

CITY COUNCIL #35-87

DECEMBER 8, 1987
6:30 p.m.

A special meeting of Council was held this evening when the following members were present: His Worship, Mayor B. Lynch, Aldermen D. Aubry, A. LeBlanc, G. Leger, C. Poirier, F. Guindon, C. Charlebois, R. Lalonde, B. Gallant, G. Grant and T. Lalonde.

Aldermen D. Carr and T. Green were absent.

Cornwall Joint Hospitals Fund

The spokespersons were Mr. Harry Follon, Chairman of the Board, Hotel Dieu and MacDonell Memorial and Mr. Bill Pickard, Chairman of the Board, Cornwall General Hospital.

Mr. Follon invited Mr. Stuart Weir, architect from the firm of Mathers and Haldenby to explain the architectural drawings. Mr. Weir indicated that he was very familiar with the community for having served the hospitals during the last 25 years. He displayed a drawing which showed that a new chronic care wing would be built at the Hotel Dieu Hospital which represents an expansion of 60,000 square feet. This new wing will accommodate 100 chronic care patients from the McDonell Memorial. The General Hospital would make use of unused space for 22 patients presently at McDonell Memorial for rehabilitation purposes.

Mr. Pickard reviewed with Council the funding required for these projects. He highlighted that the total cost of the projects was \$24,818,000 of which \$17,446,000 would be for the Hotel Dieu hospital and \$7,372,000 for the Cornwall General Hospital. The Ministry of Health is funding \$16,418,000, the Hospitals' contribution is \$5,900,000 of which \$2,000,000 is projected from their fund raising drive. This leaves \$2,500,000 to be financed by both the City and the United Counties. The Committee is requesting \$1,750,000 from the City of Cornwall and \$750,000 from the United Counties.

After having provided Council with an opportunity to ask questions of the two spokespersons, Mayor Lynch thanked the Joint Hospitals Fund Committee for an excellent presentation and advised that the request for \$1,750,000 in funding from the City would be discussed during capital budget deliberations to be held later this evening and tomorrow evening. Mayor Lynch also reminded Council that the City has already committed \$1,000,000.

Police Department

Chief Shaver reviewed with Council his Commission's submission which is comprised of OMPPAC System, Dictaphone/Telephone Recording System, Prisoner Escort Vehicle and one Identification which for a total capital submission of \$277,345.

In answer to questions, the Chief advised that the listing in his submission was in a priority of needs. Mayor Lynch advised that these items would be considered during the budget deliberations being held later this evening and tomorrow.

Capital Budget

The Director, Finance and Administration, reviewed with Council the Capital Forecast and the following changes were noted.

Roadways and Structures

Ninth from Cumberland to Brookdale should read Ninth from Cumberland Street intersection with the net cost set at \$450,000

Pitt Street from Water Street to First Street

It was moved by Aldermen Aubry and T. Lalonde that this project be transferred to the current budget.

CARRIED

SIDEWALKS

Brookdale Avenue from Eleventh to Thirteenth Streets

It was moved by Aldermen R. Lalonde and Grant that this project be included in the 1988 list of projects.

DEFEATED

BY-LAW 175, 1987 - A By-law to authorize the sale of land to Bruce Grant Construction

It was moved by Aldermen Guindon and Leger that By-law 175, 1987 be read a first, second and third time, passed, signed and sealed.

CARRIED

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:30 P.M.

Brian Lynch

CHAIRMAN

COUNCIL ACTION *Dec 14/87*
COMMUNICATIONS (REG)
COMMUNICATIONS (CONSENT)
COMMUNICATIONS (CLOSED)
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