

CITY COUNCIL #04-95

February 27th, 1995
7:30 p.m.
27/95

PRESENT

A regular meeting of Council was held with the following members present: His Worship, Mayor Ron Martelle, Aldermen Naresh Bhargava, Denis Carr, Susan Carter, Chuck Charlebois, Brian Lynch, Claude Poirier, Chris Savard, and Brian Sylvester.

ABSENT

Aldermen Dick Aubry and Dean Hollingsworth.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr. Richard Allaire, Chief Administrator/Clerk, Mr. Fern Hamelin, Assistant Chief Administrator/Manager of Public Works, Steve Alexander, Dave Fielding, Paul Fitzpatrick, Natalie Fitzharris, Frank McDonald, Rob Orchin, Brian Casselman, Christine Lefebvre, and Denise Labelle-Gélinas, Recording Secretary

INVOCATION

Reverend Steven Olson, Christian Council

It was moved by Aldermen Chuck Charlebois and Brian Sylvester that a verbal presentation on "Assessment on Federal Property" be added to this evening's agenda as Communication Item #9.

MOTION CARRIED

It was moved by Aldermen Brian Lynch and Naresh Bhargava that a delegation from the G.V.S.S. Interact Club be added to this evening's agenda.

MOTION CARRIED

It was moved by Aldermen Claude Poirier and Chris Savard that the minutes from the Special Committee of Council Meeting of February 20th, 1995 be deleted from this evening's agenda.

MOTION CARRIED

PRESENTATIONS

1. Cornwall Citizen of the Year 1994 - Peter Morgan

Mayor Martelle invited Mr. Peter Morgan to be recognized for his accomplishment in being nominated as top citizen for 1994 by the Cornwall Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Morgan was presented with a certificate noting his dedication and efforts given to the citizens of Cornwall.

2. **Green Team - East Front Public School**

Ten students from East Front Public School were recognized by City Council on becoming the first "Green" school in the public school system. A joint project by the students, teachers, and staff were undertaken to reduce the amount of garbage being generated and sent to the City's landfill site.

Mayor Martelle called each student and presented Nicola Quinlan, Robby Lowe, Jessica Henry, Beth Bronson, Corinne Scott, Dean Melnyk, Jimmy Barlow, Sarah McNveen, Shaun Belander, and Jennifer Seguin with a City history book.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

It was moved by Aldermen Brian Sylvester and Naresh Bhargava that the Council minutes of **February 13th, 1995** be adopted as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

It was moved by Aldermen Alderman Brian Lynch and Claude Poirier that the Committee of Council minutes of **February 13th, 1995** be adopted as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

It was moved by Aldermen Chuck Charlebois and Brian Sylvester that Council go into the Committee of the Whole and that all delegations, resolutions, communications, and by-laws be referred to that Committee and that By-laws 020-1995 to 024-1995 inclusive be given first reading.

MOTION CARRIED

BY-LAWS - First Reading

- 020-1995 A by-law to appoint Barbara Brestovansky as a Parking By-law Enforcement Officer for property owned and operated by St. Lawrence College Cornwall.
- 021-1995 A by-law to authorize the Corporation of the City of Cornwall to enter into an Agreement with 613343 Ontario Inc. to amend the Subdivision Agreement registered on title as Instrument No. 217832.
- 022-1995 A by-law to vary the rates with Cornwall Street Railway Light and Power Company Ltd.
- 023-1995 A by-law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign all documents relating to the sale of property at 150 Boundary Road, legally described as Part of Lot "D", Concession 1, in the City of Cornwall, County of Stormont, more particularly described as Part 1, Reference Plan 52R-651 save and except for Parts 1, 2, and 3 on Reference Plan 52R-1933.
- 024-1995 A by-law to amend the Zoning By-law to permit the establishment of a church and related facilities at 150 Boundary Road.

DELEGATIONS

#1 Organizing Committee for 1996 Special Olympics

It was moved by Aldermen Chuck Charlebois and Claude Poirier to approve an additional five minutes.

Constable Brian Snyder and Constable Chico Ouellette were present this evening to provide Council and the citizens with information on the upcoming Special Olympics to be held in the City of Cornwall on May 2, 3, and 4, 1996.

The City of Cornwall will be playing host to mentally challenged athletes from across the Province of Ontario.

Constable Snyder provided information on the history of our area's involvement in Special Olympics, community support for the games, details on the competition venues, and an overview of the Games Organizing Committee.

In conclusion, Constable Snyder asked Council for its general support in helping to promote the games.

#2 Rosemary Helmer - 1701 Second Street West

Ms. Helmer, owner of 1701 Second Street West, spoke to Council this evening in an attempt that they consider alternative methods to expropriating 40% of her front lawn to provide for the reconstruction of Second Street West and the proposed sidewalk.

Ms. Helmer requested that the City look at obtaining some portion of the lands needed from the south side of Second Street West, and further that the sidewalk be built on the south side, to which she indicated, would afford people easier access to the soccer fields.

In conclusion, it was moved by Aldermen Brian Sylvester and Claude Poirier that this matter be referred to Administration for an updated report at the March 27th, 1995 meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

#3 Cornwall Regional Airport Commission

Mr. Yvan Gravel, Chairman, provided Council with a summary of the Regional Airport's upcoming activities.

He listed a number of companies and government agencies that made frequent use of their services and the importance of maintaining and upgrading the airport. Mr. Gravel quickly provided information on their proposed 1995 budget and the monies which would be required from both the City and the Township of Cornwall.

It was moved by Aldermen Chuck Charlebois and Brian Lynch that this delegation be received.

MOTION CARRIED

#4 **G.V.S.S. INTERACT CLUB**

The Interact Club is a world-wide organization sponsored by Rotary International where students are encouraged to participate and gain the opportunity to travel and meet different people and their cultures.

Students from the G.V.S.S. Interact Club presented a synopsis of their goals and objectives and provided Council with an overview of their scheduled trip to Costa Rica.

Mayor Martelle gave the students a number of City pins to share with people on their travels.

Alderman Chris Savard declared a pecuniary interest on Resolution #05-1995. Alderman Savard left the room and did not take part in any discussion or on the vote.

RESOLUTIONS

#05-1995 It was moved by Aldermen Brian Sylvester and Naresh Bhargava that:

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cornwall have endorsed the launching of Cornwall's Hot Air Balloon Festival in 1994; and

WHEREAS the Hot Air Balloon Festival has been recognized as a non-profit, charitable community festival encompassing all of the City of Cornwall and surrounding areas.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cornwall support and recognize the Cornwall Lift Off Annual Hot Air Balloon Festival as a community festival.

MOTION CARRIED

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Aldermen Susan Carter and Brian Sylvester that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

A. TOWN OF RICHMOND HILL

That Council receive correspondence from the Town of Richmond Hill regarding fire safety regulations for both new and existing buildings in so far as residential rental accommodations are concerned.

B. HERITAGE CORNWALL

That the minutes of the Heritage Cornwall Committee meeting of November 1, 1994 be received.

C. CORNWALL SEA LIONS

That correspondence from the Cornwall Sea Lions regarding the proposed user fees for pool time be referred to Administration.

D. WALLEYE FESTIVAL

That the request from the Plantagenet Recreation Center and the Plantagenet Treadwell Optimist Club to sell raffle tickets in the City of Cornwall, draw to be May 13th, 1995 be approved.

COMMUNICATION

1. RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

It was moved by Aldermen Chris Savard and Susan Carter that City Council endorse the current terms of reference for the Recreation Advisory Committee for the term of Council.

MOTION CARRIED

2. SNOWMOBILES - INTERIM REPORT

It was moved by Aldermen Claude Poirier and Susan Carter that the report from the Traffic Engineer dated February 20, 1995 be received.

MOTION CARRIED

3. BOB TURNER HISTORIC RECORDS

It was moved by Aldermen Denis Carr and Chuck Charlebois that Council receive the report from the Manager, Parks, Recreation and Convention Services dated February 23, 1995.

MOTION CARRIED

4. 1994 REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

It was moved by Aldermen Denis Carr and Chuck Charlebois that Council approve the Statement of Remuneration and Expenses for 1994.

MOTION CARRIED

5. **ST.LAWRENCE RIVERBOAT GAMING PROJECT**

It was moved by Aldermen Chuck Charlebois and Chris Savard that Council support the City of Cornwall's endorsement in the feasibility towards the development phase of the St. Lawrence Riverboat Gaming Project.

A recorded vote resulted as follows:

FOR

Mayor Ron Martelle
Alderman Brian Sylvester
Alderman Denis Carr
Alderman Susan Carter
Alderman Chris Savard
Alderman Chuck Charlebois
Alderman Naresh Bhargava

AGAINST

Alderman Claude Poirier
Alderman Brian Lynch

MOTION CARRIED 7-2

6. **TENDER #7-95** - Lease of Photocopy Equipment for a period of four years

It was moved by Aldermen Denis Carr and Chuck Charlebois that items #1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 be awarded to Savin Canada at the cost per copy stated for a total approximate cost of \$16,073.00; and that item #6 be awarded to L.K. Business Machines at the cost per copy stated for a total approximate cost of \$35,000.00 which includes all taxes, being the low bidders in each category meeting the tender specifications; and that item #7 not be awarded.

It was then moved by Aldermen Susan Carter and Chuck Charlebois that this matter be referred to Administration for a departmental survey on the present photocopiers used, and that Administration report back by March 13th, 1995.

MOTION CARRIED

7. **P.A.C. 2-1** - 150 Boundary Road

It was moved by Aldermen Brian Sylvester and Claude Poirier that the subject site be rezoned to Manufacturing 20 (MFR 20) with a further exception to permit a church and related facilities not including any permanent residence, as identified in the application.

MOTION CARRIED

8. **FLY CREEK FLOOD REDUCTION PROJECT**

It was moved by Aldermen Claude Poirier and Chuck Charlebois that Council approve funding of \$1,000,000.00 from the 1995 Capital Budget for the Fly Creek Flood Reduction Project.

9. ASSESSMENT ON FEDERAL PROPERTY

Mayor Martelle brought Council up-to-date on a meeting held February 27th, 1995 with the Manager of Finance, Manager of Economic Development, the Chief Administrator/Clerk, himself and two representatives of the Federal Ministry of Public Works Canada.

The meeting was held to discuss grants-in-lieu of taxes for the year 1994 and 1995 in the amount of 2.4 million dollars. Ministry Officials have indicated that they would speak with the Regional Assessment Office and advise us further of the outcome.

ADOPTION OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

BY-LAWS **Second Reading**

It was moved by Aldermen Brian Sylvester and Susan Carter that the Committee of the Whole be adopted as reported and that By-laws 020-1995 to 024-1995 inclusive, be given second reading.

MOTION CARRIED

BY-LAWS **Third Reading**

Alderman Denis Carr officially went on record as opposing by-law 022-1995.

It was moved by Aldermen Chuck Charlebois and Brian Sylvester that By-laws 020-1995 to 024-1995 inclusive, be taken as read a third time and finally passed.

MOTION CARRIED

REPORTS FROM AD HOC COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

NOTICES OF MOTION

WHEREAS the Economic Development of our area is of primary interest to our citizens and the Council; and

WHEREAS our community was hit hard during the last recession and has now started moving towards a recovery; and

WHEREAS in the last ten years there have been major changes in the approaches of businesses and economies including globalizations; and

WHEREAS the ways of doing business have changed with greater emphasis towards partnerships, quality, customer needs and customer focus.

THEREFORE notice is hereby given that the following motion be placed for discussion on the agenda for the Council meeting of March 13th, 1995.

THAT the Council appoint a committee consisting of three Aldermen, a member of Administration and three members of the business community to:

1. Investigate the possibilities of creating an arms length Economic Development Corporation and recommend an action to the Council; and
2. Working with the County Councils, investigate the possibilities of a Regional Economic Development program for the area; and
3. Drawing from the SPARTA reports and seeking other inputs, as necessary, recommend a direction for the Economic Development.

AND report to the Council on/or before September 25, 1995.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

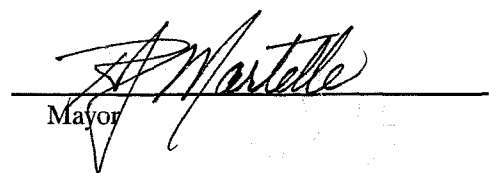
#1. PARKS, RECREATION AND CONVENTION SERVICES

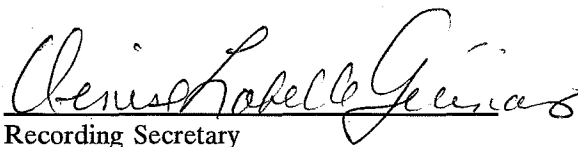
It was moved by Aldermen Brian Sylvester and Susan Carter that following the merger of Parks and Recreation with the operation of the Cornwall Civic Complex on January 1, 1995, that the C.A.O. bring to Council an update/review on the departments restructuring.

MOTION CARRIED

Adjournment: 9:45 p.m.


Clerk **DEPUTY**


Mayor


Recording Secretary