

CITY COUNCIL #12-76

April 12, 1976

7:00 p.m.

City Council met this evening with the following members

present - His Worship Mayor G. Parisien; Aldermen M. Holden, J. Pescod, A. Lebano, K. Bough, G. Cameron, F. Guindon, L. Keen, R. Pearson, R. Aubry, G. Samson, A. LeBlanc, and B. Lynch.

Retirement Helena Daley - Referring to Helena Daley as a long and faithful employee, Mayor Parisien presented her with a certificate and watch upon her retirement after twenty-seven years with the municipality.

Adoption of Minutes - Moved by Alderman Keen, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that the minutes of the meeting of Committee of Council of March 22nd be adopted as received. Carried

Moved by Alderman Guindon, seconded by Alderman Lynch that the minutes of the meeting of Committee of Council of March 26th be adopted as received. Carried

Moved by Alderman Samson, seconded by Alderman Pescod that the minutes of the meeting of the Council meeting of March 22nd be adopted as received. Carried

Moved by Alderman Lynch, seconded by Alderman Pearson that the minutes of the meeting of the Council meeting of April 5th be adopted as received. Carried

Moved by Alderman Guindon, seconded by Alderman Keen that the minutes of the meeting of Committee of Council of April 2nd be adopted as received. Carried

Moved by Alderman Pescod, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that the minutes of the meeting of Council of April 2nd be adopted as received. Carried

Delegations -

Boy Scouts of Canada - donation for flag pole at Civic Complex

Commending the Boy Scouts for their real community spirit, Mayor Parisien accepted a cheque in the amount of \$1,518.00; with \$800.00 to purchase a flag pole and the remainder to be spent at the Civic Center.

J.C. Lebrun, representing McConnell-11th St. area residents re Fly Creek and flooding

Mr. Lebrun complained of flooding problems in the McConnell and 11th St. area and the inaction of Council over the past fifteen years to rectify the situation. He stated that the residents were promised something would be done in 1975 or for sure in 1976, but that this project has always been removed from the budget. The Mayor pointed out that the recent flooding was unusual as the water level of the river was up about 2½ ft. and was flowing into the creek. He further reported that In-Land Waterways Division of Environment Canada has stated that opening the sluices at Beauharnois would not alleviate flooding along the river. It was moved by Alderman Keen, seconded by Alderman Lebano that the report of April 12th, tabled by Mr. Lebrun, be referred to the Engineering Dept. for report to be presented to Council together with the consultant's report which is being prepared for the Raisin Region Conservation Authority and a financial report covering costs of the Fly Creek project. Carried. The delegation present this evening is to be asked to attend.

Stuart McDonald, representing Pitt St. north residents who received local improvement notice

On behalf of north Pitt Street residents, Mr. Vincent Herbert read from a brief, dated April 12th, indicating that in their opinion they had been unfairly assessed local improvement charges for sanitary sewers. The Chief Administrator read from a letter in which the O.M.B. refused to approve the work under the Local Improvement Act. He also stated that through a notice in the press, the public was made aware that the municipality had applied for overruns on the project to cover certain streets and that no objection had been received. Moved by Alderman Pescod, seconded by Alderman Bough that a report be drafted and, if necessary, a special Council meeting be held at which time the delegation be invited to attend. Carried. Alderman Guindon suggested our by-law be amended, if possible, whereby it would not be left to the discretion of the City Engineer to decide <sup>on</sup> which street charges shall be levied against when

assessing corner lots.

R. Dumond & C. Lapierre, explain to Council upcoming rod run by Hard Times Car Club

Stating that the club intends to participate in Canada Week, Mr. Lapierre explained that between 100 and 200 cars will be going down Pitt Street to possibly the Civic Complex or Power Dam Site. Council also suggested the parade of cars could lead into property at Ninth and Pitt Street or the former A & P property at 8th and Sydney Street. Slides were shown showing an event which took place in the Bowmanville area. Mayor Parisien asked that Mr. Dumond and Mr. Lapierre meet with Inspector Levere and himself. Referring to a custom show staged in Massena, Alderman Bough suggested the club consider a similar venture when Civic Complex is completed.

Consent Agenda - Moved by Alderman Guindon, seconded by Alderman Lebano that items 1C - 2C - 3C - 4C and 5C, as listed, be adopted as received -

1C United Way - letter of March 12th, together with recommendation from the Chief Administrator to endorse action requested in letter.

2C Petition - for a sanitary sewer on 11th St. West from Daly Ave. to a point approximately 350 feet east

3C Cornwall Lions Club - requesting permission to hold a Carnival at C.N.R. property on 9th St. between Pitt & Sydney Sts. from June 1 - 6th

4C Letter from David Fraser - thanking Fire Department for excellent service.

5C Youth Singspiration - requesting permission to conduct a singspiration on June 26th in front of the Justice Building.

Noting that the local Musician's Union will be staging an event at this time the group is to be asked to consider an alternative time and the Arts Development Committee to be so notified.

Resolutions -

#36-76 - City of Cornwall - applying for a Federal contribution of \$25,935. and Provincial contribution of \$12,968. for the N.I.P. Bridge Area Program Planning Stage

Moved by Alderman Pescod, seconded by Alderman Aubry that the resolution be adopted as received. Carried

Communications and By-laws - Moved by Alderman Lebano, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc 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. 1995 to 2007, as listed, be read a first time -

1995 - to impose fines & penalties for breaches of by-laws of the City

1996 - to enforce performance of things required to be done under City by-laws

1997 - to authorize signing of lease with C.P. Ltd.

1998 - to amend Sewers and Construction By-law No. 628, 1968

1999 - to alter boundaries of a redevelopment area

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2001 - to authorize signing of pipe crossing agreement with C.N.R.

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2003 - to repeal By-law 1689, 1974 - tax registration

2004 - to stop up and close pt. of a 40' wide land off 11th St. east

2005 - to purchase items for Civic Complex

2006 - to purchase transit vehicles and tires

2007 - to dedicate pt. of E $\frac{1}{2}$  lot 9, conc. 2 for a road allowance

Communications -

1. Consent Agenda - report from City Clerk recommending it be part of procedural by-law

Moved by Alderman Keen, seconded by Alderman Holden that the report be approved as presented. Carried

2. Petition from Walton St. residents - objecting to a temporary pavement

Moved by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman Pescod that the petition be filed with the City Clerk. Carried

3. Policy recommendations - from Director of Social Services

After receiving the opinion of various aldermen, it was moved by Alderman Aubry, seconded by Alderman Cameron that the recommendations be approved with the deletion of items 1 and 5, which recommendations are to be returned to administration for rewording. An amendment to the motion was made by Alderman Guindon, seconded by Alderman Samson that adoption of

the report be deferred until a copy of the new regulations is made available to each member of Council. The amendment carried. The motion was defeated.

4. Kinsmen Municipal Centre - reports & recommendations from C.A.O. & Commissioner of Development requesting Council to approve an amount of \$1,075. for a proposed sign in front of 412-5th E.

Alderman Pearson stated that he believed, in the original proposal of the Kinsmen Club, the costs of the sign would be borne by the club. It was, therefore, moved by Alderman Bough, seconded by Alderman Aubry that Council defer taking any action. Carried

5. Tender #7-76 - Fire Dept. Uniform Clothing - report & recommendations from the Fire Chief and Purchasing Agent

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

6. Walkways - report from Director of Public Works with a recommendation from C.A.O. that the walkway on Valecrest Drive & Marlborough be closed

Moved by Alderman Aubry, seconded by Alderman Samson that the report be adopted as received. Carried. Alderman Guindon cautioned against the same problem arising in this instance, as had been experienced when land on Newark Street was deeded to abutting owners.

7. Cedar Rapids Right-of-Way - letter from School Boards requesting that the property in question be levelled and filled where it abuts Notre Dame Senior School, Vincent Massey Public School & G.V.S.S.

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

8. Cornwall Civic Complex - report from the Manager & Commissioner of Finance re O.M.B. application for the purchase of items necessary to complete renovations of Cornwall Civic Complex

Moved by Alderman Bough, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that the report be adopted as received. Carried

9. Transit - report from Transit Manager & Commissioner of Finance re O.M.B. application for the purchase of transit vehicles & tires

Moved by Alderman Lynch, seconded by Alderman Pearson that the report be adopted as received. Carried

10. Pigeon Control - report from J. Lascelle & C.A.O. with recommendation to continue present arrangement with Mr. Lascelle for a further three months

Moved by Alderman Lynch, seconded by Alderman Lebano that action on the report be deferred until we receive a further report from Mr. Lascelle giving more detailed information. Carried. Alderman Lebano suggested that the Seaway International Bridge Corp. be asked to consider gathering pigeon eggs along the bridge structure.

11. Tender #14-76 - Crack Sealing of various streets - report from the Director of Public Works and Purchasing Agent with recommendation that Duron Ont. Ltd. be awarded the contract at a lot price of \$17,836.10

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

12. Tender #16-76 - Manhole Frames & covers & Catch Basin Frames & covers - report from the Director of Public Works & Purchasing Agent

Moved by Alderman Guindon, seconded by Alderman Lynch that the report be adopted as received. Carried

13. Tender #18-76 - Portland Cement - report from Director of Public Works and Purchasing Agent

Moved by Alderman Lebano, seconded by Alderman Guindon that the report be adopted as received. Carried

14. Environmental Control Committee - minutes of meeting of April 6th #12-76

Moved by Alderman Guindon, seconded by Alderman Samson that the report be adopted as received. Carried. Alderman Guindon thanked the Department Heads who attended this meeting. Alderman Lebano asked that, when cleaning up various properties, Amelia St. between 8th and 9th St. should be considered.

15. Planning Board - minutes of meeting of March 31st #4-76

Moved by Alderman Pescod, seconded by Alderman Pearson that the minutes be adopted as received. Carried. Mayor Parisien suggested Council meet with the Board to discuss planning of commercial developments. Alderman Lebano indicated he still supports the Greater York Group in their application for rezoning.

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 Guindon, seconded by Alderman Cameron that the report be adopted as received. Carried

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

NEW BUSINESS -

Airport Committee - Alderman Aubry asked that, by the next meeting, a priority study be available on proposed locations of an airport.

Gallery /75 - Alderman Aubry suggested provision might be made in the Civic Complex, perhaps in one of the open areas, for Gallery /75. He felt such a showing would enhance the cultural aspect of the building and, perhaps, act as a tourist attraction.

One-way Street System - Alderman Aubry congratulated Mr. Wm. Knight and members of the staff for the excellent, detailed Planning Schedule on one-way street system, to be implemented by the end of May

Dogs at Large - Alderman Aubry referred to a recent commentary on W5 setting out the health hazard caused by dog droppings in parks and public places. It was noted that some of the more progressive communities have instituted by-laws that require the owners to scoop up any droopings of their dogs. Alderman Aubry expressed the opinion that, from a health and environment point of view, the City should be considering a similar type of by-law.

Underground Wires - Alderman LeBlanc asked that the Engineering Department contact Bell Canada asking that they repair the boulevards in the Gardner-Jarvis area where pipes were laid last year.

Broken boulevards - Alderman LeBlanc stated that he had received a number of complaints that boulevards had been broken as the result of snow plowing. He had referred them to Public Works Department.

Guindon Park - Alderman LeBlanc asked that some of the necessary work be carried out at this park noting that the regatta will be held again this year in this area.

City Sweepers - It was explained to Council that one sweeper has been used on two different shifts for the past two weeks as the other sweeper is presently in for repairs.

Dumping of garbage - Alderman Samson asked if a small 'No Dumping' sign could be placed where garbage is being dumped at the end of a field on Susan St.

Power Dam Tours - It was pointed out that the City, Chamber of Commerce and Seaway Valley Council were all instrumental in Ontario Hydro's decision to resume tours at the Robert H. Saunders Generating Station. The proposal put forth by the Chamber of Commerce was acceptable to Hydro and a press conference was called.

Uncollected Taxes - Alderman Pearson noted that the amount of uncollected taxes this year is lower in spite of the Domtar strike and other economic conditions. The Mayor pointed out that Cornwall has one of the best tax collections in Ontario.

Employment Committee - Alderman Lynch noted that an Employment Committee had been reactivated which would bring together the other levels of Government, Unemployment Insurance Commission and labour to meet with City representatives in order to retrain and try and create jobs for our people. He trusted that this committee would not replace an Industrial Committee. Mayor Parisien replied that a report will be forthcoming on an Industrial Development Committee.

Brookdale Apartments - Alderman Lynch stated that he understands C.M.H.C. is thinking of selling its apartment buildings to private developers which could adversely affect the rent for low and middle income families. He suggested that our concern be expressed to our member of Parliament.



Hot asphalt - Alderman Lynch inquired if consideration had been given to purchasing the type of equipment required to put down hot asphalt during the winter and early spring. The equipment is used in Toronto.

Le Village - Alderman Lynch asked that the City provide bilingual and graphic signs in the 'Le Village' area, as requested by the merchants.

Heavenly Homes - Alderman Guindon complained of the stench from the area of Heavely Homes development. He was advised that 148 lots in this subdivision should be approved shortly by the Ministry of Housing, which should eliminate dumping in the area.

Rule 2.10 - Moved by Alderman Guindon, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that Rule 2.10 be suspended in order to continue the meeting past 11:00 p.m.

Cormont-Mondev - Alderman Guindon suggested that if nothing is forthcoming from Cormont-Mondev within two weeks, talks with that company should be terminated and discussions held with others. He pointed out that no agreement has been signed and we could be in a weak position when attending the O.M.B. hearing for further commercial rezoning by another firm.

C.N.R. service - Mayor Parisien advised that the Ministry of Transportation and Communications has been advised of our objection to a change in train service between Cornwall and Toronto. However, the City was advised that the policy was laid down by the Federal Government with the change taking place on April 25th. Alderman Lebano, noting that Mr. Lumley has made representation on our behalf, suggested that Council should object.

Downtown development - Alderman Lebano offered to make available a survey he undertook a few years ago on downtown development.

Words of thanks - Alderman Lebano expressed thanks on behalf of his family and himself for the good wishes extended him by the Mayor, Council, Dept. Heads, citizens, nurses and staff of Hotel Dieu Hospital while a patient at the hospital.

Civic Complex - Mayor Parisien announced that he will be meeting next Wednesday with York Steel Construction Co. regarding the delay in construction which will, in turn, postpone the opening of the Complex.

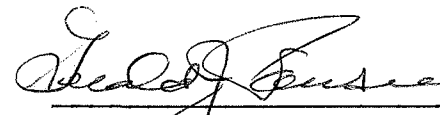
Trash Pump - Noting that the need seems to be there for the trash pump we are renting, Alderman Lebano suggested that the City purchase such a piece of equipment

Plexiglass - Alderman Lebano stated he supported the suggestion made by Mr. Si Miller to use plexiglass at the Bob Turner Centre.

I.R. Bell property - Alderman Pescod requested a brief report with respect to I.R. Bell property on Amelia St. as this matter should be resolved.

C.N.R. Meeting - Mayor Parisien reported that he, Messrs. R.J. Hamilton, C.F. Adams and Lucien Lalonde met with C.N.R. officials. The changes, as laid down by the Ministry of Transportation and Communications, were explained and were the result of a study in passenger service throughout the country. There is no cutback in service, the Mayor explained, only more inconvenience.

  
Clerk

  
Mayor