

CITY COUNCIL #4-83

February 14, 1983
7 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of City Council was held this evening when the following were present - His Worship Mayor G. Parisien, Aldermen R. Aubry, F. Guindon, R. Lalonde, T. Lalonde, A. Lebano, A. LeBlanc, G. Leger, B. Lynch, E. Myers, J. Samis, G. Samson and W. Wise.

PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Parisien presented Mrs. Anne Nyland with an appropriate gift in recognition of her being named Librarian of the Year in Ontario.

Representatives of the Ministry of Tourism and Recreation presented a 20-minute film entitled "Municipal Awareness".

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved by Aldermen Lynch and R. Lalonde that the minutes of the January 24th meeting of Council be adopted. Carried

Moved by Aldermen Leger and LeBlanc that the minutes of the February 9th meeting of Council be adopted. Carried

Moved by Aldermen Lebano and Guindon that the minutes of the January 25th meeting of Committee of Council be adopted, Carried

Moved by Aldermen Samson and Myers that the minutes of the February 7th meeting of Committee of Council be adopted. Carried

Moved by Aldermen LeBlanc and Wise that the minutes of the February 9th meeting of Committee of Council be adopted. Carried

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Moved by Aldermen Lebano and Samson that Council go into Committee of the Whole and that all delegations, resolutions, communications and by-laws be referred to that Committee and that By-laws 013 to 020 be given first reading -

- By-law 013 -To establish a Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee
 014 -To amend the Traffic By-law
 015 -To impose a percentage charge of 1¼% per calendar month as a penalty for non-payment of taxes or any class or instalment thereof
 016 -To provide for interest to be added to tax arrears
 017 -To establish the Police Band
 018 -To authorize the purchase of land from R. Flaro
 019 -To authorize the purchase of land from Lionel Chevrier for Capitol Theatre Parking Lot
 020 -To appoint lay persons to various committees Carried

DELEGATIONS

Cornwall General Hospital - Mr. Allan Snetsinger stated that the Cornwall General Hospital, which provides primary care for a population area of some 70,000 people, is seeking financial assistance from the City of Cornwall for a total reconstruction and renovation of its operating room suite. The hospital's 30-year old operating room facilities are inadequate and increasingly obsolete in terms of design, size and equipment. The proposed building project, which is scheduled to get under way before April 1st, is designed to create facilities for surgery that are appropriate to the hospital's and the community's needs in the 1980's; to equip the operating rooms mechanically and electrically to meet present and future needs; to enlarge recovery room facilities to meet the needs of present levels of surgical care; to provide improved access to day surgery facilities; and to provide sufficient storage and work space for all support functions. Ontario will provide two-thirds of the total cost of capital building projects that are approved by the Ministry of Health for community hospitals such as Cornwall General. It is the responsibility of the Board of Governors of the hospital to raise and provide the remaining one-third of the funds required. The Ministry of Health will share on the two-thirds/one-third basis to a maximum of \$1,580,000 and any excess must be met by the hospital in full. The share to be raised will therefore be \$520,000 at a minimum but may reach \$700,000. Mr. Snetsinger, on behalf of the Board of Governors, urged Council to consider setting aside \$140,000 spread over the next two to three years to assist the hospital in its operating room project.

Moved by Aldermen Guindon and Lynch that the request for financial assistance be referred to current budget deliberations. Carried

Cornwall Arts Development Committee - Mr. Ron Sullivan advised that his Committee is seeking \$7,000 for the year 1983. He outlined assistance provided to various organizations in Cornwall and advised that if Council is interested in having arts and culture developed in this city, it would be necessary for the City to support their recommendations.

Moved by aldermen Lynch and T. Lalonde that the request for financial assistance be referred to current budget deliberations. Carried

RCAFA Wing 424 - Alderman Guindon declared his interest and left the room during this delegation.

Mr. Bob Franklin introduced his delegation and advised that it is his information that the City of Cornwall is the largest city in Ontario without airport service. He proceeded to outline the disadvantages of the Massena Airport and listed the needs of the community for such a facility in the Cornwall area. He concluded his presentation by indicating that the Wing members request Council to disregard all alternatives being reviewed and to proceed with the original suggestion that a municipal airport be established in the Bonville area. Council thanked Mr. Franklin for his interest.

Mrs. L. Lavigne - Further to Planning Board Report No. 1-1, Mrs. Lavigne once again asked Council to support her request to redesignate and rezone Lots 1, 2, 3, 55 and 56, Registered Plan 240, from residential to highway commercial. She indicated that she had followed the proper route in her application and that if Council was interested in seeing justice served, they would support her application.

Mr. Kevin Brown - Mr. Brown represented the residents on Registered Plan 240 and indicated that they oppose Mrs. Lavigne's request for rezoning. He stated that the Planning Board at the meeting of January 12th unanimously denied her request and he felt that Council should support the Planning Board's and the Planning Department's recommendation. Mayor Parisien advised that this matter would be dealt with under Communications.

Conseil de Vie Francaise - Mr. Gerald Samson indicated that the French Week Committee's proposal entails moving a 15-ft. steel torch which presently adorns the shores of the St. Lawrence River on St. Lawrence College property to a site in Lamoureux Park in the proximity of the Civic Complex. He thanked Council for their attention and for the serious consideration it will be giving to this proposal submitted by the Comite de la Semaine Francaise as endorsed by the Canada Week Committee and the Bicentennial Committee.

Moved by Aldermen Guindon and Leger that the request be referred to current budget deliberations. Carried

RESOLUTIONS

- #4 - Moved by Aldermen Guindon and Lynch that Council petition MTC for subsidy for expenditures on traffic signals made during the year 1982 in the amount of \$167,177.58. Carried
- #5 - Moved by Aldermen T. Lalonde and R. Lalonde that Council petition MTC for subsidy on expenditures during the year 1982 on roads and streets in the amount of \$4,423,865.09. Carried

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Duke of Edinburgh's Award - Receive letter of thanks
- B. Conseil de Vie Francaise - Receive letter of congratulations
- C. Eagles Oldtimers Hockey Club - Grant permission for bingo
- D. Canadian Cancer Society - Grant tag day April 28/84
- E. Nativity Guards Cadet Corps - Grant tag day May 21, 1983

Moved by Aldermen LeBlanc and T. Lalonde that the Consent Agenda be approved. Carried

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Planning Board - Moved by Aldermen Aubry and LeBlanc that the application to rezone Lots 1, 2, 3, 55 and 56, Registered Plan 240 from Residential to Highway Commercial be denied. Carried
2. Tender #3-83 - Moved by Aldermen Samson and Leblanc that the tender for telespar perforated tubing be awarded to Geo. A. Harding Ltd. in the total amount of \$14, 184.56. Carried
3. York & Fourth, York & Fifth - Moved by Aldermen Guindon and Myers that traffic control signals not be installed at this time at either fourth & York or Fifth & York and that "Stop Ahead" signs be erected in advance of the intersection of Fifth and York on the northbound and southbound approaches. Carried
4. Long Service Recognition - Moved by Aldermen Guindon and Lynch that the present practice be continued. Carried

5. Bus Shelter, Edward & Montreal Rd. - Moved by Aldermen T. Lalonde and R. Lalonde that the request for a bus shelter be denied. Carried
- Moved by Aldermen LeBlanc and T. Lalonde that Aldermen LeBlanc and T. Lalonde be authorized to meet with the senior citizens at the Edward Street Building to assess their needs and wishes and that Administration give consideration to their findings. Carried
6. Weed Harvesting Lake St. Francis - Moved by Aldermen Guindon and Wise that the City of Cornwall is not prepared to become involved in such a program at this time or in the future unless there are Federal and Provincial monies forthcoming to help offset costs. Carried
7. LACAC - Moved by Aldermen Lynch and LeBlanc that the minutes of January 12th be received. Carried
8. Tender #63-82 - Alderman Aubry declared his interest and left the room during discussion and vote.
- Moved by Aldermen Guindon and T. Lalonde that the tender for advertizing space on transit vehicles be awarded to Transit Communications of Cornwall at a price of \$85,750 for five years for "interior" and "exterior" advertizing on transit buses. Carried
- Alderman Lynch moved an amendment that the report be deferred until further information was available. There was no seconder.

C O U N C I L

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 recommendations for enactment.

Committee of the Whole - Moved by Aldermen Lebano and Lynch that Committee of the Whole be adopted. Carried

Alderman Wise declared his interest in By-law 19 and refrained from voting.

By-laws - Third Reading - Moved by Aldermen Leger and R. Lalonde that By-laws 013 to 020 as listed for third reading be taken as read a third time and finally passed. Carried

Alderman Wise declared his interest in By-law 19 and refrained from voting.

NEW BUSINESS

Hiring - Moved by Aldermen Lebrano and LeBlanc that during the years 1983 and 1984 no hiring whatsoever be undertaken by any department under City jurisdiction unless approved by majority vote of Council after complete review and that this policy be checked and discussed by Council at the beginning of 1985 for revision, if necessary.

A recorded vote resulted as follows -

For the Motion: Aldermen Lebrano, R. Lalonde, Myers, Samis, Wise, Leger and LeBlanc.

Against the Motion: Aldermen Lynch, T. Lalonde, Guindon, Samson and Aubry. Carried

Noise, Anchor Motel - Moved by Aldermen Lynch and LeBlanc that Council receive a report from the Police Department as to what action has been taken or is being contemplated on the complaints of Mr. Herbert Lalonde, 1127 Hebert St. re: the noise coming from the trucks driving in and out of the lot behind the Anchor Motel at all hours of the night. Carried

Size of Council - Moved by Aldermen Lynch and Aubry that Administration prepare a report outlining the procedures to follow to reduce the size of Council and providing information regarding the size of councils of 20 to 25 comparable municipalities in Ontario. Defeated

A recorded vote resulted as follows -

For the Motion: Alderman Lynch.

Against the Motion: Aldermen T. Lalonde, Lebrano, R. Lalonde, Myers, Guindon, Samis, Wise, Leger, Samson, LeBlanc and Aubry.

The meeting adjourned at 10:55 p.m.


Clerk


Mayor