

CITY COUNCIL #7-84

March 5, 1984.
7:30 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. Pescod, J. Samis and W. Wise.

This evening the prayer was offered by Mostapha El-Gazaar.

PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Len Stidwill presented a framed coloured map of Cornwall dated February 7, 1792, known as Map #1.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved by Aldermen Pescod and T. Lalonde that the minutes of the February 13th meeting of City Council be adopted. Carried

Moved by Aldermen Lynch and LeBano that the minutes of the February 14th meeting of City Council be adopted. Carried

Moved by Aldermen Myers and Guindon that the minutes of the February 15th meeting of City Council be adopted. Carried

Moved by Aldermen R. Lalonde and LeBlanc that the minutes of the February 13th meeting of Committee of Council be adopted. Carried

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Moved by Aldermen T. Lalonde and Pescod 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 21 to 27 be given first reading -

- By-law 21 - To amend the Zoning By-law (convertible dwellings, R.P. 361)
- 22 - To accept Part 2, Reference Plan 52R-2141 from Stuart & Elaine Clark (South Branch Rd.)
- 23 - To authorize signing of Quit Claim Deed (Panoramic Towers)
- 24 - To authorize signing of Provincial-Municipal Agreement under Municipal Action '85 (automated perpetual inventory)

- 25 - To impose a percentage charge of 1¼% per calendar month as a penalty for non payment of taxes or any class or instalment thereof
- 26 - To provide for interest to be added to tax arrears
- 27 - To amend By-law 21/83 (load limits) Carried

DELEGATIONS

Canada Health Act - Dr. Raymond A. Gatien, President, Cornwall Academy of Medicine, stated that he hoped to make Council aware of the ramifications of the Canada Health Act and of the concerns of local doctors regarding this legislation. The Act sets out the criteria that provinces must meet and threatens to penalize financially those provinces that allow hospital user fees, physicians to bill above provincial medicare payment schedules or fail to meet other criteria for medicare. Doctors in Cornwall are opposed to the Canada Health Act for 3 main reasons - 1) the vasis of the whole Act is erroneous; 2) the freedom of patients and physicians is being impinged upon; 3) the Act does nothing to address the problem of underfunding. Every doctor in Canada, except Quebec, has the right to extra bill. Over 9 % choose not to do so. The present system and results have been unique because they provide for an extensive government role but without compulsion and authoritarian regulation. The Canada Health Act, if implemented by the provinces, will compel physicians to enrol in the government's plan and will lessen doctors' civic rights compared to those enjoyed by other citizens; doctors will become government employees. The ultimate goal of this legislation is to change Canada's health insurance into a medical service that is completely controlled by government. Dr. Gatien predicted that in 5 to 10 years, the government will determine what health services are available, their quality, who will get them and where. It will be impossible for a patient to obtain services beyond the level or quality that the government is able or willing to provide. Doctors believe that underfunding is already a problem. So far this has resulted in a shortage of beds at all levels, a shortage of up-to-date hospital equipment and cancellation of surgery and increasingly long waiting periods for diasnostic and therapeutic procedures. Physicians are concerned that the Act will fail to solve any of these problems and will in fact aggravate them lowering Canada's standard of health care. Dr. Gatien suggested that members of Council read the Act to become better informed; write to the Hon. Begin and to our Members of Parliament to express concerns regarding the health care system and the Act; and to inquire from own doctor about his views regarding the Act.

Levi Strauss - Mrs. Monique Ceasor, representing a community involvement team of the Great Northern Apparel (Levi Strauss), indicated that her team is composed of employees of the company who endeavour to assist in offering better services to help improve our community. She stated that her group has been in existence since 1977 and has contributed over \$240,000 to various groups and organizations. She indicated that her group was in attendance this evening to seek support from Council for a biventennial fund raiser being set up for May 12th. The fund raiser would be a dance at which they would hope to raise \$10,000 in ticket sales after which they would send this fund raiser proposal to their company asking that they match this amount by an extra 80% to 90%. If this proposal is accepted in the community and by their company they would be donating \$100,000. This amount would be distributed to the following organizations - Cornwall Block Parents, Cornwall General Hospital, MacDonell Memorial Hospital, Cornwall District Association for the Mentally Retarded, La Caravane, Cornwall Sea Cadets and the Humane Society. Mrs. Ceasor concluded her presentation by seeking Council's support for this project and encouraged each member of Council to purchase the first tickets.

RESOLUTIONS

- #1 - Moved by Aldermen Lebrano and R. Lalonde that we make further requests and representation to all major hotel chains to try and entice them to invest in and develop a hotel near the Civic Complex.
 Moved by Aldermen Wise and T. Lalonde that the resolution be deferred to the first meeting in April. Carried
- #6 - Moved by Aldermen Lebrano and LeBlanc that Council make official representation to the proper authorities to initiate further building development to meet our immediate needs. Carried

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. MD Assoc. & Rogers Cable TV - Grant permission to hold beer garden at Optimist Park Jul. 28-29
- B. Nativity Guards - Grant Tag Day May 25/85
- C. Kinsmen Club - Grant permission to hold Super TV Bingo on April 18th and bingo on April 19th
- D. Ontario Safety League - Receive Certificate of Merit

- E. Cornwall & District Labour Council - Receive letter from Pres.

Moved by Aldermen Lynch and R. Lalonde that
the Consent Agenda be approved.

Carried

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Environmental Control Committee - Moved by Aldermen
Pescod and T. Lalonde that the minutes of
February 15th be received. Carried

2. Planning Advisory & Hearing Committee - Moved by
Aldermen Leger and LeBlanc that the minutes of
February 20th be received. Carried

3. Planning Advisory & Hearing Committee Report No. 2-1
Moved by Aldermen Lynch and Guindon that the
Zoning By-law be amended to permit convertible
dwellings in Registered Plan 361. Carried

4. Replacement of Staff - Moved by Aldermen Guindon and
T. Lalonde that the Director of Public Works be
authorized to replace the Waterworks Sub-foreman I. Carried

5. Street Lighting Improvement '84 - Moved by Aldermen
LeBlanc and Guindon that St. Lawrence Power
projects L1, L2, L4, L5, L6 and L7 be approved;
that St. Lawrence Power project L3 be tentatively
approved subject to budget approval; and that
Cornwall Electric program be tentatively approved
dependent on final budget disposition. Carried

Alderman Pescod declared a conflict of interest because his
son submitted and signed the schedule for street light upgrading and
replacements on behalf of Cornwall Electric. He did not participate
in the discussion and the subsequent vote on this matter.

6. Street Lighting, McConnell/CN Overpass - Moved by
Aldermen T. Lalonde and LeBlanc that the report
be deferred. Defeated

Moved by Aldermen Aubry and Guindon that full
illumination of the McConnell/CNR Overpass be
postponed until warranting conditions are met.

Carried

7. Traffic Control, Marlborough & Ninth & Cumberland & Eleventh
Moved by Aldermen Lynch and Lebano that no action
be taken on the Traffic Engineer's recommendation
re: Marlborough & Ninth; that final Council
deliberations should be the vehicle that determines
whether the traffic signals at Marlborough & Ninth
are installed; and that the Traffic Engineer's

- recommendation re: Cumberland and Eleventh be endorsed that the existing situation remain. Carried
8. Day Care Admission Policy - Moved by Aldermen Pescod and R. Lalonde that Council adopt the policy recommended in a report from the Chief Administrator dated February 28th. Carried
9. Sunday Transit Service - Moved by Aldermen T. Lalonde and Leger that Council not give further consideration to such an endeavour at this time. Carried
Alderman Aubry declared a conflict of interest because he has a pecuniary interest in the firm that holds a contract with the City for advertizing on City buses. He did not participate in the discussion and the subsequent vote on this matter.
10. Recreation Committee - Moved by Aldermen LeBlanc and R. Lalonde that the minutes of February 21st be received. Carried
11. Recreation Committee - Moved by Aldermen LeBlanc and Leger that the report dated February 21st be adopted. Carried
12. Reduction, Aldermen - Moved by Aldermen Wise and Lynch that Council apply for a Private Member's Bill to reduce the number of aldermen from 12 to 10 by means of a well structured application.
A recorded vote resulted as follows - For the Motion: Aldermen Lynch, Samis and Wise. Against the Motion: Mayor Parisien, Aldermen T. Lalonde, Lebano, R. Lalonde, Myers, Guindon, Leger, Pescod, LeBlanc and Aubry. Defeated
Moved by Aldermen Aubry and T. Lalonde that Council place a referendum question on a ballot for the 1985 municipal elections asking if the voters favour reducing the number of aldermen from 12 to 10 by way of a Private Member's Bill.
A recorded vote resulted as follows - For the Motion: Aldermen Lynch, T. Lalonde, R. Lalonde, Samis, Wise, Leger, Pescod, LeBlanc and Aubry. Against the Motion: Mayor Parisien, Aldermen Lebano, Myers and Guindon. Carried
13. Tender #4-84 - Moved by Aldermen Pescod and T. Lalonde that the tender for pavement markings be awarded to Metro Pavement Markings at a price of \$31,232.50. Carried

14. Tender #10-84 - Moved by Aldermen Lebano and Guindon that the tender for telespar perforated tubing be awarded to Geo. A. Harding Limited at a price of \$10,542.44. Carried
15. Bicentennial Medal - Moved by Aldermen Lynch and Samis that the letter from the Parliamentary Assistant to the Premier of Ontario be received and that no further action be taken. Defeated
- Moved by Aldermen Lebano and LeBlanc that an Ad Hoc Committee be appointed to deal with this matter. Carried

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 LeBlanc that the Committee of the Whole be adopted. Carried
- By-laws - Third Reading - Moved by Aldermen Pescod and Leger that By-laws 21 to 27 as listed for third reading be taken as read a third time and finally passed. Carried

NEW BUSINESS

- Canada Post - Moved by Aldermen T. Lalonde and Aubry that whereas Canada Post is in the process of expanding their service to include acting as employees for Consumers Distributing and other "private industry" services; and whereas such action would appear to result in government further nega-ing jobs and services of private enterprises; therefore be it resolved that the City of Cornwall strongly protest to Canada Post such action on behalf of the citizens of Cornwall and the philosophy of "free enterprise". Carried

GENERAL STATEMENTS

- Gray's Creek Marina - Moved by Aldermen Guindon and Lebano to invoke Rule 10 to allow Alderman Guindon to discuss the recent decision of the Raisin Region Conservation Authority to close Gray's Creek Marina. Carried

Moved by Aldermen Guindon and Lebano that the City of Cornwall ask the Raisin Region Conservation Authority to reconsider its decision to close the Gray's Creek Marina for the year 1984.

A recorded vote resulted as follows - For the Motion: Mayor Parisien, Aldermen Lynch, T. Lalonde, Lebano, Myers, Guindon, Samis, Pescod and LeBlanc.

Against the Motion: Aldermen R. Lalonde, Wise, Leger and Aubry.

Carried


University of Ottawa Conference - Moved by Aldermen Guindon and Leger that Rule 10 be invoked to allow Alderman Leger to discuss the University of Ottawa and St. Lawrence College Conference.

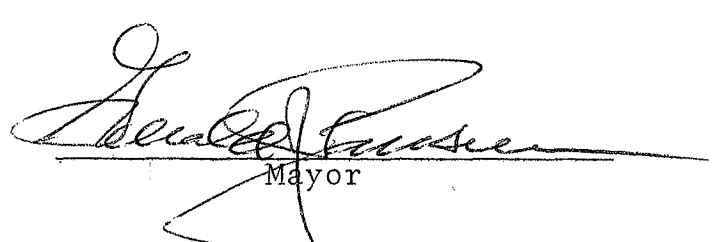
Carried

After some discussion it was moved by Aldermen Leger and Guindon that the City of Cornwall authorize an amount of up to \$1,800 to the Cornwall Campus of the University of Ottawa for hosting a conference which will attract up to 300 delegates.

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 p.m.


J. Clerk


Mayor