



SPECIAL COUNCIL # 01-2002

Wednesday, January 9, 2002
 Meeting began at 6:00 p.m.
 CORNWALL CIVIC COMPLEX - SALON B

- PRESENT:** A Special Council meeting was held this evening with the following members present: Mayor Brian Sylvester, Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Denis Carr, Donald Deebank, Susan Carter, Dean Hollingsworth, Corey Kennedy, Syd Gardiner, Perry Lalonde, Claude Poirier and André Rivette
- INVITED GUESTS:** Warden of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry, Mr. Cameron Martel and members of the United Counties, Akwesasne Grand Chief Mike Mitchell and members of the Akwesasne Council, CEO of the Hotel Dieu Hospital, Jeannette Despatie, CEO of the Cornwall General Hospital, Murray Halkett and members of both Administration along with members of the Joint Executive Committee (JEC)
- ADMINISTRATION:** Cecil Vincent, Chief Administrative Officer; Denise Labelle-Gélinas, Clerk; and Paul Fitzpatrick, Manager of Economic Development and Recreation Services.

A round table discussion was held this evening at the Cornwall Civic Complex with the Mayors, Councillors and Health Care Professionals for the City of Cornwall, United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry and Grand Chief for the Mohawk of Akwesasne Council, surrounding the Health Services Restructuring Commission's recommendations to improve the local hospital infrastructure within the City of Cornwall.

Objectives of this meeting were to prepare a collective approach to the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care in order to present a response to the original Health Services Restructuring Commission (HSCR) which would include the need for a more affordable project.

Present recommendations are to turn the General Hospital into an acute-care facility, while the Hotel Dieu Hospital would become a chronic-care hospital at an approximate estimated cost of \$67 million dollars. The local share of the project is identified at \$20 million and shared by Cornwall at \$14 million, the Counties at \$5 million and Akwesasne at \$1 million dollars

In conclusion to the roundtable discussion, the consensus by all members present was that the Mayor of the City of Cornwall, Warden of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry, Grand Chief of Akwesasne Mohawk Council and members of the Joint Executive Committee on Hospital Restructuring travel to Toronto and meet with officials from the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care to determine options on hospital restructuring for the City of Cornwall.

ADJOURNMENT: 9:15 p.m.


 Denise Labelle-Gélinas
 Clerk


 Brian Sylvester
 Mayor

