

**Cornwall, Prince Edward Island
Council Minutes**

June 17, 2009

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The regular meeting of Cornwall Town Council was held in Council Chambers on Wednesday, June 17, 2009.

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, Kent Lannan, Marlene Hunt, Ernie Gallant, Parker Beer; Administrator, Kevin McCarville; Administrative Assistant, Stephanie Cairns and 30 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 2009-06-1620

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MAY 20, 2009 REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL:

Deputy Mayor Easter moved, Councillor Beer seconded,

the Minutes of May 20, 2009 be approved with the following change: under the Utility Report, replace the word "Committee" with "staff" in the second last paragraph.

MOTION CARRIED 2009-06-1621

BUSINESS ARISING:

Mayor MacFadyen reports the Westwood Family Fun Night that was held on Thursday, May 21st was a tremendous success. Councils support was greatly appreciated for this event.

PLANNING BOARD - DEPUTY MAYOR CHARLES EASTER

The report was included in the Council package.

Work is ongoing with Phase 7 & 8 of the Primrose Point subdivision.

Planning Board is waiting to hear from the Province regarding Wind Energy Turbines before the Committee moves further with the proposed Wind Energy Bylaw.

The Town will continue to enforce signage within its boundaries. Currently signage permits are issued by the Town and forwarded to the Province, this will continue until the Town is exempted from the Highways Signage Act.

An application has been received for an accessory building to be located at 110 Cornwall Road. A previous variance was granted in 2008 for 24.7% lot coverage. A smaller building would be allowed on the property without a variance.

Deputy Mayor Easter moved, Councillor Lannan seconded,

Council deny approval for a proposed accessory building to be located at 110 Cornwall Road, being PID 871699 because it would exceed the maximum lot coverage.

MOTION CARRIED 2009-06-1622

An application was received for a 30' x 40' building to be placed on PID 748699.

Deputy Mayor Easter moved, Councillor Lannan seconded,

Council deny approval for a proposed 30' x 40' building to be located at 158 Kingston Road, PID 748699.

The proposed use of this building is automobile repair which is not a permitted use in an A1 zone.

Councillor Beer voted against the motion.

MOTION CARRIED 2009-06-1623

UTILITY - COUNCILLOR IRENE DAWSON

The Utility met on June 16.

Councillor Dawson reports electricity costs at the Cornwall UV building has decreased in cost by \$10.00 per day. Changes are gradually being implemented to other buildings to reduce costs.

Councillor Dawson is pleased to report testing has been completed for fire rated water within the Town. A large portion of the Town will be under fire rated protection.

CBCL has been given direction to order parts required for the Ferry Road Pumping Station upgrade.

Councillor Dawson reports staff continue efforts to lower the Utility overdues.

TRANSPORTATION AND SAFETY - COUNCILLOR MARLENE HUNT:

The report was included in the Council package.

Councillor Hunt reports a light in the Muttart subdivision was incorrectly placed and will be relocated.

Councillor Hunt reports all 15 street light bulbs located in the Sunrise Cove subdivision had to be replaced. Staff will be verifying the warranty on these bulbs. Hansen Electric could not confirm the cause of the outage. The Town is projected to be \$2,000 over the annual budget for street lights.

The Department of Highways have been notified to replace a Yield sign located at the intersection of Pattilee and Lacardy Drive.

A number of calls have been received from concerned residents regarding a transfer truck parking at the corner of Poplar and Penzie Lynn Drive. Staff will follow up with the RCMP.

The Committee will continue to monitor the parking at the Flea Market located on the York Point Road.

Councillor Hunt is pleased to report the guard rail has been replaced on the Town Hall property. Paving within the Town has begun.

Councillor Hunt is excited about the Build Canada Project funding approved for a sidewalk from Subway to the Feed Mill on the Trans Canada Highway. Tenders will be out in mid July for this project.

The Committee discussed the request to re-open James Street. Councillor Hunt received comments from many concerned residents on MacArthur Drive requesting the street remains closed as they feel MacArthur Drive is already too busy. This matter has been forwarded to the Province.

Councillor Hunt moved, Councillor Beer seconded,

Subject to a signed agreement between the City of Charlottetown and Trius Transit (2007) Inc., the Town of Cornwall enter into agreements with the City of Charlottetown and Trius Transit (2007) Inc., dated as of January 1, 2009 for the provision of the Cornwall Transit System.

Deputy Mayor Easter and Councillor Lannan both feel Trius Transit (2007) Inc. is not promoting the Cornwall Transit system enough.

MOTION CARRIED 2009-06-1624

COMMUNITY SERVICES LIAISON COMMITTEE - COUNCILLOR PARKER BEER

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

Councillor Dawson requests staff contact the RCMP and request more evening/night patrols within the Town.

PARKS & RECREATION - COUNCILLOR KENT LANNAN:

The report was included in the Council package.

Spring program revenue is down while summer program revenue appears to be doing well.

The On My Own Program ends on June 19, 2009. Before and After School Camp and Playtime For Me both end on June 25, 2009. Summer Camp has 58 full time participants and 36 part time participants. This is approximately the same as 2008. The Teen Extreme Camp is up slightly from last year. There are approximately 12 full time participants, 8 of which have disabilities.

The Department has appointed a head guard to assume some of the management duties rather than hiring a pool manager. The pool will be opening June 27. It was noted the change rooms require major repairs, however minor repairs will be completed to get through this season.

As part of the 2008 trail construction work, the trail located next to the Business Park should be completed by Friday, June 19th. A couple of areas that require attention are the new trail in Madison Heights as well as the bridge access on Kellow Drive. The Department will receive a quote by June 19 for the trail construction that runs along the stream on Lacardy Drive.

Grass cutting and property maintenance were discussed.

The Cornwall Classic was a huge success with 137 participants, this was up from 2008 which had 74 participants. Over \$1200 was raised for KidSport. Parking and traffic safety were issues which will be considered for next year's event.

Preparations are underway for Canada Day events.

Turf Field bookings for the Ramblers Assoc. has increased from last year. Football PEI has shown interest in running a development camp on our fields. Five sign sponsorships have been secured for this year at the Turf Field. The gate near the Ramblers building is the only gate that should be opened during bookings.

The dog park will be removed from its current location until a suitable location can be secured.

The Town and APM Centre are working together to design a sign at the entry driveway to both buildings.

The Committee is working in partnership with the Canadian Cancer Society to ensure our parks are sun safe with the placement of trees.

The Committee has signed a one year contract with K-Rock and Ocean 100 as our event sponsor.

Alan Corney, a post secondary student, has been hired as Recreation Assistant for a 14 week period. He will work closely with Kim and Josh.

Most summer staff have been hired.

Terry Wolczuk and Roger Gunn have recently taken the Playground Safety & Inspection Certification Course.

It has been noted that a number of shrubs and trees around the Town Hall require attention. The maintenance foreman will be purchasing trees for the Town Hall and Lowther Drive.

Picnic tables and benches are at all parks. It was noted more benches are required.

Councillor Lannan moved, Councillor Hunt seconded,

The Town of Cornwall enter into a 20 year lease to purchase agreement with C.H.A.N.C.E.S. Inc. for the property commonly referred to as the "Ferry Road Centre" with monthly payments to be \$1500 plus GST subject to a legal survey for the parcel to be conveyed, being part of PID 246579, forming part of the agreement as Schedule.

Discussion,

Both pros and cons to this agreement were discussed including the immediate effects on the costs to operate the Parks and Recreation Department, as well as long term savings in potential repairs to the Ferry Road Centre. Council also discussed the need to continue to provide services for teens with disabilities.

Deputy Mayor Easter, Councillors Lannan and Gallant voted for the motion.

Councillors Dawson, Hunt and Beer voted against the motion.

Tie vote.

Mayor MacFadyen voted for the Motion.

MOTION CARRIED 2009-06-1625

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION - COUNCILLOR ERNEST GALLANT

The Financial Statements were reviewed. Councillor Gallant reminds Council to monitor spending on their committees.

COMMUNICATION - MAYOR MACFADYEN

Mayor MacFadyen advises a report will be submitted to Commissioner Thompson on Local Governance and Land Use. Council is encouraged to submit feedback/comments and to forward them to the CAO. Councillor Dawson requests Council review the final report before being submitted.

The Sustainability Plan is in it's final stages. An open house was held on June 10, 2009.

Mayor MacFadyen attended the school's trustees meeting to voice his concerns about the over-crowded Westwood School.

OTHER BUSINESS

Councillor Dawson notes she has received complaints about the lack of signage within the Town indicating the location of the Town Office, APM Centre and Library.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.

PATRICK MACFADYEN
MAYOR

KEVIN MCCARVILLE
CAO