

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL #16-98

Monday May 25, 1998
Meeting began at 7:30 p.m.

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PRESENT: A Regular Council meeting was held with the following members present: Mayor Brian Sylvester, Councillors Sheila Airey, Denis Carr, Perry Lalonde, Korey Kennedy, Claude Poirier, André Rivette, Dean Hollingsworth, Brian Lynch, Naresh Bhargava and Chris Savard.

ADMINISTRATION: Richard Allaire, Chief Administrative Officer/City Clerk, David Fielding, Assistant Chief Administrative Officer/Manager, Engineering & Environment Services, Frank McDonald, Graham Dart, Stephen Alexander, Hilda Seguin, Hugh O'Reilly, Roger Desjardins, Ken Gauthier, and Denise Labelle-Gélinas, Deputy Clerk/Recording Secretary.

INVOCATION

The Most Excellence Eugène P. LaRocquet

Mayor Brian Sylvester requested a moment of silence in memory of Mr. Aimé LeBlanc who served the Corporation as Alderman for 23 years.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Councillor Denis Carr declared a Pecuniary Interest on Domiciliary Hostel Funding, Consent "F", he is employed by a company that is part of the City's Domiciliary Programme.

PRESENTATIONS

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

It was moved by Councillors Korey Kennedy and Perry Lalonde that Council approve the Special Committee Meeting #16-98 of May 7, 1998 as presented.

Motion Carried

It was moved by Councillors André Rivette and Brian Lynch that Council approve the Committee of Council Meeting #17-98 of May 11, 1998 as presented.

Motion Carried

It was moved by Councillors Korey Kennedy and André Rivette that Council approve the Regular City Council Meeting #15-98 of May 11, 1998 as presented.

Motion Carried

It was moved by Councillors Korey Kennedy and Brian Lynch that Council approve the Special Committee Meeting #18-98 of May 19, 1998 as presented.

Motion Carried

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

It was moved by Councillors Perry Lalonde and Denis Carr that Council go into the Committee of the Whole and that all delegations, resolutions, communications and By-laws be referred to that Committee and that By-laws 045-1998 to 050-1998 be given first reading.

Motion Carried

BY-LAWS - First Reading

- 045-1998 A By-law dedicating the widening of Part 1 of Plan of Survey 52R-5585 for highway purposes under the provisions of the Public Transportation and Highway Improvement Act, and naming it Marleau Avenue.
- 046-1998 A By-law dedicating the widening of Part 1 of Plan of Survey 52R-5587 for highway purposes under the provisions of the Public Transportation and Highway Improvement Act, and naming it Second Street East.
- 047-1998 A By-law to authorize the execution of a tax arrears extension agreement pursuant to Section 8 of the Municipal Tax Sales Act, R.S.O. 1990 c.60.
- 048-1998 A By-law to further amend By-law no. 047-1982, the by-law for prohibiting or regulating signs and other advertising devices and the posting of notices on buildings or vacant lots.
- 049-1998 A By-law to enter into an agreement with Solutions Agency to procure a Self-Employment Development Agency to the Ontario Works/Child Care Services.
- 050-1998 A By-law to enter into a Dental Services Agreement with the Eastern Ontario Health Unit.

DELEGATIONS

1. D & D Construction

No representative was present.

RESOLUTIONS

#004-1998 It was moved by Councillors Brian Lynch and Naresh Bhargava that:

WHEREAS the Municipal Council by resolution on January 26, 1998 agreed to have representation on the Museum (Wood House) Steering Committee; and

WHEREAS the Committee is about to begin its design phase for the new Community Museum;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT City Council appoint Councillors Korey Kennedy and Dean Hollingsworth as municipal representation to the Museum (Wood House) Steering Committee.

Motion Carried

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Councillors André Rivette and Korey Kennedy that Council approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion Carried

Having declared a Pecuniary Interest, Councillor Denis Carr left the room and did not take part in the discussion or vote.

A. Water Safety Week

Council approved a request from the Canadian Red Cross Society to proclaim May 30th to June 7th, 1998 as Water Safety Week within the City of Cornwall.

B. Cornwall Power and Sail Squadron

Council approved a request from the Cornwall Power and Sail Squadron permission to hold their 8th Annual Poker run on Saturday June 13th, 1998 from Marina 200.

C. National Kid's Day

Council approved a request from The Smile Trust/National Kid's Day in Canada to declare June 6th, 1998 as National Kid's Day.

D. 1998 National Aboriginal Day

Council approved a request by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities of Ontario that June 21st, 1998 be proclaimed as National Aboriginal Day in the City of Cornwall.

E. County of Peterborough

Council approved a request to support that the Government of Ontario delay the implementation of the new Municipal Act until public meetings are held to hear input and concerns from the public and elected officials on the proposed legislation.

F. Domiciliary Hostel Funding

Council approved a request from the County of Prescott-Russell to support the Resolution to petition the Provincial Government to reconsider funding Domiciliary Hostels until such time as an appropriate level of service can be defined for persons in need of various levels of care including long term care.

Councillor Denis Carr returned to the meeting.

COMMUNICATION

1. Unemployment Rate Statistics

It was moved by Councillors Brian Lynch and Naresh Bhargava that Council approve the report by Manager, Economic Development under date of May 20th, 1998 that Statistics Canada be invited to make a presentation to City Council on the manner in which they determine unemployment rates for our region.

Motion Carried

2. Tender 98-T20-Supply of Containers for Refuse/Waste Collection and Disposal for 15 Sites

It was moved by Councillors André Rivette and Korey Kennedy that Tender 98-T20 be awarded to Canadian Waste Systems Inc. Nepean, Ontario at the per lift bid price as indicated within the report dated May 7th, 1998 being the only bid received.

Motion Carried

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Motion Carried

4. Tender 98-T24 - Grass Cutting & Trimming (Misc. Sites)

It was moved by Councillors Sheila Airey and Perry Lalonde that Tender 98-T24 be awarded to R.S. & Son Enterprise, Cornwall, at the total bid price of \$3,488.20 being the lowest bid meeting the tender specifications.

Motion Carried

5. Tender 98-T25 - Cracksealing for Various City Streets

It was moved by Councillors André Rivette and Korey Kennedy that Tender 98-T25 be awarded to Road Last Construction, Gloucester, Ontario at the total bid price of \$26, 997.71 being the lowest bid meeting the tender specifications.

Motion Carried

6. Tender 98-T27 - Installation of Sludge Collection Mechanism

It was moved by Councillors Perry Lalonde and André Rivette that this tender be awarded to City & District Steeplejacks Ltd., St. Andrews West, Ontario at the total bid price of \$21,795.90 being the lowest bid meeting the tender specifications.

Motion Carried

7. Tender 98-T28 - Replacement of Brick Wall on Digester - Wastewater Treatment Plant

It was moved by Councillors Brian Lynch and Korey Kennedy that this tender be awarded to City & District Steeplejacks Ltd., St. Andrews West, Ontario at the total bid price of \$8,342.79 being the lowest bid meeting the tender specifications.

Motion Carried

8. Tender 98-T29 - Centreline Pavement Markings

It was moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and Sheila Airey that this tender be awarded to Provincial Maintenance, Niagara Falls, Ontario at the total bid price of \$35,791.50 being the lowest bid meeting the tender Specifications.

Motion Carried

9. Tender 98-T33 - Demolition of Building at 234-236 Pitt Street

It was moved by Councillors Denis Carr and Chris Savard that this tender be awarded to City & District Steeplejacks Ltd. at a total price of \$26,215.00 being the bid meeting the tender specifications.

Motion Carried

10. Legislative Changes to the Pro Provincial Offences Act Relating to Parking
(Bill 25 and Bill 47)

It was moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and Perry Lalonde that:

1. the Corporation of the City of Cornwall execute an agreement with the Ministry of the Attorney General with respect to Bill 25's Central Fines Collection Project.
2. the Traffic Section establish a First Attendance Parking Tag Facility, and that the following positions be authorized to act as Officers of the Corporation at this facility:
 1. Parking Clerk;
 2. Parking Enforcement Officers (2)

Motion Carried

11. Staff Replacement - Fire Department Mechanic

It was moved by Councillors André Rivette and Korey Kennedy that Council authorize the Fire Chief to fill the position of mechanic in the Cornwall Fire Department.

Motion Carried

12. Staff Replacement - Traffic Engineer

It was moved by Councillors Brian Lynch and Dean Hollingsworth that City Council approve the hiring of a Transportation Engineer.

Motion Carried

13. Planning Advisory and Hearing Committee - Report #3-1

It was moved by Councillors Chris Savard and André Rivette that Council approve the application dated April 15, 1998 from Northwoods Glen Development Corp. to subdivide Part Lot 8 and the East Half of Lot 9, Concession 3, City of Cornwall as indicated on a plan by M.S. Thompson & Associates, dated April 15, 1998 be given draft approval.

Motion Carried

14. Planning Advisory and Hearing Committee - Report #3-2

It was moved by Councillors André Rivette and Perry Lalonde that the application by Emard Bros. Lumber to amend the General Section, Exceptions, Subsection 1A Billboard Signs of the Signs By-law to permit one billboard sign at the southeast quadrant of Tenth St., East and McConnell Avenue be approved, report of May 19th, 1998.

Motion Carried

André Rivette left the room and did not take part in any discussion on this matter.

15. Planning Advisory and Hearing Committee - Report #3-3

It was moved by Councillors Korey Kennedy and Brian Lynch that P.A.C. establish a position of support for the proposed Raisin Region Conservation Authority fees initiative, report of May 19th, 1998.

Motion Carried

André Rivette returned to the meeting.

16. Dental Care Plan - Ontario Works Program

It was moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and Brian Lynch that Council approve and authorize the Clerk to prepare the necessary by-law authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to sign the agreement with the Eastern Ontario Health Unit to provide Dental Services as set out in the proposal subject to the approval of the 1998 operating budget for the Ontario Works/Child Care Department, report by Hilda Seguin Manager, Social Services report of May 19th, 1998.

Motion Carried

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Motion Carried

ADOPTION OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

BY-LAWS - Second Reading

It was moved by Councillors Sheila Airey and Perry Lalonde that the Committee of the Whole be adopted as reported and that by-laws 045-1998 to 050-1998 inclusive be given second reading.

Motion Carried

BY-LAWS - Third Reading

It was moved by Councillors André Rivette and Brian Lynch that by-laws 045-1998 to 050-1998 with the exclusion of 047-1998 be given third reading.

Motion Carried

It was moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and André Rivette that by-law 047-1998 be given third reading.

Motion Carried

REPORTS FROM AD HOC COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

NOTICES OF MOTION

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. Health Services Restructuring Committee

At this point Pecuniary Declarations of Interest were made by the following Councillors:

- * Dean Hollingsworth, since his sister is an employee of the Cornwall General Hospital.
- * Perry Lalonde, being that his wife is employed by the Cornwall General Hospital.
- * Chris Savard, both his spouse and his mother are employees of the Hotel Dieu Hospital.

It was moved by Councillor Claude Poirier and seconded by Councillor André Rivette that:

WHEREAS the Health Services Restructuring Commission has recommended that the Cornwall General Hospital provide all acute inpatient ambulatory services; provide local short-term and long-term rehabilitation; and that the Hotel Dieu Hospital continue to provide complex continuing care beds; provide sub-acute care beds; and

WHEREAS the net result of this action is to leave the City of Cornwall with only one true hospital; and

WHEREAS these actions would see the end of the Hotel Dieu Hospital as we know it, leaving the Dieu with a five-story building which, for the most part, would be surplus to their needs; and

WHEREAS these actions do not make best use of existing facilities at the Cornwall General and the Hotel Dieu sites; and

WHEREAS these recommendations are short-term in nature as they do not take into consideration any population growth which could impact on the future health needs of the community;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Cornwall City Council advise the Health Restructuring Commission of our opposition to the recommendation contained in the report;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we advise the Commission that the present recommendation would make it difficult, if not impossible, to fundraise for this project;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we request that the Commission review their recommendations on the two hospital facilities and return with a proposal that will truly address the current and future health needs of our community more consistent with Council's previously stated position.

Motion Defeated for want of a Majority

2. Health Care Stakeholders

Having previously declared a Pecuniary Interest on New Business Item #1 the following Councillors did not return to the meeting until discussions on Item #2 terminated;


- * Councillor Dean Hollingsworth
- * Councillor Perry Lalonde
- * Councillor Chris Savard

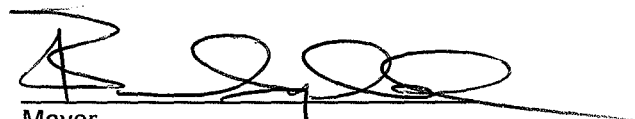
It was moved by Councillors Denis Carr and Brian Lynch that the City of Cornwall host a meeting of all Health Care Stakeholders to draft a response to the Health Restructing Commission's recent report on hospital closure.


Such Stakeholders as the General Hospital and Chief Executive Officers, Hotel Dieu Board and Chief Executive Officers, Cornwall Community Care Access, Cornwall Medical Academy, Akwasasne Mohawk Council, Local MP, Bob Kilger and MPP, John Cleary as examples.

Motion Carried

ADJOURNED: 8:35 p.m.


Clerk


Mayor


Recording Secretary