

CITY COUNCIL #14-97

PRESENT: A regular meeting of Council was held with the following members present: Mayor Ron Martelle, Aldermen Denis Carr, Dean Hollingsworth, Susan Carter, Naresh Bhargava, Brian Lynch, Claude Poirier, Chris Savard, Brian Sylvester, and Dick Aubry.

ABSENT: Alderman Chuck Charlebois.

IN ATTENDANCE: Richard Allaire, C.A.O./Clerk, Paul Fitzpatrick, Assistant C.A.O./Manager, Economic Development, Stephen Alexander, Fern Hamelin, Frank McDonald, Dave Fielding, Graham Dart, and D. Labelle-Gélinas, Deputy Clerk/Recording Secretary.

INVOCATION - Pastor Rob Putt, Cornwall Seventh Day Adventist.

ADDITIONS

Consent Item F, Membership Fees for Ontario Good Roads Association; and Communication #12, Police Services - O.P.P.

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Alderman Dick Aubry declared a pecuniary interest with respect to Communication Item #11, "Signs in Parks", as this item deals with permitting sign advertising in City Ball Parks. Alderman Aubry has a contract with Seaway News and is an owner of Transit Communications Limited, as both companies are in the advertising business.

Alderman Chris Savard declared a pecuniary interest with respect to the following two items: Communication #9, Tender #97T-23, Grooming & Maintaining Ballfields, as B.I.T. Enterprises, who has been recommended to receive award of this tender is owned and operated by a family member (cousin) and Consent Item E, Glen Walter Chamber of Commerce as he is employed by the Cornwall & Area Chamber of Commerce.

PRESENTATION

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

It was moved by Aldermen Denis Carr and Susan Carter that the Committee of Council minutes of April 14, 1997, be approved.

MOTION CARRIED

It was moved by Aldermen Naresh Bhargava and Brian Sylvester that the City Council minutes of April 14, 1997, be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

It was moved by Aldermen Denis Carr and Claude Poirier 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 053-1997 to 058-1997 inclusive, be given first reading.

MOTION CARRIED

BY-LAWS - First Reading

- 053-1997 A by-law to authorize the sale of Lot 61 on Registered Plan 169, City of Cornwall, municipally described as 400 St. Felix Street.
- 054-1997 A by-law to declare certain real property surplus, Part of Lot 16, south side of Third Street. (234-236 Pitt Street).
- 055-1997 A by-law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign an updated agreement with The St. Lawrence Seaway Authority, under Lease #64-662, dated July 17, 1990, by adding to the existing indemnity clause. (Rotary Eco Garden).
- 056-1997 A by-law to authorize the execution of a tax arrears extension agreement pursuant to Section 8 of The Municipal Tax Sales Act. (1245 Notre Dame Street).
- 057-1997 A by-law to authorize the execution of a tax arrears extension agreement pursuant to Section 8 of The Municipal Tax Sales Act. (819-819A Bedford Street).
- 058-1997 A by-law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign a service extension agreement with Computer Sense to extend 200 mm diameter watermain approximately 40 metres to the eastern most limit of the Computer Sense property.

DELEGATIONS

#1 - Lilac Festival Committee

Mr. Graig Smith, member of the organizing Committee of the Lilac Festival presented Council with its Committee's upcoming goals in its promotion towards one of Cornwall's major attractions.

- One is to create several environmentally friendly display gardens within Lamoureux Park.
- Another is to help promote an image of Cornwall as the City of Lilacs.
- A third, is to hold an annual community festival in the heart of the lilac season, and;
- Finally, to create a festival which would further enhance the City's image and attract visitors from other areas.

Mr. Smith indicated that the Committee has helped to plant over 5,800 lilacs since 1992 and is proposing to plant a further 600 lilacs this year. Activities are planned for Saturday, May 24, 1997, which will be the Lilac Planting Day in Lamoureux Park.

In conclusion, Mr. Smith requested Council's endorsement to declare the week of May 24-31, 1997, as "Lilac Week" and to approve its annual Lilac Festival and Parade on May 31, 1997.

It was moved by Aldermen Brian Lynch and Susan Carter to approve May 24-31, 1997, as "Lilac Week" in the City of Cornwall.

MOTION CARRIED

#2 - Airport Commission

Mr. Ivan Gravel, Chairman of the Cornwall Regional Airport Commission, presented to Council the difficulties that the Commission is experiencing as a result of recent budget decisions and what possible consequences these cuts may bring in 1997.

A brief history of the Commission and contributions received was provided in an attempt to assist Council to better understand its difficulties. The Commission requested Council's support in re-establishing funding as submitted in its 1997 submission.

It was moved by Aldermen Dick Aubry and Chris Savard that Mr. Gravel's presentation be referred to Administration for further analysis and that a report be presented to Council identifying alternatives.

MOTION CARRIED

#3 - Mr. Gabe Martel - Charity Casino

Mr. Martel appeared before Council this evening to inform Council and the citizens of Cornwall of his disappointment in futile attempts to proceed with his bid as operator to a Charity Casino here in Cornwall. Mr. Martel proceeded to ask if there shouldn't be several referendum questions placed on this fall's election ballot in reference to taking control, reduction of Council and better access to Council.

In conclusion, it was moved by Aldermen Dick Aubry and Brian Lynch to receive the delegation.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS

#06-07

Moved by Alderman Susan Carter;
Seconded by Alderman Naresh Bhargava;

WHEREAS Municipal Elections are scheduled for November 10, 1997; and

WHEREAS Municipal Council's regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 10, 1997 (Election Day); and

WHEREAS it is deemed necessary to cancel the November 10, 1997 meeting;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the regularly scheduled meeting of Monday, November 10, 1997, be hereby cancelled due to Municipal Elections being conducted.

MOTION CARRIED

CONSENT AGENDA

It was requested by Alderman Dean Hollingsworth to move Consent Item A, Township of Gananoque, under Communication as Item #13; and it was requested by Alderman Susan Carter to move Consent Item E, Glen Walter and Area Chamber of Commerce, under Communication as Item #14.

It was moved by Aldermen Brian Lynch and Brian Sylvester that Items B, C, D and F, on the Consent Agenda be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

A. **TOWN OF GANANOQUE (COMMUNICATION ITEM #13)**

B. **EASTERN ONTARIO HEALTH UNIT**

That the City reply to the request from the Ontario Health Unit indicating that it would like to continue having the E.O.H.U. process the applications for Certificates of Approval under Part VIII of the Environmental Protection Act.

C. **EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS WEEK OF 1997**

That the request from the Municipal Emergency Preparedness Co-Ordinator to declare the week of May 5-11, 1997, as "National Emergency Preparedness Week" be approved.

D. **CITY OF KINGSTON**

That the resolution from the City of Kingston seeking Council's support in requesting the Province transfer aviation fuel tax revenues to those municipalities that support municipal airports be approved.

E. **CHAMBER OF COMMERCE - GLEN WALTER (COMMUNICATION ITEM #14)**

F. **ONTARIO GOOD ROADS ASSOCIATION - MEMBERSHIP FEE**

That the membership fee invoice for the calendar year 1997 in the amount of \$355.00 be processed for payment.

COMMUNICATION

1. **LETTER OF RESIGNATION - MAYOR MARTELLE**

It was moved by Aldermen Brian Sylvester and Dean Hollingsworth that Council receive the letter under date of April 24, 1997, from Mayor Martelle with respect to his resignation effective May 30, 1997.

MOTION CARRIED

2. TENDER #97-T03 RECONSTRUCTION OF PITT STREET FROM SEVENTH STREET TO NINTH STREET AND NINTH STREET WIDENING FROM PITT STREET TO SYDNEY STREET

It was moved by Aldermen Brian Lynch and Brian Sylvester that this tender be awarded to Ray Lepage Construction, Long Sault, at a total bid price of \$1,194,437.52 being the lowest bid meeting the tender specifications.

MOTION CARRIED

3. TENDER #97-T11 ASPHALT PAVING & CONCRETE WORKS ON VARIOUS CITY STREETS

It was moved by Aldermen Chris Savard and Denis Carr that this tender be awarded to Dibblee Construction, Cornwall, at the total bid price of \$1,076,492.07 including taxes being the lowest bid meeting the tender specifications.

MOTION CARRIED

4. TENDER #97-T12 SUPPLY & PLACING OF NURSERY SOD

It was moved by Aldermen Claude Poirier and Naresh Bhargava that this tender be awarded to Malyon Excavation Limited, Cornwall, at the total bid price of \$43,442.00 including taxes being the lowest bid meeting the tender specifications.

MOTION CARRIED

5. TENDER #97-T15 SUPPLY OF HOT-MIX ASPHALT

It was moved by Aldermen Dick Aubry and Brian Lynch that this tender be awarded to Dibblee Construction, Cornwall, at the total bid price of \$105,920.75 including taxes being the lowest bid meeting the tender specifications.

MOTION CARRIED

6. TENDER #97-T16 SUPPLY OF EQUIPMENT & MANPOWER FOR PLACING OF HOT-MIX ASPHALT ON VARIOUS CITY STREETS

It was moved by Aldermen Brian Sylvester and Chris Savard that this tender be awarded to G. W. Blais Paving Limited, Cornwall, at the total bid price of \$73,723.00 including taxes being the lowest bid meeting the tender specifications.

MOTION CARRIED

7. TENDER #97-T21 ECO GARDEN, PHASE 2

It was moved by Aldermen Dick Aubry and Denis Carr that this tender be awarded to Cornwall Gravel Co. Limited, Cornwall, at the total bid price of \$45,959.18 including taxes being the lowest bid meeting the tender specifications.

MOTION CARRIED

8. **TENDER #97-T22 GRASS CUTTING FOR THE PUBLIC PROPERTY DEPARTMENT**

It was moved by Aldermen Susan Carter and Claude Poirier that this tender be awarded for a two year period to K. D. Land Upgrading, Cornwall, at the total bid price of \$30,695.63 per year including taxes being the lowest bid meeting the tender specifications.

MOTION CARRIED

Having declared a pecuniary interest, Alderman Chris Savard left the room and did not take part in any discussion nor did he vote on this matter.

9. **TENDER #97-T23 GROOMING AND MAINTAINING BALLFIELDS**

It was moved by Aldermen Naresh Bhargava and Brian Lynch that this tender be awarded to B.I.T. Enterprises, Cornwall, at the total bid price of \$28,890.00 including taxes for a period of two years being the low bid meeting the tender specifications.

MOTION CARRIED

Alderman Chris Savard returned to the meeting.

10. **TENDER #97-T26 SUPPLY OF ONE VACUUM SWEEPER WITH OPERATOR FOR SPRING AND FALL CLEANING**

It was moved by Aldermen Dick Aubry and Brian Sylvester that this tender be awarded to Richard's Sweeping, Alexandria, at the total bid price of \$17,517.18 including taxes being the lowest bid meeting the tender specifications.

MOTION CARRIED

Having declared a pecuniary interest, Alderman Dick Aubry left the room and did not take part in any discussion nor did he vote on this matter.

11. SIGNS IN PARK

It was moved by Aldermen Brian Lynch and Claude Poirier that:

- 1] The signs by-law be amended to permit such signs.
- 2] That the matter be the subject of an agreement covering installation, maintenance, and related matters.
- 3] That it be considered for major active parks only and not neighbourhood parks.
- 4] That the initial program be reviewed after two years.

An amendment was proposed by Aldermen Susan Carter and Naresh Bhargava that recommendation 3] also include the words "content and advertising".

**AMENDMENT CARRIED and
THE MAIN MOTION CARRIED AS
AMENDED**

Alderman Dick Aubry returned to the meeting.

12. POLICE SERVICES - O.P.P.

Further to a letter under date of March 14, 1997, to the Chair of the Cornwall Police Services Board in reference to obtaining a proposal for the cost of police services to be provided by the O.P.P, it was moved by Aldermen Brian Lynch and Brian Sylvester that City Council NOT proceed in requesting that the Ontario Provincial Police provide costing for contracted policing services within the City of Cornwall.

An amendment was then proposed by Aldermen Susan Carter and Dean Hollingsworth to include immediately after the word proceed "at this time" to the main motion.

**AMENDMENT CARRIED and
THE MAIN MOTION CARRIED AS
AMENDED**

13. CONSENT ITEM "A" TOWN OF GANANOQUE

It was moved by Aldermen Dean Hollingsworth and Denis Carr that Council endorse the resolution of the Town of Gananoque in notifying the Honourable Robert Runciman that an amendment is requested to Bill 105 to allow municipalities an opportunity to enter into agreements with other municipalities to provide all police services required; and furthermore that City Council meet with the Cornwall Police Services Board to identify how these problems could best be overcome.

MOTION CARRIED

Having declared a pecuniary interest, Alderman Chris Savard left the room and did not take part in any discussion nor did he vote on this matter.

14. CONSENT ITEM "E" CHAMBER OF COMMERCE - GLEN WALTER

The Solicitor representing the Glen Walter Chamber of Commerce is seeking Council's consent to use the name "Glen Walter and Area Chamber of Commerce" as a result of directives by the Ministry of Consumer and Commercial Relations.

It was moved by Aldermen Susan Carter and Dean Hollingsworth that this matter be postponed until clarification as to this municipality's role in this decision has been provided.

MOTION CARRIED

Alderman Chris Savard returned to the meeting.

ADOPTION OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

BY-LAWS - Second Reading

It was moved by Aldermen Brian Sylvester and Dick Aubry that the Committee of the Whole be adopted as reported and that by-laws 053-1997 to 058-1997 be given second reading.

MOTION CARRIED

BY-LAWS - Third Reading

It was moved by Aldermen Claude Poirier and Naresh Bhargava that Council give third reading to By-laws 053-1997 to 058-1997 be taken as read a third time and finally passed.

MOTION CARRIED

REPORTS FROM AD HOC COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

NOTICES OF MOTION

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

#1 - TRAVEL AND MEMBERSHIPS

Moved by Alderman Denis Carr, seconded by Alderman Claude Poirier:

Further to the memo from Mr. Allaire to all City Managers (Council Info Pack) concerning travel and memberships, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1) A new report on memberships to associations be prepared for Council;
- b) A report detailing attendance at conventions and workshops by Administration;
- c) Administration advise Council of any special workshops or conventions relating to Mega Week and Provincial downloading.

MOTION CARRIED

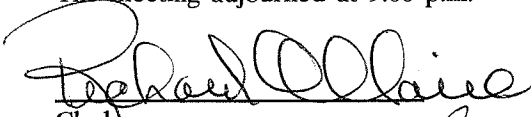
#2 - POPULATION SIGNAGE


Moved by Alderman Denis Carr, seconded by Alderman Brian Sylvester:

That the City of Cornwall investigate the opportunity to change the population signage on the 401 to reflect the most recent Statistics Canada figures on Cornwall and Area.

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.


Clerk


Recording Secretary


Mayor