

# CITY COUNCIL #04-98

February 9, 1998  
Meeting began at 7:30 p.m.

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**PRESENT:** a Committee of Council meeting was held with the following members present: Mayor Brian Sylvester, Councillors Sheila Airey, Denis Carr, Perry Lalonde, Chris Savard, Korey Kennedy, Claude Poirier, André Rivette, Dean Hollingsworth, Brian Lynch and Naresh Bhargava.

**ADMINISTRATION:** Richard Allaire, Chief Administrative Officer/City Clerk, Paul Fitzpatrick, Assistant C.A.O./Manager Economic Development, Frank McDonald, Gerry McKenna, Dave Fielding, Graham Dart, Steve Alexander, Hugh O'Reilly, Frances Lafave, Kenneth Gauthier and Denise Labelle-Gélinas, Deputy City Clerk/Recording Secretary.

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## INVOCATION

Monseigneur Rejean Lebrun, Nativity Co-Cathedral

**ADDITIONS/DELETIONS ~ Nil**

**DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST ~ Nil**

## PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Brian Sylvester presented, to the Citizens of Cornwall, the Award of Business Excellence which was presented during the Annual Cornwall Chamber of Commerce Dinner last Saturday evening. The award is in recognition of all those citizens who volunteered and gave freely of their time and efforts during the Salvation Army's need for help last December and again during the 1998 Ice Storm.

## ADOPTION OF MINUTES

It was moved by Councillors Lynch and Rivette that Council approve the minutes of the Committee of Council meeting of January 26, 1998 as presented.

Motion Carried

It was moved by Councillors Bhargava and Airey that Council approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of January 26, 1998 as presented.

Motion Carried

It was moved by Councillors Poirier and Lalonde that Council approve the minutes of a Special Committee of Council meeting of February 2, 1998 as presented.

Motion Carried

## COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

It was moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and Sheila Airey 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 007-1998 to 014-1998 inclusive be given first reading.

Motion Carried

### BY-LAWS - First Reading

- 007-1998 A by-law to authorize the execution of a tax arrears extension agreement pursuant to the Municipal Tax Sales Act. (1132 Dunkirk Street, Cornwall).
- 008-1998 A by-law to repeal by-law 123-1997, being a by-law to authorize the execution of a tax arrears extension agreement on land municipally described as 1001 Tenth Street East, pursuant to the Municipal Tax Sales Act.
- 009-1998 A by-law to amend by-law 069-1989, the Traffic By-law pertaining to skateboarding.
- 010-1998 A by-law appoint Mike St. Denis as Building Inspector.
- 011-1998 A by-law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into an agreement with the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry and Bell Canada to provide 911 Public Emergency Reporting Services for the City of Cornwall.
- 012-1998 A by-law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into an agreement with the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry and Bell Canada to provide a Central Emergency Reporting Bureau for the Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry 911 Emergency System.
- 013-1998 A by-law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into a Joint Powers Agreement with the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry which provides for the participation of local municipalities in the Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry 911 Emergency System.
- 014-1998 A by-law to name and dedicate land as a public highway under the Public Transportation and Highway Improvement Act, and name it Third Street.

## DELEGATIONS

### #1. St. Lawrence River Institute of Environmental Sciences

Mr. Tom Kaneb, President and Ms. Elaine Kennedy, Chair of the Board were present this evening in order to provide Council with a brief review and update of the River Institutes program developments during the previous year and what was to be expected for the upcoming year. Ms. Kennedy provided an update on the 1200 students that took part in their Educational Program and key points on the indoor and outdoor educational programs being offered through the Institute.

Mr. Kaneb continued to provide highlights on the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference scheduled for the Spring of 1998 and indicated that some 700 Scientists and Students from across Canada and the US are expected to attend. Mr. Kaneb also updated Council on some of the research taking place and the linkages formed between Canada and US Universities.

In Conclusion, Mr. Kaneb thanked Council members for their involvement with the St. Lawrence River Institute and their continued contributions.

It was then moved by Councillors Poirier and Kennedy that the Delegation be received.

Motion Carried

## RESOLUTIONS

It was proposed by Councillors Denis Carr and André Rivette that Council debate this matter under Communication #1.

Motion Carried

001-1998 WHEREAS the Council of the City of Cornwall are desirous of promoting the hiring of Municipal citizens within the Corporation; and

WHEREAS City residents have in past practice been awarded job positions when individuals of equal ability have applied for a position of employment with the Corporation.

NOW THEREFORE, Be it known that this past practice shall now be included and form part of the City's hiring policy.

Motion Defeated

## CONSENT AGENDA

It was requested by Councillor Denis Carr that Consent Item "B" be moved to Communications as Item #9 on this evenings agenda for discussion.

It was then moved by Councillors Brian Lynch and Perry Lalonde that the Consent Agenda be approved as amended.

Motion Carried

A. CITY OF BRANTFORD

That Council approve the request from the City of Brantford to endorse a resolution pertaining to the downloading of services from the Provincial Government.

B. CORNWALL PROJECT 2000

Moved to Communications as Item #9.

C. EASTERN ONTARIO HEALTH UNIT

That the City of Cornwall continue to have the Eastern Ontario Health Unit process applications under Part VIII of the Environmental Protection Act on behalf of the City of Cornwall.

## COMMUNICATIONS

1. RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT

It was moved by Councillors Brian Lynch and Sheila Airey that the City of Cornwall continue the present practice of hiring the best qualified and suited individual when hiring from outside of the Corporation and that the City of Cornwall not impose a residency requirement for future employees.

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION 001-98

It was moved by Councillors Denis Carr and Perry Lalonde that:

WHEREAS the Council of the City of Cornwall are desirous of promoting the hiring of Municipal citizens within the Corporation; and

WHEREAS City residents have in past practice been awarded job positions when individuals of equal ability have applied for a position of employment with the Corporation.

NOW THEREFORE, Be it known that this past practice shall now be included and form part of the City's hiring policy.

Motion Defeated

2. **RETAINING MEDICAL DOCTOR**

It was moved by Councillors Bhargava and Poirier that the City of Cornwall continue to work with the employees and their agents regarding early return to work and that when deemed necessary, Sontex Health Services be utilized; and that a budget be identified during the 1998 budget deliberations.

Motion Carried

3. **PUBLIC MEETING - BUDGET**

It was moved by Councillors Lynch and Lalonde that City Council endorse the report identifying dates and schedules pertaining to the 1998 budget deliberations and public meeting.

Motion Carried

4. **PRE BUDGET EXPENDITURE GUIDELINES**

It was moved by Councillors Airey and Lynch that Council receive the report referring to current and capital expenditure controls prior to Council approving the 1998 budget.

It was then proposed by Councillors Denis Carr and Chris Savard that the main motion be amended to reflect that all expenditures be frozen save and except regular expenditures required for the regular ongoing operations.

Amendment Carried and

Main Motion Carried  
As Amended

5. **LANDFILL TIPPING FEES**

It was moved by Councillors Airey and Lalonde that Council approve the 1998 Landfill Tipping Fee Schedule.

It was then proposed by Councillors Bhargava and Carr that the main motion be amended and that the special waste be retained at a fee of \$94.00 rather than \$60.00.

Amendment Defeated

Main Motion Carried

6. **UPGRADE OF HUMIDIFICATION SYSTEM - GLEN STOR DUN LODGE**

It was moved by Councillors Bhargava and Lalonde that Council authorize the Lodge to complete the upgrade of the Humidification System at a cost of \$24,980.00.

Motion Carried

7. **FLY CREEK RETROFIT - SUB-PROJECT NO.1**

It was moved by Councillors Carr and Lynch that Council authorize the \$15,000.00 expenditure out of the 1998 Capital Budget to retrofit the existing Fly Creek Storm Retaining Pond on Virginia Street to enhance the water quality treatment of the storm water in partnership with the Raisin Region Conservation Authority, Great Lakes Clean-up 2000 Fund, and the Ministry of the Environment.

Motion Carried

8. **COMMERCIAL TAX PHASE-IN**

It was moved by Councillors Savard and Hollingsworth:

- a) That Council discontinue the Phase-In of Commercial Taxes.
- b) That the loss of revenue, as a result of the discontinuance of Commercial taxes under the Business Occupancy Act, be dealt with at a special meeting of Council in May of 1998.

Motion "a" Carried

Motion "b" Carried

9. **Cornwall Project 2000**

It was proposed by Councillors Denis Carr and Brian Lynch that Council designate Project 2000 as the City's millennium project.

Motion Carried

**ADOPTION OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**BY-LAWS - Second Reading**

It was moved by Councillors Lalonde and Carr that the Committee of the Whole be adopted as reported and that by-laws 007-1998 to 014-1998 inclusive be given second reading.

Motion Carried

**BY-LAWS - Third Reading**

It was moved by Councillors Airey and Hollingsworth that by-law 009-1998 be removed from Third Reading and that it be referred to the Traffic Engineer for further consideration

Motion Carried

It was moved by Councillors Carr and Lalonde that by-laws 007-1998 to 008 -1998 and 010-1998 to 014-1998 inclusive 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. Revenue Neutral

It was proposed by Councillors Claude Poirier and André Rivette that Cornwall City Council endorse resolution A and B that were passed at the special meeting of A.M.O. on Friday February 6<sup>th</sup>, 1998; and

Be it further resolved that we forward these resolutions to the Premier of Ontario and the M.P.P. of our area Mr. John Cleary and the Honorable Noble Villeneuve.

Motion Carried

2. Reporting Format

It was proposed by Councillors André Rivette and Perry Lalonde that:

Whereas it is important for Council to get as much information possible to make proper decisions.

Now therefore be it resolved that all reports brought back to Council for their consideration will have the following included in the report:

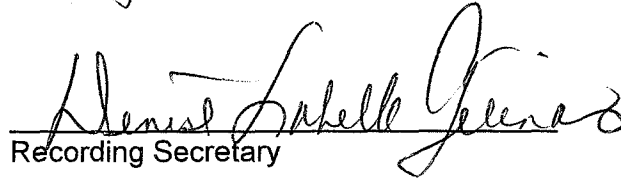
- A. All options be available for Council consideration; and
- B. Administrations recommendation.

Motion Carried

Adjournment : 9:45 p.m.

  
Clerk

  
Mayor

  
Recording Secretary