

**Cornwall, Prince Edward Island
Council Minutes**

December 17, 2008

The regular meeting of Cornwall Town Council was held in Council Chambers on Wednesday, December 17, 2008.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 pm by Mayor Patrick MacFadyen.

ATTENDANCE & REGRETS:

Present were: Mayor Patrick MacFadyen; Deputy Mayor Charles Easter; Councillors Kent Lannan, Marlene Hunt, Ernie Gallant, Irene Dawson; Administrator, Kevin McCarville; Administrative Assistant, Stephanie Cairns and seven members of the public.

Regrets: Councillor Parker Beer.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Councillor Gallant moved, Councillor Lannan seconded, the agenda as circulated prior to the meeting be the agenda.

MOTION CARRIED 2008-12-1575

TRANSPORTATION AND SAFETY - COUNCILLOR MARLENE HUNT:

The report was included in the Council package.

Councillor Hunt reports transit is going well. The Committee briefly discussed a proposed Transit agreement received just prior to their meeting.

Councillor Hunt moved, Councillor Gallant seconded, the Town of Cornwall allocate \$60,000 plus taxes annually to establish a transit system in the Town subject to a satisfactory agreement with the City of Charlottetown and Trius Transit.

Council held a lengthy discussion on the benefits and challenges to the Town if a transit system is approved.

Mayor MacFadyen adds he received a petition prior to the meeting supporting the continuation of the transit system within the Town.

Mayor MacFadyen confirms with Councillor Hunt that Trius Tours takes care of all communications regarding the bus service.

Councillors Hunt, Gallant, Dawson, and Deputy Mayor Easter vote for the motion. Councillor Lannan voted against the motion.

MOTION CARRIED 2008-12-1576

The Committee will be requesting \$66,000 for street lights for 2009. The Committee will also be requesting \$125,000 as a capital item for sidewalk placement on MacArthur Drive for 2009.

Councillor Hunt reports the access from Madison Heights subdivision to the Trans Canada Highway has been blocked off.

The Committee reviewed the proposed snow removal policy.

Councillor Hunt moved, Deputy Mayor Easter seconded, the Town of Cornwall adopt the Snow and Ice Clearing Policy for Sidewalks dated December 17, 2008.

Councillor Lannan moved, Councillor Hunt seconded, to amend Schedule "A" on the Policy, by reversing Group A and B on school days.

MOTION CARRIED 2008-12-1577

Councillor Hunt moved, Deputy Mayor Easter seconded, the Town of Cornwall adopt the Snow and Ice Clearing Policy for Sidewalks dated December 17, 2008 as amended.

MOTION CARRIED 2008-12-1578

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION - COUNCILLOR ERNEST GALLANT

Deputy Mayor Easter reported on behalf of Councillor Gallant.

The financial statements were reviewed.

Deputy Mayor Easter moved, Councillor Gallant seconded,

Council adopt the grid dated December 19, 2008 as the 2009 Town of Cornwall salary grid.

MOTION CARRIED 2008-12-1579

Councillor Lannan commends Town staff Kevin McCarville, CAO and Kim Meunier, Manager of Parks and Recreation for their hard work and dedication to the Town.

Deputy Mayor Easter moved, Councillor Dawson seconded, Council create and staff with current employees a Utility Superintendent position, a Parks and Recreation Manager position, and a Utility Maintenance Person position.

MOTION CARRIED 2008-12-1580

Deputy Mayor Easter moved, Councillor Dawson seconded, Council create and staff a Building Maintenance position.

MOTION CARRIED 2008-12-1581

Deputy Mayor Easter moved, Councillor Dawson seconded, Council create and staff a Parks and Recreation Foreman position.

MOTION CARRIED 2008-12-1582

PLANNING BOARD - DEPUTY MAYOR CHARLES EASTER

The report was included in the Council package.

Deputy Mayor Easter advises issues are ongoing with the alleged dog kennel located at 24 Sobey Drive.

Deputy Mayor Easter advises there is a new business located in the Cornwall Business Park.

Deputy Mayor Easter reports there will be a special meeting in the new year to discuss the Signage Bylaw.

Deputy Mayor Easter reports Planning Board discussed PID 87122, located on Farmers Lane.

Deputy Mayor Easter Easter moved, Councillor Lannan seconded, Council grant a 2% variance to allow approval for PID 871244.

MOTION CARRIED 2008-12-1583

A complaint has been received re: the street scape of Lowther Drive. The Committee will look into this.

UTILITY - COUNCILLOR IRENE DAWSON

Councillor Dawson reports the Town is very fortunate to be included in the water main line extension in Charlottetown from Maypoint to Poplar Island. All wells and lagoons are functioning properly.

COMMUNITY SERVICES LIAISON COMMITTEE - COUNCILLOR PARKER BEER

Councillor Dawson reported in the absence of Councillor Beer. Councillor Dawson reports discussions continue between the Town and the renters of the Civic Centre.

Councillor Dawson is pleased to report work has begun on relocating the Cap Site from the Ferry Road Centre to the Town Hall.

PARKS & RECREATION - COUNCILLOR KENT LANNAN:

The report was included in the Council package.

Staff is continuing to work on overdue accounts from 2007.

Approximately 800 people attended the breakfast with Santa. After expenses, approximately \$800 was raised for needy families within the Town.

The Tree Lighting and Christmas Concert were held on December 6. Approximately \$175 was raised for needy families. It was suggested these events be held separately next year.

Councillor Lannan reports the application for the Build Canada Project is being prepared.

Councillor Lannan thanks Councillor Dawson for her work with the relocation of the Cap Site.

The Committee recommends increasing the donation budget to attract events to the Town.

The Winter newsletter has been mailed. A proposed increase of 10% in program fees is being recommended for the 2009 budget. There has been no increase since 2004.

The final revenue for the Turf Fields is \$54,100.

Doiron's landscaping will be wrapping the shrubs for the winter season at no charge.

COMMUNICATION - MAYOR MACFADYEN

Mayor MacFadyen advises the survey has been completed for the Health Care study within the Town. The first draft of the Health Care report should be completed soon.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 19, 2008 REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL:

Councillor Dawson moved, Deputy Mayor Easter seconded, the Minutes of November 19, 2008 be approved with the following correction: under the Community Services Liaison Committee report, replace the word "proposal" with "tender services".

MOTION CARRIED 2008-12-1584

BUSINESS ARISING:

There was no business arising from the Minutes.

Councillor Dawson advises she is volunteering to drive for the "Spirit of Christmas" contest.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

PATRICK MACFADYEN
MAYOR

KEVIN MCCARVILLE
CAO