

CITY COUNCIL NO. 26-72

September 18, 1972.
7:00 p.m.

Presentation of Certificates - Mayor Lumley, on behalf of Council, expressed a great deal of pleasure in presenting various certificates and awards this evening. He called on Alderman Pescod to present a certificate to Mr. John B. Whitton, upon completion of the Municipal Administration Course.

Alderman Pescod, on behalf of Council and the Department Heads, congratulated Mr. Whitton pointing out that both he and the City will benefit as a result of this course. Mr. Whitton extended thanks for the assistance and encouragement given to him by fellow employees.

Alderman Guindon presented a Certificate of Merit to Miss F. Flanigan for service rendered by her to the Ontario Welfare Officers' Association. Alderman Guindon stated that, through her untiring efforts, Miss Flanigan is highly recognized by the Ontario Welfare Officers' Association.

Mayor Lumley, on behalf of Council, administration and members of the Parking Authority, presented a certificate of recognition to Mr. Jock Dalbec upon his retirement, after six years, as a member of the Cornwall Parking Authority.

Mayor Lumley, expressing his sincere congratulations for the many years of devoted service to the citizens of Cornwall, presented the following long service certificates - 35 years - Hormidas Poirier, Deputy Police Chief and Aurel Marion, Foreman, Public Works Department; 25 years - Charles Bourgon, Larry Deebank,

Charles Stevens, Leonard Cross, Fire Department; Fred Seaver, Paul Chouinard, Earl Landry, Police Department; Oscar Sabourin, Public Property Foreman, Louis Dicola, Treasury and Maurice Boyer, City Clerk-Administrator; 20 years - Herbert Raymond, Rheal Levesque, Maurice Brunet, Gerald Kirkey, Police Department, Leo St. Louis, Raoul Mayer, Julian Kupczyk, Public Works Department and Gerald Latulipe, Filtration Plant.

The following members were present at this evening's Special Meeting: His Worship Mayor E. C. Lumley, Aldermen G. Leger, A. LeBlanc, G. Samson, A. Clement, D. Webster, D. Fawthrop, F. Guindon, K. Bough, A. Lebano, J. Pescod and M. Holden.

Rule '48' - Moved by Alderman Lebano, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that Rule '48' be suspended in order to permit Mr. Roger Delage to address Council. Carried.

Mr. Delage, on behalf of the Cornwall Celtics Club, asked Council to consider granting \$1,000.00 to help defray the expenses when the Cornwall Celtics travel to Whitby this coming week-end.

Moved by Alderman Holden, seconded by Alderman Samson that the request be referred to the Finance Committee with power to act. The motion was withdrawn.

Moved by Alderman Lebano, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that we grant \$500.00 to the Cornwall Celtics and that Mr. A. J. McDonald be asked to provide transportation for the team. The motion was defeated.

Mayor Lumley suggested that Mr. Delage meet with him tomorrow to see how this money might be raised to assist the club.

Adoption of Minutes - Moved by Alderman Clement, seconded by Alderman Leger that the Council minutes of a meeting held September 11th be adopted as received. Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. M. S. Thompson - Former Smith Transport Property -
 Moved by Alderman Guindon, seconded by Alderman Webster that the letter be filed. Carried.

PETITIONS

PE #32-72 - G. H. Cottrell & others - Omission of sidewalk on west side of Augustus from Second to Third Streets

Moved by Alderman Guindon, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that the petition be referred to the Public Works Committee. Carried.

PE #33-72 - Mrs. B. Villeneuve & others - School Guard on Brookdale Avenue near Westgate Court

Moved by Alderman Guindon, seconded by Alderman Pescod that the petition be referred to the Police Commission. Carried.

Members of Council were of the opinion that, with the larger school population, the whole question of safety for the students crossing the City streets should be reviewed with the possibility of implementing crosswalks/with school patrols, if required. Mr. Adams suggested that children, in the area of Westgate Court, crossing the street should do so at the corner of Henry and Brookdale Avenues rather than directly in front of the development.

REPORTS

Committee of the Whole No. 21-72 - Moved by Alderman Pescod, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that the report be adopted as received. Carried.

Cornwall Planning Board No. 7-72 - Moved by Alderman

Pescod, seconded by Alderman Clement that the report be adopted as received. Carried.

Report on Tree Cutting, Tender No. 41-72 - Moved by

Alderman Guindon, seconded by Alderman Lebano that the tender for tree cutting be awarded to Mr. Hector Lamarche at a total lot price of \$5,308.00. Carried.

RESOLUTIONS

RE #66-72 - Reduction in number of aldermen on Council

Moved by Alderman Lebano, seconded by Alderman Clement that whereas a number of ratepayers have indicated a desire that the number of aldermen on Council be reduced;

AND WHEREAS a reduction in the number of aldermen, in the opinion of Council, may be desirable;

AND WHEREAS the Council is desirous of obtaining the opinion of the Voters of the City of Cornwall;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that a question be placed on the Ballot at the next Regular Municipal Election asking the Voters if they are or are not in favour of reducing the number of aldermen on City Council from twelve to eight.

Members of Council were provided with a copy of the resolution and fully discussed the question. It was the general opinion of the members that, as no petition had been received by the ratepayers asking for a reduction in the size of Council and the workload of each member of Council could only increase if the size was reduced, no change should be made at this time. It was also brought out that the population of the City is likely to increase which would demand extra work and further, Regional Government

could be implemented in this area in the near future. The suggestion was made that possibly consideration could be given in the future to having six aldermen and three controllers but more study would have to be given to this question. The re-distribution of wards was also mentioned as a means of more equally distributing the work which has to be carried out by the aldermen. Alderman Lebano replied by stating that his thinking in presenting the resolution was only to afford the ratepayers an opportunity to voice their opinion on the size of Council and that such a change would certainly not be implemented for some time. Alderman Lebano asked for a recorded vote which provided the following results:

FOR THE MOTION - Aldermen Lebano and Clement

AGAINST THE MOTION - Aldermen Leger, LeBlanc, Samson, Webster, Fawthrop, Guindon, Bough, Pescod and Holden

The motion was defeated.

BY-LAWS

By-law No. 1323 - Amendment No. 8 to the Official Plan (S. Abraham)

Moved by Alderman Leger, seconded by Alderman Clement that the by-law be read a First and Second Time. Carried.

By-law No. 1323 - Amendment No. 8 to the Official Plan

Moved by Alderman Webster, seconded by Alderman Guindon that the by-law be read a Third Time, Passed, Signed and Sealed. Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Ontario Motor League Award - Mayor Lumley reported that he has been advised by the Ontario Motor League that Cornwall has placed first in a population range of between 25,000 and 50,000 for traffic safety. He stated that he will present this information

to the Police Commission which will be meeting tomorrow evening and that he expects a representative from the Police Department will be present in Ottawa on November 24th to accept the award.

Municipal Maintenance Management Program - Mr. Boyer reported that he has arranged a meeting in Oshawa on September 27th re municipal maintenance management program. He asked that Mayor Lumley, Aldermen Fawthrop, Pescod, Messrs. C. F. Adams, R. J. Hamilton and G. Walsh take note of this meeting.

Ontario Championship - Alderman LeBlanc asked that a letter of congratulations be sent to the Midget, Novice and Pee-Wee lacrosse teams who captured the Ontario championship which is the first time this award has come to the City. Alderman LeBlanc also asked that the members of the three teams be invited to attend the next meeting of Council to sign the Golden Book.

Delegations - Alderman Fawthrop referred to the policy of Council whereby a person addressing a meeting must submit their name to the Clerk's Department by Thursday noon, prior to the Council meeting. When this procedure is not followed, he stated, embarrassment can only be caused to Council by a lack of preparation by members and this is especially true when a grant is asked for on some non-budgeted item.

Memorial Cup Championship Sign - Replying to Alderman Guindon, Mayor Lumley reported that the City's original idea was to put a large sign along Highway 401 which would indicate Cornwall as the Home of the Memorial Cup Champions to the travelling public.

This idea, he stated, had to be abandoned as, under Ministry regulations, we would have to have a very large sign as it has to be well removed from the highway and the costs for such a sign would be prohibitive. Presently, the City is considering placing signs on existing posts at the entrances to the City. The Public Works Department has provided several proposals but has encountered difficulties in trying to produce a replica of the Memorial Cup and still be of large enough size to encompass both languages.

Sale of Vegetables - Alderman Bough asked that the person selling vegetables on the south side of Second Street between Pitt and Augustus Streets from City property be notified that he must discontinue sale of this produce as he is on private property and is also providing unfair competition to the merchants.

Cornwall Electric Statements - Alderman Bough stated that Cornwall Electric is changing over to computerized light bills which has created a great deal of work for the company. He asked for the co-operation of the citizens while this changeover is taking place and stated that, if there are any complaints, they be referred to the company.

Justice Building - Alderman Bough suggested that Saturday, October 7th be the date for the formal opening of the new Justice Building, at which time an afternoon program will be presented. He felt that this would be a suitable date and that, if because of inclement weather, the program could be carried out on Thanksgiving Day. Alderman Bough further suggested that, as this date is the commencement of Fire Week, an Open House could be held at the Fire Department Headquarters.

Team Canada - Alderman Bough suggested that the City send a 'good luck telegram' when Team Canada competes in Russia. Mayor Lumley noted that he has provided a letter and a pair of cufflinks to Mr. J. Archambault who will endeavour to make a presentation during the games.

Highway 401 Signs - Alderman Bough referred to the discrepancy in the sign along Highway 401 which denotes at one point that you have 106 miles to arrive in Cornwall, then, after proceeding easterly four miles, there is a sign reading 114 miles to the City.

Delegations - Alderman Lebano stated that he agreed to some extent with Alderman Fawthrop that the rules and procedure should be followed in hearing delegations and Rule '48' should be waived only on an emergency basis. With respect to this evening's delegation, he noted that Council has voted unanimously to hear Mr. Delage and had considered and dealt with the question at that time.

Ontario Championship - Alderman Lebano pointed out that the Parks and Recreation Committee will be recommending to Council, recognition of the Midget, Novice and Pee-Wee lacrosse teams who recently captured the Ontario championship and also recognition to Mr. Collin Chisholm who has recently been appointed to the Hall of Fame.

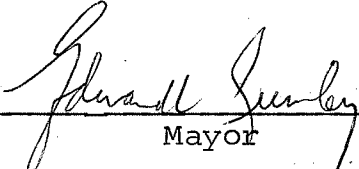
Marshalling Yard - Alderman Lebano reported that a petition had been forwarded by abutting property owners to the C.N.R. asking that remedial action be taken on the nuisance problem created by the raw cotton that is used at Long Sault Fabrics.

He suggested that the C.N.R. should place yards of gravel in the area to make it more presentable and blacktop as soon as it is possible for the Railway to do so.

Delegations - Mayor Lumley suggested to Council that, after a member finds out during the day of a meeting that a delegation wishes to address Council, he should make the information available to the Clerk in order that Council will have prior details.

Adjournment - On motion of Alderman Lebano, seconded by Alderman Webster, Council adjourned into Committee of the Whole at 9 p.m.


Clerk


Mayor