

Cornwall, Prince Edward Island
Regular Meeting of Council
Wednesday, March 21, 2012 at 7:30 PM

Mayor Glen 'Barney' Fullerton presiding

Present: Deputy Mayor Corey Frizzell
Councillor Minerva McCourt
Councillor Irene Dawson
Councillor Peter Meggs
Councillor Parker Beer
Councillor Marlene Hunt

Also: Kevin McCarville - Chief Administrative Officer
Stephanie Cairns - Administrative Assistant

Mayor Fullerton called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

Mayor Fullerton asked Andre Lavoie to come forward and present a petition to Mayor and Council. Mayor Fullerton thanked Mr. Lavoie and advised a copy of the petition was included in the Council package.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Corey Frizzell
Seconded by Councillor Peter Meggs

RESOLVED:

The agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED 2012-03-1849

Moved by Councillor Irene Dawson
Seconded by Councillor Marlene Hunt

RESOLVED:

The Minutes of March 21, 2012 be approved with a revision.

Councillor Hunt voted
against the Motion.

CARRIED 2012-03-1850

BUSINESS ARISING

There was no business arising.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES / RESOLUTIONS

1. UTILITY COMMITTEE- Councillor Irene Dawson

Councillor Dawson reported that pressure testing on our water distribution system (hydrants) and at most of the homes in the affected areas has been conducted.

Councillor Dawson added some of the homes tested in Eliot Park fell below what the system is

providing in the area. The system is delivering pressures of 32 to 42 psi at the tested hydrants in Eliot Park and 33 psi at the highest elevation in the Hilltop/Sobey Drive area.

Councillor Dawson reported these pressures are in line with the original design of the current water reservoir. In 2001, the tower was designed to provide a minimum of 31 psi at the highest elevations in the Town (up to 35 m) to a maximum of 80 psi at the lowest elevations (sea level). The latter is the maximum allowable pressure the system can provide without installing pressure reducing infrastructure.

Councillor Dawson added the next phase of examination will consist of site visits to the homes that fell below the design standard of 31 psi. During this phase the Town, along with industry professionals, will determine if there are other issues that could be affecting individual pressures. Once this phase is complete, the Town will decide on the best solution for the residences that are still below the design standard.

Councillor Hunt inquired into the available options for the Fish Ladder at Hyde Pond. She would like the public to be able to provide feedback on the options that are available concerning the future of the pond.

2. PLANNING BOARD - Councillor Peter Meggs

The report was included in the package.

Councillor Meggs reported that Planning Board has spent a great deal of time investigating the details of a proposed subdivision on the Ferry Road. Planning Board members reviewed the provisions of the Official Plan which impact on possible (PURD) zoning, including the provision that "As future residential growth occurs, it must do so at higher development densities."

Councillor Meggs voiced we are certainly sympathetic to the reservations that surrounding residents would have to the proposed development, and we have included their views in all of our deliberations. Councillor Meggs noted Planning Board members are confident that the original PURD zoning was carried out in an appropriate and responsible manner.

Councillor Meggs added that Planning Board members have met with concerned residents from the area surrounding the proposed subdivision, have reviewed their various communications to the Board, and have received and read a petition from residents. In addition, in accordance with the provisions of Town bylaws for Planned Unit Residential Developments (or PURD's), a public meeting was held to allow the potential developers an opportunity to give information on this proposal and to receive feedback from residents, including one written submission following the meeting. In addition, Planning Board reviewed submissions from Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal affirming that the traffic would be well within their acceptable values for traffic flow, should this development occur.

Planning Board members took the concerns of residents into account when they tasked the developers' consultants with the job of modifying the original development proposal to make it more conducive to the setting in which it could be located, while continuing to adhere to PURD guidelines. Planning Board was diligent in ensuring that sufficient sewer and water capacity is available for this area, and that both trails and sidewalks would be provided for.

After careful review, Planning Board feels the proposed development, as presently constituted, conforms to the dictates of the Town's ZONING & SUBDIVISION CONTROL (DEVELOPMENT) BYLAW #403.

**Moved by Councillor Peter Meggs
Seconded by Councillor Irene Dawson**

RESOLVED:

The Town of Cornwall grant preliminary approval, conditional upon the parties entering into Development and Subdivision Agreements, for an 18 lot subdivision for parcels 684621 and 768861 as per the P Wood and Associates February 6, 2012 Development Concept Plan.

Deputy Mayor Frizzell feels the location is not suitable for this type of development and after receiving the petition of 279 residents opposing the development, he will not be supporting this Motion.

Councillor Hunt agrees with Deputy Mayor Frizzell, she believes the Town needs high density development but not in the proposed location.

Councillors Meggs, Dawson, McCourt, Beer voted for the Motion.

Councillors Frizzell and Hunt voted against the Motion.

CARRIED 2012-03-1851

**Moved by Councillor Peter Meggs
Seconded by Councillor Irene Dawson**

RESOLVED:

Council approve the appendage of land from parcel 425967 to seven (7) lots fronting on Appleby Lane as per the Delta Surveys drawing number 11-E-11, dated November 30, 2011.

CARRIED 2012-03-1852

**Moved by Councillor Peter Meggs
Seconded by Councillor Irene Dawson**

RESOLVED:

Council grant a six (6) month extension to the Preliminary approval for Phase 8 in the Primrose subdivision.

Councillor Hunt requested the Committee considers having the developer provide street lights for this phase.

3. PUBLIC WORKS - Councillor Irene Dawson

The report was included in the package.

Councillor Dawson noted discussions continue regarding an outstanding invoice for repairs to the entrance of the Town Hall.

Councillor Dawson noted CBCL reviewed design standards for the proposed sidewalk being continued from the stub on Heatherway Drive to continue on Scott Avenue to the Civic Centre on the Cornwall Road side. The information indicates this can be done.

Councillor Hunt expressed her disappointment that the speed limit hasn't been reduced on the Cornwall Road closer to the Kingston Road, and, as well, the lack of speed limit signage in this area.

Councillor Hunt added commercial vehicles have been parking on our sidewalks and would like staff to follow up with this.

Councillor Hunt inquired if the Committee has discussed beautification within the Town, Councillor Dawson advised it will be on the next agenda.

Councillor Hunt thanked the Mayor and the Committee for the letter that was sent to the Department of Transportation requesting the Trans Canada Highway entrance to the Madison Heights subdivision be opened.

4. PARKS & RECREATION - Deputy Mayor Corey Frizzell

The report was included in the package.

Deputy Mayor Frizzell noted the Town's contract with Turf Master's completed in 2011 and the Town is going to try another business for a 1 year period as they offer a better rate.

Deputy Mayor Frizzell noted SnowFest was a great success; the following funds were raised for charities:

1. Autism Society \$450.00
2. Easter Seals \$1,006.00 (North River Fire Dept. matched by donating \$1000.00)

Deputy Mayor Frizzell thanked the NRPD for their generous contribution.

Deputy Mayor Frizzell noted in partnership with the RCMP, there will be a Senior's Safety Seminar on March 29th at the Civic Centre.

**Moved by Deputy Mayor Corey Frizzell,
Seconded by Councillor Peter Meggs,**

RESOLVED:

The Town of Cornwall amend our rental agreement with the APM Centre by reducing the weekly hours rented from ten (10) to six (6) effective September 1, 2012.

CARRIED 2012-03-1854

Councillor Hunt expressed concerns with the seagull strategy.

5. FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION - Councillor Minerva McCourt

The reports were included in the package.

Councillor McCourt noted donations have been made to Pat and the Elephant, DARE Program, and the Westwood, Eliot River and East Wiltshire Breakfast Programs.

Councillor McCourt reported the Committee is in the process of obtaining information on the Stephen Turner Memorial Fund.

Councillor McCourt noted the Committee is supportive of the RCMP's plan to continue their focus on youth, traffic, and illegal drug use within the Town.

Councillor McCourt noted there will be a training session in the near future for the Citizen's on Patrol participants.

Councillor Hunt stated she is not in favor of benefits for elected officials. Councillor McCourt noted the Committee just inquired into this. Deputy Mayor Frizzell stated he feels it's an incentive the Town can offer future potential candidates that may run for Council.

Moved by Councillor Minerva McCourt

Seconded by Councillor Parker Beer

RESOLVED

the Town of Cornwall Purchasing Policy be amended whereas Section 3.4 will read:
'The Town shall, where possible, secure three (3) prices on purchases of item with a value between \$2,500.00 and \$10,000.00. These quotes shall be recorded and a copy of the quotes shall be attached to the Town's file copy of the purchase order.'

CARRIED 2012-03-1855

Moved by Councillor Minerva McCourt

Seconded by Councillor Parker Beer

RESOLVED

the Town of Cornwall refinance loan #20421186875 with the National Bank of Canada with a five year fixed rate of 3.66% and a 15 year amortization rate.

CARRIED 2012-03-1856

Moved by Councillor Minerva McCourt

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Corey Frizzell

RESOLVED

The attached 2012 operating budget for the Town of Cornwall be adopted:

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| Revenues | \$ 2,753,190 |
| Expenditures | \$ 2,752,998 |
| Surplus | \$ 192 |

Be it further resolved that the non-commercial municipal tax rate be set at 46 cents per \$100.00 assessment; and

Be it further resolved the commercial municipal tax rate for properties be set at 86 cents per \$100.00 assessment; and

Be it further resolved the municipal tax rate for bonafide farm properties be rebated at the rate of 26 cents per \$100.00 of assessment for farm buildings.

CARRIED 2012-03-1857

Moved by Councillor Minerva McCourt

Seconded by Councillor Irene Dawson

RESOLVED

The attached 2012 operating budget for the Town of Cornwall Water and Sewer Utility be adopted:

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| Revenues | \$ 944,500 |
| Expenditures | \$ 944,134 |
| Surplus | \$ 366 |

Be it further resolved that the Cornwall Water and Sewer Utility Corporation rates for 2012 be as follows:

1. Unmetered water rate shall be \$244.00 per unit per year;
2. Sewerage rate shall be \$ 230.00 per unit per year;
3. Vacant serviced lots be charged \$35.00 per year for sewer and \$40.00 per year for water;
4. Metered water rate shall be: a consumption charge of 68 cents per cubic meter (minimum \$244.00 per year) plus a meter base charge listed;

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| 2" Meter | \$178.72/year |
| 1 & ½" Meter | \$110.82/year |
| 1" Meter | \$86.22/year |
| ¾" Meter | \$67.78/year |
| ⅝" Meter | \$61.75/year |

CARRIED 2012-03-1858

Mayor Fullerton thanked Councillor McCourt, Kevin McCarville, and the Town's Financial Coordinator, Danielle Herring, for their effort and time to get a balanced budget.

6. COMMUNICATION - Mayor Glen 'Barney' Fullerton

Mayor Fullerton is pleased to see the Citizen's on Patrol program getting underway.

Mayor Fullerton encouraged Council to attend the PEI Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps' Commemoration of The Canadian Corps' 95th Anniversary Victory at Vimy Ridge, April 1917, parade at the Charlottetown Cenotaph on Saturday, April 7 at 9:45 am.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

Councillor Meggs was pleased to attend the launch of the Easter Seals Tour at Eliot River School on behalf of Mayor Fullerton. Councillor Meggs added Luke Gaudet, this year's ambassador, is a resident of Cornwall and an amazing person. Congratulations went out to Luke and best of luck on the Easter Seals Tour.

Deputy Mayor Frizzell requested Council to consider making the Committee Minutes public to the residents. He added he would like this to be discussed at the next Committee of Council meeting.

Deputy Mayor Frizzell thanked Andre Lavoie for his hard work on the petition and thanked Mr. Lavoie for his leadership. Deputy Mayor Frizzell added when residents voice their concerns Council should listen.

Councillor Meggs added he feels Planning Board listened to both sides and did everything possible before making the recommendation to Council.

Councillor Dawson commented that she asked repeatedly if Planning Board did everything possible before making this recommendation and she was reassured that everything has been followed through properly.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM

GLEN 'BARNEY' FULLERTON
MAYOR

KEVIN MCCARVILLE
CAO