Cornwall, Prince Edward Island Council Minutes

October 18, 2006

The regular meeting of Cornwall Town Council was held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, October 18, 2006.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 P.M. by Deputy Mayor Peter Meggs.

ATTENDANCE & REGRETS:

Present were: Deputy Mayor Peter Meggs; Councillors Ann Doucette, Michael Zinck, Parker Beer, Irene Dawson; Kevin McCarville, Administrator; Tammy Pigott, Recording Secretary; Constable David Swansburg, and 4 residents.

Regrets: Mayor Jack Kelly; Councillor Minerva McCourt

Deputy Mayor Peter Meggs extends welcome to Mayor designate Patrick MacFadyen.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Councillor Doucette moved, Councillor Zinck seconded, that the agenda as circulated prior to the meeting be the agenda.

MOTION CARRIED 2006-09-1417

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF September 20, 2006 REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL:

Councillor Doucette moved, Councillor Dawson seconded that the Minutes of September 20, 2006 be approved as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED 2006-09-1418

Councillor Dawson wanted to extended an invitation to all tax payers of Cornwall to the opening of the new town hall. Councillor Zinck notes there will be a public notice posted to invite tax payers.

Councillor Dawson asks for clarification on the former North River church building moving date.

Councillor Dawson was informed that November 1st is the confirmed moving date.

Councillor Dawson inquired about the McKenna subdivision road sign request that was denied. Councillor Meggs informs Council that the word "Pointe" does not exist in the English language and therefore could not be accepted. Councillor Dawson suggests Planning Board look at this policy before other requests of the same nature come along.

PUBLIC RELATIONS, FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE - COUNCILLOR MICHAEL ZINCK:

Financial Report

Regular meeting was held on October 11th, 2006.

Humane Society Report

The Humane Society animal control report for the month of September was handed out at the meeting. The Humane Society patrolled 4 times this month, received 5 complaints, 5 were resolved; and 2 licenses were issued. The Humane Society has new computer software updates and appreciate our patience as they adjust.

RCMP Report

The RCMP report was circulated with Councillor Zinck noting that traffic tickets being issued are up this month. Councillor Zinck also mentions Constable Swansburg's presence is being felt around the community with a lot of positive feedback.

Councillor Zinck reports 1992 Chevrolet maintenance truck was stolen and burnt beyond repair; full replacement value should be issued from insurance company.

Councillor Dawson questions the Christmas light budget of \$3000; she suggests we use an Island owned company in Hunter River. She will get more information and discuss with Kevin.

Councillor Zinck notes that maintenance costs for sports fields to date have been truck rentals, locks for gates, signs for the fields, as well as installation of football posts. He also adds that not all invoices have been received for the turf fields.

ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE - COUNCILLOR ANN DOUCETTE:

Regular monthly meeting was held October 3rd, 2006.

310 TCH

Councillor Doucette advises there has been no resolution to the septic issue at 310 TCH. The Roach's believe the cost to connect to Town sewer is price prohibitive and had considered a new tile field or modifications to their existing system. The Town has written to the Departments of Environmental Health & Community Affairs to keep

them informed on the issue; they have sent an inspector to the site and will follow up with a report.

James Street - TCH Sewer line

Councillor Doucette reports that a letter was received from CBCL advising a larger diameter line is required at this location prior to full development of Madison Heights subdivision.

Income Statement

It appears the Utility is close to being on budget. The revenues will be about \$10,000 under projections with water revenues less than anticipated; expenditures may be about \$6,000 less than expected.

Rate Study

Councillor Doucette would like the minutes to read that Robert O'Rourke's rate study has been completed and received by the Town.

York Point Road - Sewer Force Main

Councillor Doucette states we hope to be able to close tenders for this work by October 25, award by November 1st and have work completed this fall. We recognize this is an ambitious schedule and have a concern that tender prices will be high with few bidders.

Overdue Accounts

Letters were sent out and water was shut off to approximately 10 properties; with another 15 properties set for next week.

Primrose Sewer

Staff have asked CBCL to price a waterline extension in Primrose. This line would connect Primrose to the Town's main system and do away with the need for a well in Primrose. The request was made at this time as there is interest in building on the lot (Lot 51) adjacent to the well in Primrose. It would be the Utility's intention to pay for the extension up front and recover the cost from the developer of Primrose as future phases of that subdivision come online.

PLANNING BOARD COMMITTEE - DEPUTY MAYOR PETER MEGGS:

Councillor Meggs reports that regular monthly Planning Board meeting was held October 10th, 2006.

Transportation Master Plan Public Meeting

Council discussed the review of the Transportation Master plan and the concerns raised at the Public Meeting. Committee of Council meeting will be called to discuss in more detail.

Greening Spaces & Nursery Area

The Town will receive funding from the province for "Greening Spaces" and a tree nursery will be set up within the town.

Borden Property Subdivision - Phase 2

Councillor Meggs notes Janice is preparing the Subdivision Agreement for Phase 2. Janice also spoke with Mr. and Mrs. MacRae and have agreed to grant the Town an Easement for utility piping into the Borden Subdivision from Marianne Drive for the water line. Kevin notes that development should begin next week.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE - COUNCILLOR Michael Zinck:

Councillor Zinck reports the regular monthly meeting was held on September 26, 2006.

Hillside Meadow Trail

Councillor Zinck announces that the bridge and trail has been completed.

Tree Nursery

Recreation committee had expressed concern about putting a tree nursery at the community gardens and alternative locations within the Town are being reviewed.

Turf Field Usage Report

Councillor Zinck informs council of field usage and a more detailed report on the light usage will be provided at the next meeting. The recreation committee would like to draft up a cancellation policy as well as take a look at the agreement we have with the Eastern School District regarding usage times and days.

Cornfest

Councillor Zinck notes that Cornfest was a great success and a more detailed report will be given at next meeting.

Events Reports

Special events and Teen reports were included in all Council packages.

Correspondence

Councillor Dawson read a letter from the PEI Women's Canada Games Curling team who have requested funding to travel to Whitehorse, NWT to represent PEI. Councillor Zinck assures Council that the recreation department will look into getting a donation for them.

Kevin notes that the "Meet the candidates night" is set for Tuesday, October 24th.

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Deputy Major Peter Meggs notes there is nothing to report this month.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM by Deputy Mayor Peter Meggs on motion of Councillor Ann Doucette.

PETER MEGGS KEVIN MCCARVILLE
DEPUTY MAYOR ADMINISTRATOR

TAMMY PIGOTT RECORDING SECRETARY