

CITY COUNCIL NO. 5-73February 27, 1973.
7 p.m.

A Special Meeting of City Council was held this evening with the following members present - His Worship Mayor E.C. Lumley, Aldermen G. Leger, A. LeBlanc, G. Samson, A. Clement, D. Fawthrop, F. Guindon, G. Cameron, K. Bough, A. Lebano, J. Pescod and M. Holden.

Excused from Meeting

On motion of Alderman Guindon, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, Alderman Webster was excused from attendance at the meeting. Carried.

Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Alderman Pescod, seconded by Alderman Leger, that the minutes of the February 12th and February 17th meetings be adopted as received. Carried.

Alderman Lebano expressed the view that on tender calls the City should specify that local help only be hired.

Mr. Adams advised that in the Standard Tender and Contract Terms and Conditions, it states, "City Council desires and requests contractors to hire and employ local help, all things being equal, whenever and wherever possible in the work to be performed".

Alderman Lebano therefore suggested that the Provincial Government be contacted to ascertain the limit of Council's authority in this respect and that the City thereafter exercise its full authority.

Alderman Samson stated that he knew of a young fellow who came from the Province of Quebec just recently, presented himself to the Unemployment Insurance Office and obtained employment with a local industry.

COMMUNICATIONS1. Ministry of the Environment - Sludge Disposal

Moved by Alderman Bough, seconded by Alderman Cameron, that the letter be referred to the Environmental Control Committee for suggestions on how to solve the problem. Carried.

PETITIONS

- PE #3-73 - K. Stang & others - Storm sewer on St. Michel from Sunnyside to Balmoral
- PE #4-73 - K. Stang & others - Pavement on St. Michel from Sunnyside to Balmoral
- PE #5-73 - E. Fontaine & others - Pavement on Gage from Kensington to Balmoral
- PE #6-73 = E. Fontaine & others - Storm sewer on Gage from Kensington to Balmoral

Moved by Alderman Samson, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, that the petitions be referred to the City Engineer. Carried.

REPORTS

Finance Committee #4-73

Moved by Alderman Fawthrop, seconded by Alderman Bough, that the report be adopted as received, with item #3 on page 3 being changed to read "Salary to Members of Council".

Replying to Alderman Lebano, Alderman Fawthrop stated that when the Finance Committee had met with the Chamber of Commerce, the question of revenues from the sale of motor vehicle licences had been raised. However, the Chamber's statements had not been audited nor had they received their T4 slips. In any case, Alderman Fawthrop advised that firm recommendations would not be made until the Finance Committee has met with various organizations requesting financial assistance and a revised budget has been prepared.

An amendment to the motion was made on motion of Alderman Samson, seconded by Alderman Pescod, that Finance Committee Report #4-73 be adopted as received with the exception of the paragraph entitled "Salary to Members of Council".

Some discussion ensued on the issue of a salary increase to the Members of Council. The Clerk explained that the matter had been brought up because of the wording of last year's resolution which based the Council Members' increase on salary increases granted to non-negotiable staff

which was a minimum of \$625 or slightly over 6%. He further explained that it is difficult to provide by by-law for an automatic increase based on staff salary increases because increases are not always granted in the same manner.

A vote was taken on the amendment and the amendment was defeated with Aldermen Leger, Clement, Fawthrop, Guindon, Cameron, Bough and Holden voting against the amendment. The motion carried with Aldermen LeBlanc, Samson, Lebano and Pescod voting against. It is to be noted that any future increases to Members of Council will be discussed as the occasion arises and not be automatic.

Alderman Lebano asked the Treasurer to explain the rebate from O.W.R.C.

Mr. Hamilton stated that the 1972 budget figure of \$640,000 had been based on 1971 volume at the reduced rate of 20.9¢ per 1000 gallons. However, because of an increase in volume in 1972, the cost to the City was \$755,000. Correspondence was forwarded to the O.W.R.C. explaining that we did not feel we should be charged to that degree. They concurred and granted the City a rebate of \$115,000. The rebate is to be applied as a credit in 1973.

Alderman Fawthrop advised that the points mentioned in the minutes re OMERS for members of Council was for information purposes only and it is up to Council to decide whether or not to join the basic plan. It was decided to discuss the matter under New Business.

Finance Committee #5-73

Alderman Guindon declared his interest and refrained from speaking or voting on any motions.

Moved by Alderman Fawthrop, seconded by Alderman Bough, that the report be adopted as received. Carried.

Referring to the Children's Aid Society, Alderman Lebano expressed the view that the City of Cornwall is paying for many children from other municipalities and suggested that all avenues should be explored to remedy the situation. He also suggested that it might be interesting to compare case loads with municipalities in our population range.

Alderman Fawthrop advised that the Finance Committee is going to try and find out where all these children are coming from. He added that representatives from the United Counties entered into discussions and they also agreed that the matter should be investigated.

Tourist & Convention Bureau #3-73

Moved by Alderman Samson, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, that the report be received. Carried.

Community Services Committee #1-73

Moved by Alderman Leger, seconded by Alderman Bough, that the report be adopted as received. Carried.

Environmental Control Committee #2-73

Moved by Alderman Guindon, seconded by Alderman Samson, that the report be adopted as received. Carried.

Public Works Committee #3-73

Moved by Alderman Bough, seconded by Alderman Samson, that the report be adopted as received. Carried.

Alderman Guindon stated that he had been unable to attend the Public Works Committee meeting because it was held at the same time as the meeting of the Environmental Control Committee of which he is Chairman. His Committee has been meeting regularly on the third Tuesday of each month. He suggested that committee chairmen refrain from calling meetings when members of their committee are already committed to attend other meetings.

Parks and Recreation Committee #2-73

Moved by Alderman Lebano, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, that the report be adopted as received. Carried.

Alderman Guindon declared his interest and refrained from speaking or voting on any motions.

Alderman Lebano asked for some direction from Council with respect to Horovitz Pool.

Alderman Pescod expressed the opinion that the Committee should make strong representation to the Health Unit that the pool be allowed to operate. There was no health

hazard last year and it can be assumed that there will be none this year. The City cannot afford to build a new pool in the area this year.

Civic Complex Committee #5-73

Moved by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman Samson, that the report be received and adopted. Carried.

Alderman LeBlanc reported that he had appointed Mr. Bernard Bertrand to replace Mr. Hugh Philpott on the Committee.

Reconstruction of Ninth from Pitt to Sydney, Misc. #3-73

Moved by Alderman Pescod, seconded by Alderman Cameron, that the Engineer's Report re Estimate of Cost for the reconstruction of Ninth from Pitt to Sydney at a total cost of \$324,917.10, be adopted as received. Carried.

Replying to Alderman Guindon, Mr. Adams stated that the Urban Renewal Co-ordinating Committee when selling the abutting lands will consider the initial cost of the land plus some of the costs for services, but not the total cost of services.

RESOLUTIONS

RE #14-73 - City of Cornwall

Moved by Alderman Pescod, seconded by Alderman Leger, that Ontario Housing Corporation be requested to provide rental housing accommodation on a geared-to-income basis for citizens in the City of Cornwall, such rental housing accommodation to comprise 45 units.

The Corporation of the Municipality of Cornwall hereby undertakes and agrees to contribute $7\frac{1}{2}\%$ of any annual loss arising out of the operation of the said housing. Carried.

RE #15-73 - City of Welland re Municipal Elections Act

Moved by Alderman Guindon, seconded by Alderman Pescod, that the resolution from the City of Welland not be endorsed. The motion carried with Aldermen Fawthrop and Clement voting against.

RE #16-73 - City of Cornwall

Moved by Alderman Cameron, seconded by Alderman Fawthrop, that the City petition for subsidy under the provisions of the Public Transportation and Highway Improvement Act on expenditures made in the year 1972 in the amount of \$1,464,850.51. Carried.

BY-LAWS

- By-law No. 1400 - To authorize the purchase of an 85 foot elevating platform and pump complete with chassis and cab for fire protection purposes - \$90,000.00
- 1401 - To stop up and close all that portion of Pitt St. on Registered Plan 6A designated as Part 1 on a Reference Plan deposited in the Registry Division of Stormont as Plan 52R-91
- 1402 - Authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to sign an agreement between the City and the Canadian Red Cross Society, Cornwall Branch
- 1403 - Authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to sign an agreement between the City and the Victorian Order of Nurses
- 1404 - To authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign, an agreement between the City and Eastcourt Developments Limited and 262007 Investments Limited
- 1405 - To authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign an agreement between the City and the Corporation of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry (Glen-Stor-Dun Lodge)
- 1406 - To authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute an Offer to Sell between the City and Ontario Housing Corporation (Alguire Property)
- 1407 - To authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute an Offer to Purchase between the City and Dominion Stores
- 1408 - To authorize the reconstruction of Ninth from Pitt to Sydney - \$324,917.10
- 1409 - To authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign a Subdividers Agreement between the City and Stenan Developments

Moved by Alderman Leger, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, that the by-laws be read a first and second time. Carried.

- By-law No. 1402 - Authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to sign an agreement between the City and the Canadian Red Cross Society, Cornwall Branch
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Moved by Alderman Bough, seconded by Alderman Cameron, that the by-laws be read a third time, passed, signed and sealed. Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Lay Members on Council Committees

The Clerk advised that as a result of a resolution which was tabled at the last meeting with respect to the payment of lay members on Council Committees, he had written to our solicitor for his opinion. In a letter dated February 14, 1973, Mr. Fennell has advised that Council does not have the authority to pay lay members on Committees of Council. There is, however, authority under the Planning Act for the payment of members of a planning board.

OMERS Pension Plan

It was moved by Alderman Cameron, seconded by Alderman Guindon, that a by-law be prepared authorizing Council Members to belong to the OMERS Basic Pension Plan.

Mayor Lumley declared his interest and refrained from speaking or voting on any motions.

Since Mayor Lumley sits on the OMERS Board, Alderman Fawthrop asked what other municipalities are doing in this respect.

Mayor Lumley replied, in part, that the biggest problem is the pension plan for Councillors. A number of municipalities who have applied for supplementary benefits

have requested these benefits for Councillors and not for the municipalities' employees. He did not see how this could be justified.

A vote was taken on the motion and the motion was defeated.

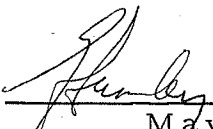
Resources Development Meeting

The matter of the City's representation at the Resources Development Committee meeting in Smiths Falls on February 22nd was discussed at some length with each of the Members of Council voicing his opinion on the procedures. There was no action taken and therefore the matter was considered closed.

Adjournment

On motion of Alderman Fawthrop, seconded by Alderman Leger, Council adjourned at 10:20 p.m.


Clerk


Mayor