



REGULAR COUNCIL # 26

Monday, June 24, 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 Denis Carr, Naresh Bhargava, Susan Carter, Donald Deebank, Syd Gardiner, Dean Hollingsworth, Korey Kennedy, Perry Lalonde, Claude Poirier and André Rivette

ADMINISTRATION: Cecil Vincent, Chief Administrative Officer, Denise Labelle-Gélinas, City Clerk; and the following Management Personnel: Graham Dart, Susan Cain, David Dick, Paul Fitzpatrick, Dave Fielding, Fire Chief Roger Desjardins, Fernand Hamelin, Victor Leroux, Sherman Goodwin, Stephen Alexander and Debora Daigle

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

INVOCATION: Tom G. Baker, North American Mission Board

ADDITIONS / CORRECTIONS / DELETIONS:

➤ Communication #5 - Watermain Relining Report #20-02

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST ~ Nil

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Moved by Councillors Andre Rivette and Naresh Bhargava that Council go into the Committee of the Whole and that all Minutes, Presentation, Delegation, Resolution, Consent/Correspondence, Reports and By-laws 101 to 106, 2002 be referred to that Committee; and that the agenda of the Committee of the Whole for the meeting of June 24th, 2002 be approved.

A recorded vote resulted as follows:

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

Motion Carried

GENERAL CONSENT

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The following minutes were presented for adoption. There being no corrections noted, the minutes stand approved.

1. That the Committee of Council Meeting # 18-02 dated June 10, 2002 be approved and verified correct;
2. That the Regular Council Meeting # 26-02 dated June 10, 2002 be approved and verified correct;

PRESENTATION

1. **9th Annual Ontario Winter Games Legacy Awards** awarded to Marc Brûlotte and Calla Humphries

Mayor Brian Sylvester, on behalf of the Annual Winter Games Legacy Awards Committee presented the two students selected as recipients of the Winter Games Legacy Awards for the year 2001/2002 scholastic year.

The criteria required for a selection are: athletic achievements, leadership, community involvement, need, and an academic average of 70%. The successful candidates are awarded a \$1,000.00 bursary.

This year the award has been presented to Marc Brûlotte from La Citadelle High School and Calla Humphries from Char Lan District High School.

Marc is 18 years old and has attained an average of 86%. He will be pursuing his studies at the Ottawa University in the Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry program. Calla Humphries, is 19 years old and has attained an average of 86%. She will be pursuing her studies at Queen's University within the Bachelor of Physical Health and Education program.

2. **Group Renaissance / World Changers Group**

Mr. Tom Baker representative of the North American Mission Board along with Mr. Chuck Charlebois, presented a report on the 60+ community projects undertaken in the Cornwall area during the period of June 15 to 29, 2002. Mr. Baker introduced his organization "World Changers" and what their purpose was. World Changers began in 1990 setting its goal to change the way they approached their mission in education and hands on mission experience. Their focus is to change the life of the participants by giving them an opportunity to change someone else's world. Mr. Baker's organization will be assisting Mr. Charlebois with Renaissance Projects and their students are being housed through St. Lawrence College.

World Changers is sponsored by the North American Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention which began with a focus on involving senior high youth in hands-on missions. These students from middle school to college are exposed to an exciting blend of community ministries and construction opportunities.

Mr. Charlebois also spoke on these many projects being performed, and indicated that 86 projects were being undertaken and that he acknowledged the partnerships and volunteers and the good work underway in the City and SDG areas.

3. Economic Development Strategic Plan

Mr. Gerald Grant, Managing Director of GGA Management Consultants provided Council members the final Draft report on their study relating to an Economic Development Strategic Plan for the City of Cornwall. The review describes the strategies and Action Plans, when implemented, would make a very positive contribution to sustaining and improving Cornwall's economy and quality of life. Mr. Grant indicated that once the Council has had an opportunity to initially consider the thoughts and suggestions in the Plan, that they would once again present their Final Plan.

Mr. Grant indicated that the City of Cornwall recognized the need to establish a new Economic Development Strategy to guide them in looking into the future and has been successful in attracting new industry and reducing unemployment to a level which is below the Ontario and Canadian average. The City recognized that with success comes new challenges, and wanted to ensure that the City is well placed to continue its economic development and growth, To assist the city, the Committee was established and GGA Consulting were retained to facilitate the process of public consultation and strategy development on behalf of the community. Many members of the community made thoughtful and constructive suggestions through round tables and Community Forum. Several Strategy's were developed: Strategy #1 - People First, Keep more youth, attract families and improve quality of life for residents - ultimately to increase the Labour Pool; Strategy #II Fostering Business Growth - continually attract new businesses, encourage existing businesses to stay and grow, and help new businesses get established; Strategy #III - Aggressively develop Cornwall's Tourism and retail potential - move the information centre, create a signature attraction, improve the Linear Waterfront Park, make Cornwall the Centre of a New Boating Experience from the 1000 Islands to Montreal, and Improve the Retail Capture; and Strategy # IV - Establish New Enabling Tools to Support Economic Development - to strengthen and expand the organizational, financial and marketing tools Cornwall uses for economic and related development to ensure effective implementation.

DELEGATIONS

1. Cornwall Lift-Off - Mr. Chris Savard - Chairman

Moved by Councillors Claude Poirier and Andre Rivette that Mr. Savard be permitted an additional five (5) minutes for his presentation:

A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:

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

Motion Carried

Mr. Chris Savard, Chairman of Cornwall Lift-Off along with Mr. Kevin Wilson, Director of Public Relations, provided Council members with an up to date on the plans of their upcoming festival and to encourage the municipality to follow the lead of many other large employers in Cornwall in purchasing a balloon button for each municipal employee. This year the festival is scheduled to be held between August 22 to the 25th inclusive from the Cornwall Motor Speedway.

Mr. Savard indicated that they anticipate the arrival of 25 hot air balloon teams and additionally expect to generate their largest crowd in the history of the event. The buttons are presently sold to the General Public at a cost of \$10.00, which permits entry to the whole festival however, the buttons can be made available to municipal employees at a cost of \$7.50 each.

It was moved by Councillors Andre Rivette and Syd Gardiner that this matter be referred to Administration for report.

A recorded vote on the referral resulted as follows:

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

Motion Carried

2. Coalition for Action - Mr. Stephen Parisien

Mr. Parisien spokesperson for the Coalition for Action spoke to Council this evening indicating that the purpose of their organization was to seek truth, justice and accountability from both secular and religious authorities by way of support for Bill 48. Mr. Parisien indicated that this bill was fully supported by John Cleary, M.P.P. for Stormont, Dundas and Charlottenburg which calls for an independent public inquiry by the Provincial Government into the child abuse allegations and cover-ups in the Cornwall area.

Mr. Parisien continued to attest that the resumed allegations on this matter would persist to fester and cause a black cloud of suspicion over this City .

In conclusion, Mr. Parisien encouraged Council members to endorse their proposed Resolution as follows:

WHEREAS investigations into child sexual abuse allegations in the community have raised many unanswered questions and left the citizenry in doubt about the ability of their institutions to function properly in the protection of our children; and

WHEREAS it is necessary to begin the healing process by seeking out the truth, identifying the guilty, clearing the names of the innocent, and bringing comfort and closure to any victims or others adversely affected by the allegations and investigations;

THEREFORE Be It Resolved, that Council support the efforts of MPP Garry Guzzo and MPP John Cleary through Bill 48 to have the Province of Ontario launch an independent public inquiry into the child sexual abuse allegations and investigations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be forwarded to all other councils in Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry asking for their endorsement.

Following a lengthy discussion on this matter, it was moved by Councillor Sue Carter and Dean Hollingsworth that Council adopt the proposed resolution in its entirety.

It was further moved by Councillors Claude Poirier and Korey Kennedy that this matter be postponed to the July 8th meeting until such time as the council has had an opportunity to review the following particulars on this matter :

- A review of Bill 48;
- Seek information as to the Solicitor General's and Government's relative to their position on this matter;

A recorded vote on the Deferral resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Denis Carr, Syd Gardiner, Dean Hollingsworth, Korey Kennedy, Perry Lalonde, Claude Poirier, and André Rivette

Against: Councillors Susan Carter, Don Deebank and Mayor Brian Sylvester

Motion to Defer Carried

BY-LAWS

- 101-2002 A by-law to provide a municipal tax exemption of 50% on premises occupied by Veterans' Service Clubs (*Council, June 10, 2002*)
- 102-2002 **A by-law to Repeal and Replace the existing 1984 Official Plan and the adopted 1997 Official Plan (*Communication,*)**
- 103-2002 A by-law to enter into an agreement for 911 Answering Service with Seaway Answering Service Limited for a period of three years from the date of commencement. (*Council, May 13, 2002*)
- 104-2002 A by-law to enter into a one-year rent free agreement with the Youth Centre at Broadview Park located at 409 Henry Street. (*Council, June 10, 2002*)
- 105-2002 A by-law to enter into a Service Agreement with Royal Oaks Housing Cooperative Inc. as social housing provider
- 106-2002 A Bylaw to authorize the execution of a tax arrears extension agreement for roll number 010-012-07000 pursuant to Section 8 of the Municipal Tax Sales Act 1990, R.S.O. 1990, c.60 for lands municipally described as 508 - 508A Walton Street.

CONSENT / CORRESPONDENCE

A.. Resolution from the Regional Municipality of Halton

That Council receive for information purposes, the resolution from the Regional Municipality of Halton .

B. Tile Loan Interest Rate

That Council receive the correspondence from The Corporation of the Town of Lakeshore for information purposes only, which was seeking Council's support in requesting that the Province of Ontario reduce the interest rate assessed on loans administered under the Tile Drainage Act to a more equitable

C. Staff Replacement - Social Assistance Financial Support Worker

In accordance with report SSS#26-2002, prepared by Ms. Cain, Manager of Social Support Services that council approve the replacement of the position of Social Assistance Financial Support Worker within the unionized environment of CUPE 3251.

General Consent Motion

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

A recorded vote resulted as follows:

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

Motion Carried

RESOLUTIONS / BUSINESS ARISING FROM NOTICE OF MOTION

#008-2002 Official Plan of The Corporation of the City of Cornwall

Moved by Councillors Susan Carter and Naresh Bhargava to adopt the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cornwall had adopted a new Official Plan by Bylaw No. 082, 1997 on July 14, 1997 to fully replace the 1984 Plan; and

WHEREAS, several objections to specific portions of the 1997 Adopted Plan were subsequently received by the City and Province; and

WHEREAS, negotiations to try and resolve said objections followed over a period of several years; and

WHEREAS, additional changes to the 1997 Adopted Plan in the form of Provincial Agency comments, correction of grammatical / mapping errors / omissions, incorporation of Official Plan Amendments and changes to the Commercial Section, as a result of the negotiations, have created over 100 major and minor alterations to the document; and

WHEREAS, it is City and Provincial (MMAH) Planning staff recommendation, supported by P.A.C., to introduce a completely updated / revised Official Plan to repeal and replace the 1997 (Adopted) Plan;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cornwall fully repeals and replaces the 1997 (Adopted) Plan and the 1984 (existing) Plan by Bylaw No. 102, 2002 and that the said new document be sent to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing with a formal request for the Province to Approve, in whole, the 2002 Official Plan.

A recorded vote resulted as follows:

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

Motion Carried

REPORTS from UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Transit Operations - Impacts of Dial-A-Bus & Handi-Transit Reduction - Unfinished Business
Item No. 018-2002

Moved by Councillors Andre Rivette and Perry Lalonde that the City of Cornwall continue to provide Dial-A-Bus & Handi-Transit service for the period of 7:00 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. in accordance to Report MWS # 21-2002 prepared by Transit Services Divisional Manager under date of June 3, 2002.

A recorded vote resulted as follows:

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

Motion Carried

2. Cash Flow Management - Unfinished Business Item No. 020-2002

Moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and Syd Gardiner that City Council receive the proposed draft Cash Flow Management Policy detailed by report FI #39-2002 under date of June 4, 2002 and that clause 2.6 be changed in its entirety to read:

"Based on cash flow requirements for the month, cash surpluses over 1 million dollars shall be invested and when required funds will be borrowed to cover cash deficits through the City's money market securities on a weekly basis.

A recorded vote resulted as follows:

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

Motion Carried

COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS

1. Receptionist / Waiting Area - 111 Water St. East Cornwall

Moved by Councillors Claude Poirier and Korey Kennedy that Council authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to approve the purchase of services from a mechanical and electrical contractor to complete the next phase of the work at a cost of approximately \$4,800 plus applicable taxes. (Report SSS #24-2002 Manager of Social Support Services)

A recorded vote resulted as follows:

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

Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS

1. Minor Sports - Recreational Organizations - meeting

Moved by Councillor Denis Carr and Andre Rivette that:

WHEREAS Council recognize that minor sports and other recreational activities provided for the youth of our community by the municipality are essential services; and

WHEREAS Council further recognize that the methods of delivery and support for these programs has not been reviewed in recent years;

THEREFORE Be it Resolved that a committee of council meet with all our minor sports and other recreational organizations, to determine the best methods of supporting these organizations within the current level of funding; and

FURTHER that this committee report back to council in time for next years budget deliberations.

A recorded vote resulted as follows:

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

Motion Carried

2. Men's Project

Moved by Councillors Andre Rivette and Korey Kennedy that

WHEREAS The " Men's Project" created to counsel victims of sexual abuse are seeking continued funding from the Provincial Government;

NOW THEREFORE, Be it resolved that Cornwall City Council write to the Provincial Government indicating their support for such funding to help in the healing process .

A recorded vote resulted as follows:

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

Motion Carried

BY-LAWS - Third and Final Reading

Moved by Councillors Perry Lalonde and Naresh Bhargava that By-laws 101 to 106-2002 inclusive 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 Denis Carr, Naresh Bhargava, Susan Carter, Donald Deebank, Syd Gardiner, Dean Hollingsworth, Korey Kennedy, Perry Lalonde, Claude Poirier, André Rivette and Mayor Brian Sylvester

Motion Carried

NOTICE OF MOTION

UNFINISHED BUSINESS LISTING

CONFIRMING BY-LAW

Moved by Councillors Denis Carr and Perry Lalonde that By-law 107-2002 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cornwall at its meetings held on Monday, June 24, 2002 having been read a first, second and third time be now taken as read and passed.

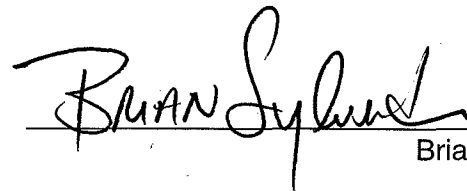
A recorded vote resulted as follows:

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

Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT: 11:00 p.m.


Denise Labelle-Gélinas
City Clerk


Brian Sylvester
Mayor

