SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING
COUNCIL #251-2004

Monday, June 21, 2004
Meeting began at 6:10 p.m.

PRESENT:	Acting Mayor Naresh Bhargava Councillors Huguette Burroughs, Joël Côté, Glen Grant, Korey Kennedy, jacques Lemire, Mark MacDonald, Leslie O'Shaughnessy and Chris Savard
REGRETS:	Mayor Phil Poirier and Councillor Perry Lalonde
ADMINISTRATION:	Cecil Vincent, Chief Administrative Officer, City Clerk Denise Labelle-Gélinas, and the following Management Personnel: Stephen Alexander and Normand Levac

Acting Mayor Naresh Bhargava called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

Second Street Reconstruction - Adolphus to Sydney Streets

A delegation by Mr. Stephen Renner brought forward arguments on behalf of himself and other residents living in the proposed Second St. reconstruction area. Recognizing the need to reconstruct and install new storm sewer and watermains, Mr. Renner debated the need to widen the street and sidewalk where it would impede closer to the present residents and require the need of removing mature trees along the reconstruction site. Mr. Renner presented a petition signed from approximately two hundred residents from across the municipality and the townships.

In closing, Mr. Renner pleaded with the Council that they consider a motion that the reconstruction of Second Street take place within the limits established by the present sidewalks and that underground wiring be considered.

Following Mr. Renner's presentation, Mr. Norm Levac, Manager of Engineering, Construction and Environmental Services provided the Council with an review of the proposed Reconstruction Project. A full debate by members of Council and Administration over possibilities of modifying the proposed reconstruction project in order to address the desire to save all mature trees along the reconstruction path.

Mr. Michel Levesque, one of the residents of Second Street requested permission from the Council to speak, in order to clarify some of the information provided by Mr. Levac.

In order to allow Mr. Levesque to speak, it was moved by Councillors Mark A. MacDonald and Jacques Lemire that the Rules of Council be temporarily suspended . A 2/3's majority vote is required to permit the speaker.

A recorded vote to suspend the rules resulted as follows:
For: Councillors, Joël Côté, Chris Savard, Korey Kennedy, Glen Grant, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Jacques Lemire, Mark A. MacDonald, Huguette Burroughs and Acting Mayor Naresh Bhargava
Absent: Mayor Phil Poirier and Councillor Perry Lalonde

Motion Carried

Mr. Levesque briefly explained the present dimensions of the sidewalk in question and that the reconstruction of the new sidewalk was indeed smaller than the present one built and that there was sufficient space needed without infringing closer to residential lot lines.

Further discussion took place after which

It was moved by Councillors Glen Grant and Mark MacDonald that the Street   remain the same way it is presently and that the sidewalk construction start on the north side of the utility pole in order to save the mature trees on the boulevard.

Following considerable debate on this matter, the MOTION was WITHDRAWN.

It was then moved by Councillors Glen Grant and Mark MacDonald that any decision on the Reconstruction Project of Second Street between Adolphus and Sydney Street be deferred to the June 29, 2004, meeting in order to allow Administration to restudy the reconstruction site and return with a report that would address the issues discussed this evening including a redesign of reconstruction 3' offset from the property line and information on estimated cost of underground wiring.

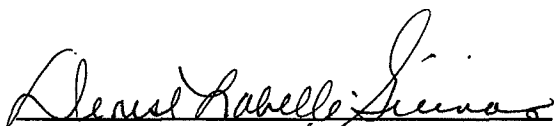*A recorded vote for the Deferral resulted as follows:*
For: Councillors Korey Kennedy, Glen Grant,   Jacques Lemire, Mark A. MacDonald, and Acting Mayor Naresh Bhargava
Against: Councillors Chris Savard, Joël Côté Huguette Burroughs and Leslie O'Shaughnessy
Absent: Mayor Phil Poirier, Councillor Perry Lalonde

Motion to Defer Carried

Adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

DENISE LABELLE-GÉLINAS
CITY CLERK

NARESH BHARGAVA
ACTING MAYOR