

**Cornwall, Prince Edward Island  
Council Minutes**

**January 16, 2008**

The regular meeting of Cornwall Town Council was held in Council Chambers on Wednesday, January 16, 2008.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

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

**ATTENDANCE & REGRETS:**

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

Regrets: Councillor Parker Beer.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Councillor Dawson moved, Deputy Mayor Easter seconded,  
the agenda as circulated prior to the meeting be the agenda.

**MOTION CARRIED 2008-01-1502**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF DECEMBER 19, 2007 REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL:**

Councillor Dawson moved, Councillor Gallant seconded,

the Minutes of December 19, 2007 be approved as circulated.

**MOTION CARRIED 2008-01-1503**

**BUSINESS ARISING:**

There was no business arising from the Minutes.

**PLANNING BOARD - DEPUTY MAYOR CHARLES EASTER**

Planning Board met on January 8, 2008. The report was included in the package.

Windmills are a permitted use in RR and A1 zones, however, standards are not included in the Zoning & Development Bylaw. Staff is following up on this matter.

Planning Board discussed the criteria for a planning position and decided the focus should be more on Development than Planning.

Deputy Mayor Easter moved, Councillor Lannan seconded,

that Council authorize staffing the Development and Planning Officer position.

**MOTION CARRIED 2008-01-1504**

**UTILITY - COUNCILLOR IRENE DAWSON**

The Utility met on January 15, 2008.

The Utility completed pump flow tests at the East Wiltshire wells and the results indicate higher flows than are being recorded on the SCADA system. Pump flow tests will be conducted at the Meadowbank and Northgate wellfields with results being compared to SCADA records.

The Utility anticipates a mid March tender call for upgrades to the Cornwall Lagoon with a design budget of \$70,000.

The Utility finalized their 2008 budget for Council's consideration. No change in rates is anticipated with the Board expecting to complete a significant upgrade to the Cornwall Lagoon and considering an estimated \$100,000 investment in mobile electrical generation capability.

**TRANSPORTATION AND SAFETY - COUNCILLOR MARLENE HUNT:**

Councillor Hunt reports the Committee met on January 8, 2008. The report was included in the package.

Further to comments received from Councillors, the Committee is prepared to move the MacArthur Drive sidewalk project (estimated cost of \$375,000) higher on the priority list.

The Committee's intent is to bring the Red Cross agreement (Emergency Measures Plan) to Council for approval in February. The Committee is addressing several cost related items in the current draft with the Red Cross.

The Committee is concerned with delays the Town is experiencing in having sidewalks cleared following significant snowfalls. Twice this winter the Town's sole piece of snow clearing equipment has broken down while attempting to clear the sidewalks.

Recognizing the Town's ongoing expansion to our sidewalk system, the Committee is recommending the Town purchase a sidewalk plow.

Councillor Hunt moved, Councillor Lannan seconded,

The Town of Cornwall purchase a 1998 Trackless Snowblower from Crosby's Auto Sales for \$15,500 plus taxes subject to inspection by a professional mechanic.

#### **MOTION CARRIED 2008-01-1505**

**COMMUNITY SERVICES LIAISON COMMITTEE - COUNCILLOR PARKER BEER**  
Report was included in the package. COUNCILLOR Dawson reviewed the report in Councillor Beer's absence.

Staff met with Curling Club and 50 Plus group recently and will be meeting with the Lions Club to discuss the future of the Civic Centre. The Town is making it clear to the groups it's our intention to reduce the Town's annual financial commitment to this facility. The Committee plans to bring a recommendation to Council by April, 2008.

The Committee continues to consider the best solution for the future use/ownership of the York Point Community Centre. Estimates of \$3000 to level the floor of the building have been received. As well, there are concerns including the lack of water and washroom facilities.

The Committee continues to explore options, however are not prepared to invest significant Town funds on this property.

The Humane Society and RCMP monthly reports were circulated.

#### **PARKS & RECREATION - COUNCILLOR KENT LANNAN:**

Parks and Recreation Committee met on January 9th, 2008. The report was included in the package.

The Recreation Dept. is working on improving payment policy for Turf Field bookings.

Joshua Whitty, Assistant Recreation Coordinator, and Coralee Simpson and Jennifer Dean, Program Leaders, accepted permanent positions with the Town.

An information letter is to be drafted and forwarded to all community groups and sport organizations to inform them of the criteria for applying for donations.

The Recreation Dept. has contacted sports association Presidents for a meeting to discuss plans for a joint fundraising event.

Recreation Department objectives for 2008 were reviewed.

The dates for SnowFest are Feb 28 - Mar 2.

**FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION - COUNCILLOR ERNEST GALLANT**

Committee met on January 16, 2008. The report was included in the package.

Employee benefits were reviewed and the consensus of the Committee is to maintain the RRSP program.

The Committee reviewed the latest draft of the 2008 budget which will be finalized by March, 2008.

Crossing Guard responsibilities will change from Maintenance to Parks and Recreation staff.

Councillor Gallant moved, Deputy Mayor Easter seconded,

the Town of Cornwall create and staff a third permanent, full time Administrative Assistant position.

**MOTION CARRIED 2008-01-1506**

The Town received a Thank you from the Westwood Breakfast Program.

**COMMUNICATION - MAYOR MACFADYEN**

There is no update on the MRIF application. As well, there is no update from the Province on Municipal funding.

Mayor MacFadyen notes he held discussions with Minister Currie re: medical facility and seniors housing within Cornwall.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Councillor Dawson encourages Council to attend the upcoming FPEIM Conference on Municipal Boundaries on January 24, 2008 from 6:30 - 8:30 at the Kensington Lion's Club Den.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

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PATRICK MACFADYEN  
MAYOR

KEVIN MCCARVILLE  
CAO