



Minutes
Cornwall City Council

Meeting #: 2024-12
Date: Tuesday, April 30, 2024, 6:00 PM
Location: City Hall, Council Chambers, 360 Pitt Street, Cornwall, ON K6J 4P6

Attendance Committee Members: Justin Towndale, Mayor, Claude E. McIntosh, Councillor, Dean Hollingsworth, Councillor, Sarah Good, Councillor, Carilyne Hébert, Councillor, Elaine MacDonald, Councillor, Syd Gardiner, Councillor, Denis Sabourin, Councillor, Todd Bennett, Councillor, Fred Ngoundjo, Councillor

Regrets: Maurice Dupelle, Councillor

Attendance Administration: Mathieu Fleury, CAO, Manon L. Levesque, City Clerk, Jenelle Malyon, Deputy City Clerk, James Fawthrop, General Manager, Planning, Development and Recreation, Matthew Stephenson, Chief, Fire Services, Mellissa Morgan, General Manager, Human Services and Long-Term Care, Michael Fawthrop, General Manager, Infrastructure Planning and Municipal Works, Tracey Bailey, General Manager, Financial Services and Treasurer, Véronique Brunet, Supervisor, By-Law Services

Chair: Justin Towndale, Mayor
Prepared By: Office of the City Clerk (clerk@cornwall.ca)

- 1. Moment of Personal Reflection**
- 2. Indigenous Acknowledgement**

Mayor Towndale acknowledged that we were gathered on the traditional territory of the Haudenosaunee peoples, the Mohawks of Akwesasne, the original keepers of this land. As settlers, we are grateful for the opportunity to meet here, and we thank all the generations of people who have taken care of this land for thousands of years.

3. National Anthem

4. Mayor's Update and Announcements

5. Roll Call

The Acting Mayor for this month is Councillor Claude McIntosh.

6. Additions, Deletions or Amendments

- Lot Grading Update Report, 2024-31-IMW was moved from Action Reports to Presentations and Delegations Item #1
- By-law 2024-029 Amendments to Parking Violations Fines, 2024-61-PDR was moved from By-laws Item #1 to Presentations and Delegations Item #2.

7. Adoption of Agenda

Moved By: Todd Bennett, Councillor

Seconded By: Syd Gardiner, Councillor

Motion to adopt the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council of Tuesday, April 30, 2024, as presented.

Motion Carried

8. Pecuniary Interests

There were no pecuniary interests declared.

9. Adoption of Minutes

Moved By: Elaine MacDonald, Councillor

Seconded By: Syd Gardiner, Councillor

Motion to adopt the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council of Tuesday, April 9, 2024, as presented.

Motion Carried

10. Presentations and Delegations

1. Lot Grading Update Report, 2024-31-Infrastructure and Municipal Works

Michael Fawthrop, General Manager, Infrastructure and Municipal Works, presented Council with information related to the proposed Lot Grading By-law.

Moved By: Syd Gardiner, Councillor

Seconded By: Denis Sabourin, Councillor

Motion to receive Report Number 2024-31-IMW, entitled “Lot Grading By-law Communication Report” for informational purposes.

Motion Carried

2. By-law 2024-029 Amendments to Parking Violations Fines, 2024-61-Planning, Development and Recreation

Véronique Brunet, Supervisor, By-law Services, presented Council with the proposed amendments to the Parking Violation Fines.

Moved By: Denis Sabourin, Councillor

Seconded By: Sarah Good, Councillor

Motion to receive this Presentation.

Motion Carried

11. Bulk Consent Reports

Moved By: Elaine MacDonald, Councillor

Seconded By: Sarah Good, Councillor

Motion to approve the recommendations outlined in Items #1 through to 5 listed on the Bulk Consent portion of the Agenda.

Motion Carried

1. CIP Grant for 1005 First Street East and 224 Second Street West, 2024-68-Planning, Development and Recreation

That Council approve the two (2) Planning Advisory Committee recommendations as presented on April 15th, 2024.

2. Tender 24-T12 Reconstruction of Guy Street and Walton Street, 2024-47-Financial Services

That Tender 24-T12 be awarded to Coalwater Excavation Incorporated, from Casselman, Ontario, at the total bid price of \$1,831,867.77 including HST being the best bid meeting the tender specifications.

3. Tender 24-T13 Watermain Lining on Various City Street, 2024-48-Financial Services

That Tender 24-T13 be awarded to Foraction Incorporated, from Mont-Saint-Hilaire, Quebec at the total bid price of \$1,278,000.00 including HST, being the best bid meeting the tender specifications.

4. Tender 24-T22 Traffic Control Signals and Electrical Works, 2024-49-Financial Services

That Tender No. 24-T22 be awarded to Black & McDonald Limited from Ottawa, Ontario at the total bid price of \$358,107.17 including HST, being the best bid meeting the tender specifications.

5. CIP Brownfield Grant for 800 Second Street West, 2024-72-Planning, Development and Recreation

That Council approve the one (1) Planning Advisory Committee recommendation as presented on April 15th, 2024.

12. Action Reports

1. Financial Support for Month of June (Seniors and Recreation & Park Month) Activities, 2024-51-Financial Services

Moved By: Dean Hollingsworth, Councillor
Seconded By: Todd Bennett, Councillor

Motion to approve the transfer of funds in the amount of \$25,000 from Working Reserves to the Recreation department to support Seniors Month and Recreation and Parks Month. This amount would be paid back in the 2025 Budget.

Motion Carried

2. Lot Grading Update Report, 2024-31-Infrastructure and Municipal Works

This Item was moved to Presentations and Delegations Item #1.

3. Housing Update, 2024-09-Cornwall SDG Human Services Department

Moved By: Dean Hollingsworth, Councillor

Seconded By: Denis Sabourin, Councillor

Motion to receive Report 2024-09-HS for information purposes only.

Motion Carried

13. Inquiries

There were no inquiries.

14. Reports from Committees

- Councillor Dean Hollingsworth promoted the 1786 Cornwall Historical Society Anniversary event on June 7, 2024, held in Lamoureux Park.
- Councillor Dean Hollingsworth announced that Dev Hotel is hosting an event to allow children to perform for donations on May 1, at 6:30 p.m.
- Councillor Elaine MacDonald announced the success of the Art Fundraiser - The fund is currently at \$1,388,624.44, and of the total, the amount of \$1,073, 529.23 has been collected.
- Councillor Claude McIntosh announced that a local family physician is retiring. The Indian Time, Akwesasne Mohawk Nation's weekly newspaper, indicated they had invited 24 McGill University Students to tour the area. Councillor McIntosh encourages the City of Cornwall to do host a similar event.
- Mayor Justin Towndale announced that the Medical Recruitment review group will be meeting shortly.
- Councillor Denis Sabourin attended The Rotary Club Cornwall - Sunrise Changemakers event which was held at the Seaway Valley Theatre, where several locals were recognized as Paul Harris Fellows.
- Councillor Fred Ngoundjo mentioned that the Agenda is now available in the French language.

- Councillor Elaine MacDonald announced the revival of the construction on Pitt Street for the Art Centre.
- Councillor Sarah Good spoke about the success realized at the Eco Day event that was held on April 20, 2024, in Lamoureux Park.
- Councillor Syd Gardiner spoke about the merger of some of the Health Units and that the Eastern Ontario Health Unit will be staying on its own.
- Councillor Denis Sabourin indicated that the Mayor had the Chain of Office appraised during the Home and Leisure Show held at the Benson Centre.
- Councillor Sarah Good spoke about No Mow May, and the need to register your property to avoid risk of penalty.
- Mayor Justin Towndale spoke about the Good Roads Conference, and the successful delegations and meetings with The Ministry of Labour and Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, etc.

15. Notices of Motion

There were no Notices of Motion.

16. Resolutions

1. Business Case – University of Ottawa, 2024-42-CAO

Proposed by: Councillor Fred Ngoundjo

Seconded by: Councillor Sarah Good

Now therefore be it resolved that City Council direct Administration to enter into an Agreement with the team at the Institute for Institutional Development at the University of Ottawa to complete a Business Case for post-secondary courses and programs to be offered in Cornwall to be completed no later than October 1, 2024; and

Now therefore be it further resolved that City Council confirm the attribution of \$60,000 from Working Reserves to support this strategic initiative.

Moved By: Todd Bennett, Councillor

Seconded By: Syd Gardiner, Councillor

Motion to defer this matter to allow for more information to be shared.

Motion Carried

2. Legislative Amendments to Improve Municipal Codes of Conduct and Enforcement, 2024-09-Council Members

Moved By: Sarah Good, Councillor

Seconded By: Syd Gardiner, Councillor

Now therefore be it resolved that the City of Cornwall supports the call of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario for the Government of Ontario to introduce legislation to strengthen municipal Codes of Conduct and compliance with them in consultation with municipal governments; and

Now therefore be it also resolved that the legislation encompass the Association of Municipalities of Ontario's recommendations for:

- Updating municipal Codes of Conduct to account for workplace safety and harassment
- Creating a flexible administrative penalty regime, adapted to the local economic and financial circumstances of municipalities across Ontario
- Increasing training of municipal Integrity Commissioners to enhance consistency of investigations and recommendations across the province
- Allowing municipalities to apply to a member of the judiciary to remove a sitting member if recommended through the report of a municipal Integrity Commissioner
- Prohibit a member so removed from sitting for election in the term of removal and the subsequent term of office.

Motion Carried

17. In Camera Session / Rise and Report

Moved By: Todd Bennett, Councillor

Seconded By: Denis Sabourin, Councillor

Motion to move into a Closed Meeting to address matters pertaining to Section 239 (2) and (3.1) of the Municipal Act, 2001.

(2) A meeting or part of a meeting may be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered is

Item #1 Tax Sale - 2024-52-FS

(b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees

(c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board

Item #2 Tax Sale - 2024-53-FS

(b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees

(c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board

Item #3 Labour Relations Update - 2024-10-Fire

(d) labour relations or employee negotiations

Item #4 Housing Update - 2024-08-HS

(j) a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial or financial information that belongs to the municipality or local board and has monetary value or potential monetary value

(k) a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board

Motion Carried

18. By-laws

Moved By: Elaine MacDonald, Councillor

Seconded By: Syd Gardiner, Councillor

Motion to adopt By-laws 2024-033 to 2024-037 inclusive, listed on the Agenda.

Motion Carried

1. By-law 2024-029 Amendments to Parking Violations Fines, 2024-61-Planning, Development and Recreation

This item was moved to Presentations and Delegations Item #2.

2. By-law 2024-033 Business Licensing By-Law, 2024-62-Planning, Development and Recreation

3. By-law 2024-034 Lease Agreement at Legion Ballpark Clubhouse, 2024-71-PDR

4. **By-law 2024-035 GSDL - Complete Purchasing Services Agreement - 2024-50-FS, 2024-50-Financial Services**
5. **By-law 2024-036 Lease Renewal for the Morrisburg Paramedic Station, 2024-04-Cornwall SDG Paramedic Services**
6. **By-law 2024-037 Lease Extension with the Eastern Ontario Health Unit (EOHU), 2024-06-Cornwall SDG Human Services Department**

19. Confirming By-law

1. **Confirming By-law 2024-038 for April 30, 2024, 2024-39-CAO**

Moved By: Todd Bennett, Councillor

Seconded By: Elaine MacDonald, Councillor

Motion to adopt By-law 2024-038, being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of The Corporation of the City of Cornwall at its meetings held on Tuesday, April 30, 2024.

Motion Carried

20. Adjournment and Next Regular Meeting of Council

The next Regular Public Meeting of Council will be held on Tuesday, May 14, 2024.

Moved By: Elaine MacDonald, Councillor

Seconded By: Dean Hollingsworth, Councillor

Motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting of Council of Tuesday, April 30, 2024, at 9:55 p.m.

Motion Carried

Manon L. Levesque, City Clerk

Justin Towndale, Mayor