the building of a Civic Complex, which building is to consist of a basement and four floors at a total gross cost of \$1,432,625.00. Alderman Brunet asked for a recorded vote with the following results:

FOR - Aldermen L. Gauthier, R. Carrara, A. Clement, D. Fawthrop, D. Webster, F. Guindon, G. Cameron, K. Bough, A. Lebano J. Pescod and M. Holden.

AGAINST - Alderman R. Brunet

The motion carried.

Report on Chain Link Fencing, Tender No. 25-70 -

Moved by Alderman Lebano, seconded by Alderman Gauthier that the tender of Brunet Bros. Hardware and Builders Supply Limited be accepted for chain link fencing at a price of \$2,690.26. Unanimously adopted.

Summary of Engineer's Report to Council No. 6-70 and No. 7-70 - Moved by Alderman Gauthier, seconded by Alderman Guindon that the reports be adopted as received. Unanimously adopted.

Fire Chief's Report No. 3-70 - Moved by Alderman Guindon, seconded by Alderman Pescod that the report be adopted as received. Unanimously adopted.

Answering Alderman Cameron, Mr. Boyer stated that the committee has studied the feasibility of a volunteer Fire

Department and have sent out a questionnaire and, to date, have received one reply.

Fire Inspector's Report No. 3-70 - Moved by Alderman Carrara, seconded by Alderman Guindon that the report be adopted as received. Unanimously adopted.

Alderman Lebano stated that, some time ago, he had asked the Police and Fire Departments to look into property that should be cleaned up and, to date, had received no reply. The Mayor asked that the information be given to the Administrator.

Report re Copeland (MacDonald-Campbell) Cemetery No. 1-70 - Moved by Alderman Carrara, seconded by Alderman Clement that the report be adopted as received. Unanimously adopted.

Public Works Committee No. 9-70 - Moved by Alderman Carrara, seconded by Alderman Guindon that the report be adopted as received. Alderman Lebano voted against the motion. The motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

RE #51-70 - City of Barrie - Assistance to municipalities in which universities own land and in which community colleges are situated or own land.

Moved by Alderman Bough, seconded by Alderman Gauthier that the resolution from the City of Barrie be endorsed. Unanimously adopted.

RE #52-70 - City of Cornwall - That Monday, August 3, 1970 be declared a Civic Holiday in the City of Cornwall

Moved by Alderman Clement, seconded by Alderman Lebano that Monday, August 3, 1970 be declared a Civic Holiday in the City of Cornwall. Unanimously adopted.

BY-LAWS

- By-law No. 907 - To name Blackadder Road in Lot 19, Conc. 1
- 908 - To repeal By-law No. 903, 1970 (Part-lot Control)
- 909 - To amend By-law No. 1567, 1963 (Funland)
- 910 - To authorize the construction of extensions to the Waterworks System on Wallrich Avenue from approximately 900 ft. north of Queen Street to approximately 1000 ft. northerly - \$17,778.13

Moved by Alderman Clement, seconded by Alderman Guindon that the by-laws be read a First and Second Time.

Unanimously adopted.

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Moved by Alderman Carrara, seconded by Alderman Guindon that the by-laws be read a Third Time, PASSED, SIGNED and SEALED. Unanimously adopted.

NEW BUSINESS

By-law No. 890, 1970 - Mr. Boyer advised members of Council that, to date, Mr. P. Gignac had not deposited a letter of intent re a building owned by him at the corner of Eleventh Street and Captain MacDonald Road. Alderman Guindon stated that he had been asked by Mr. Gignac to inform members of Council that he will deposit a letter tomorrow morning, indicating when he is prepared to have the repairs undertaken on this building. Council decided to take no further action until the next meeting of Council.

Civic Complex - Moved by Alderman Cameron, seconded by Alderman Guindon that the firm of Holtshousen, Thompson, Laframboise and Mallette be asked to proceed with plans for the new civic complex, which building is to consist of a basement and four floors at a total gross cost of \$1,432,625.00. Unanimously adopted.

Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting - Alderman Lebano advised members of Council that, on July 16th, the Parks and Recreation Committee is meeting with members of Charlottenburgh Council, the Raisin Region Conservation Authority and three of the boathouse owners along the East Front.

News Release - Alderman Lebano again brought up the idea of the Mayor regularly giving news releases covering various projects being undertaken. Mayor Kaneb assured Alderman Lebano that he will definitely follow this matter up and see if a program can be set up whereby news releases may be given.

Weed Control - Alderman Lebano referred to the number of complaints he has recently received regarding the weed situation which is especially bothersome to persons with asthma and other conditions. Mr. Grant stated that the Complaints Department has received very few complaints this year and pointed out that the obnoxious weeds are covered under Provincial Statutes.

Seaway Bathtub Derby - Alderman Lebano, on behalf of members of Council, thanked the organizers of the Bathtub Derby for the tremendous efforts put forward by them in staging the event this year. Certain Service Clubs and also Musicians' Association have indicated their interest in incorporating some of their festivities into next year's event.

Moved by Alderman Lebano, seconded by Alderman Clement that a letter of appreciation be forwarded to C.F.M.L., C.J.S.S. and the Standard Freeholder for the fine publicity coverage given by them. Unanimously adopted.

Tennis Courts - Alderman Lebano thanked the members of the Rotary Club for the tennis courts provided by them and noted that there are presently 200 children and 50 adults registered and an increase in registration is expected.

Sprinkling of Streets - Alderman Carrara suggested that, if phosphates are contained in the washing agent used in sprinkling the City streets, it should be eliminated and implied that only water be used.

Brookdale Shopping Plaza - Alderman Brunet advised that Secant Construction Limited are the owners where Woolco is located. The company is concerned with the egress and ingress to the plant and have made arrangements to have Mr. Faludi study the area. Alderman Brunet suggested that, possibly, Inspector E. Landry and Mr. Bruce Grant be present.

Trailer Parks - Alderman Brunet is to inquire as to when trailer parks will be permitted. He noted that extra tax revenue would be available to the municipality and, on the other hand, persons residing in the trailers, would not be liable for school taxes.

Asphalting of Driveways - Alderman Brunet referred to a recent letter from the City Solicitor indicating that no authority is given to a municipality to licence persons

who do asphaltting of driveways. He referred to the practice of certain companies coming in from outside the Province and competing with the local trade. He felt that some protection should be afforded to our local residents.

Elections at Large - Alderman Brunet reminded members of Council that, the vote on whether the question of elections at large should be considered by the ratepayers this Fall, was defeated by a tie vote at a recent meeting. He suggested that an ad hoc committee be formed to study this question. He gave notice of motion that he will bring this question up again at the next meeting.

Rules of Procedure - Alderman Brunet made reference to the section of the by-law governing rules of procedure, whereby, as Chairman of Committee of the Whole, it is the Mayor's duty to decide whether the meeting will be open or closed to the public. He stated that a motion is not necessary to determine this question. He also suggested that Council study various other sections of this by-law to see if we are following procedures as set down in the by-law.

Sub-dividing of Land - Alderman Brunet referred to various parcels of land which have been sub-divided and the remaining parcel of land is of no value to the owner as it is too small for the owner to obtain a permit because of the manner in which the property is zoned.

Rules of Procedure - In answer to Alderman Brunet's earlier statements made this evening, Mayor Kaneb stated that he is well aware of, and has attempted to fulfil his responsibility

as Mayor of the municipality. He suggested that a meeting of members of City Council be held to be followed later by a meeting of Department Heads when various matters can be discussed. He stated that, in his opinion, such meetings should be held periodically.

Elections at Large - Moved by Alderman Bough, seconded by Alderman Pescod that a small committee be constituted to consider elections at large and report to Council in due course and that this committee be composed of one member of Council, a representative from the Chamber of Commerce, Ratepayers Association, Labour Council and, possibly, the Service Council. The motion was defeated.

Alderman Brunet cautioned members of Council that, under Section 27(6) of The Municipal Act, a petition of not less than 400 ratepayers could be presented to Council asking that the question of elections at large be presented to the municipal electors to be voted upon.

Adjournment - Moved by Alderman Bough, seconded by Alderman Carrara that Council adjourn into Committee of the Whole.

Following a meeting of Committee of the Whole, Council reconvened.

Committee of the Whole Report No. 20-70 - Moved by Holden, seconded by Alderman Guindon that the report be adopted as received. Unanimously adopted.

Adjournment - Moved by Alderman Cameron, seconded by Alderman Webster that Council adjourn.


Clerk


Mayor