



REGULAR COUNCIL # 10

Monday, February 11, 2002
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 Naresh Bhargava, Denis Carr, Susan Carter, Donald Deebank, Syd Gardiner, Korey Kennedy, Perry Lalonde, Claude Poirier and André Rivette

REGRETS: Councillor Dean Hollingsworth

ADMINISTRATION: Cecil Vincent, Chief Administrative Officer; Denise Labelle-Gélinas, City Clerk; and the following Management Personnel: Stephen Alexander, Susan Cain, Debora Daigle, Roger Desjardins, David Dick, Paul Fitzpatrick and Fernand Hamelin

Mayor Brian Sylvester called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

INVOCATION: Reverend Herb Vanderbeek, Immanuel Christian Reformed Church

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/CORRECTIONS

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and Perry Lalonde that Council go into the Committee of the Whole and that all Minutes, Presentation, Delegation, Resolution, Consent/Correspondence, Reports and By-laws 017 to 021, 2002 be referred to that Committee; and that the agenda of the Committee of the Whole for the meeting of February 11th, 2002 be approved.

A recorded vote resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Denis Carr, Susan Carter, Donald Deebank, Syd Gardiner, Korey Kennedy, Perry Lalonde, Claude Poirier, André Rivette and Mayor Brian Sylvester

Absent: Councillor Dean Hollingsworth

Motion Carried

GENERAL CONSENT

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. That the Committee of Council Meeting # 02-02 dated January 28, 2002 be approved and verified correct;
2. That the Regular Council Meeting # 04-02 dated January 28, 2002 be approved and verified correct.
3. That the Special Council Meeting # 05-02 dated January 29, 2002 be approved and verified correct.
4. That the Special Council Meeting # 06-02 dated January 30, 2002 be approved and verified correct.
5. That the Special Council Meeting # 07-02 dated February 4, 2002 be approved and verified correct.
6. That the Special Council Meeting # 08-02 dated February 5, 2002 be approved and verified correct.
7. That the Special Council Meeting # 09-02 dated February 6, 2002 be approved and verified correct.

PRESENTATION

1. **Progress Fund - No Debt Policy**

Mr. Paul Lefebvre spoke before Council members this evening to bring forward an idea and a vision, as he indicated, that would engage both Council and the community into a debate about this community's future from a different mind-set and perspective. He continued to indicate a challenge both to Council and the community to engage into a serious debate about how the City could leverage its opportunities. Mr. Lefebvre indicated to Council that the current no debt policy was limiting the City's ability to use its good financial position to the best advantage. The current criteria for use of the progress fund runs the risk that nothing will ever be considered progressive enough to use it. In continuing, Mr. Lefebvre pointed out that there were no marketing advantages to being debt-free. If taxes continued to increase, if our community was still in need of major capital investment and if the city's ability to grow and prosper was limited to this year's budget. The City's decision makers need to change the way they fund capital projects and that they should use the progress fund as their lender. Presently, the progress fund is being used to fund projects outside of Cornwall. If the City lent the money to itself instead, we could invest in Cornwall today and earn a better return to fund even more projects tomorrow. Mr. Lefebvre suggested that debt financing was a better solution than pay-as-you-go for multi-year capital projects; the progress fund is the funding source, and the City's current budget allows us to service the debt and finally, by improving the City's return on investment, the progress fund would continually be able to support future projects.

In conclusion to his presentation, Mr. Lefebvre pointed out that Council must revoke the no debt policy, make the progress fund the city's lender and establish an interest rate and establish a criteria for what the City borrows for. The City should develop a strategy, establish a list of priorities and communicate the plan.

Moved by Councillors Denis Carr and Andre Rivette that this delegation be received and that Administration provide comments on the proposition delivered by Mr. Lefebvre.

Motion Carried

DELEGATION

BY-LAWS

That By-laws no. 017 to 021, 2002 having been read a first time be considered as having been read a second time:

- 017-2002 A by-law to enter into service agreements with nine social housing providers in the City of Cornwall and United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry
- 018-2002 A by-law to enter into a rental agreement with Knights of Columbus Mixed Softball League for office space at the Bob Turner Memorial Centre
- 019-2002 A by-law directing and enacting the manner in which the 2002 interim levy shall be collected as authorized by Chapter 5, Section 370 and 371 of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended by Sections 24 and 25 of Bill 140, 2000
- 020-2002 A by-law to authorize the execution of a tax arrears extension agreement for roll number 010-011-16000 pursuant to Section 8 of the Municipal Tax Sales Act, 1990, R.S.O. 1990, c.60
- 021-2002 A by-law to enter into a Letter of Agreement for OSTAR Infrastructure initiatives

CONSENT / CORRESPONDENCE

A. Staff Replacement - Community Placement Coordinator

SSS # 07-2002 That Council approve the filling of the Community Placement Coordinator position.

B. Staff Replacement - Probationary Firefighter (moved for discussion)

C. Federation of Canadian Municipalities Membership

That Council approve the payment of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Membership fee for the period of April 1, 2002 to March 31, 2003 in the amount of \$5,077.32.

D. Kinsmen and Kinette Day and Week

That Council endorse the Kinsmen Club of Cornwall's request and designate February 20, 2002 as Kinsmen and Kinette Day and declare the week of February 16 to 22, 2002 as Kinsmen and Kinette Week in the City of Cornwall.

General Consent Motion

Moved by Councillors Syd Gardiner and Don Deebank that all items listed under the General Consent portion of this agenda be approved as presented.

A recorded vote resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Denis Carr, Susan Carter, Donald Deebank, Syd Gardiner, Korey Kennedy, Perry Lalonde, Claude Poirier and Mayor Brian Sylvester
Absent: Councillor Dean Hollingsworth and Andre Rivette

Motion Carried

RESOLUTIONS / BUSINESS ARISING FROM NOTICE OF MOTION

REPORTS from UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Eastern Ontario Health Unit, Unfinished Business No. 053-2001

FI # 14-2002 Moved by Councillors Perry Lalonde and Susan Carter that Council receive report FI # 14-2002 prepared by the Manager of Financial Services and dated February 7, 2002.

A recorded vote resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Denis Carr, Susan Carter, Donald Deebank, Syd Gardiner, Korey Kennedy, Perry Lalonde, Claude Poirier, André Rivette and Mayor Brian Sylvester
Absent: Councillor Dean Hollingsworth

Motion Carried

2. Street Vendors Liability, Unfinished Business No. 002-2002

PHS # 06-2002 Moved by Councillors Claude Poirier and Perry Lalonde that Council receive report PHS # 06-2002 prepared by the Chief Building Official under date of February 6, 2002.

A recorded vote resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Denis Carr, Susan Carter, Donald Deebank, Syd Gardiner, Korey Kennedy, Perry Lalonde, Claude Poirier and Mayor Brian Sylvester

Absent: Councillors Dean Hollingsworth and Andre Rivette

Motion Carried

COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS

1. Social Housing "Point of Transfer"

PHS # 07-2002 Moved by Councillors Syd Gardiner and Claude Poirier that Council receive this report as support for the by-law authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to enter into Service Agreements with Social Housing Providers in accordance with Bill 128 - Social Housing Reform Act 2000.

A recorded vote resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Denis Carr, Susan Carter, Donald Deebank, Syd Gardiner, Korey Kennedy, Perry Lalonde, Claude Poirier, André Rivette and Mayor Brian Sylvester

Absent: Councillor Dean Hollingsworth

Motion Carried

TENDER and REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL BLOCK

Moved by Councillors Don Deebank and Andre Rivette that Council adopt the tenders and request for proposal listed within this block:

➤ **Tender No. 02-T07 - Landfill Site Security Services**

That Tender 02-T07 be awarded for a three (3) year period to Capital Security Investigations, Cornwall, Ontario at the total bid price of \$103,764 before consumer price index adjustments being the only bid meeting the tender specifications.

A recorded vote resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Denis Carr, Susan Carter, Donald Deebank, Syd Gardiner, Korey Kennedy, Perry Lalonde, Claude Poirier, André Rivette and Mayor Brian Sylvester

Absent: Councillor Dean Hollingsworth

Motion Carried

**ITEMS SEPARATED FOR
DISCUSSION**

B. Staff Replacement - Probationary Firefighter (moved for discussion)

Moved by Councillors Andre Rivette and Claude Poirier that Council approve the replacement of a Probationary Firefighter.

Moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and Syd Gardiner that the approval be deferred until Administration provide a report on implications to reducing the number of full time firefighters required at the scene of an accident.

A recorded vote on the deferral resulted as follows:

For: Councillor Naresh Bhargava, Susan Carter, Denis Carr, Donald Deebank, Syd Gardiner

Against: Councillors Korey Kennedy, Perry Lalonde, Claude Poirier, André Rivette and Mayor Brian Sylvester

Absent: Councillor Dean Hollingsworth

Motion Defeated

A recorded vote on the motion to approve resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Korey Kennedy, Perry Lalonde, Claude Poirier, André Rivette and Mayor Brian Sylvester

Against: Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Denis Carr, Susan Carter, Donald Deebank, Syd Gardiner

Absent: Councillor Dean Hollingsworth

Motion Defeated

NEW BUSINESS

BY-LAWS - Third and Final Reading

Moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and Perry Lalonde that By-laws 017 to 021-2002 listed on the agenda for third reading be taken as read a third time and finally passed.

A recorded vote resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Denis Carr, Susan Carter, Donald Deebank, Syd Gardiner, Korey Kennedy, Perry Lalonde, Claude Poirier, André Rivette and Mayor Brian Sylvester

Absent: Councillor Dean Hollingsworth

Motion Carried

NOTICE OF MOTION

UNFINISHED BUSINESS LISTING

CONFIRMING BY-LAW

Moved by Councillors Denis Carr and Andre Rivette that By-law 022-2002 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cornwall at its meetings held on Tuesday, January 29, Wednesday, January 30, 2002, Monday, February 4, Tuesday, February 5, Wednesday, February 6 and Monday, February 11, 2002 having been read a first, second and third time be now taken as read and passed.


A recorded vote resulted as follows:

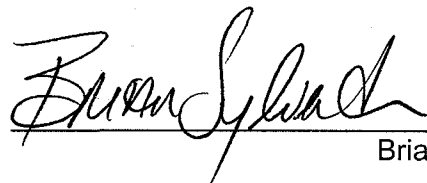
For: Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Denis Carr, Susan Carter, Donald Deebank, Syd Gardiner, Korey Kennedy, Perry Lalonde, Claude Poirier, André Rivette and Mayor Brian Sylvester

Absent: Councillor Dean Hollingsworth

Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT: 9:10 p.m.


Denise Labelle-Gélinas
City Clerk


Brian Sylvester
Mayor

