

**Cornwall, Prince Edward Island  
Council Minutes**

**March 19, 2008**

The regular meeting of Cornwall Town Council was held in Council Chambers on Wednesday, March 19, 2008.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Deputy Mayor Charles Easter.

**ATTENDANCE & REGRETS:**

Present were: Deputy Mayor Charles Easter; Councilors Kent Lannan, Parker Beer, Irene Dawson, Ernie Gallant; Administrator, Kevin McCarville; Administrative Assistant, Stephanie Cairns and four members of the public.

Regrets: Mayor Patrick MacFadyen; Councilor Marlene Hunt.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Councilor Dawson moved, Councilor Lannan seconded, the agenda as circulated prior to the meeting be the agenda.

**MOTION CARRIED 2008-03-1512**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 20, 2008 REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL:**

Councilor Gallant moved, Councilor Lannan seconded, the Minutes of February 20, 2008 be approved as circulated.

**MOTION CARRIED 2008-03-1513**

**BUSINESS ARISING:**

There was no business arising from the Minutes.

**PLANNING BOARD - DEPUTY MAYOR CHARLES EASTER**

The report was included in the Council package.

Council's decision to deny a used car dealership at 379 TCH (PID 246058) has been appealed to IRAC. Hearing date has been set for May 7, 2008.

Councilor Lannan moved, Councilor Gallant seconded, Council grant preliminary approval to Primrose Point subdivision, Phase 7, being Lots 63-71, 122-127, and 182-211 represented by ISE Ltd., File No. 8007P3, dated February 8th, 2008 thereby replacing Gulf Surveys Ltd., File No. 7438PRE, dated November, 2006 and revised January 8th, 2007; and

Council grant preliminary approval to Primrose Point subdivision, Phase 8, being lots 85-91, 176-181, and 212-230 represented by ISE Ltd., File No. 8007P3, dated February 8th, 2008 thereby replacing Gulf Surveys Ltd., File No. 7438PRE, dated November, 2006 and revised January 8th, 2007; and Final approval will be given subsequent to the developer adhering to all conditions contained in a subdivision agreement between the Town and the developer.

**MOTION CARRIED 2008-03-1514**

Councilor Lannan moved, Councilor Gallant seconded, Council approve the building permit application from APM dated February 29th, 2008 for a 36,225 square foot building.

**MOTION CARRIED 2008-03-1515**

**UTILITY - COUNCILOR IRENE DAWSON**

Staff are working with CBCL and Cornerstone Church to ensure protection of the East Wiltshire wells during construction of an addition to the Church.

Suspension of service letters have been sent to about 90 customers giving them until March 25th to settle their accounts. The Utility is also pursuing 12 accounts which are not connected to Town water. These 12 accounts have arrears totalling over \$32,000.

**TRANSPORTATION AND SAFETY - COUNCILOR PARKER BEER:**

The report was included in the Council package.

The Committee will have 4 lights installed in Hillside Meadows in 2008. As well, Woodland Blvd., Pond Street, and Alison/Lorrie Dr will each receive a light. Lights in Sunrise Cove will be turned on in phases as the subdivision develops.

The Jewell Road continues to be top priority. It was noted Hilltop Drive is in poor condition. Requests will be forwarded to the Minister later this spring.

Staff have been directed to price sidewalk installation on MacArthur Drive from Ferry Road to the Community Gardens.

The Committee will write to Minister MacKinley noting the concerns we are receiving on the TCH/York Point Rd. intersection re: challenges for traffic merging right off the York Pt. Road onto the TCH.

Staff have been directed to maintain a record of residents expressing an interest in public transit.

**COMMUNITY SERVICES LIAISON COMMITTEE - COUNCILOR PARKER BEER**

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

The Committee will bring forward it's recommendation re: future of the Cornwall Civic Centre to Council in May, 2008.

**PARKS & RECREATION - COUNCILOR KENT LANNAN:**

Councillor Lannan advises \$3000.00 confirmed from major sponsors to date in support of special events.

Snowfest 2008 was a huge success and a report was circulated.

The National Under 14 Soccer and Under 15 Flag Football championship will be held at the Turf Field this year.

Councilor Lannan advises that Cornwall & Area Sports Groups are hosting their 1st Annual "Let's Give Back" Campaign on May 24, 2008 at the Cornwall Turf Fields from 11:00 am until 2:00 pm. 50% of the profits go to the Westwood, Eliot River and East Wiltshire School Breakfast Programs and Bluefield Sports Equipment Fund while the remainder will go to the sports groups hosting the event. Councilor Lannan thanked all groups involved with this fundraiser and encourages everyone to get involved.

**FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION - COUNCILOR ERNEST GALLANT**

The report was included in the Council package.

2007 Financial Statements should be available in 2 weeks and copies will be forwarded to Council.

Councillor Gallant reports the Town budget and the Water and Sewer Utility budget both have a small surplus balance for 2008. Councilor Gallant is pleased to advise there will be no property tax or Water and Sewer rate increase for the 2008 year.

## **2008 TOWN BUDGET**

Councilor Gallant moved, Councilor Lannan seconded, Be it resolved that the 2008 budget for normal Town operations in the amount of \$2,356,250 be adopted as the General Account Budget for the Town of Cornwall for the 2008 year.

### **MOTION CARRIED 2008-03-1516**

Councilor Gallant moved, Councilor Dawson seconded, Be it resolved that the Municipal Property Tax Rate for non-commercial properties for 2008 be set at 66 cents per \$100.00 assessment; and the Municipal Property Tax Rate for commercial properties for 2008 be set at 81 cents per \$100.00 assessment; and the Municipal Property Tax Rate for bonafide farm properties be rebated at the rate of 26 cents per \$100.00 of assessment for farm buildings.

### **MOTION CARRIED 2008-03-1517**

## **2008 WATER/SEWER UTILITY BUDGET**

Councillor Dawson moved, Councillor Gallant seconded, Be it Resolved that Council accept the operating budget in the amount of \$843,300 for the Cornwall Water and Sewer Utility Corporation and it be adopted for the year 2008.

### **MOTION CARRIED 2008-03-1518**

## **2008 WATER/SEWER UTILITY RATES**

Councillor Dawson moved, Councillor Gallant seconded, Be it Resolved that Council approve the Cornwall Water and Sewer Utility Corporation rates for 2008 as follows:

1. Unmetered water rate shall be \$238.00 per unit per year;
2. Sewerage rate shall be \$212.00 per unit per year;
3. Metered water rate shall be : a consumption charge of 66 cents per cubic meter (minimum \$238.00 per year) plus a meter base charge listed;

2" Meter \$174.36/year  
1 & ½" Meter \$108.12/year  
1" Meter \$84.12/year  
¾" Meter \$66.12/year  
⅝" Meter \$60.24/year

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

**COMMUNICATION - DEPUTY MAYOR CHARLES EASTER**

There is nothing to report.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Councillor Dawson encourages all Council to attend the upcoming FPEIM annual meeting on April 28, 2008 at the Summerside Wellness Centre.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

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CHARLES EASTER  
DEPUTY MAYOR

KEVIN MCCARVILLE  
CAO