



## REGULAR COUNCIL #17-2003

Monday, May 12, 2003  
Meeting began at 7:30 p.m.

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- PRESENT:** Mayor Brian Sylvester, Councillors Don Deebank , Dean Hollingsworth, Susan Carter, Syd Gardiner, Perry Lalonde, Corey Kennedy, Naresh Bhargava, Claude Poirier and André Rivette
- ABSENT:** Councillor Denis Carr
- ADMINISTRATION:** Denise Labelle-Gélinas, City Clerk, Graham Dart, David Dick, Fernand Hamelin, Paul Fitzpatrick, Susan Cain, Debora Daigle, Victor Leroux, David Fielding, Diane Dumoulin and Stephen Alexander.
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Mayor Brian Sylvester called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**INVOCATION:** Deputy Clerk, Graham Dart

**ADDITIONS / CORRECTIONS / DELETIONS:**

**DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST:**

**STATEMENT BY MAYOR:**

"Recently, the Fire Chief of the City of Cornwall, Chief Roger Desjardins, announced to City Council, and indeed to all the Citizens of Cornwall, that he was retiring after a long and outstanding career. Chief Desjardins worked for the City of Cornwall for his full career spanning some 28 years, beginning February 24, 1975, as a first class fireman and moving through the ranks until, for the past 4 years, where he has served the City as Fire Chief.

Chief Desjardins has served the City with distinction and has decided, in consultation with his family, to retire under OMERS early retirement option this coming August 29, 2003.

The reason I am commenting on the Chief's retirement this evening is related to the way the story of the retirement was reported in the local newspaper, the Standard Freeholder. While the body of the story was accurate, the headline of the story indicated that the Fire Chief was resigning.

This has apparently been interpreted by some in our community to indicate that the Chief was being forced to retire. I want to unequivocally state that the Fire Chief himself initiated his request to retire, and that there was no request from Council or senior management to ask the Chief to take early retirement. It was purely and simply his and his family's decision as it should be.



On behalf of myself as Mayor, the City Council and the citizens of Cornwall I wish to express our thanks to the Chief for his service to the City and to express our regrets if the story headline relating his retirement plans has caused him or his family any concerns.

## **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

Moved by Councillors Perry Lalonde and Syd Gardiner that Council go into the Committee of the Whole and that all Minutes, Presentations, Delegations, Resolutions, Consents/Correspondences, Reports and By-laws 083-2003 to 090-2003 be referred to that Committee; and that the Agenda of the Committee of the Whole for the meeting of May 12, 2003 be approved.

**Motion Carried**

## **GENERAL CONSENT**

### **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

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

**Motion Carried**

## **PRESENTATIONS**

### **DELEGATIONS**

#### **1. CANADA DAY COMMITTEE 2003**

Mr. Guy Lauzon, Chair of the Canada Day Committee of 2003 presented, for the Council and the citizens an overview of their scheduled agenda for Canada's Birthday scheduled for July 1, 2003. The Bandshell headliner for this year will be Mr. Wayne Rostad along with his seven piece orchestra "The Beat" and the Gospel Group of "Voices of Praise". Mr. Lauzon also indicated that there will be a number of local entertainment performing during the day. Due to the unforeseen opportunities surrounding the weather, Mr. Lauzon requested that the Cornwall Civic Complex be made available for them in the event that July 1, 2003, is rained out and that the Council waive the cost of set-up and tear-down.

It was moved by André Rivette and Susan Carter that this matter be referred to Administration for review and that a report be prepared for Council's consideration.

#### ***A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:***

**For:** Councillors Don Deebank, Dean Hollingsworth, Susan Carter, Syd Gardiner, Perry Lalonde, Corey Kennedy, Naresh Bhargava, Claude Poirier, André Rivette and Mayor Brian Sylvester

**Absent:** Councillor Denis Carr

**Motion Carried**



## BY-LAWS

- 083-2003 A By-law to provide for early voting on voting day and reduced hours of voting in institutions and retirement homes.
- 084-2003 A By-law to provide for advance votes to be held prior to Voting Day.
- 085-2003 A By-law to declare certain real property surplus legally described as Part of the West Half of Lot 9, Concession 2, City of Cornwall, County of Stormont, now designated as Part 5 on Reference Plan 52R-2892.
- 086-2003 A By-law to authorize the sale of Part of the West Half of Lot 9, Concession 2, City of Cornwall, County of Stormont, now designated as Part 5 on Reference Plan 52R-2892.
- 087-2003 A By-law to authorise the sale of the East Half of Lot 9, Concession 3, City of Cornwall, County of Stormont, being Parts 1 and 2 on Reference Plan 52R-6221 to A.R. Bazeley.
- 088-2003 A By-law to authorize the execution of a Tax Arrears Extension Agreement for roll number 020-002-14200 pursuant to Section 378 of the Municipal Act 2001.
- 089-2003 A By-law 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.
- 090-2003 A By-law to appoint Mario Bissonnette as By-law Enforcement Officer for the purpose of the Animal Control and Parking and Traffic By-law.

## CONSENT

### A. Proclamation - Emergency Medical Services (EMS)

That Council declare the week of May 19 to 25, 2003, as EMS Week in the City of Cornwall.

### B. Proclamation - Victorian Order of Nurses (VON)

That Council declare the week of May 19 to 25, 2003, as Victorian Order of Nurses Week in the City of Cornwall.

## GENERAL CONSENT MOTION

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

### ***A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:***

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

**Absent:** Councillor Denis Carr

**Motion Carried**



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**RESOLUTIONS / BUSINESS ARISING FROM NOTICE OF MOTION**

**REPORTS from  
UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**1. Proposed School Board Site**

Moved by Councillors Dean Hollingsworth and Susan Carter that the following recommendations be voted on separately:

- a) subject to Council approval, the City of Cornwall has the capacity to provide potable water to the proposed school site on the east side of Boundary Road, south of Tyotown Road;
- b) the City of Cornwall's Waste Water Treatment Plant and sewer collection system does not have the capacity to provide sewage collection services to the proposed school site on the east side of Boundary Road, south of Tyotown Road;
- c) Cornwall Transit contact the Eastern Ontario Catholic District School Board in order to assess its capability of providing transit service to the student population of the new school site; and
- d) Council not remove its planning appeals on the matter at this time.

(Report EECS #014-2003 prepared by David A. Fielding, Manager, Engineering, Environmental & Construction Services under date of May 1, 2003.)

Moved by Councillors André Rivette and Korey Kennedy that this matter be deferred.

***A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:***

**For:** Councillors Don Deebank, Perry Lalonde, Korey Kennedy, Naresh Bhargava, André Rivette and Syd Gardiner

**Absent:** Councillor Denis Carr

**Against:** Councillors Claude Poirier, Susan Carter, Dean Hollingsworth and Mayor Brian Sylvester

**Motion Carried**

**2. ECO Park**

Moved by Councillors Susan Carter and Naresh Bhargava that:

- a) Council approve the relocation of the ECO Park to the north of the proposed Curling Centre, as proposed in this report;
- b) That Council authorize Administration to proceed with the development of a landscaping plan and the relocation of the Community Garden in 2003;





- c) That The Municipal Works & Services Department include the necessary funds for the completion of the new ECO Park in the 2004 Capital Budget, such funds to be subject to Council approval during the 2004 budget deliberations;

(Report MWS #015-2003 prepared by Fernand Hamelin, Manager Municipal Works and Services under date of May 7, 2003.)

***A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:***

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

**Motion Carried**

**3. Canadian Grand Prix Wrestling at Si Miller**

Moved by Councillors Perry Lalonde and Dean Hollingsworth that Administration negotiate an appropriate rate for use of the Si Miller Arena by Canadian Grand Prix Wrestling.

(Report EDRS #015-2003 prepared by Paul Fitzpatrick, Manager Economic Development and Recreational Services under date of May 7, 2003.)

***A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:***

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

**Motion Carried**

**4. Review of Cornwall Electric Rate Increase**

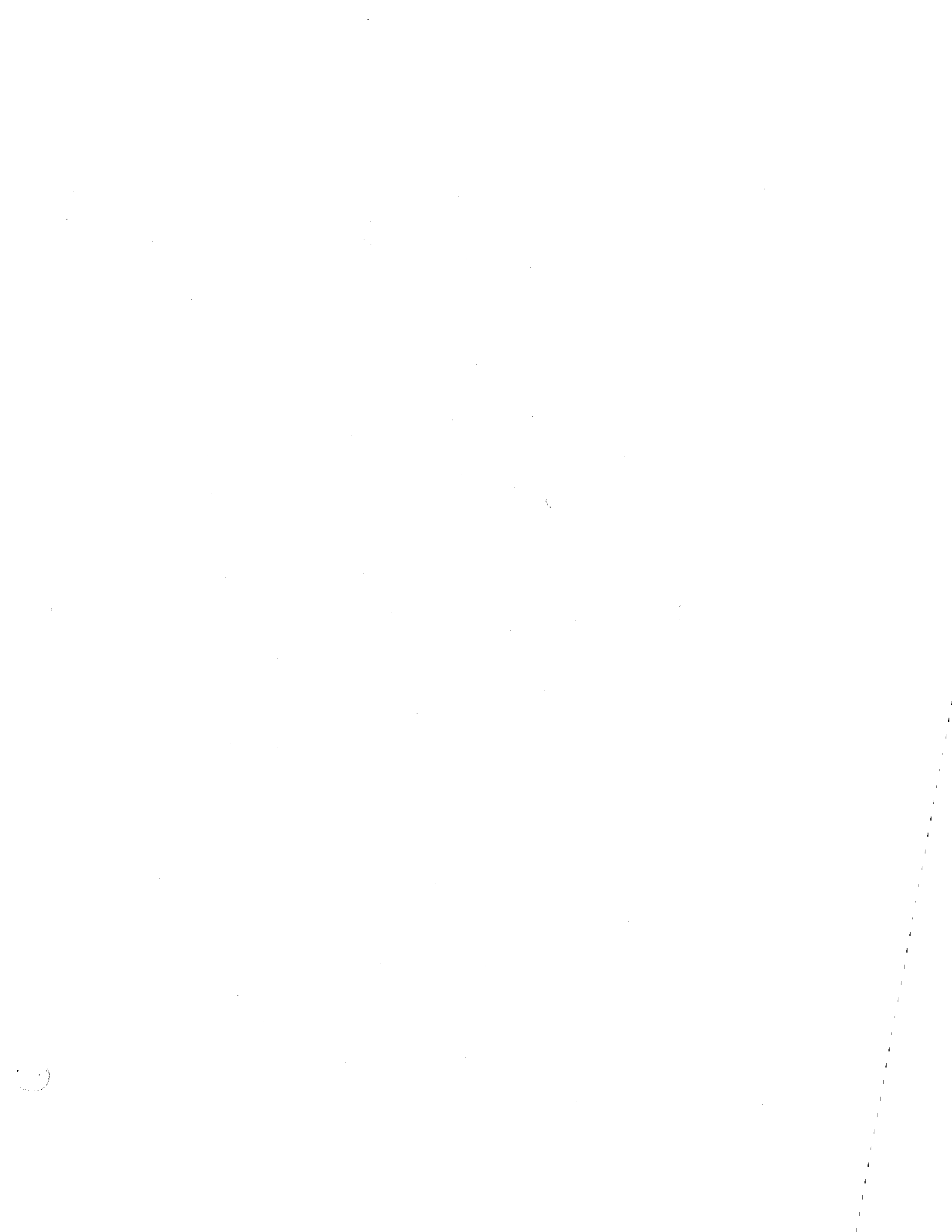
Moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and André Rivette that Administration be directed to obtain services of an expert to review the justification of 20% rate increase as proposed by Cornwall Electric and if this meets all the requirements of the Franchise Agreement. Further, that Administration prepare a report on the options Council has to meet this responsibility in the future years.

(Report EDRS #17-2003 prepared by the Manager of Economic Development and Recreation Services under date of May 7, 2003.)

***A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:***

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

**Motion Carried**



## COMMUNICATION / REPORTS

### 1. Corporate Policy - Employee Retirement and/or Long Service

Moved by Councillors Syd Gardiner and Don Deebank that Council approve the amendments to the above noted policy, as outlined in this report.

(Report CSHR #010-2003 prepared by Graham Dart, Manager, Corporate Services under date of May 5, 2003.)

***A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:***

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

**Absent:** Councillor Denis Carr

**Motion Carried**

### 2. Update-Rural Bases

Moved by Councillors Perry Lalonde and Claude Poirier that Council authorize the City of Cornwall, as the delivery agent of ambulance services, to enter into lease agreements for ambulance bases with the lower tier municipalities as required.

(Report PS.Land #003-2003 prepared by Heather Arthur, Division Manager, Land Ambulance under date of May 5, 2003.)

***A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:***

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

**Absent:** Councillor Denis Carr

**Motion Carried**



**TENDER and  
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL BLOCK**

Moved by Councillors André Rivette and Naresh Bhargava that the tenders listed within this block be approved as follows:

1. **Tender No. 03-T-13 - Grass Cutting and Trimming at Misc. Sites**

**PU Report #034-2003**

That Tender 03-T13 be awarded as follows:

Items 1, 5 and 8 to D.M.R. Enterprises, Cornwall, Ontario, at the total bid price of \$24,289.00;

Item 2 to Leblanc Grounds Keeping, Cornwall, Ontario, at the total bid price of \$14,893.33;

Items 3, 4 and 6 to Wayne Summers, Newington, Ontario, at the total bid price of \$10,272.00; and

Item 7 to D.C.L. Lawn Care, Berwick, Ontario, at the total bid price of \$10,700.00 (net cost to the Corporation \$57,905.68) being the best bid meeting the tender specifications.

2. **Tender No. 03-T-39 - Boulevard Grass Cutting and Trimming**

**PU Report #033-2003**

That Tender 03-T39 be awarded to Wayne Summers, Newington, Ontario at the total bid price of \$39,643.50 (net cost to the Corporation - \$38,161.57) being the best bid meeting the tender specifications.

***A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:***

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

**Absent:** Councillor Denis Carr

**Motion Carried**

**ITEMS SEPARATED FOR DISCUSSION**

**NEW BUSINESS**

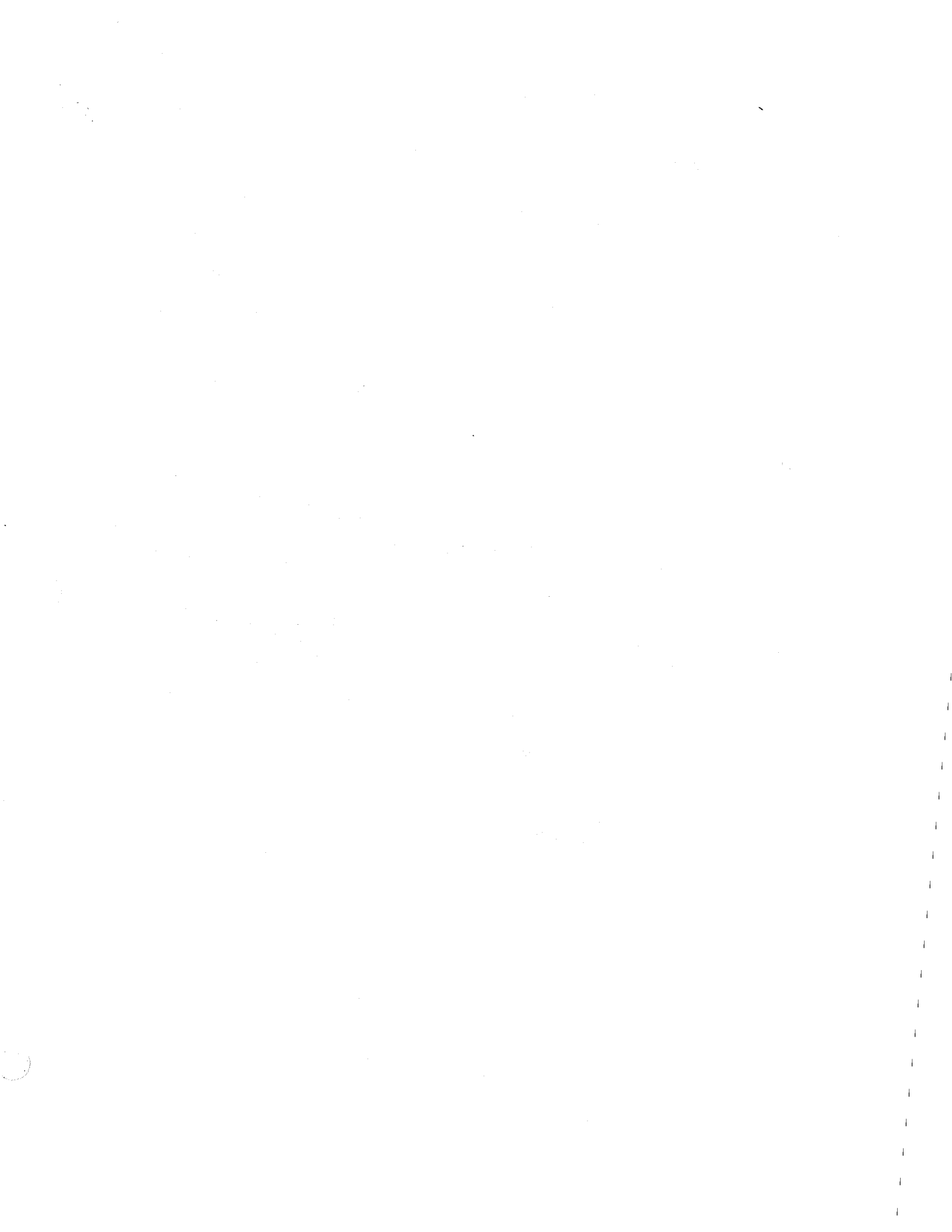
1. **EMS Services**

Moved by Councillors Claude Poirier and André Rivette:

**WHEREAS** in the chain of survival it is most important that all EMS Services be dispatched in a timely fashion for all emergency medical calls; and

**WHEREAS** the City of Ottawa which took over dispatching functions from the Ministry of Health is still struggling to improve the dispatching function; and

**WHEREAS** CACC is still struggling to dispatch tiered response for urgent medical calls with the various fire services of SD&G; and



**WHEREAS** some months ago City Council asked that administration review the benefits of dispatching all emergency calls for the fire service from one dispatch point for all the fire services in SD&G.

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED** that administration report back to Council on the progress of these discussions and when Council can expect a recommendation on the course of action we can take.

***A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:***

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

**Absent:** Councillor Denis Carr

**Motion Carried**

## **2. Courtaulds Property**

Moved by Councillors Claude Poirier and André Rivette:

**WHEREAS** the Courtaulds property is a significant parcel of land that could be redeveloped; and

**WHEREAS** the North West parcel of the property contains a sixteen-acre parcel of virgin land that could be developed for institutional purposes.

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED** that the Planning Department review the present status of the property and what steps would have to be taken to re-zone the property for institutional and other development.

***A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:***

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

**Absent:** Councillor Denis Carr

**Motion Carried**

## **PASSING OF BY-LAWS - Third and Final Reading**

Moved by Councillors André Rivette and Naresh Bhargava that Bylaws 083-2003 to 090-2003 inclusive, listed on the Agenda for third reading be taken as read a third time and finally passed.

***A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:***

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

**Absent:** Councillor Denis Carr

**Motion Carried**





## **NOTICE OF MOTION**

### **3. WASTE MANAGEMENT**

**WHEREAS** the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cornwall have authorized the Administration to review the potential land acquisition around the City of Cornwall Solid Waste Management Site; and

**WHEREAS** Administration was directed by the Council to conduct appraisals of the land in question; and

**WHEREAS** in order to complete the appraisal work, there is an approximate cost of \$2,500.00 identified; and

**WHEREAS** the expense of this project was not budgeted for during the 2003 Budget process and must be identified publicly prior to the council deliberating the issue at its meeting of May 12th;

**NOW THEREFORE**, let it be known that Administration requires a budget expenditure in the amount of \$2,500.00 to complete appraisal work on potential land purchase for Solid Waste Management Site.

### **4. INDUSTRIAL LAND HOLDINGS**

**WHEREAS** the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cornwall has authorized administration to finalize negotiations to acquire land adjacent to the City's existing land holdings in the industrial park and,

**WHEREAS** the property in question is identified as Part of Lot 1, Concession 2, City of Cornwall, County of Stormont being Part 7 to 11 on Reference Plan 52R-3476 and Part of Lot 3, Concession 2, City of Cornwall, County of Stormont and,

**WHEREAS** the negotiated cost for the subject property has been established at \$240,787 as well as survey cost of \$8,710 and,

**WHEREAS** these expenses were not budgeted for during the 2003 Budget process and must be identified publicly prior to the Council deliberating the issue at its meeting of May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2003.

**NOW THEREFORE** let it be known that administration requires Council approval to withdraw from reserves \$249,497 to complete this transaction.

### **5. PRIVATE HOME DAY CARE - DIRECT BANK DEPOSIT**

**WHEREAS** the Department provides a Direct Banking Deposit (DBD) system for social assistance clients and such service is not available for the Child Care service providers; and

**WHEREAS** the Department has experienced difficulty in retaining rural service providers who experience bi-weekly cheque delays of 3-5 days which is created by Canada Post's mail routing system; and



**WHEREAS** there is a substantial cost to secure replacement child care providers due to the work involved in advertising, screening, security and fire inspections, verification of medical records, reference checks, matching (parent/child with the provider) and training; and

**WHEREAS** the child care database is now completed and the vendor payment system can now accommodate a DBD system; and

**WHEREAS** the Child Care Program receives subsidy of 80% from the Ministry of Community, Family and Children's Services and the Municipality is responsible for the remaining 20% ; and

**WHEREAS** the additional cost for this project would be \$4,480.00 + GST (or \$896.00 + GST net municipal share); and

**WHEREAS** the additional expense was not included in the 2003 Budget process and must be identified publicly prior to Council deliberating the issue at its meeting of May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2003.

**NOW THEREFORE**, let it be known that Administration is requesting a net budget expenditure in the amount of \$ 896.00 + GST to obtain a Direct Banking System for the Department's vendor payments.

#### **6. RICHELIEU DAY CARE - DRIVEWAY ASPHALTING**

**WHEREAS** the driveway at the Richelieu Day Care Centre has gradually deteriorated over the years and no longer will the minor repairs resolve the concerns of health and safety; and

**WHEREAS** in order to complete the work, there was an estimated cost of \$15,122.00 + GST identified; and

**WHEREAS** Council of the Corporation of the City of Cornwall has approved the 2003 budget which includes the estimated cost of the asphaltting; and

**WHEREAS** the tendering process was completed for the purchase of asphalt and the cost to asphalt the driveway will be \$21,000.00 +GST.; and

**WHEREAS** the Child Care Program receives subsidy of 80% from the Ministry of Community, Family and Children's Services and the Municipality is responsible for the remaining 20% ; and

**WHEREAS** the additional cost for this project will be \$ 5,878.00+ GST (or 1,175.60 + GST net municipal share); and

**WHEREAS** the additional expense was not budgeted for during the 2003 Budget process and must be identified publicly prior to Council deliberating the issue at its meeting of May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2003.

**NOW THEREFORE**, let it be known that Administration requires a net budget expenditure in the amount of \$1,176.00 +GST to complete the work of re-asphaltting the driveway at the Richelieu Day Care Centre.



**UNFINISHED BUSINESS LISTING**

**CONFIRMING BY-LAW**

Moved by Councillors André Rivette and Syd Gardiner that By-law 091-2003 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, May 12, 2003, having been read a first, second and third time be now taken as read and passed.

***A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:***

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

**Absent:** Councillor Denis Carr

**Motion Carried**

**Adjourned 9:35 p.m.**

  
DENISE LABELLE-GÉLINAS  
CITY CLERK

  
BRIAN SYLVESTER  
MAYOR

