

CITY COUNCIL #10-88February 22, 1988
7:30 p.m.

The regular meeting of City Council was held this evening when the following members were present: Acting Mayor, Gerry Grant, Aldermen D. Aubry, T. Green, A. Leblanc, D. Carr, G. Leger, C. Poirier, B. Gallant, and T. Lalonde.

Mayor Lynch was in Toronto to meet with Ministry of Transportation of Ontario Officials to discuss the need for supplementary funding for road work.

Alderman Guindon is also in Toronto attending Ontario Good Roads conference.

Also absent were Aldermen Ray Lalonde and C. Charlebois.

INVOCATION - Captain Hilliard, Salvation Army

PRESENTATIONSADOPTION OF MINUTES

It was moved by Aldermen T. Lalonde and C. Poirier that the minutes of regular council dated February 8, 1988 be adopted.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Moved by Aldermen T. Green and A. LeBlanc 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 no.018 to 028 be given first reading.

CARRIED

By-Laws

- 018 To appoint Richard Levac as Municipal Weed Inspector
- 019 A by-law under the Building Code Act respecting permits and related matters.
- 020 To licence, regulate and govern plumbing contractors, master plumbers and journeymen plumbers and to provide for the inspection of plumbing and sewer installations.
- 021 To accept from Norbro Holdings part of Lot 13, Con.2, being described as Parts 5 and 6, Reference Plan 52R-3241(Comm. of Adj. Application B-52-87)
- 022 A by-law for lane designation signs, intersection of Second and Glengarry Blvd.
- 023 To authorize the reconstruction and widening of a highway and the reconstruction of existing sanitary sewer and watermain services on Second between St. Felix and Danis
- 024 To authorize the reconstruction and widening of a highway, the reconstruction of existing storm sewer system on Cornwall Centre Road between Pitt and Highway No. 138
- 025 To authorize the reconstruction and widening of a highway, the reconstruction of existing storm and sanitary sewer service at Ninth and Cumberland
- 026 To authorize the construction of a storm sewer system on an easement on part of Lots 186, 187, 194 and 195, Registered Plan 240 between Alguire and Elgin
- 027 To authorize the relocation of a railway on Ninth between Cumberland and Brookdale
- 028 To provide for the borrowing of \$324,875.00 to provide financing for the purchase of equipment

DELEGATIONL'Association de Parents et Instituteurs Régionale de S.D. & G.

Miss Nicole Bourgeois, spokesperson for the Association, thanked Council for the opportunity for her group to express their concern over the discontinuance of the VIP program in the City of Cornwall. She went on to explain the purpose of the program and indicated that one of the major concerns being expressed is the discontinuance of the program. She indicated that the program is well entrenched in the other parts of the three united counties and that in the City of Cornwall there had been approximately 18 police officers trained to offer the program in the various city schools, but there were now less than 10 policemen volunteering their time, and of those 10 very few were francophones which meant that the french schools were hard pressed to offer the service. She further suggested that the program is not supported fully by the municipality, that it is destined for complete failure. It was indicated that the police officers who volunteer for the program offer a great number of hours in the preparation of the course material including the use of their personal vehicle in order that the program could be offered after their normal hours of work. She concluded her presentation by recommending that City Council reassess it's budget in an effort to perhaps renumerate the police officers so that the program could be continued and perhaps additional volunteers could be solicited.

Once Council had been offered an opportunity to question the delegation,

IT WAS MOVED by Aldermen Poirier and Carr that the presentation be referred to the Cornwall Police Commission for a report and that the Commission be made aware that the City favours the involvement of the School Boards for a possible request to be made to the Attorney General's office for additional funding in order to help maintain the VIP program in the City of Cornwall.

CARRIED

Cornwall Builders Association

Mr. Dick Markell, spokesperson for the Association, expressed concern on the recommendation from the Housing Dept. that there be mandatory building inspections. Mr. Markell listed some disadvantages the inspection would bring and indicated his association feels that mandatory inspections would penalize experienced and responsible builders to compensate for the demand put on the Inspection Department's time by new inexperienced builders, irresponsible builders and people building their own homes. He felt that the increased inspection cost would translate into higher municipal taxes. He further expressed a concern that mandatory inspections would result in late deliveries and higher costs resulting in a new home builder losing his competitor's edge over the resale market. He indicated that CMHC dropped mandatory inspections four years ago and have introduced a more flexible form of inspection. He went on to say that according to CMHC and the Ministry of Housing, unscheduled inspections are much more effective in many cases in maintaining a high standard of workmanship. Mr. Markell concluded his presentation by making the following recommendations:

1. Inspectors should plan their week by geographical areas. One day in the East end, one day in the North, one day in Riverdale and so on. This would result in better Time Management and fewer tax dollars spent.
2. Cooperation and communication between inspectors and builders could also improve Time Management and help Inspectors plan their weekly routes.
3. Inspectors should have a system flexible enough to allow them to concentrate on new builders, builder-owners or builders with bad track records.
4. Random inspections if properly planned can be more effective in maintaining a high standard of performance
5. In conclusion, we feel that mandatory inspections should not be adopted for reason of fiscal responsibility and to avoid the problems that they will cause for Cornwall's responsible builders.

After Council having had an opportunity to question the delegation,

It WAS MOVED BY Aldermen Aubry and T. Lalonde that the recommendations put forth by the Cornwall Builders Association be referred to Administration for a further report and that Communication Item 1 on the agenda be received and that Item 8 be deferred until the new report has been obtained. Further, that By-laws 19 and 20 be given 2nd reading only.

CARRIED

Cornwall and District Labour Council

Mr. Fred Hansen appeared before Council asking that the City of Cornwall proclaim April 28th a day of mourning for the dead, disabled and injured workers and that the City flag be lowered at each Municipal Building. In answer to questions from members of Council, Mr. Hansen indicated that several provinces and the federal government did in fact recognize April 28th and that the Township of Cornwall had accepted the request that he made last year and lowered their flag. He also added that many municipalities across Ontario did respect the day of mourning on April 28th.

It was then MOVED by Aldermen Carr and Green that this request be referred to Administration for a report.

CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS

#3 Moved by Aldermen Carr and Leger that the Council of The Corporation of the City of Cornwall hereby requests from the Ministry of Transportation and Communications a supplementary allocation of subsidy monies for work on Traffic Control Signals and for work on roads and streets in the total amount of \$96,600.00 for the year 1988.

CARRIED

#4 Moved by Aldermen Leblanc and Carr that the Council of The Corporation of the City of Cornwall hereby requests from the Ministry of Transportation and Communications a supplementary allocation of subsidy monies for work on roads in the amount of \$1,070,000.00 under the Public Transportation and Highway Improvement Act.

CARRIED

#5 Moved by Aldermen Carr and Leger Whereas the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cornwall is committed to constructing Ninth Street, between Cumberland Street and Brookdale Avenue, being an important arterial roadway link, commencing in 1988; AND WHEREAS it is necessary to relocate Canadian National Railway facilities and acquire land from CN in order to be able to construct the roadway; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Corporation of the City of Cornwall petitions the National Transportation Agency to approve, by May 1, 1988, the application for a Board Order, submitted by Canadian National on May 12, 1987, on behalf of the city of Cornwall, for this project; and that,
2. The National Transportation Agency provides funding for this project in 1988 or 1989, in the amount of \$300,000, as justified in documentation previously submitted.

CARRIED

CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Aldermen B.Gallant and A.LeBlanc that Consent Agenda be approved

CARRIED

1. Heritage Cornwall That the minutes of January 21, 1988 be received.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Building Administration Study
This item was reviewed and voted on with the delegation from the Cornwall Builders Association.

2. 1988 Capital Projects
Moved by Aldermen T. Lalonde and LeBlanc that Council approve the reconstruction of Second St. from St. Felix to Danis.

CARRIED
3. 1988 Capital Projects
Moved by Aldermen T. Lalonde and LeBlanc that Council approve the reconstruction of Cornwall Centre Road from Pitt St. to Highway 138.

CARRIED
4. 1988 Capital Projects
Moved by Aldermen T. Lalonde and LeBlanc that Council approve the reconstruction of Ninth St. and Cumberland St. Intersection.

CARRIED
5. 1988 Capital Projects
Moved by Aldermen T. Lalonde and LeBlanc that Council approve the construction of a storm sewer system on an easement on part of Lots 186, 187, 194 and 195, Registered Plan 240 from Alguire to Elgin.

CARRIED
6. 1988 Capital Projects
Moved by Aldermen T. Lalonde and LeBlanc that Council approve the relocation of CN Railway on the Ninth St. right-of-way between Brookdale and Cumberland and permit the construction of a future roadway.

CARRIED
7. Parking Restrictions Queen Street
Moved by Aldermen Green and Leger that parking be prohibited at all times on the north side of Queen from Dover to east limit of Queen, including frontage of Dover Heights Park; that a speed survey be conducted on Queen this summer and results forwarded to the Police Force if a problem is evident; that no additional action be considered at this time.

Parking Restrictions Queen St. (cont..)

It was then moved by Aldermen T. Lalonde and Grant that this report be deferred until the 9th St. extension has been completed or until a sidewalk has been installed.

The motion to defer was defeated and the main motion

CARRIED

8. Proposed Bldg. Permit By-Law & Plumbing By-Law Amendments

This item was reviewed and voted on with the delegation from the Cornwall Builders Association.

9. Cornwall Speedway

Moved by Aldermen Carr and Leger that the Environmental Control Committee be advised that the City of Cornwall has no jurisdiction with respect to the problem of noise associated with the Cornwall Speedway since the Speedway is situated in the Township of Cornwall.

CARRIED

10. Tender #9-88

Alderman Aubry declared a conflict of interest having a pecuniary interest with Transit Communications Limited and did not debate or vote on this item.

It was then moved by Aldermen Gallant and Leger that the tender for Advertizing on the Cornwall Transit Fleet of Buses be awarded to Transit Communications Ltd. at a tendered price of \$106,400.00 plus installation "as required" and that the City enter into an agreement with Transit Communications Ltd.

CARRIED

11. Parks & Recreation Organization Restructure

Moved by Aldermen Carr and LeBlanc that Council approve the new organization structure and that any new hirings be held in abeyance until Council receives the report from the CAO and report from Director of Community Services requesting that new positions be filled.

Parks & Recr. (cont..)

It was then moved by Aldermen Green and Gallant that this report be deferred to the next regular Council meeting.

The motion to defer was defeated.

It was then moved by Aldermen Green and Poirier that the motion be amended to exclude in the Parks and Recreation organizational structure, the positions of Sports Coordinator, Landscape & Parks Supervisor, and Arts and Culture Coordinator.

The amendment Carried and the motion Carried as amended.

12. Optimist Club

Moved by Aldermen Carr and Green that the recommendation to permit the Campbell Amusements Midway Show for the week of July 27th to August 1st, 1988 be approved subject to further approval from the Service Club Council.

CARRIED

AD HOC COMMITTEES OF COUNCILEmergency 911 Committee

Alderman Leger informed Council that his committee had been completed and that they would be having their first meeting Thursday February 25th, at 3:00 p.m. He indicated that his committee is comprised of Hugh O'Reilly, Pete Champagne, Fire Chief, Inspector G. Derouchie, from the Police Dept., Wayne Dennison, from Cornwall and Provincial Ambulance Service, Art Bond from the District Health Council and Donald St. Pierre from the District Health Council.

Raisin Region Conservation Authority

In answer to a question from Alderman Aubry, Alderman T. Lalonde as City representative on the Authority, indicated that the City would in fact lose some money as a result of the default of Mr. Bill Elliot who operated the Gray's Creek Marina. She confirmed that the Authority will staff the Marina this coming summer and will operate it.

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 recommendation for enactment.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Moved by Aldermen D. Carr and A. Leblanc that the Committee of the Whole be adopted.

CARRIED

BY-LAWS - Third Reading

Moved by Aldermen G. Leger and D. Carr that by-laws no.018 and 021 only as listed for third reading be taken as read a third time and finally passed.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

1. City's Reserves

Moved by Aldermen Poirier and Green that Administration provide Council with a report listing the City's various reserves be they working or otherwise. The report should also outline how these funds are invested.

CARRIED

2. Employees' Fringe Benefits

Moved by Aldermen Poirier and Carr that the Manager of the Human Resource Section provide Council at its next scheduled meeting, an update on the proposed review of our employees' fringe benefits.

COUNCIL ACTION *March 14/88*

COMMUNICATIONS (REG)

COMMUNICATIONS (CONSENT) CARRIED

COMMUNICATIONS (CLOSED)

APPROVED

RECEIVED

FILED

DEFER

COMMENTS _____

Council Adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

R. O'Leary
CLERK

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Acting MAYOR