

**Cornwall, Prince Edward Island
Council Minutes**

February 17, 2010

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The regular meeting of Cornwall Town Council was held in Council Chambers on Wednesday, February 17, 2010.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Mayor Patrick MacFadyen.

ATTENDANCE & REGRETS:

Present were: Mayor Patrick MacFadyen; Deputy Mayor Charles Easter; Councillors Irene Dawson, Marlene Hunt, Ernie Gallant, Kent Lannan, Parker Beer; Administrator, Kevin McCarville; Administrative Assistant, Stephanie Cairns and 6 members of the public.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Councillor Gallant moved, Councillor Hunt seconded,

the agenda as circulated prior to the meeting be the agenda.

MOTION CARRIED 2010-02-1680

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 20, 2010 REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL:

Councillor Lannan moved, Deputy Mayor Easter seconded,

the Minutes of January 20, 2010 be approved as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED 2010-02-1681

BUSINESS ARISING:

There was no business arising from the Minutes

PLANNING BOARD - DEPUTY MAYOR CHARLES EASTER:

The report was included in the Council package.

Deputy Mayor Easter advised Planning Board continues to review possible amendments to the Building Permit Application form.

It has been noted the Town has received complaints concerning a parking lot for heavy equipment being created on property designated as a subdivision street in the Parkview Development. Planning Board discussed this issue and felt it is a Provincial issue. Councillors Hunt and Lannan agree the Town should contact the Province on behalf of the residents.

Deputy Mayor Easter noted Planning Board will be reviewing the Official Plan in the near future. Councillor Hunt requests Planning Board discuss a possible Noise Bylaw.

UTILITY - COUNCILLOR IRENE DAWSON

Councillor Dawson moved, Councillor Gallant seconded,

Be it resolved the Town of Cornwall authorize the Town of Cornwall Water and Sewer Utility to purchase one acre of land from the Cornwall Business Park at a cost of \$1.25 per square foot.

MOTION CARRIED 2010-02-1682

Councillor Dawson moved, Councillor Gallant seconded,

Be it resolved the Town of Cornwall submit planned upgrades to the Cornwall Waste Water collection system as the Towns' 2010 Capital Investment Plan under the New Deal for Cities and Communities.

Councillor Dawson adds her Committee will bring figures to Council before any work is awarded.

Councillors Dawson, Lannan, Gallant, Beer and Hunt voted for the Motion.

Deputy Mayor Easter abstained.

MOTION CARRIED 2010-02-1683

TRANSPORTATION AND SAFETY - COUNCILLOR MARLENE HUNT:

Councillor Hunt received a letter from Minister Ron MacKinley approving the Town's request for a light to be placed at the corner of the Cornwall Road and the Kingston Road.

Councillor Hunt commented on street parking within the Town and feels the Town should be working with the Province to resolve this issue.

COMMUNITY SERVICES LIAISON COMMITTEE - COUNCILLOR PARKER BEER

The RCMP and Humane Society reports were included in the package.

Councillor Beer moved, Councillor Dawson seconded,

Be it resolved the Town of Cornwall apply for funding through the Island Community Fund for upgrades to the Cornwall Curling Club.

MOTION CARRIED 2010-02-1684

The CAO adds meetings are ongoing with the Project Manager of the Civic Centre and a concept plan should be available for Council by the end of March.

PARKS & RECREATION - COUNCILLOR KENT LANNAN:

The report was included in the package.

The Committee will be working with the Transportation and Safety Committee to identify a long term transportation corridor system linking trails and sidewalks within the Town.

Councillor Lannan noted SnowFest will be February 24th-27th. The NRPD and the Town have agreed to donate the proceeds from the pancake breakfast to the Westwood Home and School Playground Fund.

The RCMP will be partnering with the Senior's Lunch to conduct a six week program focusing on senior's safety beginning February 18th.

The Dept. is planning discussions with Cornwall and area sporting groups to organize a 50/50 draw to generate revenue for sport field equipment at the Sports Field at Eliot River School.

Councillor Lannan adds the Committee received a request to name the foot ball field at Eliot River School. Councillors have been asked for their comments on this. Staff is researching how other municipalities handle naming their facilities.

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION - COUNCILLOR ERNEST GALLANT

2010 TOWN BUDGET Councillor Gallant moved, Deputy Mayor Easter seconded,

Be it resolved that the attached 2010 operating budget for the Town of Cornwall be adopted:

Revenues \$ 2,410,700

Expenditures \$ 2,406,783

Surplus \$ 3,917

Be it further resolved that the non-commercial municipal tax rate be set at 46 cents per \$100.00 assessment; and

Be it further resolved the commercial municipal tax rate for properties be set at 81 cents per \$100.00 assessment; and

Be it further resolved the municipal tax rate for bonafide farm properties be rebated at the rate of 26 cents per \$100.00 of assessment for farm buildings.

MOTION CARRIED 2010-02-1685

2010 WATER/SEWER UTILITY BUDGET

Councillor Dawson moved, Councillor Gallant seconded,

Be it resolved that the attached 2010 operating budget for the Town of Cornwall Water and Sewer Utility be adopted

Revenues \$ 941,700

Expenditures \$ 941,603

Surplus \$ 97

Be it further resolved that the Cornwall Water and Sewer Utility Corporation rates for 2010 be as follows:

1. Unmetered water rate shall be \$244.00 per unit per year;
2. Sewerage rate shall be \$ 230.00 per unit per year;

3. Vacant serviced lots be charged \$35.00 per year for sewer and \$40.00 per year for water.

4. Metered water rate shall be : a consumption charge of 68 cents per cubic meter (minimum \$244.00 per year) plus a meter base charge listed;

2" Meter \$178.72/year

1 & ½" Meter \$110.82/year

1" Meter \$86.22/year

¾" Meter \$67.78/year

⅝" Meter \$61.75/year

MOTION CARRIED 2010-02-1686

The CAO advised the first draft of the Auditors statements should be received soon.

COMMUNICATION - MAYOR MACFADYEN

Mayor MacFadyen notes with the Provincial Cabinet shuffle good relations will continue with the Town, however it has slowed discussions on several issues.

OTHER BUSINESS

The annual dinner meeting between the FPEIM and the Minister of the PEI Dept. of Finance and Municipal Affairs will be in February. Councillor Dawson will forward information as required.

Councillor Hunt noted the Cornwall and Area Watershed Group (CAWG) will be hosting an open house at the APM Centre on Saturday, February 27 at 10:00 am during SnowFest.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

PATRICK MACFADYEN
MAYOR

KEVIN MCCARVILLE
CAO