

COUNCIL MEETING #23 - 75

June 10, 1975
7:00 p.m.

The regular meeting of City Council was held this evening with the following members present: His Worship Mayor G. Parisien; Aldermen M. Holden, J. Pescod, A. Lebano, K. Bough, F. Guindon, L. Keen, R. Pearson, B. Lynch, G. Samson, A. LeBlanc and R. Aubry.

Adoption of Minutes - Moved by Alderman Lynch, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that the minutes of the meeting of May 26th be adopted as received. Carried.

Moved by Alderman Guindon, seconded by Alderman Pescod that the minutes of the meeting of June 3rd be adopted as received. Carried

Moved by Alderman Keen, seconded by Alderman Samson that the minutes of the meeting of June 4th be adopted as received. Carried

Moved by Alderman Keen, seconded by Alderman Guindon that the minutes of the meeting of May 26th (closed) be adopted as received. Carried

Moved by Alderman Keen, seconded by Alderman Guindon that the minutes of the meeting of June 4th (closed) be adopted as received. Carried

Delegations -

A.A. Elliott - making further presentation for Lot D, conc 1 corner of Second and Boundary Road

Mr. Elliott addressed Council further to a proposal submitted to Council on May 12th to erect a hotel on 11.5 acres of land on Boundary Road at Second Street. He envisioned a two-storey building of approximately 119 rooms with a meeting room to accomodate some 500 persons. It is proposed at some time, stated Mr. Elliott, to also offer banking and service station facilities. For consideration of Council a report, dated June 9th, was presented by the Chief Administrator and after some discussion by Council, it was moved by Alderman Lebano, seconded by Alderman Guindon that Council adopt the report and approve in principle the proposal as submitted by Mr. Elliott. Carried. Alderman Aubry and Pescod voted against the motion, with Alderman Aubry stating that approval to development at this time could jeopardize downtown development.

by Alderman Samson that Council go into Committee of the Whole and that all communications, petitions and by-laws be referred to that committee and that By-laws No. 1804 to 1811 inclusive, as listed, be given first reading -

1804 - to provide for borrowing of \$1,525,838.71 from Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce to provide for capital funding to waterworks system

1805 - imposing an annual service rate upon owners or occupants of land which sewage is received by the sewage works system

1806 - to authorize construction of storm sewer on 3rd St. from Augustus to York

1807 - to authorize reconstruction of Augustus St. from 2nd to 3rd and on 3rd from Augustus to Pitt

1808 - to amend By-law 1071/71-regulating the cleaning of grounds, etc.

1809 - authorizing entering into agreement of purchase and sale with Irvin Brown in amount of \$58,500. for parking lot at Lafayette Hotel

1810 - authorizing entering into agreement with Ministry of Housing covering Provincial 25% contribution towards implementation of City's Redevelopment Plan for Central Business District

1811 - To set a tariff for water rates

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Resolution #34 - Brantford - petitioning O.H.C. & C.M.H.C. to include provisions under O.H.R.P. & R.R.A.P. programs for a grant for the purpose of making structural renovations to homes of the seriously handicapped.

Moved by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman Pescod that the resolution be endorsed. Carried

Resolution #35 - Cornwall - that By-law No. 1755 is according to Official Plan

Moved by Alderman Lynch, seconded by Alderman Samson that the resolution be endorsed. Carried

Communications -

1 - Lord Mayor's Secretary - asking Council to acknowledge International Women's Year

Moved by Alderman Keen, seconded by Alderman Pearson that the Committee be wished success in its deliberations and the letter filed. Carried. Alderman Guindon asked that, should anyone from the City attend, a letter of greetings be sent from the Mayor.

- 2 - Transit Manager & Purchasing Agent - making recommendation on Tender #38-75 Pick-up truck

Moved by Alderman Bough, seconded by Alderman Pearson that the recommendation be approved. Carried

- 3 - Director of Engineering Services & Purchasing Agent - making a recommendation on Tender #8-75 - construction of various permanent asphalt pavements

Moved by Alderman Guindon, seconded by Alderman Lebano that the recommendation be approved. Carried

- 4 - Director of Public Works & Purchasing Agent - making a recommendation on Tender #40-75 - one truck

Moved by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman Lynch that the recommendation be approved. Carried

- 5 - Ministry of Environment - reporting on week harvesting in Lake St Francis and suggesting some agency, possibly Conservation Authority, will have to accept responsibility of such a project

Moved by Alderman Guindon, seconded by Alderman Pearson that the letter be received. Carried

- 6 - Transit Mgr. & Purchasing Agent - making a recommendation for Tender #39-75 Communication Equipment for Cornwall Transit

Moved by Alderman Pescod, seconded by Alderman Guindon that the recommendation be approved. Carried

- 7 - Director of Public Works & Purchasing Agent - making a recommendation for Tender #41 Manhold Covers & Frames

Moved by Alderman Guindon, seconded by Alderman Samson that the recommendation be approved. Carried

- 8 - Chief Administrator - giving information on possible financial assistance to Capitol Theatre and suggesting a deferment on this matter

Moved by Alderman Lynch, seconded by Alderman Lebano that action be deferred until such time as the College plans are finalized; and at that time pursue further for financial assistance. Alderman Bough informed Council that there is a group in the City which is quite prepared to take an active part in fund raising in order to preserve the theatre. Alderman Pearson asked that the front of the building and under the marquee be painted.

C.U.P.E. - requesting more transit service for female employees working in hospitals & industries

Moved by Alderman Guindon, seconded by Alderman Pescod that the letter be referred to the Transit Manager. Carried

10 - Commissioner of Development - reporting on the reconstruction of Augustus from 2nd to 3rd and on 3rd from Augustus to Pitt and recommending same be proceeded with

Moved by Alderman Pescod, seconded by Alderman Aubry that the by-law be received. Carried. The construction work is as contained in By-law No. 1807, 1975.

11 - M.S. Thompson & Assoc. - recommending that the decision of Council on April 28th be reconsidered

Moved by Alderman Pescod, seconded by Alderman Holden that the recommendations, as contained in the letter, be adopted. Carried

12 - LeBlanc & Martin - asking for authority to place an order for delivery of turn post hoists for the maintenance shop of the transit building

Moved by Alderman Guindon, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that the request be approved. Carried

13 - Transit Manager - The Chief Administrator advised that since writing the report, discussions have taken place with C.F.M.L. and they will be participating in the day's events. Moved by Alderman Bough, seconded by Alderman Lynch that there be no charge on July 2nd for bus service between the hours of 9:15 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. and 1:45 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. The motion was defeated. Moved by Alderman Holden, seconded by Alderman Aubry that the report informing Council of the publicity planned for the arrival of new buses and the introduction of new fare structures be approved. Carried.

14 - Chief Administrator - offering suggestions to the proposal from the Province to reconstitute the Cornwall Housing Authority on a Counties basis

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

Moved by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman Lebano that the Cornwall Housing Authority continue to operate as a separate entity, and not amalgamate with the Counties. Carried

15 - Royal Canadian Legion - requesting approval to conduct its Poppy Campaign for 1975

Moved by Alderman Holden, seconded by Alderman Guindon that the request be approved. Carried

16 - Downtown Shopping Centre Assoc. - asking for Council's approval to have a Can-Am-Day during week of June 24th - July 1st

Moved by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman Guindon that the request be approved. Carried

17 - Environmental Control Committee - June 3rd

Moved by Alderman Guindon, seconded by Alderman Lynch that the report be received. Carried. Alderman Guindon asked that Administration request C.N.R. to clean up their properties. He referred, especially, to the continuing practice of the railway in unloading of cotton bales on property at 9th and York Street. He noted that persons in the area are concerned about fire and suggested a charge be laid, if necessary. Referring to the condition of boat houses on private property, he stated that the Conservation Authority have no authority and, therefore, the Minimum Standards Officer was asked to look into determining who the owners are and having the lands cleaned.

18 - Ministry of Housing - City's participation in the Municipal Land Assembly program

Moved by Alderman Aubry, seconded by Alderman Lynch that the letter be received and referred to administration. Carried. Alderman Lebano suggested Mr. Holmes, co-ordinator, be asked to visit the city.

COUNCIL

The chairman of the Committee of the Whole reported to Council the actions of the committee, including the second reading of the by-laws and the recommendations for enactment.

Committee of the Whole - Moved by Alderman Lebano, seconded by Alderman Lynch that the report be adopted as received. Carried

By-laws - 3rd reading - Moved by Alderman Pescod, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that the by-laws listed on the agenda for third reading be taken as read a third time and finally passed. Carried

New or Unfinished Business -

Guy Street- Alderman Guindon asked administration to look into having fill removed which has been dumped on the boulevard on Guy Street between 10th and 11th Street. The line-of-site, he noted, is taken away from property owners along the street.

Septic Systems - Alderman Guindon inquired if the rate has been changed for septic systems dumping into our sewers. Mr. Adams advised that the question has been discussed with Mr. Walsh and a report is to be submitted to Council.

One-way street system - Mayor Parisien advised Alderman Keen that Council will be receiving a report from Mr. Knight but expects it will be next year before a one-way street system is implemented.

Overhead signs - Alderman Keen stated he agreed with Alderman Bough as to the need for directional overhead signs in heavily travelled areas of the city.

Noise By-law - Suggesting that we obtain a copy of Ottawa's anti-noise by-law, Alderman Keen was advised that a report is to be submitted to Council at the next meeting.

Joe St. Denis Field - Referring to the dedication ceremonies for the naming of the Joe St. Denis Field, Alderman Keen informed Council that the names of dignitaries being invited were chosen by members of the Sports Hall of Fame.

Bicycle meeting - Alderman Bough announced that the second meeting of his committee to discuss all facets of bicycling is to take place this Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

Railway tracks - Alderman Bough asked administration to determine grants available for removal of tracks. He referred to tracks in the center area of the City which land could be used for residential purposes.

Traffic markings - Alderman Lynch referred to a recent newspaper editorial pointing out the lack of directional arrows at intersections, particularly Second and Marlborough Street. Advised that no additional arrows have been added since last year and that the present ones are to be repainted, Alderman Lynch asked that the news media inform the public of what is taking place.

Traffic lights - Mayor Parisien pointed out that no traffic lights in Cornwall are synchronized, due to the short distance between lights.

The Chief Administrator informed Council that he will be submitting a report on the proposed installation of traffic lights at 13th St. and Brookdale Avenue.

Senior Citizens Complex - Alderman Lynch commended Mayor Parisien for sending a letter to O.H.C. asking that priority be given to residents living in the area of Nativity Church when a Senior Citizens Complex is erected on the Nativity School property.

Alderman Lynch was asked to make it clear to the Library Board that Council does not intend to sell the Nativity School property to O.H.C. for \$1.00 but will negotiate with the Corporation for what the property is worth.

X-ray Machine - Referring to the equipment as being second to none in the Dominion of Canada, Alderman Lebano voiced the appreciation of the citizens for the new Telegem - 90 x-ray equipment at the Hotel Dieu Hospital and extended a vote of thanks to the ladies auxilliary for making this equipment available.

Renovations to Hotel Dieu Hospital - Noting that when the Hotel Dieu was constructed in 1955 the requirements of the Fire Marshal's office and all other pertinent agencies were met, Alderman Lebano advised Council that renovations in the amount of \$750,000. must now be carried out to comply with the Fire Marchal's recommendations. Representatives of the Board, he stated, will be meeting with members of the Fire Marshal's office and the Ministry

asking that the total cost be paid by the Province. If the Province is not receptive to this arrangement, then capital financing will have to be considered.

Lemay Street - The Chief Administrator advised Council that grading has been carried out on Lemay Street on Monday.

Building permits - Agreeing with Alderman Lebano that building permits issued during April showed a decrease, the Chief Administrator pointed out that the May report shows a reversal of this trend.

Special committees - Alderman Pearson asked the Chief Administrator to look into the possibility of notifying persons on special committees when items they are interested in are to be considered by Council.

Minimum Standards By-law - Alderman Pearson stated he agreed with more stringent enforcement of the minimum standards by-law; and trusted that the same practice would follow in zoning by-law infractions.

419 Fourth St. East - Alderman Pearson expressed his pleasure that there will be a trustee sale of property known as 419 Fourth Street east.

Aardvark parking lot - Answering Alderman Pearson, the Chief Administrator advised that there is a problem to resolve with respect to the parking lot behind the Aardvark and that a report will come to Council soon.

Water Street project - Answering Alderman Pescod, Mr. Adams advised that a report will be submitted to the Chief Administrator on the paving of Water Street; with Mr. Meikle noting that sewer and water installations should be completed by the end of August.

Vincent Massey Drive - Alderman Pescod stated he had given a memo to Mr. Adams asking that Alcan Colony be required to close the road cuts, level and grade along Vincent Massey Drive where the company is installing water and sewer lines for Combustion Engineering, as we are approaching the tourist season.

Precious Blood Parish lottery - Moved by Alderman Samson, seconded by Alderman Guindon that Council approve the sale of lottery tickets within the City of Cornwall, as requested by the Precious Blood Parish of Glen Walter

419 - 4th St. East - The Chief Administrator advised Council that Mr. Adams has been requested to approach C.M.H.C. and O.H.C. re acquisition of property known as 419 - 4th St. East.

Water Street project - In answer to Alderman LeBlanc, the Chief Administrator explained that Council can put deadlines or a penalty clause in contracts for construction work but the City is going to have to pay extra. If the company is forced to have its employees work overtime, then it is going to have the money to pay them. Alderman LeBlanc then asked if Water Street could be open to one-way traffic temporarily in order to relieve the traffic congestion when coming from Bergin Ave. to Montreal Road.

Dumping on McConnell St. north of 11th St. - Alderman LeBlanc asked that 'no dumping' signs be erected on McConnell Avenue north of 11th St. Mayor Parisien pointed out that if the people obtained the licence number of cars from which debris is thrown, then a charge could be laid.

Cleaning of properties after fires - Alderman LeBlanc stated that a report should be received covering the property at Montreal Road and Lawrence Avenue, where a fire took place approximately two months ago. He referred also to a fire which took place some time ago on Pitt Street and the property is still boarded up. He suggested a time limit when owners must have their properties cleared of all debris after a fire.

Day Care Center - The Chief Administrator advised Alderman LeBlanc that he hopes within the next week or two to be informed by the Province what amount they will pay for alterations to facilities that will service the Day Care Center in the former Y.M.-Y.W.C.A. building.

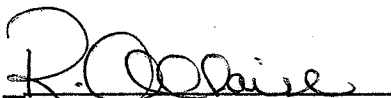
C.N.R. tracks - Alderman LeBlanc inquired as to whether Mr. Adams is negotiating with the C.N.R. asking that repairs be made to their tracks on McConnell Avenue near the Nativity Cemetery.

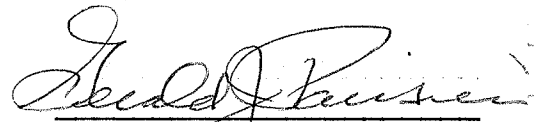
Parking on 4th St. East - Alderman LeBlanc asked Mr. Knight to consider removing parking on 4th Street between McConnell Avenue and Guy Street near the school of nursing.

Animal Control By-law - The Chief Administrator advised that the new Animal Control By-law will be reviewed at a later date.

Transit Service - Moved by Alderman Aubry, seconded by Alderman Pescod that transit service will not be provided on Victoria Day. Carried

Housing Department - Alderman Aubry praised administration for the many reports received for Council's information, but noted the absence of reports dealing with municipal standards. Pointing out that a first report has only been received, he suggested a monthly report be presented to Council.


Acting Clerk


Mayor