

**Cornwall, Prince Edward Island
Regular Meeting of Council
Wednesday, April 24, 2024
4:30 PM**

Present: Mayor Minerva McCourt – presiding
Deputy Mayor Jill MacIsaac
Councillor Elaine Barnes
Councillor Steven Campbell
Councillor Cory Stevenson

Also: Kevin Coady – CAO
Tracey MacLean – Community/IT/HR Coordinator

Regrets: Councillor Corey Frizzell
Councillor Judy Herlihy

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Minerva McCourt called the meeting to order at 4:30pm. There were no members of the public in attendance.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT Read

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Councillor Stevenson moved, seconded by Deputy Mayor MacIsaac, that the agenda be approved as circulated with the addition of Correspondence items by Councillor Stevenson and Councillor Campbell.

Motion Carried

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY OR OTHER CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Nil

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

a) **March 27, 2024, Regular Council Meeting:** Deputy Mayor MacIsaac moved, seconded by Councillor Stevenson that the minutes of March 27, 2024, Regular Council Meeting be approved as circulated.

Motion Carried

BUSINESS ARISING

Nil

GUESTS/PRESENTATIONS/PETITIONS/DECLARATIONS

Nil

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES / RESOLUTIONS:

COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL

a) **Minutes/Reports:**

i) **Minutes – March 20, 2024** - included in the package.

b) **Resolutions:**

COC-13-2024 Affordable Housing Incentive Program – Evaluation Team

Moved by Councillor Cory Stevenson

Seconded by Councillor Jill MacIsaac

Whereas: The Town of Cornwall implemented an *Affordable Housing Incentive Program* in 2019, and that program requires an “Evaluation Team” to screen and make recommendations to Council pertaining to applications for the various incentives available under the program;

Therefore, Be it Resolved: That the “Evaluation Team” for the Town of Cornwall Affordable Housing Incentive Program is the Committee of Council.

Motion Carried

COC-14-2024 Housing Accelerator Fund Committee

Moved by Councillor Cory Stevenson

Seconded by Councillor Jill MacIsaac

Whereas: The Town of Cornwall was approved for funding under the Government of Canada Housing Accelerator Fund;

And Whereas: The Town, in addition to its own municipal priorities for these funds, has received, and will continue to receive, requests for a portion of these funds;

And Whereas: The Town requires a screening committee to consider all requests for use of the Housing Accelerator Funds and to make recommendations to Council regarding the disbursement of these funds;

Therefore, Be it Resolved: That the Committee of Council be the screening committee for the use of Housing Accelerator Funds

Motion Carried

COC-15-2024 Open Door Outreach - Donation

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

Whereas: Open Door Outreach is a non-profit organization with the goal of empowering marginalized individuals on PEI and assisting them in reaching their full potential;

And Whereas: The Town of Cornwall has been a supporter of Open Door Outreach and its goals, and desires to continue to do so;

Therefore, Be it Resolved: That the Town of Cornwall donate two hundred dollars to partner with the organization in their Community Changers Breakfast fundraiser.

Motion Carried

COC-16-2024 Prostate Cancer Awareness Month

Moved by Councillor **Cory Stevenson**
Seconded by Councillor **Steven Campbell**

Whereas: Prostate Cancer is the number one cancer in men in Canada, Prostate Cancer Support Canada has requested that the Town of Cornwall light up the Cornwall Town Hall in blue during the month of September to show support to those afflicted with the disease;

Therefore, Be it Resolved: That the Town of Cornwall light the Cornwall Town Hall in blue for the week of September 1st – 7th 2024.

Motion Carried

ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY

a) Minutes/Reports:

- i) Minutes – April 8, 2024 (Draft)** included in the package. Councillor Stevenson provided the following updates:
 - The Earth Day Clean Up and BBQ had great attendance. Councillor Herlihy and staff Billy Ramsay went out prior to the day to identify priority areas.

b) Resolutions: Nil

MUNICIPAL AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

a) Minutes/Reports:

- i) Minutes – April 3, 2024 (Draft)** included in the package. Councillor Barnes provided the following updates:

- NRRFD Chief Anson Grant and Treasurer Kevin Bernard attended and provided great information on what the department does. There was a discussion on false alarms and although they are time-consuming, you don't know until you get there.
- Traffic safety – encourage residents to contact the RCMP when issues are spotted.
- Transit ridership had a 32% increase.

ii) NRRFD, RCMP, Bylaw, Humane Society, Transit Reports

b) **Resolutions:** Nil

PARKS AND RECREATION

a) **Minutes/Reports:**

i) **Minutes – April 10, 2024 (Draft)**

ii) **Manager's Report – April 2024** included in the package. Councillor Stevenson provided the following updates:

- The Memorial Bench and Tree project is ready to go. Residents can purchase their memorial and the Town will cover the installation.
- The Spring Guide is available for pick up at the various display stands and Town Hall.
- Ball Hockey is popular once again with an increase in registrations.
- Senior's Pickleball is full – staff is exploring other areas to play.
- The Easter Event had record numbers – staff had prepared 350 treat bags. Thank you to staff, the Event Committee volunteers, Top Hat Party and Councillor Campbell for Eliot River mascots.
- The Bike Rodeo will take place on May 4, 2024, at the Terry Fox Sports Complex.
- The Community Yard Sale will take place on May 11, 2024. Tables will be set up at the Cornwall Civic Centre and a map of addresses will be posted online.
- The Mascot Competition is underway, and the Committee is looking forward to some great submissions.

b) **Resolutions:**

PR--03-2024 Curling Club Lease Extension

Moved by Councillor Cory Stevenson
Seconded by Councillor Steven Campbell

Whereas: The Town of Cornwall leases a portion of the Cornwall Civic Centre to the Cornwall Curling Club for their use during the curling season and the most recent lease expired on December 31 2023;

And Whereas: The Town of Cornwall and the Cornwall Curling Club desire to continue this lease agreement for another five-year term;

Therefore, be it Resolved: That the Town of Cornwall enter a further five-year lease agreement extension with the Cornwall Curling Club, the extension of which is as considered at the Committee of Council meeting held on April 17, 2024 and is attached to this resolution.

Motion Carried

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Reports & Resolutions:

a) **Minutes/Reports:**

- i) **Minutes – April 3, 2024** (Draft) included in the package. Deputy Mayor MacIsaac noted that the Public Meeting took place on March 21, 2024, and some of the following resolutions came forward from that meeting.

b) **Resolutions:**

PL-11-2024 Bylaw 422E – Second Reading

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

Whereas: Council has received an application to rezone a portion of PID 246090 from Two-Unit Residential (R2) to General Commercial (C1). Said portion of PID 246090 is severed and consolidated with PID 246066, which is zoned General Commercial (C1).

Whereas: Pursuant to Section 2.2.1 and Section 22 of the *Zoning & Subdivision Control (Development) Bylaw #422* (the “Bylaw”) Council may concurrently consider amendment to the Zoning Map, being Schedule “A” to the Bylaw, and the General Land Use Plan, being Part 5, Figure 5 of the *2022 Official Plan* (the “Official Plan”) to ensure consistency where a Zone Boundary is indicated as following Lot or Property Lines.

And Whereas: Council has considered the Town of Cornwall Official Plan policy statements regarding servicing, commercial and residential zoning, and the criteria for concurrent Official Plan and Bylaw amendments under Section 6.4 of the Official Plan and Section 22 of the Bylaw.

And Whereas: the proposed amendment to the designation of said portion of PID 246090 on the Zoning Map and General Land Use Plan were presented to the public at an open meeting held on March 21, 2024.

And Whereas: the proposed amendment to the General Land Use Plan, being OPA-2024-1, was approved at a public meeting of Council on March 27, 2024.

And Whereas: Bylaw #422E, a bylaw to amend the Zoning Map, was read and approved for a first time at a public meeting of Council on March 27, 2024.

Therefore, be it Resolved: that Bylaw #422E, a bylaw to amend the Zoning Map, being Schedule “A” to the *Zoning & Subdivision Control (Development) Bylaw #422*, is hereby read and approved a second time.

Motion Carried

PL-12-2024 517 Bylaw 422E – Formal Adoption

Moved by Councillor **Jill MacIsaac**
Seconded by Councillor **Steven Campbell**

Whereas: Council has considered the Town of Cornwall Official Plan policy statements regarding servicing, commercial and residential zoning and developments, and the criteria for concurrent Official Plan and Bylaw amendments under Section 6.4 of the *2022 Official Plan* and Section 22 of the *Zoning & Subdivision Control (Development) Bylaw #422* (the “Bylaw”).

And Whereas: Bylaw #422E, a bylaw to amend the Zoning Map, being Schedule “A” to the Bylaw, was read and approved for the first time at the Town of Cornwall regular council meeting held on March 27, 2024;

And Whereas: Bylaw #422E, a bylaw to amend the Zoning Map, being Schedule “A” to the Bylaw, was read and approved for the second time at the Town of Cornwall regular council meeting held on April 24, 2024;

Therefore, be it Resolved: That Bylaw #422E, a bylaw to amend the *Zoning & Subdivision Control (Development) Bylaw #422*, is hereby formally adopted as a Bylaw of the Town of Cornwall.

Motion Carried

PUBLIC WORKS

- a) **Minutes/Reports:** The Committee will meet tonight, April 24, 2024. Councillor Campbell noted that the graffiti on Town buildings has been reported to the RCMP.
- b) **Resolutions:** Nil

WATER/SEWER UTILITY

- a) **Minutes/Reports: April 9, 2024** (draft) included in the package. Councillor Barnes noted that the Committee discussed proposed upcoming bylaw changes and ways to restrict outdoor water usage.
- b) **Resolutions:**

U-01-2024 517 Water Tower Tender Award

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

Whereas: The Town of Cornwall Water and Sewer Utility requires a new water tower to provide

the Town with increased water storage for the water distribution system allowing for future growth and development of the Town, increased water pressure in the system and increased fire flows;

And Whereas: The Town has been approved for funding under the Green Infrastructure Stream of the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program;

And Whereas: The Town of Cornwall tendered the project to construct a new water tower with all proposals due by 1:00PM, Friday, March 14, 2024, and all proposals received have been reviewed and verified for compliance with the bidding process by WSP, the Town's Engineers;

And Whereas: One compliant proposal, from Gertario Engineered Systems for the amount of \$3,605,743.35 plus HST, was received;

Therefore, be it Resolved: That the Town accept the proposal from Gertario Engineered Systems to construct a new water tower for the Town in the amount of \$3,605,743.35 plus HST.

Motion Carried

CORRESPONDENCE

- Councillor Stevenson recognized and congratulated Christine MacFadyen for her diligent work on getting "Rare Diseases Day" recognized.
- Councillor Stevenson gave a big shout out to Bluefield Amy MacPherson, Ryan Burhoe, staff, students, and volunteers on the stunning performance of "Mean Girls".
- Councillor Campbell wished Molly Clements good luck as she attends the Youth Bowling Championships in May.
- Councillor Campbell noted that the Citizens on Patrol have been busier as the weather gets nicer. He thanked the volunteers for their commitment and noted that the group is always looking for new volunteers.
- Mayor McCourt thanked staff for cleaning up the garbage that was dumped at East Wiltshire and thanked you to all that came out to help with the Earth Day Clean Up.

OTHER BUSINESS

Nil

IN CAMERA

Nil

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:56pm.

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER