

CITY COUNCIL NO. 24-70

August 24, 1970.

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

Hearing on Amendment No. 2 to the Official Plan -

Mayor Kaneb inquired as to whether anyone wished to speak in support of or object to Amendment No. 2 to the Official Plan, being By-law No. 925, 1970. No one present spoke in support of or against the proposed amendment.

Rule '48' - Moved by Alderman Gauthier, seconded by Alderman Guindon that Rule '48' be suspended and the Planning Board Report No. 8-70 be removed from the unfinished section of the agenda and considered at this time. Alderman Bough voted against the motion. The motion carried.

Planning Board Report No. 8-70 - Moved by Alderman Pescod, seconded by Alderman Carrara that the report be adopted as received. Alderman Bough voted against the motion. The motion carried.

Adoption of Minutes - Moved by Alderman Clement, seconded by Alderman Gauthier that the Council minutes of the meeting held August 10th be adopted as received. Unanimously adopted.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. J. Graham Day - Smith Transport & Norman's Transfer - Moved by Alderman Pescod, seconded by Alderman Guindon that the letter be filed. Unanimously adopted.

2. Chamber of Commerce - Filling of Canal - Moved by Alderman Gauthier, seconded by Alderman Guindon that the letter be referred to the Special Committee set up to meet with the St. Lawrence Sraway Authority. Unanimously adopted.

Alderman Webster suggested that representatives of the Chamber of Commerce and the International Seaway Bathub Derby be asked to attend the next meeting when the City meets with the Seaway Authority in order that they may be aware of how far negotiations have gone.

Alderman Cameron joined the meeting at this time.

3. Ladies Association Multiple Sclerosis - Permission to sell lottery tickets in the City - Moved by Alderman Carrara, seconded by Alderman Clement that the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Ontario be granted permission to sell lottery tickets within the City. Aldermen Guindon and Holden voted against the motion as they felt more information should be forthcoming as to where the money will be spent and also to insure that there is no conflict with the local group. The motion carried.

PETITIONS

PE #27-70 - A. S. MacDonald & Others - Traffic control and safety on Cumberland Street between Second and Thirteenth Sts.

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

Mr. Adams stated that the Public Works Department carries out traffic counts once a year at all major intersections and that a survey has just been finished at the corner of Cumberland and Eleventh Streets with another to be commenced at the corner of Fourth and Cumberland Streets. He also pointed out that requests from the City to the Department of Transport must be substantiated by the number of vehicles using the intersection, pedestrian movement and the accident count, upon which information, the Department will decide whether traffic lights are warranted.

Attendance at Meeting - Mayor Kaneb commented on the large turnout of citizens at this evening's meeting. He noted that many present were interested in the application of Mr. Richard Abraham for the rezoning of property owned by him on Second Street East and, in this respect, the Mayor pointed out that Council, by adopting Planning Board Report No. 9-70 earlier this evening, had approved the recommendation of the Board that the application be denied and that the applicants could now apply direct to the Ontario Municipal Board if they so wished.

REPORTS

Anti-Pollution Committee No. 12-70 - Moved by Alderman Gauthier, seconded by Alderman Carrara that the report be adopted as received. Unanimously adopted.

Alderman Carrara indicated the willingness of those present to support the City in its endeavour to control pollution in the Cornwall Canal.

Parks and Recreation Committee No. 9-70 - Moved

by Alderman Lebano, seconded by Alderman Webster that the report be adopted as received.

Moved by Alderman Clement, seconded by Alderman Lebano that Rule '48' be suspended in order to hear delegations. Alderman Bough voted against the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Norman Baril, on behalf of a large delegation present at the meeting, read from a brief, a copy of which was made available to each member of Council. He stated that the members of the Cornwall Royals Executive had met at different times with the Parks and Recreation Committee and, at the last meeting, had been advised to come before Council. He explained that the audited financial statement of the Club was only now available and that a copy had been supplied to the Parks and Recreation Committee. Mayor Kaneb commended Mr. Baril for the well prepared and well presented brief and suggested that, as new requests had been included, the Committee should be given an opportunity to review this brief. Mr. Baril pointed out that the crux of the problem is the Royals request for an 80 - 20 split and that while it is true that the Club will receive more money, the Municipality will also receive more.

Answering Mr. Baril, Alderman Lebano stated that a very broad financial statement had been made available to the Committee and further, that the request of the Royals, made in July, recorded eight items, seven of which had been granted. He went on to state that the brief presented tonight is a new document. He reminded members of the Club that the agreement

with the City has been upgraded over the years. This year, the Committee had agreed to a 75 - 25 split but was opposed to giving any guarantee for the sale of 1,000 booster tickets.

Referring to the Club's request for ice time, Alderman Lebano noted that many other groups are asking for ice time and that the facilities, at this time, are not great enough. He stated that, while the Committee recognizes the problems of the Royals, further study would have to be given to this new brief. Referring to the required ice time, Mr. Baril said that Mr. Miller and he had studied this for some time. What the Club is most anxious to receive at this time is approval from Council for a 80 - 20 split. Alderman Lebano especially stressed the fact that the Committee is not persecuting the Royals but rather, has done everything to assist and co-operate with them. The Mayor advised the Royals that he, Alderman Lebano and Messrs. M. A. Boyer, R. J. Hamilton and Si Miller had met to review the eight original items and that nothing else was discussed and, any new requests from the Club, should be reviewed by the Committee. Answering Alderman Bough, Mr. Baril detailed the need for various other expenditures by the Club which resulted in a deficit last year.

The motion for adoption of the minutes by Aldermen Lebano and Webster was withdrawn.

Moved by Alderman Cameron, seconded by Alderman Guindon that the request of the Royals Hockey Club be referred to the Parks and Recreation Committee. The motion was withdrawn.

Moved by Alderman Lebano, seconded by Alderman Webster that Parks and Recreation Committee Report No. 9-70 and the brief submitted to Council this evening be referred to the Parks and Recreation Committee. Unanimously adopted.

Engineer's Summary of Watermains completed in 1970 (Municipal Act) No. 13-70 - Moved by Alderman Gauthier, seconded by Alderman Pescod that the report be adopted as received. Unanimously adopted.

Engineer's Summary of Storm Sewers completed in 1970 (Local Improvement Act) No. 14-70 - Moved by Alderman Gauthier, seconded by Alderman Guindon that the report be adopted as received. Unanimously adopted.

Engineer's Summary of Sanitary Sewers completed in 1969 (Local Improvement Act) No. 15-70 - Moved by Alderman Gauthier, seconded by Alderman Guindon that the report be adopted as received. Unanimously adopted.

Engineer's Summary of Pavements completed in 1968 (Local Improvement Act) No. 16-70 - Moved by Alderman Gauthier, seconded by Alderman Pescod that the report be adopted as received. Unanimously adopted.

Summary of Engineer's Report to Council No. 17-70 - Moved by Alderman Guindon, seconded by Alderman Gauthier that the report be adopted as received. Unanimously adopted.

Report on Supply of Office Furniture, Tender No. 33-70 - Moved by Alderman Fawthrop, seconded by Alderman Bough that the tender for the supply of office furniture be awarded in the matter as outlined in this report of August 18th

and submitted by Chief L. Carriere and Mr. W. F. Ainslie.

Unanimously adopted.

Report re proposed site for 'fast breeder'
nuclear plant - Misc. #2-70 - Moved by Alderman Lebano,
 seconded by Alderman Carrara that the report be adopted as
 received. Unanimously adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

RE #47-70 - Town of Oakville - Proposed Amendment to The
 Planning Act - Dedication of land for Public
 Purposes other than Highways

Moved by Alderman Gauthier, seconded by Alderman
 Guindon that the resolution from the Town of Oakville be
 endorsed. Unanimously adopted.

BY-LAWS

- By-law No. 928 - To authorize the construction of extensions to
 the waterworks system on Demontigny Street
 from Vincent Massey Drive to 550 feet southerly -
 \$5,843.56
- 929 - To authorize the construction of a Sanitary
 Sewer on Leger Avenue from Mercier Avenue to
 135 feet south of Cornwall Centre Road -
 \$18,993.79
- 930 - To authorize the construction of a Sanitary
 Sewage Work on Demontigny from Vincent Massey
 Drive to approximately 590 feet southerly -
 \$10,108.86
- 931 - To authorize the construction of extensions to
 the waterworks system on Third Street from
 Lefebvre Avenue to approximately 80 feet west
 of Danis Avenue - \$,362.69
- 932 - To authorize the execution of an Agreement and
 its submission to the Minister of Municipal
 Affairs for the Province of Ontario under Section
 20 of The Planning Act (Urban Renewal)
- 933 - To amend By-law No. 393/67 - (cleaning and clearing
 of grounds, yards or vacant lots)
- 934 - To amend By-law No. 232/67 (Purchasing By-law)

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

By-law No. 925 - Amendment No. 2 to the Official Plan

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934 - To amend By-law No. 232/67 (Purchasing By-law)

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

NEW BUSINESS

Petition No. 28-70 - Moved by Alderman Pescod, seconded by Alderman Carrara that the petition be filed. Unanimously adopted.

Alderman Lebano stated that he took objection to some of the remarks made in the brief. He felt that there were a number of inconsistencies. In his opinion, Council was wise in delaying acting on certain items as the members are then able to make a proper and just decision when the time comes. It was also noted by members of Council that Planning Board meetings are open to the public, at which time, full explanation is given on all subjects. Alderman Brunet stated that, while he was against the letters of Mr. Courville and one previously submitted by Mr. Lyle McLaren, he felt that such submissions should be studied by members of Council in order to improve

themselves.

Moved by Alderman Carrara, seconded by Alderman Gauthier that the Industrial and Economic Development Officer compile a list of all commercial properties available and contact known companies asking if they are interested in locating in Cornwall and to make them aware of commercial property that is available to them. Unanimously adopted.

By-laws to license and control the use of trailers -

Mr. Boyer asked members of Council if they wished to receive a copy of the two by-laws to license and control the use of trailers, which by-laws are to be placed on the agenda of the next meeting of Council. He stated that a few copies of the by-laws are available in his office and members of Council indicated that they would obtain a copy from the Clerk if they wished to study them prior to the next meeting.

Brief of Lyle McLaren - Answering a statement made by Mr. McLaren in a recent brief submitted to Council, Mayor Kaneb stated that he had asked for information from the City Engineer and the Industrial and Economic Development Officer to show what growth has taken place over the years. Mr. Adams's report set out the permits issued and the value of the buildings erected between 1960 and 1969, inclusive. The ten year period includes building activity of new and rebuilding construction of an amount of \$82,446,000.00 with approximately 97 percent of this amount for new construction. Mr. Courville's report covered the period from 1957 to 1969, inclusive, indicating population, assessment, taxation and also industrial, commercial, institutional and residential development over the

past ten years.

Alderman Lebano stated that a brief, such as that presented by Mr. McLaren, questioned the integrity and ability of many of our Department Heads. Also, any recommendations of the Planning Board are dealt with by members of Council and thus, any attack on the operation of this Board, also reflects on Council. He pointed out that the City has tried to get on the incentive program and more task forces have come into the City recently than in the past. He noted that the City has suffered economic setbacks but, with all of us being boosters of Cornwall, we will prosper again. The Mayor related that we will soon have rental geared-to-income and senior citizens developments; also the St. Lawrence College, together with certain local industries, are starting construction programs.

Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting - Alderman Lebano invited members of Council to attend the Parks and Recreation Committee meeting to be held this Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. when the Committee will meet with the Royals Hockey Club.

Ash Trees - Answering Alderman Guindon, Mr. Adams stated that a notice is to be inserted in the local press this week advising the citizens of what they can do to stop their ash trees from deteriorating. The blight on these trees is prevalent throughout Ontario but they can be treated and property owners will be advised who to contact.

Fire Department - Alderman Brunet brought out the fact that \$25,000 was allocated for overtime in the Fire Department this year. To-date, there is a balance of less than

\$2,000 for the rest of the year. He asked that the Finance Committee consider this question. He also noted that the City of Welland pays nothing for overtime.

Golf Tournament - Alderman Brunet referred to a recent editorial in the local press which stated that such an outing afforded an opportunity for people who normally deal with each other by telephone or letter, to be brought together. He stated that his practice was to talk to people and not by telephone. Referring to people on "different sides of the fence", he stated that he took exception to this wording as administration and Council do work together. Replying to the statement attributed to Mayor Kaneb that more people should attend, he stated that he does not play golf and the staging of this event on a weekday, took many people away from their work. He also suggested that the event should have been held at a local golf course which pays City taxes.

Entertainment Expenses - Alderman Brunet referred to the amounts spent to-date by the various departments on entertainment at local motels and restaurants. He noted that a very large percentage of the amount spent was at the Cornwall Golf Club, from which the City receives no tax revenue. He suggested that local eating establishments be utilized. Alderman Clement pointed out that promotion and entertainment expenses by the Industrial Committee were within a reasonable amount and that this Department must show prospective industrialists what is available. The Mayor replied that he was sorry that some of his remarks were misquoted. He had stated at the tournament that they had such a wonderful afternoon that he was

sure that those who could not attend, had a good reason.

Replying to Alderman Brunet's remarks regarding the use of the Golf Club facilities, Mayor Kaneb stated that, sometimes, it is necessary to entertain where they can be alone. Also, many of the persons are on their way to Montreal and, by having a snack at the Club House, ten miles of travelling is saved. He pointed out, however, that there are many fine eating places for the size of our community and we have patronized many of these establishments.

Council Meetings - Alderman Bough brought out that, at times, the Council Chambers is crowded at a meeting and, when a specific subject has been dealt with, then many of the people leave. He especially referred to the delegation who recently appeared on behalf of the International Seaway Bathtub Derby, at which time, the Presidents of the news media was present and when this item was finished, they left the meeting.

O. M. A. Convention - Alderman Bough reported on a recent convention he attend in Ottawa of the Ontario Municipal Association. The convention had been attended by over 600 delegates from all over Ontario and was made up of a larger number of appointed officials rather than elected representatives.

Alderman Bough made available to the aldermen, a copy of a speech - "Ontario: A Place to Stand - A Place to Protect", given by Honourable W. Darcy McKeough at the convention. He also tabled a report - "The maintenance of property - a program for Ontario", which report was compiled by Mr. Matthew B. M. Lawson, Consultant to the Department of Municipal Affairs.

He asked that extra copies of the report be obtained especially for members of the Public Works Department. The report recognizes a program to be carried out over the next five years to alleviate rundown conditions of buildings and cleaning up of lots, etc. Also, it is suggested that different incentives be offered to the property owners in order to save and improve their property. Alderman Bough related that 173 different resolutions had been considered over the three day period. He noted that the City of Cornwall had supported more recommendations than any other municipality in Ontario. One resolution that received a great deal of discussion was over the operation of the Children's Aid Society in Ontario. It was suggested that the Review Board be replaced by a Review Committee. The present Review Board is composed of more Children's Aid members than elected people. Under the new Committee, one person would represent the Children's Aid, one from the municipality and one from the Province. A decision from the Review Committee could be subject to review by the Minister. Another resolution brought out at the convention was the amalgamation of various municipal bodies in Ontario in order to give a unified, stronger voice in its presentations to the Province.

O. M. A. Executive - Mayor Kaneb reported that the Ontario Municipal Association had honoured Mr. Boyer by naming him to the executive.

Entertainment Expenses - Referring to the report tabled this evening on entertainment expenses, Alderman Lebano

pointed out that, in two or three places where his name is used, the reference should be to the Negotiating Committee.

Alderman Lebano noted that the Parks and Recreation Committee does make a practice, at the end of each season, of entertaining in a small way, some of their playground leaders and supervisors, in recognition of services rendered by these people.

Adjournment - Moved by Alderman Lebano, seconded by Alderman Gauthier that Council adjourn.


Clerk


Mayor