

**Cornwall, Prince Edward Island
Council Minutes**

January 20, 2010

The regular meeting of Cornwall Town Council was held in Council Chambers on Wednesday, January 20, 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; Administrator, Kevin McCarville; Parks and Recreation Manager, Kim Meunier; Administrative Assistant, Stephanie Cairns and 6 members of the public.

Regrets: Councillor Parker Beer.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Councillor Hunt moved, Councillor Lannan seconded,

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

MOTION CARRIED 2010-01-1675

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF DECEMBER 16, 2009 REGULAR MEETING OF
COUNCIL:**

Deputy Mayor Easter moved, Councillor Gallant seconded,

the Minutes of December 16, 2009 be approved with a correction.

MOTION CARRIED 2010-01-1676

BUSINESS ARISING:

Mayor MacFadyen notes the Levee was a success with positive feedback received.

PLANNING BOARD - DEPUTY MAYOR CHARLES EASTER:

The report was included in the Council package.

A letter will be forwarded to the Province requesting the Town be exempted from the Provincial Highway Signage Act. Planning Board is compiling a list of signs for the Province to deal with before the Town is given authority.

A response letter has been sent to Peter MacNeil regarding his business located at 158 Kingston Road.

Deputy Mayor Easter moved, Councillor Lannan seconded,

Council grant preliminary approval of Phase 4 of the Hillside Meadows Subdivision consisting of 14 lots per preliminary plan prepared by ISE Island Surveying & Engineering, as Drawing No. 10003, PID 945477 and dated January 8, 2010.

MOTION CARRIED 2010-01-1677

Deputy Mayor Easter noted Planning Board is reviewing the current development permit application form.

The consensus of Planning Board is to review the Official Plan this year.

Deputy Mayor Easter moved, Councillor Lannan seconded,

In accordance with the Planning Act, Council appoint Mayor Patrick MacFadyen as a member of the Planning Board.

Deputy Mayor Easter, Councillors Hunt and Lannan voted for the Motion.

Councillor Gallant voted against the Motion.

Councillor Dawson abstained.

MOTION CARRIED 2010-01-1678

UTILITY - COUNCILLOR IRENE DAWSON

The Utility report was not included in the package.

The Board reviewed information from CBCL outlining recommended projects listed in priority for the Utility to consider. The Board agrees a number of the smaller projects should proceed in 2010 and is requesting about half of the Town's 2010 New Deal funding. A priority list has been forwarded to the Mayor.

The Utility has forwarded its 2010 budget requests to the Finance and Administration Committee.

A few large overdue utility accounts have been paid.

TRANSPORTATION AND SAFETY - COUNCILLOR MARLENE HUNT:

The report was included in the package.

Councillor Hunt notes transit numbers are down for December which was expected with the Holidays. The Committee discussed proposed provision 12 of the Transit agreement addressing fuel.

Landscaping will be completed in the spring and a final deficiency inspection will be completed to address outstanding items on the Trans Canada Highway, Meadowbank Road and Heatherway Drive sidewalk project.

The Committee reviewed the sidewalk priority list, recommending MacArthur Drive from the Ferry Rd. to the seniors residence be completed in 2010.

The Committee has forwarded its 2010 budget requests to the Finance and Administration Committee as well as for New Deal funding.

COMMUNITY SERVICES LIAISON COMMITTEE - COUNCILLOR PARKER BEER

Councillor Dawson reported as Councillor Beer was absent.

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

Kirby Wakelin is the new Fire Chief with the North River Fire Department. Town staff have been asked to send a card of congratulations.

The first meeting with the Project Manager to discuss the upgraded Civic Centre will be this Friday, January 22nd.

Councillor Dawson moved, Deputy Mayor Easter seconded,

The Town submit an application under the Recreation Infrastructure Canada Program for renovations to the Cornwall Curling Club. The Town is in agreement to commit to its share of the costs.

MOTION CARRIED 2010-01-1679

PARKS & RECREATION - COUNCILLOR KENT LANNAN:

The report was included in the package.

The 2010 draft budget was reviewed.

It was suggested to purchase an attachment for the MT to ensure grass cutting efficiency. A request has been received from the Parks & Recreation Foreman to purchase an additional truck for the Public Works Dept. He asks consideration for a crew cab be given to assist with transporting additional seasonal staff.

The Committee discussed the Department needs in the future renovated Civic Centre. Concerns about the facility amenities and generating revenue were discussed.

SnowFest has been scheduled for February 24th-27th. The Department noted volunteer assistance from the Mayor and Council would be much appreciated.

Councillor Lannan and Kim Meunier met with Wayne MacIsaac, CAMBA President, to discuss fee increases for the upcoming season.

The Dept. is considering a partnership with the Province on a new initiative being offered to promote physical activity and healthier living to residents. The Department will make a decision once the contract has been reviewed.

The Committee discussed the future of PID 607853 as to whether the lot should be consolidated or allocated as parkland with the Civic Centre parcel.

A winter activity challenge has been initiated by the Parks & Recreation Department to Charlottetown and Stratford's staff and Council. The challenge begins January 17 and is designed to help promote healthy active lifestyles within our communities.

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION - COUNCILLOR ERNEST GALLANT

The Committee will be meeting on Tuesday, January 26 at 4:30 pm.

The auditors will be in the office later this week. It is expected the 2009 Draft Financial Statements should be received by the middle of February.

COMMUNICATION - MAYOR MACFADYEN

Mayor MacFadyen inquired as to Council's intent to approve the budget as a few Council members may not be available for the March Council meeting.

Mayor MacFadyen will be meeting with Council to discuss a list of projects that would be eligible under the New Deal Funding.

OTHER BUSINESS

Norman Dewar of the Cornwall and Area Watershed Group (CAWG) delivered a presentation to Council on the Cornwall Watershed. Council was also advised of CAWG's 2009 accomplishments as well as their intentions for 2010.

Mayor MacFadyen thanked Norman and his Group for all their hard work.

Councillor Dawson advised the Semi Annual FPEIM Meeting was held on January 9 in Summerside. Councillor Dawson adds the Urban Caucus meets Thursday, January 21 at 6:00 pm and invites Mayor and Council to forward any issues.

Councillor Lannan thanked the Cornwall Area and Watershed Group (CAWG) and Councillor Hunt and residents for all their hard work and dedication with the watershed.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

PATRICK MACFADYEN
MAYOR

KEVIN MCCARVILLE
CAO