

REGULAR COUNCIL #25-98

Monday September 28, 1998
Meeting began at 7:30 p.m.

150/98

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

ABSENT: Councillor Sheila Airey

ADMINISTRATION: Richard Allaire, Chief Administrator/Clerk, David Fielding, Assistant Chief Administrative Officer/Manager, Engineering & Environment Services, Frank McDonald, Graham Dart, Fernand Hamelin, Stephen Alexander, Sherman Goodwin, Frances Lafave, Doug Green, Christine Lefebvre, Roger Desjardins and Denise Labelle-Gélinas, Recording Secretary.

INVOCATION ~ Provided by the Chief Administrator.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS ~ Nil

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST - Nil

PRESENTATIONS

1. Mr. Doug Green, Transportation Engineer was formally introduced to Council.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

It was moved by Councillors Brian Lynch and seconded by André Rivette that Council approve the Special Committee of Council Meeting #28-98 of September 1, 1998 as presented.

Motion Carried

It was moved by Councillors Perry Lalonde and seconded by Korey Kennedy that Council approve the Regular City Council Meeting #23-98 of September 14, 1998 as presented.

Motion Carried

It was moved by Councillors André Rivette and seconded by Brian Lynch that Council approve the Committee of Council Meeting #30-98 of September 14, 1998 as presented.

Motion Carried

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

It was moved by Councillors Perry Lalonde and seconded by Naresh Bhargava 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 092-1998 to 095-1998 be given first reading.

Motion Carried

Councillor Korey Kennedy left the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

BY-LAWS - First Reading

- 092-1998 A By-law to further amend By-law 751-1969, the zoning By-law to make various technical modifications - City initiated Housekeeping exercise.
- 093-1998 A By-law to further amend By-law 751-1969, the zoning By-law to rezone property municipally described as 2405 Vincent Massey Drive to permit a Garden Centre.
- 094-1998 A By-law to amend By-law 069-1989 known as the Traffic By-law Parking Restrictions on Eighth Street West.
- 095-1998 A By-law to amend By-law 069-1989 known as the Traffic By-law Parking Lots.
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DELEGATIONS

#1. Wildcats Football Club - Dan Villeneuve

Mr. Dan Villeneuve appeared before Council this evening to discuss a proposal in regards to the replacement of the present sign at the Joe St. Denis football field with a 40' x 20' sign that would provide a source of revenue through advertising. The proposal put forward suggestions that the sign could raise \$10,000.00 which would assist the survival of the Wildcats Football Club and the balance of monies returned to the City for sign repayment and the balance of money once the sign is paid to go towards upgrading and maintaining the Joe St. Denis field.

This matter will again be discussed under Communication #2.

RESOLUTIONS - Nil

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Councillors Claude Poirier and seconded by André Rivette that Council approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion Carried

A. Vendors in Municipal Parks

That Council receive the report.

B. Emergency Preparedness Day

That Council approve the request to declare October 22, 1998 as Emergency Preparedness Day.

COMMUNICATION

1. Community Coalition on Taxation

It was moved by Councillors Brian Lynch and seconded by Perry Lalonde that Council receive a report by Chair of the Task Force under date of September 25, 1998.

Motion Carried

It was then moved by Naresh Bhargava and seconded by Perry Lalonde that Administration provide the O.P.T.A. data of the 1998 budget on Cornwall tax payers that is the current status that should be made available by October 5, 1998.

Motion Carried

2. Optimist Club Football Sign at Joe St. Denis Field

It was moved by Councillors André Rivette and seconded by Dean Hollingsworth that Council approve the expenditure of \$18,850.00 towards the construction of a sign for the Wildcats Football Club subject to the Club meeting the five criteria for financing projects of service clubs or local organizations.

Motion Carried

3. Budget & Financial Reports

It was moved by Councillors Brian Lynch and seconded by Naresh Bhargava that Council approve the report from the Chief Administrative Officer under the date of September 10, 1998.

Motion Carried

4. **Tender 98-T48 - Gantry Style Bus Wash and Cleaning System**

It was moved by Councillors Brian Lynch and seconded by Claude Poirier that this tender be awarded to Sherman Supersonic Industries Corp., Mississauga, Ontario at the total bid price of #93,336.00 being the lowest bid meeting the tender specifications.

Motion Carried

It was then moved by André Rivette and seconded by Claude Poirier that this matter be postponed until the next regular meeting of October 13, 1998.

Motion Carried

5. **Tender 98-T49 - Joint Tender for the Supply of Winter Highway Coarse Salt**

It was moved by Councillors Claude Poirier and seconded by André Rivette that this tender be awarded to The Canadian Salt Co. Ltd., Mississauga, Ontario at the total bid price of \$295,061.25 being the lowest bid meeting the tender specifications.

Motion Carried

6. **Tender 98-T53 - Landscaping of Parkette on Pitt Street (former Pancake House)**

It was moved by Councillors Claude Poirier and seconded by Perry Lalonde that this matter be postponed until the next regular meeting of Council on October 13, 1998.

Motion Carried

7. **Cornwall Transit 1998 Work Plan Status Report**

It was moved by Councillors Denis Carr and seconded by André Rivette that Council receive the report submitted by Manager of Transit Services dated September 10, 1998.

Motion Carried

8. **Staff Replacement - Coach Attendant**

Council did not review this matter.

9. Planning Advisory and Hearing Committee - Report No. 4-1

It was moved by Councillors Brian Lynch and seconded by Perry Lalonde that Council approve the three recommendations under report dated August 31, 1998:

- j) That the Application to rezone the subject site from Residential 20 (RES 20) zone to Residential 20 (RES 20) zone with a site-specific exception to permit a "Private Seniors Residence" be denied;
- k) That the applicant be encouraged to resubmit the application with one or all of the following:
 - a) That the density of the development be reduced.
 - b) That the total site be utilized and the development be reoriented to face St. Michel Avenue; and
 - c) That Parking standards as identified in the Comprehensive Zoning By-law be adhered to in the resubmission.
- c) That the Department provide a further report if there is a resubmission which would address the degree to which the resubmission deals with the density. In addition, the report would also address the draft plan of subdivision issues and site plan issues.

Motion Carried

10. Planning Advisory and Hearing Committee - Report No. 4-2

It was moved by Councillors André Rivette and seconded by Claude Poirier that the proposed modifications to the City's Comprehensive Zoning By-law 751-1969 as amended be approved.

Motion Carried

11. Planning Advisory and Hearing Committee - Report No. 4-3

It was moved by Councillors Perry Lalonde and seconded by André Rivette that Council approve the three recommendations under a report dated August 31, 1998:

That the subject property at 2405 Vincent Massey Drive be rezoned on a site-specific basis, conditional on the following:

- 1. That the proponent enter into a Site Plan Agreement with the municipality to address issues including access, screening and fencing, signage, landscaping;
- 2. That the Third Reading of the By-law only be given once applicable Development Permits are obtained and Property Standards issues are addressed to the satisfaction of the Building Office;
- 3. That the Zoning By-law amendment incorporate the following special provisions:
 - 1. permit a Garden Centre including the sale of fruits, vegetables, plants, Christmas trees, crafts, and related gardening products on a site-specific basis at 2405 Vincent Massey Drive;
 - 2. minimum exterior side yard of 11 metres (36 feet), minimum interior side yard of 4 metres (13 feet) and a minimum front yard of 5 metres (16 feet) for the storage compound only;
 - 3. allow for outside storage and display of materials in the front yard provided it is screened from public view by a suitable buffer or fence.

Motion Carried

12. **Planning Advisory and Hearing Committee - Report No. 4-4**

It was moved by Councillors André Rivette and seconded by Denis Carr that the Subdividers Agreement be modified to extend the completion date of the bridge in Northwoods Glen until the summer of 1999.

Motion Carried

13. **Planning Advisory and Hearing Committee - Report 4-5**

It was moved by Councillors Brian Lynch and seconded by André Rivette that a Resolution be forwarded to M.T.O. requesting that the appropriate studies be prepared concerning sound barriers on Highway 401.

Motion Carried

ADOPTION OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

BY-LAW - Second Reading

It was moved by Councillors Perry Lalonde and seconded by Naresh Bhargava that the Committee of the Whole be adopted as reported and that By-laws 092-1998 to 095-1998 be given second reading.

Motion Carried

BY-LAWS - Third Reading

It was moved by Councillors André Rivette and seconded by Claude Poirier that By-law 092-1998, and 094-1998 to By-law 095-1998 be given third reading.

Motion Carried

REPORTS FROM AD HOC COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

Glen Stor Dun Lodge

Councillor Naresh Bhargava, Chair of the Glen-Stor-Dun Lodge Joint Committee stood this evening to correct misinformation printed in the local Standard Freeholder as a result of a recent published article by the County Council on the budget overrun at the Glen-Stor-Dun Lodge. Councillor Bhargava indicated that County representatives who are members of the Joint Committee were well aware of the \$100,000.00 overrun as a result of contract negotiations. Furthermore, their threat of refusing to allow county residents at the Lodge would be against Provincial Legislation.

Mega Week

Councillor Claude Poirier provided an update on as part of the provincial downloading exercise and the City's role in assuming additional responsibilities such as Social Services, Ambulance, Social Housing, Child Care, etc. which will also have a major cost attached to the services.

NOTICES OF MOTION

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Social Services - Delivery Agent**

It was moved by Councillors Claude Poirier and seconded by Denis Carr that:

WHEREAS the Consolidation Planning Framework issued by the Ministry of Community & Social Services issued in January 1998 states that many opportunities across these programs will exist to simplify access to services and serve clients better while at the same time improve cost effectiveness through clearer accountability, better co-ordination innovation, sharing resources and economies of scale; and

WHEREAS the Ministry of Community & Social Services funded the use of a consultant to develop a Plan to consolidate the present administrations and delivery services in the municipalities into one delivery administration responsible for the delivery of Ontario Works, Child Care and Social Housing Services;

AND WHEREAS a Letter of Agreement was entered into between the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry and the City of Cornwall and the consultant for the development of the Plan; and

AND WHEREAS the Plan was endorsed by the City of Cornwall;

AND WHEREAS the Minister of Community & Social Services approved the City of Cornwall as the consolidated service manager for Ontario Works, Child Care and Social Housing;

AND WHEREAS the Consultant's Report clearly identifies cost benefits for both municipalities and the Provincial Government;

AND WHEREAS no "full partnership" can be developed without a contracted service with the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry which includes retaining two administrations and related personnel, thus negating the cost benefits of a consolidated service.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Corporation of the City of Cornwall petitions the Minister of Community & Social Services to direct in which manner the consolidated services will be delivered in the City of Cornwall and Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry.

Motion Carried

2. **Provincial Offences - Delivery Agent**

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

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has recently transferred the administration of Provincial Offences to municipalities; and

WHEREAS this transfer will take place after there is an agreement with the municipalities in the Court Service Area;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Cornwall enter into discussion with the municipalities in the Cornwall Court Service Area, so that we may deliver the administration of Provincial Offences in the Cornwall Court.

Motion Carried

3. **Provincial Offences - Revenues**

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

WHEREAS the net revenue generated from the operation and administration of the Provincial Court in Cornwall is identified as revenue to be returned to the municipality;

WHEREAS these funds are to be utilized to offset the cost of provincial downloading;

WHEREAS we have now been advised that only after an agreement has been signed with the province will those monies be released to us;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we petition the Attorney General to release those funds to the City of Cornwall and give us the necessary time to reach an agreement with the Province of Ontario and participating municipalities.

Motion Carried

4. **Cornwall Electric - Board of Directors**

It was moved by Councillors Brian Lynch and seconded by Naresh Bhargava that:

WHEREAS it is desirable that residents of the City of Cornwall serve on the Board of Directors of Cornwall Electric to have input in the management of Cornwall Electric and to represent the interests of the citizens of Cornwall;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Cornwall City Council reaffirms its support for the commitment in the agreement with Consumers Gas that Consumer Gas will ensure that there are at least two (2) members of the Board of Directors of Cornwall Electric who are ordinarily resident of the City of Cornwall.

Motion Carried

5. **Municipal Services**

It was moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and seconded by Brian Lynch that:

WHEREAS the survey on property taxes conducted by Brockville indicate that Cornwall taxes are one of the highest in Eastern Ontario; and

WHEREAS the taxes reflect the services provided by the city to the community;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the administration provide a report to the Council, before the 1999 budget deliberations, detailing the services provided by similar size municipalities in Eastern Ontario and their costs as percentage of their budget.

Motion Carried

6. **Fair Municipal Finance Act Update**

It was moved by Councillors Denis Carr and seconded by Claude Poirier that:

The task force update presented to Council this evening be reproduced in its entirety for the citizens of our community so that they are kept up-to-date on Council's efforts to resolve the short term and long term problems caused by the implementation of the Fair Municipal Finance Act.

Motion Carried

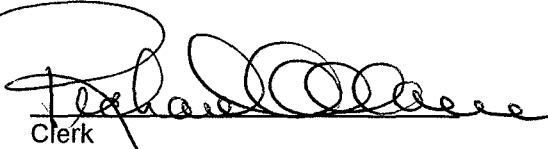
7. **Monthly Summary Reports**

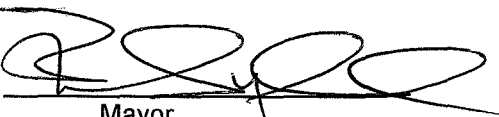
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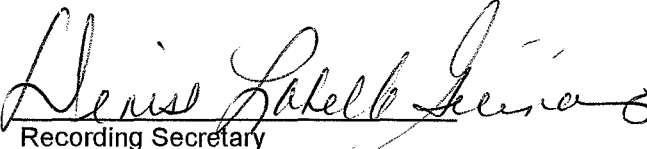
The monthly reports include a summary report from the C.A.O. of the Corporation giving an overall status of the financial health of the Corporation against the budget.

Motion Carried

Adjourned 9:05 p.m.


Clerk


Mayor


Recording Secretary