

**Cornwall, Prince Edward Island
Regular Meeting of Council
Wednesday, June 15, 2022
4:30 PM**

Present: Mayor Minerva McCourt – presiding
Deputy Mayor Cory Stevenson
Councillor Elaine Barnes
Councillor Judy Herlihy (via Zoom)
Councillor Corey Frizzell
Councillor Jill MacIsaac

Also: Kevin Coady – CAO
Shelley Rector – DCAO/Manager of Corporate Services
Tracey MacLean – Engagement Coordinator

Regrets: Councillor Shane McGuigan

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor McCourt called the meeting to order at 4:30pm
There were three members of the public present.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT Read

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Councillor Frizzell moved, seconded by Councillor MacIsaac, that the agenda be approved with the addition of ER Gate to Business Arising.

Motion Carried

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY OR OTHER CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Nil

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

a) **May 18, 2022, Regular Council Meeting:** Deputy Mayor Stevenson moved, seconded by Councillor MacIsaac that the minutes of May 18, 2022, Regular Council Meeting be approved as circulated.

Motion Carried

BUSINESS ARISING

It was moved by Councillor Frizzell and seconded by Councillor MacIsaac that the following resolution be brought to the floor:

FA-30-2022 ~ Hilltop Gate

Moved by Councillor Corey Frizzell
Seconded by Councillor Jill MacIsaac

Whereas: The Town of Cornwall operates an extensive sports facility, on Public School Board Property,

which has historically been accessed through residential neighbourhoods in the Hilltop Drive area and this access has caused the neighbourhoods to endure a large volume of unwanted extra traffic and its associated problems;

And Whereas: Numerous previous commitments from the Province of PEI have been made over the years of operation of the sports facility to the residents of the Hilltop Drive neighbourhood, that this situation would cease, and that access to the school and sports complex would be from the old Trans-Canada Highway, once the Cornwall Bypass was completed;

And Whereas: Substantial renovations are currently being carried out at Eliot River School blocking access from Main Street to the parking lot off of Hilltop Drive for this sports field season thus creating a short-term impediment to accessing both parking lots from Main Street;

And Whereas: Despite the previous provincial commitments regarding access to the sports fields and parking lots from the old Trans-Canada Highway, a raised sidewalk has now been placed between the school and the dream park that will prohibit access from the new entrance off Main Street to the parking lot at the top of Hilltop Drive for the long term;

And Whereas: The Town of Cornwall has tried to implement a solution through manual operation of the gate at the end of Hilltop Drive and have heard, both for and against, from many residents and users of the facility on this process, and it has also been noted that this process is blocking access to several designated accessible parking spots, the dream park and the soccer clubhouse;

And Whereas: The Town of Cornwall believes a solution exists wherein both parking lots can be accessed from Main Street and will continue to work toward this solution for the long term, but have determined that the current process is not satisfactory;

Therefore, be it Resolved: That the Town of Cornwall leave the gate at the top of Hilltop Drive open for this sports field season ending November 30, 2022, in consideration of the current construction at the school;

And be it Further Resolved: That the Town of Cornwall take all reasonable steps available to it to alleviate any traffic or residential parking concerns that arise because of this resolution;

And be it Further Resolved: That the Town of Cornwall continue to lobby the provincial government for safe access to both parking lots at the Eliot River School and the Terry Fox Sports Centre from Main Street.

Motion Carried

Councillor Herlihy's Zoom connection was lost during the vote.

PRESENTATIONS

Nil

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES / RESOLUTIONS:

INFRASTRUCTURE

Reports & Resolutions

- a) **Minutes** – The Committee did not meet in June

b) Resolutions

I-07-2022 ~ Cornwall Lagoon Upgrades

Moved by Councillor **Elaine Barnes**
Seconded by Councillor **Cory Stevenson**

Whereas: The Town of Cornwall lagoon system requires regular investment to ensure that that the lagoon systems are working properly and meeting environmental regulations,

And Whereas: The Town of Cornwall applied to, and were approved under, the Gas Tax - Municipal Strategic Component for funding to carry out improvements at the Cornwall Wastewater Treatment Lagoon including sludge removal,

And Whereas: A request for proposals was issued for the Cornwall Treatment Lagoon Improvements project, and 3 bids were received,

Therefore, be it Resolved: That the Town of Cornwall upon, and pursuant to, the recommendation of the Town's Engineers, award Cornwall Treatment Lagoon Improvements to the low bidder AJL Limited in the amount of \$767,576.50 inclusive of HST,

And be it further Resolved: that the award of this tender is subject to the Town receiving the required Permit to Construct from the Provincial Department of the Environment.

Motion Carried

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Reports & Resolutions:

- a) **Minutes** – June 1, 2022
- b) **Resolutions**

PL-16-2022 ~ 812 Main Street – Change of use

Moved by Councillor **Jill MacIsaac**
Seconded by Councillor **Cory Stevenson**

Whereas: the Town received an application on April 14, 2022, to permit a Bed and Breakfast at 812 Main Street (PID No. 248047); and

Whereas: Council considered the Official Plan and the Town of Cornwall Zoning and Subdivision Control (Development) Bylaw #414, and noted the proposed use is appropriate and all other relevant provisions of the Bylaw have been met;

Therefore, Be It Resolved That: Council grant approval of a *Change of Use* to allow a bed and breakfast to operate at 812 Main Street, being PID No. 248047, subject to the proposed development first obtaining a License to operate such a facility and entering into a Development Agreement with the Town.

Motion Carried

PL-17-2022 ~ WR Estates Lot #79

Moved by Councillor **Jill MacIsaac**
Seconded by Councillor **Cory Stevenson**

Whereas: The Developer and the Town entered into an Amendment Agreement which was registered on February 9, 2021, as Document No. 1072 in Queens County Registry Office Book No. 5873 in relation to the development of Phase 2 of the West River Estates Subdivision; and

Whereas: Article #5 of said agreement states Lot 79 shall be conveyed to the Town prior to the approval of any lots in Phase 3 of the West River Estates Subdivision unless otherwise agreed by the Town; and

Whereas: The Developer has requested that the transfer of Lot 79 to the Town be delayed until the end of Phase 3 with a further review at that time;

Therefore, Be It Resolved: That Council approve the delay of transfer of Lot 79 of West River Estates Subdivision to the Town of Cornwall until the completion of Phase 3 of said subdivision, after a final review and upon entering into a Development Agreement with the Town.

Motion Carried

COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL – Deputy Mayor Cory Stevenson

- (i) **FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION**
 - Reports & Resolutions**
 - a) **Minutes** – May 11, 2022
 - b) **Comparative Income Statements** – No statement due to recent budget
 - c) **Resolutions**

FA-26-2022 Council Remuneration Bylaw – Second Reading

Moved by Councillor **Cory Stevenson**
Seconded by Councillor **Jill MacIsaac**

Whereas: Town of Cornwall Council Remuneration Bylaw #102 requires significant upgrading and amendments;

And Whereas: The Town of Cornwall Council has determined it to be more expedient to pass a new Remuneration Bylaw based upon, among other things, the 2022 Council Remuneration and Allowances report commissioned by Council;

Therefore, be it Resolved: That Town of Cornwall Bylaw #2022-02, the Council Remuneration and Expenses Bylaw be read and approved a second time.

Motion Carried

FA-27-2022 Council Remuneration Bylaw – Formal Adoption

Moved by Councillor **Cory Stevenson**
Seconded by Councillor **Jill MacIsaac**

Whereas: Town of Cornwall Council Remuneration Bylaw #102 requires significant upgrading and amendments;

And Whereas: The Town of Cornwall Council has determined it to be more expedient to pass a new Remuneration Bylaw based upon, among other things, the 2022 Council Remuneration and Allowances report commissioned by Council;

And Whereas: The Town of Cornwall Bylaw #2022-02, the Council Remuneration and Expenses Bylaw was read and approved a first time at the regular council meeting on May 18, 2022;

And Whereas: The Town of Cornwall Bylaw #2022-02, the Council Remuneration and Expenses Bylaw was read and approved a second time at the regular council meeting on June 15, 2022,

Therefore, be it Resolved: That Town of Cornwall Bylaw #2022-02, the Council Remuneration and Expenses Bylaw be formally adopted.

Motion Carried

FA-28-2022 Election Bylaw – First Reading

Moved by Councillor **Corey Frizzell**
Seconded by Councillor **Elaine Barnes**

Whereas: Elections PEI have recommended certain amendments be made to the Town of Cornwall Elections Bylaw #2018-05 for clarity purposes;

And Whereas: The Province of Prince Edward Island has passed a change in the *Municipal Elections* Regulations that mandate amendment to the Town of Cornwall Elections Bylaw #2018-05;

And Whereas: The Town of Cornwall has determined it to be more administratively expedient to pass a new Municipal Elections Bylaw to incorporate these changes;

Therefore, be it Resolved: That the Town of Cornwall Bylaw to Regulate Municipal Elections (Elections Bylaw), Bylaw #2022-03 be read and approved a first time.

Motion Carried

FA-29-2022 Learning Disabilities Awareness Month (October) - Proclamation

Moved by Councillor Corey Frizzell
Seconded by Councillor Cory Stevenson

Whereas: An estimated one in ten Canadians has a learning disability, and the Learning Disabilities Association of Prince Edward Island is seeking to raise awareness of this, in order to provide support to a greater number of individuals that may require it and are not aware of the services available to assist them;

And Whereas: The Learning Disabilities Association of PEI Has requested that the Town of Cornwall declare the month of October 2022 as Learning Disabilities Awareness month;

And Whereas: The Learning Disabilities Association of PEI has requested that as part of this declaration that the Town light up the Cornwall Town Hall in teal/blue lighting the first week of October and provide social media exposure and other communication regarding the proclamation;

Therefore, be it Resolved: That the Town of Cornwall declare the month of October 2022, as Learning Disabilities Awareness month, and the Town Hall be lit in teal/blue for the first week of October, and that the Town promote Learning Disabilities Awareness month through its social media and other communication methods.

Motion Carried

(ii) MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Monthly Reports were included in the package.

1) Reports & Resolutions

(a) Humane Society Report

(b) Fire Department Report

(c) Police Report – It was noted that the RCMP continue to be busy within the Town.

(d) Bylaw Enforcement

(e) Transit – Transit numbers are continuing to increase which is great to see.

(f) Engagement – Mayor McCourt and Engagement Coordinator Tracey MacLean attended the 2023 Canada Games Torch Relay announcement. The Town of Cornwall will be one of the Torch Relay host locations.

iii) PARKS & RECREATION

a) Monthly Report: May 2022

b) Resolution:

PR-01-2022 2023 Canada Games Hole Sponsorship

Moved by Councillor Cory Stevenson
Seconded by Councillor Judy Herlihy

Whereas: The Province of Prince Edward Island is hosting the 2023 Canada Winter Games and these games showcase the best in Canadian sport and attract athletes and visitors from all parts of Canada and abroad;

And Whereas: The Games provide economic benefit to the Province and the Town, and the Town of Cornwall desires to support the games, and a sponsorship opportunity is available for the 2023 Canada Games Golf Classic;

Therefore, be it Resolved: That the Town of Cornwall sponsor a hole in the 2023 Canada Games Golf Classic at a cost of three hundred dollars (\$300).

Motion Carried

CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Rural Economic Development/Rural Economic Broadband – Letter – Federal PC MP’s

OTHER BUSINESS

- Councillor Frizzell noted that the Ramblers will be hosting their first major tournament of the season and encouraged everyone to stop by.
- Councillor Barnes noted that several adults and children (including her son Liam) that tested for their next belt level with Rodd’s Taekwondo in Cornwall. Councillor Barnes extended congratulations to everyone that challenged for their next belt in Taekwondo as it takes a lot of hard work and dedication. Council congratulated Liam and the other participants on their accomplishment.
- Mayor McCourt congratulated staff and volunteers on a very successful Bike Rodeo and noted that there were 45 participants, and everyone seemed to have a great time.
- Mayor McCourt congratulated Cornwall Christian Church on a great Ukraine fundraising event.
- Councillor Herlihy attended the CAWG Trees for Trash event before the Bike Rodeo and noted that the cleanup was very successful.
- Councillor Herlihy Congratulated Danny and Carol Gass on their 50th Wedding Anniversary.
- Deputy Mayor Stevenson:
 - o Congratulations to Cornwall Christian Church staff, congregation, and volunteers on their recent fundraiser for Ukraine. They held a family fun day that included a yard sale, BBQ, inflatables, and dunk tank that the deputy mayor participated in and got dunked “a few” times! They raised \$5222.00.
 - o Citizens on Patrol - looking for additional volunteers. Interested individuals can contact the Town Office about getting involved.
 - o East Wiltshire School - successful sports season. Congrats to Boys Track and Field - provincial champions! Andrew MacAdam, EWS gym teacher and athletic director passes along his thanks to the Town for the great cooperation between the Town and the schools and for upkeeping the great facilities for students.
 - o Bluefield High - saw success on the podium lately as well! Congrats to:
 - AAA Women Rugby - Silver Medal
 - AAA Men Rugby - Bronze Medal
 - AA Women Rugby - Silver Medal

- A Women Rugby - Bronze Medal

IN CAMERA

Nil

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:09pm.

MINERVA MCCOURT
MAYOR

KEVIN COADY
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER