

## REGULAR CITY COUNCIL #19-98

Monday July 13, 1998  
Meeting began at 7:30 p.m.

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**PRESENT:** A Regular 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, David Fielding, Assistant Chief Administrative Officer/Manager, Engineering & Environment Services, Paul Fitzpatrick, Frank McDonald, Graham Dart, Fernand Hamelin, Stephen Alexander, Hilda Seguin, Hugh O'Reilly and Sherman Goodwin.

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### INVOCATION

Father Kevin J. Maloney - St. Columban's Church.

### ADDITIONS/DELETIONS

1. Presentation Item #2 Ice Storm; and
2. Community of the Whole By-law 069-1998 Cornwall Electric Sale.

It was moved by Councillors Korey Kennedy and seconded by Sheila Airey that these items be placed on the Agenda.

Motion Carried

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**DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST - Nil**

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**PRESENTATIONS**

1. 1998 Ontario Medal for Good Citizenship

Mayor Brian Sylvester introduced to Council the two recipients receiving the 1998 Ontario Medal for Good Citizenship and their achievements.

First Recipient Mrs. Mona Lebano

- Legion Poppy Drive Canvassing for 40 years;
- Heart & Stroke Foundation Canvassing for 20 years;
- Cancer Drive Canvassing for 25 years;
- Glen-Stor-Dun Lodge - variety of work including tuck shop for 35 years;
- Royal Canadian Legion Auxiliary Member for 35 years;
- Catholic Women's League - rummage sales, etc. for 17 years;
- First Block Parent in Cornwall for 20 years;
- S.D. & G. Highlanders Auxiliary Executive for 25 years;
- Cornwall Operatic Society, later Glen Productions for 20 years; and
- Assistant Cornwall Alderman, including Campaign Chairperson for 25 years.

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Second Recipient Mr. Jake Lamoureux

- Chairman of the Fund-Raising Committee for the Children's Treatment Centre;
- Played a key role in forming the R.H.S.J. Health Centre of Cornwall Foundation in July 1996 and has since then served as its President;
- Took the leadership and was instrumental in starting the Msgr. Rudy Villeneuve Foundation;
- President of the Msgr. Rudy Villeneuve Foundation;
- Joined the United Way of Cornwall and District in 1979. In 1985, he became a Board Member and in 1986 was appointed Campaign Chairman. In 1987, he was again Campaign Chairman;
- In 1988-1989 and 1989-1990 President of the United Way of Cornwall and District;
- Mr. Lamoureux has been an active member of Big Brothers and Big Sisters for fourteen years. As President, he played a role in the rebuilding of Big Sisters and the amalgamation of it with Big Brothers.
- Mr. Lamoureux has been an active supporter and volunteer worker's of Agape Centre for seven years;
- Mr. Lamoureux served on the Children's Aid Society Building Extension Committee in 1981 and in 1985;
- Mr. Lamoureux has been a member of the CAS Bike-A-Thon for 13 years;
- In 1985, Mr. Lamoureux was asked by the then Mayor Gerald Parisien to chair the participation project.
- Mr. Lamoureux has been an active member of the Cornwall Life Underwriters Association and has been one of its Board Members;
- Mr. Lamoureux has been an active member of the Cornwall Ad & Sales Club serving as President in 1980-1981;

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**PRESENTATIONS (continued)**

- Mr. Lamoureux served on the Chamber of Commerce Board for four years from 1981 to 1985. He chaired the committees which organized the Santa Claus Parade and the Annual Citizen of the Year Award Dinner for many years;
- In 1988, the Chamber of Commerce recognized the contribution Mr. Lamoureux has made to the City of Cornwall and its people by naming him as the Citizen of the Year.
- In January 1997, Mr. Lamoureux was selected by the Cornwall Rotary Club to receive the Paul Harris Award.

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2. Ice Storm - Deputy Chief, Roger Desjardins

A plaque was presented to Deputy Fire Chief, Roger Desjardins Deputy Fire Coordinator for the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry in recognition of his outstanding contribution to public safety during the great ice storm emergency of 1998.

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**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

It was moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and seconded by Brian Lynch that Council approve the Committee of Council Meeting #24-98 of June 22, 1998 as presented.

Motion Carried

It was moved by Councillors André Rivette and seconded by Corey Kennedy that Council approve the Regular City Council Meeting #18-98 of June 22, 1998 as presented.

Motion Carried

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**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

It was moved by Councillors Brian Lynch and seconded by Perry Lalonde 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 066-1998 to 069-1998 be given first reading.

Motion Carried

**BY-LAWS - First Reading**

- 066-1998      A By-law to enter an agreement between Courtaulds Fibers Inc. and the Corporation of the City of Cornwall for the purpose of resolving various appeals before the Ontario Municipal Board and the Assessment Review Board.
- 067-1998      A By-law authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to enter into a Connecting Link Agreement with the Ministry of Transportation to improve Cornwall Centre Road from Highway #138 to Brookdale Avenue.
- 068-1998      A By-law to authorize a Franchise Agreement between the Corporation of the City of Cornwall and Union Gas Limited.
- 069-1998      A By-law to amend By-law 023-1998 and to indicate that the decision of the Ontario Municipal Board of Ontario regarding the sale by the Corporation of the City of Cornwall of its shares in Cornwall Street Railway Light and Power Company Limited was in form satisfactory to the City.
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**DELEGATIONS - Nil**

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**RESOLUTIONS**

#010-1998      It was moved by Councillors Brian Lynch and Korey Kennedy that:

**WHEREAS** Dial-a-Bus on Saturday's has resulted in a substantial decline in ridership and revenue;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipality of Cornwall introduce a fixed route service on Saturday's with one hour service frequency from 7:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. and continue Dial-a-Bus service from 6:00 p.m. until 11:45 p.m.

Motion Carried

#011-1998 It was moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and André Rivette

That Council approve four (4) Voting Delegates, to represent the Corporation of the City of Cornwall at its annual 1998 AMO Convention.

- Mayor Brian Sylvester
- Councillor Claude Poirier
- Councillor Sheila Airey
- Councillor Perry Lalonde

Motion Carried

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#012-1998 It was moved by Councillors Claude Poirier and Brian Lynch

**WHEREAS** the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cornwall approves the form of draft By-law and Franchise Agreement attached hereto and authorizes the Submission thereof to the Ontario Energy Board pursuant to the provisions of R.S.O. Section 9 of the Municipal Franchises Act;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cornwall requests that the Ontario Energy Board make an Order declaring and directing that the assent of the municipal electors to the attached draft By-law and Franchise Agreement pertaining to the Corporation of the City of Cornwall is not necessary pursuant to the provisions of Section 9(4) of the Municipal Franchise Act R.S.O. 1990.

Motion Carried

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### CONSENT AGENDA

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**COMMUNICATION**

1. **Budget 1998 Current and Capital**

It was moved by Councillors Denis Carr and Claude Poirier that the 1998 Current Budget and Capital Budget be approved by including in the Current Budget the savings in 1998 of OMERS contributions, tender savings and savings from Social Services Department, adding 19,000.00 in the Transit budget and that the difference from the target amount of 956,999.00 be taken from the debenture reserve. In addition that \$1,000,000 dollars of the debt service cost be added to the Capital Budget for additional projects.

Motion Carried

It was motioned by Councillors André Rivette and Brian Lynch that \$20,000.00 be put back in the Seaway Valley Tourism Bureau's budget from Public Works Special Events.

Motion Carried

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2. **1998 Operations - January-June Resolution 006/98**

It was moved by Councillors André Rivette and Dean Hollingsworth that Council approve the expenditure report for the first six months of 1998.

Motion Carried

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3. **User Fee - Tennis Club**

It was moved by Councillors André Rivette and Perry Lalonde that Council establish a User Fee for the Tennis Program for the year 1999.

Motion Carried

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4. **Tender 98-T37 - Reconstruction of Seventh Street, from York Street to Sydney Street**

It was moved by Councillors Brian Lynch and Korey Kennedy that this tender be awarded to Cornwall Gravel Co. Ltd., Cornwall, Ontario at the total bid price of \$743,980.66, including G.S.T. being the lowest bid meeting the tender specifications.

Motion Carried

5. **Tender 98-T39 - Eamers Corners Storm Sewer Construction**

It was moved by Councillors André Rivette and Perry Lalonde that this tender be awarded to Ray Lepage Construction Ltd., at a total bid price of \$560,687.22, including G.S.T. being the lowest bid meeting the tender specifications.

Motion Carried

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6. **Tender 98-T41 - Concessions at the Bob Turner Memorial Centre & Si Miller Arena for a 36 month period**

It was moved by Councillors Perry Lalonde and Korey Kennedy that this tender be awarded to Country Catering, Cornwall, Ontario for a period of three (3) years at the total bid price of \$1,163.00 per month or 23.3% of annual sales whichever is greater for the Bob Turner Memorial Centre and \$1,859.00 per month of 27.8% of annual sales whichever is greater for the Si Miller Community Arena plus the capital cost undertaking of \$22,500 for an additional two (2) years being the highest bid meeting the tender specifications.

Motion Carried

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7. **Interim Report - Year 2000 - Computer Compatibility**

It was moved by Councillors Perry Lalonde and Naresh Bhargava that Council approve the report submitted by the Manager, Finance dated July 8, 1998.

Motion Carried

8. **Eamers Corners Storm Sewers Project**

It was moved by Councillors Perry Lalonde and seconded by Brian Lynch that Council approve the following:

It was then moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and Sheila Airey that each of the above items be voted on separately.

- Action 1. That the City of Cornwall is temporarily exempt from Section 18 (k) of By-law No. 125-1990 with regards to the installation of backwater valve inside the house where determined by the Department of Engineering Services, that it is reasonably feasible that a backwater valve is not required for the Eamers Corners area only.

Carried

- Action 2. That Council approve the expenditure of \$30,000.00 to hire a qualified individual to provide technical assistance to homeowners in the Eamers Corners area in order to review the foundation/plumbing connections in individual homes, and perform the required camera inspection work; and that this money be funded from the Manhole Rehabilitation, Testing & Sealing of Joints and Laterals of Sanitary Sewers in the Eamers Corners Area Project.

Carried

- Action 3. The City pays 100% of the cost of the storm sewer lateral connection from the property line to the individual homes, whether it is inside or outside. The cost associated with this option may range between \$500,000.00 to \$800,000.00, depending on the type of connection required at each individual homes. This cost could be funded through the Capital Budget in 1999, 2000, and 2001.

Carried



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9. **Downtown B.I.A. Parking**

It was moved by Councillors André Rivette and Perry Lalonde that Council receive the report submitted by the Manager, Engineering & Environmental Services dated July 7, 1998 that:

1. The City accept the Downtown B.I.A.'s letter indicating the termination of the leases for the operation of the two parking lots, commonly known as the Justice parking lot and the Cornwallis parking lot.
2. That the City authorize the expenditure of \$35,000.00 for the installation of pay and display machines at each of the parking lots, and that this money be funded from the Parking Reserve Fund.

Motion Carried

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10. **Charity Casino Update**

It was moved by Councillors Perry Lalonde and Naresh Bhargava that Council receive the report submitted by the Manager, Economic Development dated July 7, 1998, as a result of the cancellation of the Ontario Charity Casino Program, and that nothing further be done on this matter at this time.

Motion Carried

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11. **Food Services Civic Complex - Casino**

It was moved by Councillors Sheila Airey and Denis Carr that Council receive the report submitted by the Manager, Planning & Recreation Services dated July 8, 1998, to proceed with the food services tender at the Civic Complex for a three (3) year period.

Motion Defeated

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12. **Park Reserve Fund**

It was moved by Councillors Perry Lalonde and André Rivette that Council receive the report submitted by the Acting Manager, Public Works dated July 7, 1998 to authorize the transfer of \$5,000.00 from the Park Reserve Fund account for use in the neighbourhood park at Tenth Street and Adolphus Street.

Motion Carried

13. **Dogs in Park - Interim Report**

It was moved by Councillors Sheila Airey and Brian Lynch that Council receive the report submitted by Waterfront and Parks Planner dated July 8, 1998 as more research and discussion need to be done prior to recommending any changes in the current By-law for Council's consideration, and that the final report on this matter be placed before Council at the regularly scheduled meeting of August 10, 1998.

Motion Carried

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**ADOPTION OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**BY-LAWS - Second Reading**

It was moved by Councillors Sheila Airey and seconded by Claude Lalonde that the Committee of the Whole be adopted as reported and that by-laws 066-1998 to 069-1998 be given second reading.

Motion Carried

**BY-LAWS - Third Reading**

It was moved by Councillors Brian Lynch and seconded by Korey Kennedy that by-laws 066-1998 to by-laws 067-1998 and by-law to 069-1998 inclusive be given third reading.

Motion Carried

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**REPORTS FROM AD HOC COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL**

**NOTICES OF MOTION**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Budget and Financial Reports**

It was moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and Brian Lynch that:

**WHEREAS** for the last several years Council has been asking for budget and financial reports in a format that could be easily understood and gives an indication of where the City is heading financially. Unfortunately this has not happened.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the C.A.O. review these concerns and report to the Council by September 14, 1998 on ways to remedy this situation.

Motion Carried

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2. **Special Circumstances Fund**

It was moved by Councillors Brian Lynch and André Rivette that:

**WHEREAS** the City of Cornwall has only received half of the funds it requested from the Provincial Government under the Special Circumstances Fund; and

**WHEREAS** the Provincial Government's downloading of provincial responsibilities onto the Municipalities is not revenue neutral now and becomes worse in the future with the elimination of the Special Circumstances Fund after the first year and the elimination of the Special Transition Fund after the second year; and

**WHEREAS** the downloading exercise has played havoc with municipal budgets;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Cornwall City Council express its continued disapproval of a downloading exercise that is not revenue neutral now or in the future and request that the Provincial Government provide the necessary funding to make the downloading revenue neutral for the municipalities.

Motion Carried

3. Health Care Stakeholders

*At this point Pecuniary Declarations of Interest were made by the following Councillors who left the room and did not take part in the discussion or vote:*

- *Councillor Dean Hollingsworth, since his sister is an employee of the Cornwall General Hospital.*
- *Councillor Chris Savard, both his spouse and his mother are employees of the Hotel Dieu Hospital.*
- *Councillor Perry Lalonde, being that his wife is employed by the Cornwall General Hospital.*

It was moved by Councillors Claude Poirier and Denis Carr that:


**WHEREAS** there may be a great benefit in having the local Health Stakeholders meet once again regarding hospital restructuring in the hope of finding a truly made in Cornwall solution.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor's office invite again all Stakeholders to meet regarding Hospital Restructuring to see if there cannot be a locally made solution that can be offered to the H.S.R.C. to meet the present and future health services needs of our community.

Motion Carried

ADJOURNED: 11:15 p.m.

  
Clerk/~~Recording Secretary~~  
DEPUTY

  
Mayor