

**REGULAR COUNCIL #02**

Monday, January 22, 2001  
Meeting began at 7:30 p.m.

**PRESENT:** A Regular Council meeting was held this evening with the following members present: Mayor Brian Sylvester, Councillors Denis Carr, Susan Carter, André Rivette, Dean Hollingsworth, Syd Gardiner, Don Deebank, Claude Poirier, Korey Kennedy, Naresh Bhargava, Councillor Perry Lalonde.

**ABSENT:**

**ADMINISTRATION:** Cecil Vincent, Chief Administrative Officer, Richard Allaire, City Clerk and the following Management Personnel: David Fielding, Graham Dart, Fernand Hamelin, Stephen Alexander, Dave Dick, Christine Lefebvre, Susan Cain, Frances Lafave, Roger Desjardins, Gilles Ayotte, and Sherman Goodwin.

**INVOCATION** ~ Brad Montsion ~ Fountaingate Christian Assembly

**ADDITIONS / DELETIONS / CORRECTIONS**

Item #D under Consent was deleted.

**DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST** Nil

**PRESENTATIONS**

#1 United Way of Cornwall and District - Tim Kirkby

Tim Kirkby, Campaign Chair and Kazi Marouf, President, United Way appeared before City Council to thank Council for its support during the campaign. Mr. Kirkby was pleased to announce that the United Way raised \$563,902 which represents 100.7% of their target. Mayor Sylvester, on behalf of Council congratulated the United Way for their tremendous efforts.

It was moved by Councillors Denis Carr and Naresh Bhargava that the United Way of Cornwall and District delegation be received.

**Motion Carried**

## **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

It was moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and Korey Kennedy that the Regular Council Meeting minutes #01-2001 dated , January 8, 2001 be approved as presented.

**Motion Carried**

It was moved by Councillors Claude Poirier and Don Deebank that the Committee of Council Meeting minutes #01-00 dated January 8, 2001 be approved as presented.

**Motion Carried**

## **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

It was moved by Councillors Syd Gardiner and 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 017-2001 to 020-2001 inclusive be given first reading.

**Motion Carried**

### **BY-LAWS - First Reading**

- 017-2001      A Bylaw to permit The Corporation of The City of Cornwall to register a Lien and to provide and subsequently administer municipal funds to the identified home owners under the Renaissance Housing Renovations Program.
- 018-2001      A Bylaw to Purchase Land on N.S. of Second Street East, Part of Lot 21, designated as Part 1 on Reference Plan 52R-5945 from Trinity Anglican Church.
- 019-2001      A Bylaw to obtain a permanent Easement over Part of the East Half of Lot 2, Concession 1, City of Cornwall, County of Stormont, designated as Parts 1, 2, 3 and 4 on Reference Plan 52R-6027 from Le Conseil de District des Ecoles Publiques de Langue Française.
- 020-2001      A Bylaw to adopt, ratify and confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cornwall at its meeting held on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2001.

## DELEGATIONS

- #1 **Presentation - Cornwall Curling Club** - Mr. John Dilabio  
- Mr. Kevin Baker

John Dilabio and Kevin Baker presented to Council a proposed new Curling Centre. Mr. Dilabio indicated that this project would not cost any money to the taxpayers for its construction or its ongoing operations. He indicated that a long term agreement is being finalized with the City whereby the Curling Centre would be attached to the south-east corners of the Civic Complex.

His request is for the City to include the Curling Centre Project within the application that will be made to upper levels of government to obtain matching dollars for the construction of the project. He further added that his group is prepared to commit \$700,000 which would be the one third community portion of the capital cost of the project.

It was moved by Councillors Korey Kennedy and Claude Poirier that the delegation be received.

**Motion Carried**

## RESOLUTIONS

Moved by Councillors André Rivette and Naresh Bhargava

- #001-2001 **OSTAR - Infrastructure Program Application Guidebook**

**WHEREAS** the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cornwall has received and considered the Ontario Small Town and Rural Development (OSTAR) Infrastructure Program Application Guidebook; and

**WHEREAS** Council has assessed the capital priorities of the municipality against the requirements, as set out in the OSTAR Infrastructure Program Application Guidebook; and

**WHEREAS** Council considers the "water construction" projects, described in the application, dated January 19, 2001, for Round 1 of OSTAR to be its highest public health and safety priority; and

**WHEREAS** Council has reviewed and considers the application to be complete and accurate.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that Council endorses and directs staff to submit the application to the Ontario SuperBuild Corporation by January 31, 2001.

**Motion Carried**

Moved by Councillors Don Deebank and Perry Lalonde

**#002-2001      OSTAR - Environment Drinking Water Protection Regulation (DWPR)**

**WHEREAS** the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cornwall has agreed to assume financial responsibility for compliance with the Ministry of the Environment Drinking Water Protection Regulation (DWPR); and

**WHEREAS** Council has formulated a plan to implement any action necessary to comply with the DWPR as determined by the Ministry of the Environment; and

**WHEREAS** Council has acknowledged its responsibility for compliance with DWPR, it considers the "water construction" project described in the application, dated January 19, 2001, its highest public health and safety priority and therefore submits this application for Round 1 of the Ontario Small Town and Rural Development Infrastructure initiative.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Council endorses and directs staff to submit the application to the Ontario SuperBuild Corporation by January 31, 2001.

**Motion Carried**

## **CONSENT**

It was moved by Councillors Claude Poirier and Korey Kennedy that the Consent Agenda be approved.

**Motion Carried**

**A.      Petition - Intersection of Vincent Massey Drive (Hwy. #2) / Power Dam Drive**

That Council refer this petition to the Manager of Engineering/Environmental Services for future report.

**B.      County of Renfrew - Proposed Ontario Parcel Alliance**

That Council receive the County of Renfrew's resolution requesting endorsement that the Ontario Property Assessment Corporation (OPAC) not enter into any agreement with Teranet Land Information Services Inc. for mapping or database creation or maintenance relating to assessment of properties in the municipalities of the County of Renfrew.

C. **Ontario Pharmacists' Association**

That Council proclaim the week of March 5<sup>th</sup> to March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2001 as Pharmacy Awareness Week.

E. **Alzheimer Society of Cornwall and District**

That Council proclaim January 2002 as Alzheimer Awareness Month in the City of Cornwall.

F. **Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario**

That Council proclaim February 2001 as Heart and Stroke Month in the City of Cornwall.

G. **Staff Replacement - (1) Laundry Co-ordinator (Full Time) Glen Stor Dun Lodge**

That the replacement of (1) Laundry Co-ordinator (Full Time) be approved in the Glen Stor Dun Lodge.

H. **New M.C.S.S. Policy Statement Relating to Eligible Hours of Care for Fee Subsidies**

**OW Report #01-01**

That Council send a letter to the Ministry of Community & Social Services, supporting the City of Windsor's decision, to petition MCSS to allow child care delivery agents to continue their provisions of fee subsidies with the flexibility and discretion needed to address the kinds of child care subsidy provision circumstances, as outlined in the Windsor report.

I. **Minor Modification to the Rock N' Skate Fee**

That Council approve the fee change.

## COMMUNICATIONS

1. **Request to Withdraw Funds from Lodge Donation Account**

It was moved by Councillors André Rivette and Naresh Bhargava that Council approve that the balance of the Lodge Donation Account in the amount of \$5,942.46, be withdrawn and used to pay the invoice from John Gordon Construction as outlined in the report prepared by Mrs. Frances Lafave under the date of January 8, 2001..

**Motion Carried**

2. **Smoking in the Workplace Policy**

**HR Report #29-00**

It was moved by Councillors Syd Gardiner and Susan Carter that Council approve the Health & Safety Policy #HS-28 known as "Smoking in the Workplace".

**Motion Carried**

3. **Application to SuperBuild - Aquatic Centre**

**PR Report #50-00**

It was moved by Councillors André Rivette and Syd Gardiner

1. That Council support the submission of a letter of intent to the SuperBuild, S.C.T. Program;
2. That Council endorse the application for the construction of the Aquatic Centre, Gym and Curling Club; and
3. That the resolution attached as Appendix A be approved and forwarded with the Letter of Intent.

A recorded vote resulted as follows:

**FOR:** Mayor Brian Sylvester, Councillors Don Deebank, Susan Carter, Denis Carr, André Rivette, Claude Poirier, Korey Kennedy, Syd Gardiner, Dean Hollingsworth, Perry Lalonde, and Naresh Bhargava.

**AGAINST:** Nil

**Recorded Vote 11-0**  
**Motion Carried**

4. **Municipal Directory**

**CL Report 01-01**

It was moved by Councillors André Rivette and Claude Poirier that Council approve the Municipal Directory.

**Motion Carried**

5. **Tender No. 01-T01 - Supply of Thermal Imaging Camera**

**PU Report #07-01**

It was moved by Councillors André Rivette and Don Deebank that Tender 01-T01 be awarded to Metz Fire & Rescue, Guelph, Ontario at the total bid price of \$43,930.00 being the only bid meeting the tender specifications.

**Motion Carried**

6. **Report - Purchase of Shirts and Pants - Fire Service**

It was moved by Councillors Perry Lalonde and Syd Gardiner that Council approve the amount requested in the above-noted tender and be transferred to reserves for the year ended December 31, 2000. The cost of this purchase should be financed out of this reserve account in 2001.

**Motion Carried**

7. **Tender No. 01-T02 - Purchase of Shirts and Pants - Fire Department**

**PU Report #08-01**

It was moved by Councillors André Rivette and Naresh Bhargava that Tender 01-T02 be awarded to R. Nicholls Dist. Inc., Longueuil, Quebec, at the total bid price of \$12,256.47 and a 10% overcharge of the unit price per shirt for those employees requiring tall or oversize shirts being the lowest bid meeting the tender specifications.

**Motion Carried**

8. **Tender No. 01-T03 - Collection & Disposal of Household Hazardous Waste**

**PU Report #09-01**

It was moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and Don Deebank that Tender 01-T03 be awarded to Drain-All Ltd., Ottawa, Ontario for a two (2) year period at the total bid price of \$15,793.20 per year plus the disposal of HSW's five (5) gallon containers at the bid price of \$30.00 per 5 gallon container being the only bid received meeting the tender specifications.

**Motion Carried**

9. **Cornwall Transit Comprehensive Service Review - Implementation Plan]**

**TR Report #01-01**

It was moved by Councillors Denis Carr and André Rivette

1. That Council approve the first Monday in May 2001 for implementation of the new routing concept.
2. That Council approve one time start-up cost of \$60,000 to be subsidized by \$120,000 in additional revenue.
3. That Council approve the revised fare structure, as outlined in this report with the first adjustment taking place the first Monday in May 2001 and the second January 1, 2002.
4. That Council direct administration to prepare a "Service Standards and Review Process" report, for the April 23, 2001 Council meeting outlining a comprehensive strategy to provide a consistent and objective frame work to

- assess new or revised transit services. The report will also deal with a comprehensive strategy for establishing and promoting "Student Transportation Services" and "Contract Services".
5. That Council approve the continued development and promotion of accessibility including travel options as part of the approved service plan.
  6. That Council direct administration to prepare a "Marketing Plan", prior to route restructuring, that includes detailed marketing strategies for each sector of the new service plan. The strategies will identify timelines, costs, staff efforts, a business plan and measurable objectives.

The motion was further amended by Councillors André Rivette and Perry Lalonde

7. That the Transit Steering Committee mandate be extended to continue to help in overseeing the implementation of Council's approvals regarding the Transit Comprehensive Service Review.
8. That former Councillor Chris Savard be asked to stay as a lay person on the committee and that Councillor Korey Kennedy be asked to fill the position as Council's representative on this committee.

**Motion Carried as Amended**

10. **Water Purification Plant (High Lift Check Valves)** **EE Report #01-01**

It was moved by Councillors Denis Carr and Korey Kennedy that the Corporation of the City of Cornwall award the contract for the supply of 4 (four) 16" diameter as outlined in Proposal 99-R06 to Syntec Process Equipment Ltd. for a total price of \$55,160 plus applicable taxes.

**Motion Carried**

11. **Great Lakes Sustainability Fund** **EE Report #02-01**

It was moved by Councillors Denis Carr and Perry Lalonde that City Council consider during the 2001 Capital Budget deliberations approving \$15,000.00 towards undertaking a storm sewer separation feasibility study for the Fly Creek drainage area.

**Motion Carried**

## **ADOPTION OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

### **By-laws - Second Reading**

It was moved by Councillors André Rivette and Claude Poirier that the Committee of the Whole be adopted as reported, and that by-laws 017-2001 to 020-2001 inclusive be given second reading.



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**Motion Carried**

**By-laws - Third Reading**

It was moved by Councillors Perry Lalonde and Syd Gardiner that by-laws 017-2001 to 020- 2001 inclusive be given third and final reading.

**Motion Carried**

**REPORTS FROM AD HOC COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL**

**Council Remuneration-Compensation Committee**

Mayor Sylvester publicly announced the members of the Committee. They being: Paul Connolly, Linda Lalonde, Paul Lefebvre, Mike Oliver, and Leigh MacDonald.

**NOTICES OF MOTION**

**NOTICE OF MOTION BY COUNCILLOR KOREY KENNEDY**

**WHEREAS** Cornwall City Council is always desirous of providing lower taxes and improved services to its constituents; and

**WHEREAS** by Council eliminating non essential services throughout the Corporation it can achieve its goals and objectives; and

**WHEREAS** Council presently budgets \$4,700 annually for food provisions under the Council department line item number #2150 to be used towards purchasing meals before City Council meetings and certain committee meetings.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** Council immediately eliminate line item #2150 from its budget and cease the spending of \$4,700 tax dollars for food provisions and allocate these funds towards a more valuable project or undertaking.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Prohibiting Usage of Heavy Trucks on Sydney Street**

It was moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and Syd Gardiner

**WHEREAS** the Council passed Bylaw 38-98 in 1998, prohibiting the use of Sydney Street by trucks heavier than 4500 kg; and

**WHEREAS** this has resulted in a drop of the heavy traffic on Sydney Street, but it has not been eliminated; and

**WHEREAS** the homes on the street are still experiencing severe shakes, damaging the properties.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that this Council requests the Cornwall Police Services Board, to investigate and report to the Council by February 26, 2001, what action the Police Board can take to eliminate this problem.

**Motion Carried**

2. **Delivery of Council Agenda's**

It was moved by Councillors Korey Kennedy and André Rivette

**WHEREAS** during the January 11<sup>th</sup>, 1999 meeting the previous City Council approved a policy that would ensure that elected members of Council would receive their Council Agenda Thursdays rather than Fridays; and

**WHEREAS** Administration has not been following through on this policy consistently over the last year, as members of Council have been receiving their Agenda on Friday evenings; and

**WHEREAS** over this same time span members of the media have been successful in receiving the Council Agenda Friday afternoon before the elected members; and

**WHEREAS** being the primary decision makers the elected members of Council should be the first to receive and review the upcoming Agenda before the media and general public; and

**WHEREAS** by Council receiving their Agenda on Thursday it will give them more of an opportunity to contact various managers and to have their questions answered and research done in hopes of expediting the meeting.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that

1. Administration not deviate from the present policy and ensure that members of Council receive their Agenda no later than Thursday evening.
2. Members of the media shall receive their copy of the Council Agenda Friday anytime between noon and 4:30 p.m.
3. Administration be allowed to extend the Agenda delivery to Friday only when there is a Holiday on the Monday of the same week.
4. Administration ensure that all the reports and memos be completed and sent to the Clerk's office no later than Wednesday morning.
5. If Administration cannot complete a report due to the lack of information prior to Thursdays delivery that a memo be sent in the package advising Council for the reasoning behind the tardiness and that Council receive the information the Friday afternoon or night of the Council meeting.

A recorded vote resulted as follows:

**FOR:** Mayor Brian Sylvester, Councillors Korey Kennedy, Dean Hollingsworth, André Rivette, and Claude Poirier.

**AGAINST:** Councillors Syd Gardiner, Naresh Bhargava, Denis Carr, Perry Lalonde, Susan Carter, and Don Deebank.

**Motion Defeated 6-5**

3. **Employees Benefit Package (prescriptions)**

It was moved by Councillors André Rivette and Korey Kennedy

**WHEREAS** a % of prescriptions cost is part of our employees benefit package; and

**WHEREAS** the system for payment of these benefits are causing financial burden on our employees having to pay up-front total cost and waiting weeks for reimbursement from the City's insurance carrier; and

**WHEREAS** the City of Cornwall prides itself in being a Smart City in the technology field; and

**WHEREAS** many companies have moved towards modern technology and are now using benefit cards that are used to pay the insurance portion of the prescriptions directly to the pharmacy.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Administration prepare a report on why the City is falling behind in this area of modern technology that many companies are now using and that would help alleviate the financial burden on our employees and their families. That this report be prepared for the February 12, 2001 Council meeting.

**Motion Carried**

4. **Provincial Funding Formula**

It was moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and Claude Poirier

**WHEREAS** all Ontario residents are entitled for the same level of medical service without additional financial burden; and

**WHEREAS** the restructuring of the hospitals in Cornwall is underway and soon the community will be facing to raise significant amount of dollars for the hospitals; and

**WHEREAS** the province provides funding of between 50 and 75% of eligible costs to help defray the costs. The balance of 25 to 50% of eligible costs and 100% of the non eligible costs have to be raised/funded locally; and

**WHEREAS** the Provincial funding formula does not take into account of the population, per capita income and the tax base of the municipalities and this imposes an additional financial burden on the residents and the taxpayers.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council request the Minister of Health to modify the funding formula so that

1. It is fair to all Ontario residents.
2. Similar costs are borne by all Ontario residents for hospital facilities/services.
3. It takes into account the population served by the hospitals, per capita income of the residents in the area and the tax base for the municipalities served.

**FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED** that copies of this motion be sent to other municipalities in Ontario, AMO, local MPP and MP for their support.

**Motion Carried**

5. **Smart Skills Booklet**

It was moved by Councillors Susan Carter and Denis Carr

**WHEREAS** the City of Cornwall has played a major role in encouraging Smart City Cornwall initiatives; and

**WHEREAS** almost 20,000 copies of the Cornwall Smart City "**Smart Skills Booklets**" were distributed to city residents this weekend; and

**WHEREAS** in the next few weeks, every Cornwall City business will receive a copy of the Cornwall Smart City "**E-Commerce Booklets**".

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Cornwall City Council publicly endorses both booklets and instructs the Human Resources Department to ensure that every City employee receives a copy of the "**Smart Skills Booklet**".

**Motion Carried**

6. **Insurance Policy/City Operations**

It was moved by Councillors Donald Deebank and Naresh Bhargava

**WHEREAS** the insurance policy covering city operations has not yet been tendered for approximately six years.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Administration prepare a report on the possibility of calling for RFP or tender to cover the liability insurance beginning with the Year 2002.

**Motion Carried**

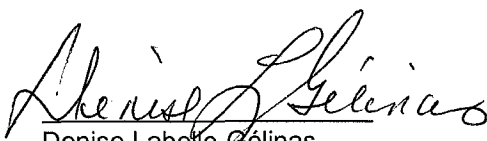
7. **Uses & Purpose of "Notice of Motion"**

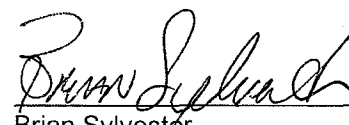
It was moved by Councillors Denis Carr and Perry Lalonde

That the City Clerk, before he leaves the position provide Council with an explanation as to the uses and purposes of "Notice of Motion"

**Motion Carried**

Adjournment: 10:40 p.m.

  
Denise Labelle-Gélinas  
Acting City Clerk

  
Brian Sylvester  
Mayor