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MINUTES OF THE SECOND YEAR'S MEETINGS OF THE FIRST COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE TOWN OF BEDFORD COUNCIL SESSION - NOVEMBER 24, 1980

A meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Bedford was held in the Council Chambers, Suite 400, Bedford Tower, Bedford, Nova Scotia on Monday, November 24, 1980, 7:30 p.m. Deputy-Mayor Tom Innes presided and the meeting was attended by Councillors Bosko Loncarevic, David Lugar and John Tolson.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was noted that the heading on page 4 of the minutes of the session of November 10, 1980 should read, "Nova Scotia Paraplegic Association" rather than, "Nova Scotia Paraplegic."

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Tolson it was moved that the minutes of the meeting of November 10, 1980, as amended, be approved. Motion carried unanimously.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE HALIFAX-DARTMOUTH REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW

It was agreed by Council that the two nominations to the Advisory Committee for the Halifax-Dartmouth Regional Development Plan Review already approved, namely, Mrs. Ann MacVicar and Mr. Luigi Lucia, be submitted immediately to the Honorable Jack MacIsaac. It was further agreed that an additional nomination would hopefully be submitted and approved at the next meeting of Town Council.

#### SHORE DRIVE TRAFFIC CONTROL

The Town Engineer advised Council that the Department of Transportation has requested that the town submit results of traffic counts in the Shore Drive area before it will consider proposed traffic restrictions.

#### C.P. ALLEN HIGH SCHOOL

The Chief Administrative Officer advised that the draft proposed agreement respecting cost sharing between the County and the Town on the retirement of the capital debt re C.P. Allen School has been received.

Further review by staff is required before same is brought to Council for consideration.

#### BEDFORD PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Councillor Loncarevic advised Council that Phase Two of the preparation of a Municipal Development Plan has now been completed and a report will be forthcoming in the near future.

### BEDFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT

Copies of the monthly report of the Bedford Fire Department were circulated which included a review of the month's activities by Fire Prevention Officer, training, and calls for the month and year-to-date. In response to questioning from Councillor Tolson, the Council was advised that the number of false alarms was not abnormal and was usually the result of defective systems.

#### BUILDING INSPECTION DEPARTMENT

Copies of the monthly report of the Building Inspection Department were circulated indicating that the value of construction for which permits were issued in September and October exceeded \$1,464.900. Councillor Loncarevic requested that, in future, the D.P.A. Zone Breakdown indicate the division between residential and commercial construction.

#### DEED TRANSFER TAX

Staff was requested by Council to provide a monthly report indicating the number of property sale transactions taking place and the resulting deed transfer tax collected.

#### CORRESPONDENCE - BEDFORD RECREATION CENTRE

Copies of correspondence from Mr. Robert Nauss, Recreation Director, were circulated. Mr. Nauss advised Council that, subsequent to a request from the Bedford Lions' Club, a motion was passed at a meeting of the Bedford Recreation Commission that the Commission recommend to Bedford Town Council the renaming of the Recreation Centre the, "Dr. Gerry LeBrun Memorial Centre."

ON MOTION of Councillor Tolson and Councillor Lugar, it was moved that the Bedford Recreation Centre and Rink be renamed the, "Dr. Gerry LeBrun Memorial Centre." Motion carried unanimously.

It was suggested by Councillor Lugar that a renaming ceremony, organized by the Lions' Club in cooperation with Town Council, would be in order. It was also suggested that an appropriate sign be placed on the building.

#### CORRESPONDENCE - UNION OF NOVA SCOTIA MUNICIPALITIES

Copies of correspondence from Mr. Sherman Zwicker, Executive Director of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities, were circulated enclosing a copy of a telegram from the Honourable Paul Cosgrove regarding the cancellation of the Community Services Contribution Program.

Council was advised by the Chief Administrative Officer that Mayor Cosman has forwarded a letter to the Honourable Jack MacIsaac expressing concern with regard to the cancellation of the program and asking that a joint approach be made to Ottawa requesting the reinstatement of the same or a similar program. Mr. English also noted that the status of the expansion of the Mill Cove Treatment Plant is presently under question insofar as this program is concerned. It was suggested by Council that this matter should be placed on the Action Sheet.

#### CORRESPONDENCE - HALIFAX WEST HOUSING AUTHORITY

Copies of correspondence from Mr. H.C. Milroy, Manager, Halifax County West Housing Authority, were circulated enclosing copies of a proposed budget for the 1981 operation of the Senior Citizens' Complex in Bedford. It was noted by the Chief Administrative Officer that the estimated net operating loss for 1981 would be \$105,349 of which, under the present cost sharing arrangement, the Town of Bedford would be responsible for \$11,260. This would be offset by revenue from property taxes of approximately \$9,152.

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Tolson, it was moved that the proposed operating and capital budget as presented for the 1981 operation of the Senior Citizens' Complex be approved. Motion carried unanimously.

It was suggested by Councillor Lugar that serious consideration be given to the paving of Bridge Street as soon as possible.

#### AMENDMENT TO BYLAW RESPECTING STREAMS AND DRAINS

The Town Engineer reviewed for the benefit of Council proposed amendments to the Bylaw Respecting Streams and Drains.

ON MOTION of Councillor Loncarevic and Councillor Lugar, it was moved that the motion approving the Bylaw Respecting Streams and Drains, as approved at the Town Council Session of July 7, 1980, be rescinded. Motion carried unanimously.

ON MOTION of Councillor Loncarevic and Councillor Tolson, it was moved that the bylaw as presented and amended and known as a Bylaw Respecting Streams and Drains be approved subject to the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs. Motion carried unanimously.

#### BYLAW RESPECTING PARTIAL TAX EXEMPTIONS

Council was advised by the Chief Administrative Officer that the Bylaw Respecting Partial Tax Exemptions must actually specify the properties involved and suggested that the matter be deferred pending the settlement of a particular problem with regard to the property owned by the Seventh Day Adventist Church. Council agreed to defer the matter.

#### BYLAW RESPECTING CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Council was advised by the Chief Administrative Officer that one intent of this bylaw will be to allow the Town Clerk to function as the Chief Administrative Officer.

Councillor Loncarevic enquired as to the need and/or purpose of section "u", namely, "be the official liason between Council and the administrative staff. The Chief Administrative Officer suggested that, while there were no problems at the present time, such a function might be required in the future.

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Tolson, it was moved that the bylaw presented and known as a Bylaw Respecting Chief Administrative Officer be approved subject to the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs. Motion carried unanimously.

#### FINANCIAL REPORTS

Upon enquiry from Councillor Loncarevic, Council was advised that it was the intention of Town Staff to provide regular monthly statements of Revenues and Expenditures as soon as possible:

#### JOINT COUNCIL MEETING RE PUBLIC TRANSIT

The Deputy-Mayor advised Council that a joint Council Meeting scheduled for December 1, 1980 concerning Regional Transit has been cancelled.

#### SALTING OF STREETS

Following concern expressed by Fire Chief David Selig re the method used in salting Meadowbrook Drive, the Town Engineer agreed to investigate the matter.

#### ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION of Councillor Tolson and Councillor Lugar, it was moved that the meeting be adjourned.

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

MINUTES OF THE SECOND YEAR'S MEETINGS OF THE FIRST COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE TOWN OF BEDFORD COUNCIL SESSION - NOVEMBER 27, 1980

A special, emergency meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Bedford, for which notice was given on Thursday, November 27, 1980, was held at 4:30 p.m., Thursday, November 27, 1980, in the Council Chambers, Suite 400, Bedford Tower, Bedford, Nova Scotia. The meeting was presided by Mayor Francene Cosman and was attended by Councillors Tom Innes, Bosko Loncarevic, David Lugar and John Tolson.

#### PURPOSE OF MEETING

Mayor Cosman advised Council that the purpose of the meeting was to consider a resolution which would authorize the filing of a Petition with the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities, petitioning the Board to recommend to the Government of Nova Scotia changes in Legislation so as to provide the Town of Bedford with membership in the Metropolitan Authority and the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission equal to that enjoyed by the present participating Municipalities in those bodies.

#### MOTION

ON MOTION of Councillor Innes and Councillor Lugar, it was moved:

"BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor of Bedford be authorized and requested to file a Petition with the Public Utilities Board, operating under the Municipal Boundaries and Representation Act petitioning the Public Utilities Board to recommend to the Government of Nova Scotia changes in the Legislation providing for the composition of the Metropolitan Authority and the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission, so as to provide the Town of Bedford with membership equal to that enjoyed by the present participating Municipalities in these bodies."

During discussion of the motion some concern was expressed as to whether or not this application might further strain the relations between the Town of Bedford and the other municipal units in the metropolitan area.

Consideration was also given to the problem of the increased workload for Councillors if the application for full membership on both Boards is approved.

Councillor Lugar suggested that the members of Council should refrain from making statements to the press on the issue, unless such statements have received consideration and approval of Council.

The motion was called and passed unanimously.

#### ADJOURNMENT

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There being no further business, the meeting adjourned on motion of Councillor Innes and Councillor Tolson. Motion approved unanimously.

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

MINUTES OF THE SECOND YEAR'S MEETINGS OF THE FIRST
COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE TOWN OF BEDFORD
COUNCIL SESSION - DECEMBER 8, 1980

A meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Bedford took place on Monday, December 8, 1980, 7:30 p.m. in Suite 400, Bedford Tower, Bedford, Nova Scotia. Mayor Francene Cosman presided and the meeting was attended by Councillors Tom Innes, Bosko Loncarevic, David Lugar and John Tolson.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ON MOTION of Councillor Innes and Councillor Tolson, it was moved that the minutes of the Town Council Session of November 24, 1980 be approved. Motion approved unanimously.

ON MOTION of Councillor Tolson and Councillor Innes, it was moved that the minutes of the Special Council Session of November 27, 1980 be approved. Motion approved unanimously.

APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE - ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE HALIFAX-DARTMOUTH REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW

ON MOTION of Councillor Loncarevic and Councillor Innes, it was moved that Mr. Mengie Shulman be appointed as a Town of Bedford representative to the Public Participation Advisory Committee for the Halifax-Dartmouth Regional Development Plan Review. Motion approved unanimously.

#### C.P. ALLEN HIGH SCHOOL - PROPOSED CAPITAL COST SHARING AGREEMENT

The Chief Administrative Officer advised Council that a proposed draft agreement has been received from the County of Halifax re the capital cost sharing of C.P. Allen High School. This draft agreement has been reviewed by legal counsel and School Board Officials. After Council has approved the proposed changes, the agreement will be returned to the County of Halifax for their further consideration. Mr. English noted that it may be some time in January before the agreement is actually finalized for there appears to be some disagreement between the two parties as to the content of said agreement.

#### TOWN OF BEDFORD - MEMBERSHIP: METROPOLITAN AUTHORITY AND MAPC

Copies of correspondence from Mr. Kenneth MacInnis, Legal Counsel, were circulated in which Mr. MacInnis advised Council that the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities has expressed some doubt with regard to its jurisdiction under the Municipal Boundaries and Representation Act in dealing with Bedford's membership on the Metropolitan Authority and MAPC.

The Town of Bedford has petitioned the Board to consider making recommendations to the Provincial Government providing for amendments to the legislation establishing MAPC and the Metropolitan Authority.

Mr. MacInnis outlined some additional alternatives to Council for dealing with this issue and some discussion was held on the various alternatives.

It was the recommendation of the Chief Administrative Officer that Council take the avenue of requesting the Provincial Cabinet to appoint the Public Utilities Board to enquire into the matter under the Public Enquiries Act.

ON MOTION of Councillor Tolson and Councillor Innes it was moved that Council request the Minister of Municipal Affairs to have the Provincial Cabinet appoint the Public Utilities Board to inquire into the matter of Bedford's Membership on MAPC and the Metropolitan Authority under the Public Inquiries Act. Motion carried unanimously.

#### SACKVILLE RIVER BRIDGE

The Town Engineer advised Council that a plan for the reconstruction of the Sackville River Bridge has been received from the Department of Transportation, and is under review by staff. He noted that staff will probably recommend to Council that a public hearing be held in the early New Year.

#### PETITION - LINDSAY HILL RESIDENTS: REDUCTION OF STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY WIDTH

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Tolson, it was moved that Council move to Item 6 (d) of the Agenda in order to consider a petition on behalf of Lindsay Hill residents.

Councillor Loncarevic expressed opposition to the change in the agenda procedure noting that it was his opinion that, whenever possible, the established agenda should be followed and that residents should be interested enough in the business carried out by Town Council to be willing to await their position on the agenda.

The motion was put to the meeting and was approved. Councillor Loncarevic and Councillor Innes voted against the motion.

Copies of a petition signed by five owners of properties on Lindsay Hill were circulated in which the owners requested that the present property lines be readjusted to their original lines. It was noted that the present lines have resulted in all residents losing frontage which, in some cases, have made the properties unsaleable due to the property lines running through the homes. Mr. John Burrows and Mr. Curtis Parsons, owners of properties on Lindsay Hill spoke to Council on this matter and it was noted that the request is on behalf of owners of properties located on the south side of the street. Council was advised that, on the north side of the street, the street line is running along the property lines.

ON MOTION of Councillor Innes and Councillor Lugar, it was moved that the petition from residents of Lindsay Hill regarding the reduction of the street right-of-way be referred to staff for study and recommendation at a later date. Motion carried unanimously.

#### RECREATION DEPARTMENT REPORT

Recreation Director Robert Nauss presented the monthly report of the Recreation Department, copies of which were circulated to members of Council.

It was noted that an official ceremony for the renaming of the Recreation Centre is being planned; the 1981 Operating Budget and a 5 year capital projection has been submitted to the Chief Administrative Officer; the Recreation Winter Courses will begin January 5, 1981.

Mr. Nauss advised Council that 13 youth leaders attended a Leaders' Rally recently and participated in several training sessions and that a Canada Community Development Project has received approval under which Cross Country Ski Trails will be developed in the Jack Lake area and the Sackville River will receive a clean-up along with summer park and playground maintenance.

The report noted that the Traffic Authority has been requested to approve the installation of "No Parking" signs on the north side of Holland Avenue in order to solve the problem of accessibility for ambulance and fire vehicles.

#### BEDFORD PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

Councillor Bosko Loncarevic presented the report of the Bedford Planning Advisory Committee, copies of which were circulated to members of Council.

It was noted that Mr. Barry Zwicker has joined the staff of the Town of Bedford as Planner to assist in the completion of the Municipal Development Plan. Phase 2 of the Bedford MDP process has been completed and 5 neighbourhood meetings have, to date, been held to introduce the draft policy statements to a wider cross section of Bedford Residents. The Study of the "Socio-Economic Impact of Residential Development in final reports are expected shortly.

#### RECOGNITION OF SIDEWALK INSTALLATION

Councillor Loncarevic expressed the opinion that an appropriate ceremony should take place recognizing the completion of the first phase of sidewalks in the community. It was agreed by Council that the Deputy-Clerk and Councillor Loncarevic should arrange such an event.

#### TAX COLLECTION REPORT

Copies of the Tax Collection report to November 30, 1980 were circulated indicating the percentage of current taxes collected to be 86.7% and the percentage of arrears collected to be 51.3%.

#### DEED TRANSFER TAX REPORT

Copies of the Deed Transfer report to November 30, 1980 were circulated indicating that 104 transactions have taken place to date amounting to a total tax collection of \$53,311.

#### BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT

Copies of the Building Inspector's Report for the month of November, 1980 were circulated indicating that permits for construction to the value of \$615,695 have been issued with a resultant permit fee collection of \$1,234.50.

Councillor Loncarevic expressed concern that residential development is, at the present time, not being matched by commercial development and that this should be carefully watched. The Town Engineer advised Council that there are a number of commercial sites which are presently under consideration by various developers and this should result in applications for commercial development in the New Year.

#### COMMUNITY SERVICES CONTRIBUTION PROGRAM

Copies of a memorandum from the Honorable J. MacIsaac, enclosing a copy of a letter written by Mr. MacIsaac to the Honorable Paul Cosgrove were circulated, in which the Minister advised that he is protesting and requesting that Municipal Councils make their views known to the Federal Minister responsible, Honorable Paul Cosgrove.

QN MOTION of Councillor Tolson and Councillor Innes, it was moved that a letter be forwarded to the Honorable Paul Cosgrove, the Honorable A. MacEachern, the Honorable G. Regan and Mr. Howard Crosby, M.P. protesting the end of the Community Services Contribution Program.

Councillor Loncarevic expressed concern with regard to the basis for the protest, noting that funding for such programs ultimately comes from the taxpayer. Councillor Tolson suggested that this program was valuable in that it enabled small municipalities to obtain Sewer and Water services at a cost which could be afforded.

The motion was put to the meeting and was approved. Councillor Loncarevic voted against the motion.

#### NOVA SCOTIA HOUSING COMMISSION

Copies of correspondence from Mr. C.E. Schofield, Assistant Regional Manager, Bedford, Nova Scotia Housing Commission were circulated in which Mr. Schofield acknowledged receipt of copies of the Operating Budget for the Bedford Senior Citizens Housing Units. Mr. Schofield advised that the project is expected to be completed in January, 1981 and that a date for the official opening will be established at a later date. Mr. Schofield also advised Council that the Authority has submitted the name "Bedford Manor" to the Commission for approval.

#### MUNICIPAL GRANTS ACT

Copies of correspondence from the Honorable J. MacIsaac, Minister of Municipal Affairs were circulated, in which Mr. MacIsaac advised Mayor Cosman that the total Municipal Grant Fund for 1981 will be increased by 10.6% over the total funding available in 1980, in line with the rate of increase in Gross Provincial Revenues. The Chief Administrative Officer advised Council that further correspondence has also been received indicating that the standard expenditures per dwelling unit for purposes of calculating the operating and capital grants for 1981 have been set at \$500 for operating grants and \$400 for capital grants. The Uniform Assessment information is required before the actual amount of Grant due Bedford can be determined.

#### CANADA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Copies of correspondence from Mr. E. Head, Employment and Immigration Canada, were circulated in which Mr. Head advised the Chief Administrative Officer that the Town of Bedford's application to the Canada Community Development Program has been approved in the amount of \$36,968 providing for 7 jobs and 195 workweeks.

Mr. English noted that the proposed program would require a subsidy from town funding of approximately \$10,000.

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Innes, it was moved that the Mayor and Town Clerk be authorized to proceed to negotiate and sign the contract for the Canada Community Development Program.

Some concern was expressed by various members of Council that this motion should not be passed until further financial details were available. The Chief Administrative Officer advised that details could be brought to the next meeting of Council and that the subsequent delay in signing the agreement, if approved, not interfere with the proposed commencement of the program scheduled for January 5, 1980.

The motion was put to the meeting and was defeated. Councillors Tom Innes, Bosko Loncarevic and John Tolson voted against the motion.

#### YOUTH ALTERNATIVE PROJECT

Correspondence was read to Council from Mr. Trevor Townsend of the Youth Alternative Project in which Mr. Townsend noted that the demonstration project funding for this program would cease in November, 1981. He asked for an opportunity to speak to Council with regard to the program and its future financial needs. It was agreed by Council that Mr. Townsend should be given an opportunity to meet with Council sometime in the New Year.

#### REZONING APPLICATIONS

Correspondence was read to Council from Mrs. Jean Curren, Shore Drive, Bedford with which Mrs. Curren enclosed a petition opposing the request for the rezoning of a lot of land at the corner of Wardour Street and

the Dartmouth Highway. Mrs. Curren requested that the petition be kept on record in the event that a subsequent request for such a rezoning is received. Further correspondence from Mrs. Curren was read to Council with which was enclosed, a petition requesting that no further consideration be given to rezoning applications until such time as the Municipal Development Plan is completed.

During subsequent discussion it was noted by Council that if rezoning applications are not considered by Council, under the Planning Act, they can be submitted to the Provincial Planning Appeals Board for consideration.

Councillor Lugar suggested that Council should realize that those who signed the petition did so because of their honest concern and that they really did not expect any immediate action at the present time.

ON MOTION of Councillor Tolson and Councillor Loncarevic, it was moved that a letter be written to Mrs. Curren advising her of the relevant sections of the Planning Act. Motion carried unanimously.

#### POLLUTION - QUARRY OPERATIONS

Correspondence was read to Council from the Waverley Ratepayers Association requesting support in their concern for pollution resulting from the existance of a quarry operation in their area.

It was suggested by the Chief Administrative Officer that this correspondence might be referred to the Board of Health. During discussion it was also noted that the quarry operation in question was not located in the Town of Bedford, but in the County of Halifax.

ON MOTION of Councillor Tolson and Councillor Lugar, it was moved that a letter be written to the Honorable K. Streatch, with a copy to the Waverley Ratepayers Association, advising that we have been made aware of the concerns of the Waverley Ratepayers and asking that the government consider the advisability of an investigation of the occupational hazards and environmental pollution that may be resultant from such a quarry operation. Motion carried unanimously.

#### INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Correspondence was read to Council from the Minister of Development in which Mayor Cosman's request for information on the setting up of an Industrial Development Commission and financial assistance with regard to the compiling of some promotional material was acknowledged. The Minister advised that his staff would be in contact with the town in the near future.

#### ADMINISTRATION - SOCIAL SERVICES PROGRAM

By memorandum the Chief Administrative Officer recommended the acceptance by Town Council of the proposal from the Director of Social Services for the County of Halifax for the administration by the County, of the Town of Bedford's Social Service Program for the year 1981. ON MOTION of Councillor Innes and Councillor Loncarevic, it was moved that the County of Halifax Social Services Department administer the Social Service Program of the Town of Bedford for the year 1981 at a cost of \$30,000, and that the Mayor and Town Clerk be authorized to enter into an agreement with the County of Halifax accordingly. Motion carried unanimously.

#### RECIPROCAL AGREEMENT: TOWN OF BEDFORD AND COUNTY OF HALIFAX

By memorandum the Chief Administrative Officer recommended that the Town of Bedford enter into a reciprocal agreement with the Municipality of the County of Halifax with regard to the payment of general assistance to persons in need regardless of whether their settlement is in the County of Halifax or the Town of Bedford.

During the ensuing discussion it was noted that while such an agreement was advantageous in that it was an example of municipal co-operation, it was possible that it could result in added expense to the Town of Bedford.

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Tolson, it was moved that the Town of Bedford enter into a reciprocal agreement with the County of Halifax for the provision of general assistance for a period of two years. Motion carried unanimously.

#### TAX SALE POLICY

By memorandum the Chief Administrative Officer recommended that the Town of Bedford conduct a tax sale at least once annually and that properties with taxes in arrears for two full years be subject to immediate proceedings under provisions of the Assessment Act leading to sale of same for outstanding property taxes.

ON MOTION of Councillor Innes and Councillor Lugar, it was moved that properties with taxes in arrears for two full years be subject to immediate proceedings under provisions of the Assessment Act leading to sale of same for outstanding property taxes. Motion carried unanimously.

#### PURCHASING POLICY

Copies of a proposed Purchasing Policy were circulated to Council for consideration. The Chief Administrative Officer noted that the policy has been drafted in such a way to allow that the department heads be considered the purchasing authority for their departments within budgetary allotments. Councillor Loncarevic advised Council that Councillor Roberts has read the proposed policy and has verbally expressed concern about the intent of a decentralized purchasing system.

ON MOTION of Councillor Loncarevic and Councillor Tolson, it was moved that consideration of the Purchasing Policy be deferred. Motion carried unanimously.

#### CHRISTMAS HOURS - TOWN OFFICE

By memorandum the Chief Administrative Officer advised Council of the proposed holiday schedule for office hours. Council expressed agreement with the hours and the proposal that same be published in the local newspaper.

#### DATE OF NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

ON MOTION of Councillor Loncarevic and Councillor Innes, it was moved that the regular Council Session scheduled for December 22, 1980 be rescheduled to December 16, 1980 following the rezoning hearing for the application from Bedford Village Properties Ltd. Motion carried unanimously.

#### BEDFORD SERVICE COMMISSION FINAL MEETING

ON MOTION of Councillor Loncarevic and Councillor Innes, it was moved that the Town Council sponsor a small reception following the final meeting of the Bedford Service Commission, scheduled for Monday, December 15, 1980, 7 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

#### SCHOOL BUS STOP - BEDFORD FIRE HALL

Fire Chief David Selig advised Council of his concerns with regard to problems occurring because of the location of a school bus stop at the Bedford Fire Hall. It was agreed that the School Superintendent should be asked to look into this matter with a view to suggesting corrective measures to the County of Halifax Transportation Supervisor.

#### WINTER PARKING REGULATIONS

In response to an enquiry as to who will enforce the winter parking regulations, the Fire Chief was informed that the R.C.M.P. would issue tickets if requested by snow plow operators or other callers.

#### NEW YEAR'S LEVEE

Fire Chief Selig advised Council that the Volunteer Fire Department is willing to cooperate with the Council in regard to the New Year's Levee as in the past but will be looking for financial assistance.

#### BEDFORD MANOR

Fire Chief Selig advised Council that the Fire Department is concerned with the possible naming of the Senior Citizen's Complex, the "Bedford Manor." It was suggested that the department's concerns should be addressed to one of the town's representatives on the Halifax West Housing Authority.

#### ADOURNMENT

ON MOTION of Councillor Tolson and Councillor Innes, it was moved that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

## MINUTES OF THE SECOND YEAR'S MINUTES OF THE FIRST COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE TOWN OF BEDFORD COUNCIL SESSION - DECEMBER 19, 1980

A meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Bedford took place on Friday, December 19, 1980, 10 a.m., in Suite 200, Bedford Tower, Bedford, Nova Scotia. Mayor Francene Cosman presided and the meeting was attended by Councillors Arnold Legree, Bosko Loncarevic, Tom Innes and David Lugar.

It was noted that this meeting had been originally scheduled for December 16, 1980, however, due to inclement weather conditions was deferred until December 19, 1980.

#### PRESENTATION OF FRAMED PHOTOGRAPH

Mr. Carlos Cacola presented the Town of Bedford with the gift of a large, framed photograph of a scene in the Rocky Lake area. Mayor Cosman accepted the photograph on behalf of the Council and expressed appreciation to Mr. Cacola for his generous gift.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Innes, it was moved that the minutes of the Town Council meeting of December 8, 1980, be approved. Motion carried unanimously.

#### FEDERAL WINTER WORKS PROGRAM

By memorandum of the Town Engineer, a proposal for work planned under a Federal Winter Works Program was reviewed. It was noted that projects planned re Parkland Development would not require a subsidy beyond the funding available from the federal financing but projects planned by the Engineering Department (Existing Building Conditions Survey and "As Built" Field Survey) would require a further subsidy of approximately \$10,000.

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Legree, it was moved that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to negotiate and sign a contract for funding under the Canada Community Development Project program and that ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) be included in the 1981 Town budget as a subsidy towards the federal funding available.

During the ensuing discussion, concern was expressed that a portion of the proposed program concerning the determination of the condition of existing housing stock might be considered by the general public as an invasion of privacy.

ON MOTION of Councillor Loncarevic and Councillor Innes, it was moved that the motion be amended by the addition of the words, "provided that the actual nature of the 'existing building condition survey' be further discussed and approved by the Council." Amendment approved unanimously. The amended motion was approved unanimously.

#### AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA

It was agreed by Council that the following items of the agenda be deferred: Item 8 (a) Appointment of Special Constable to serve Family Court Summonses

- (e) Council Stipends 1981
- (g) Capital Receivables County of Halifax Sewer Laterals.

It was agreed by Council that the following items should be added to the agenda:

- (1) Provincial Employment Program Winter Phase
- (2) Correspondence Bedford Service Commission Proposed Monument
- (3) Correspondence International Year of Disabled Persons
- (4) Tender Garbage Collection Contract
- (5) Mainstreet Program
- (6) Resolution Acceptance of Bedford Service Commission Assets, Liabilities, etc.
- (7) Appointment of Town Solicitor.

#### APPOINTMENT OF TOWN SOLICITOR

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Loncarevic, it was moved that Mr. Kenneth MacInnis be appointed, pursuant to Section 98 of the Towns Act, as Town Solicitor, effective January 1, 1981. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Cosman noted that Mr. MacInnis has provided faithful service both to the Bedford Service Commission and the Town of Bedford and she looked forward to the continuing relationship. Councillor Lugar expressed the opinion that the firm with which Mr. MacInnis was associated was highly regarded and its assistance and resources would no doubt prove valuable in the future.

#### RENOVATIONS - SIDNEY STEPHEN BUILDING

Copies of correspondence from Mr. Lorne J. Verabioff, Chairman of the Bedford Board of School Commissioners, were circulated in which the Council was requested to proceed with the granting of a portion of the Sidney Stephen Building tender in order that the renovations to the Industrial Arts area could commence.

ON MOTION of Councillor Legree and Councillor Loncarevic, it was moved that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign a contract with Merlin Kerr Ltd. in the amount of \$41,600 for renovations to the Industrial Arts area of the Sidney Stephen Building. Motion carried unanimously.

#### TMH RENOVATIONS - SIDNEY STEPHEN BUILDING

Councillor Loncarevic expressed the opinion that the contract for the TMH Renovations at the Sidney Stephen Building should also be approved immediately instead of waiting until the tuition and capital cost

sharing agreements re C.P. Allen High School are approved.

Councillor Loncarevic served Notice of Motion that a motion will be made at the next meeting of the Town Council that Council enter immediately into a contract to proceed with the required renovations for the TMH program at the Sidney Stephen Building.

#### CANADIAN PARAPLEGIC ASSOCIATION - 1981 GRANT

ON MOTION of Councillor Innes and Councillor Legree, it was moved that the Town Council approve a grant of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) to the Canadian Paraplegic Association for the year 1981. Motion carried unanimously.

#### PROVINCIAL EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM - WINTER PHASE

Copies of a memorandum from Richard M. Butler, Department of Development, were circulated in which Mr. Butler advised the details of a new phase of the Provincial Employment Program to begin January 26, 1980.

ON MOTION of Councillor Legree and Councillor Innes, it was moved that the Chief Administrative Officer and the Town Engineer be authorized to apply to the Nova Scotia Department of Development for participation in the Provincial Employment Program, details of which will be presented to Council at a later date. Motion carried unanimously.

#### BEDFORD SERVICE COMMISSION - CONSTRUCTION OF A MONUMENT

A petition signed by eleven ratepayers of the Bedford Service Commission was read to Council in which a request was made that a monument be constructed at the Sunnyside Intersection commemorating the twenty-seven years of the existence of the Bedford Service Commission.

ON MOTION of Councillor Loncarevic and Councillor Innes it was moved that a letter be sent to the Bedford Heritage '80 Society asking that organization if it would be prepared to form a small steering committee to advise on the approach to the execution of the Bedford Service Commission recommendation to establish a monument. Motion carried unanimously.

#### INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF DISABLED PERSONS - APPOINTMENT TO COMMITTEE

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Loncarevic, it was moved that Mrs. Patricia Morrison be the continuing representative of the Town Council on the Committee for the International Year of Disabled Persons, subject to her approval. Motion carried unanimously.

#### OWNERSHIP AND OPERATION OF SEWER SYSTEM

THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER advised Council that the County of Halifax has approved a resolution petitioning the Board of Commissioners

of Public Utilities to confirm the existing arrangements with regard to ownership and operation of the entire Sewer System for a further six month period until such time as the cost sharing arrangements between the two parties can be worked out. There would be no retroactive adjustment.

ON MOTION of Councillor Innes and Councillor Legree it was moved that the Town of Bedford petition the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities under the provisions of the Municipal Boundaries and Representation Act for an Order confirming the vesting in the Town of Bedford of the ownership of the sewerage system and appurtenances thereto located within the boundaries of the Town of Bedford but excluding the Mill Cove Sewage Treatment Plant, the Bedford-Sackville Trunk Sewer, the Bedford-Sackville Pumping Station and the force mains from the Bedford-Sackville Pumping Station to the Mill Cove Sewage Treatment Plant;

AND FURTHER that the Mayor be authorized to instruct legal counsel accordingly, and to execute the Petition on behalf of the Town of Bedford.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### TEMPORARY BORROWING RESOLUTION - FIRE STATION EXTENSION

ON MOTION of Councillor Legree and Councillor Innes, it was moved that Town Council approve a Temporary Borrowing Resolution for an extension to the Bedford Fire Station, not to exceed one hundred and forty thousand dollars (\$140,000), subject to the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs. Motion carried unanimously.

#### CONTRACT - EXTENSION TO FIRE STATION

ON MOTION of Councillor Innes and Councillor Legree, it was moved that the contract for the construction of an addition to the Bedford Fire Station be amended by an additional Thirty-Five Hundred Dollars (\$3,500) in order to include the cost of connecting the station to the Bedford Water System. Motion carried unanimously.

#### INTERIM REPRESENTATIVE - LIBRARY BOARD

The Chief Administrative Officer advised Council that the Library Board has requested than an interim appointment be made until such time as Councillor Roberts is able to resume duties on this Board. After some discussion it was agreed to defer such an appointment until the next meeting of Council.

#### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

By memorandum, the Town Engineer identified a program of road maintenance and capital works for which Staff recommended that cost sharing be requested from the Department of Transportation. The Town Engineer also recommended that the Mayor be authorized to write the Minister of

Transportation requesting the retention of Trunk #1 from Sunnyside to the Bi-Hi as a one-hundred per cent (100%) provincially owned and operated highway.

ON MOTION of Councillor Innes and Councillor Legree, it was moved that the Town Council authorize the Town Engineer to submit the maintenance and capital works programs, identified on appendix I, to the Department of Transportation, the cost not to exceed \$40,000 and \$60,000 respectively. Motion carried unanimously.

ON MOTION of Councillor Innes and Councillor Loncarevic, it was moved that the Council authorize the Mayor to write the Minister of Transportation requesting the retention of Trunk #1 from Sunnyside to the Bi-Hi as a one-hundred per cent (100%) provincially owned and operated highway. Motion carried unanimously.

#### CONTRACT - GARBAGE COLLECTION

By memorandum, the Town Engineer advised Council that tenders for the collection of garbage were received and publicly opened on Wednesday, December 10, 1980, at 12:00 noon. Four tenders were submitted. The lowest responsible bid was submitted by Wayne T. Kelly at a tendered price of \$3,483 a month (\$41,796 per year). It was the recommendation of the Town Engineer that the tender of Mr. Kelly be accepted.

ON MOTION of Councillor Loncarevic and Councillor Innes, it was moved that Town Council award the tender for Garbage Collection, Town of Bedford, for the year 1981, to Mr. Wayne T. Kelly of 72 Shore Drive in Bedford;

that Council authorize the Mayor and Town Clerk to enter into an agreement with the successful bidder;

that the successful bidder be advised to sign the Contract Agreement and provide all necessary documentation as required by the specifications no later than December 24, 1980.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### MAINSTREET PROGRAM

By memorandum the Chief Administrative Officer adivsed Council of details of provincial cost sharing of the cost of preparing a long term development plan under the Mainstreet Program. Of a total cost of \$13,500, the net cost to the Town and Business Community would be \$1,750. It was the recommendation of the Chief Administrative Officer that Town Council authorize the submission of a proposal for such cost sharing to the appropriate government departments, prior to December 31, 1980.

ON MOTION of Councillor Innes and Councillor Loncarevic, it was moved that Town Council authorize the submission of the proposal for the

cost sharing of the cost of preparing a long term development plan to the Nova Scotia Department of Development. Motion carried unanimously.

Councillor Loncarevic expressed concern that, to date, there appears to be little contact between the BBIC and the B-PAC. It was noted that Councillor Legree is presently serving on both committees and that, in the future, an attempt will be made to have wider representation from B-PAC on the BBIC in order to improve communication. Also representation will be sought from the Bedford Recreation Commission.

#### DISSOLUTION OF BEDFORD SERVICE COMMISSION

ON MOTION of Councillor Loncarevic and Councillor Legree, it was moved that the Mayor and the Town Clerk be authorized to enter into an agreement with the Bedford Service Commission transferring all of the assets, liabilities, rights, claims and obligations of the said Service Commission to the Town of Bedford, and further that the Mayor and Town Clerk be hereby authorized to execute all agreements, deeds, assignments and other documents and to do all such other acts as are necessary to facilitate the said transfer, including any application or petition to the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities in this regard by either the Bedford Service Commission and/or the Town of Bedford.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION of Councillor Legree and Councillor Innes, it was moved that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

## MINUTES OF THE SECOND YEAR'S MEETINGS OF THE FIRST COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE TOWN OF BEDFORD COUNCIL SESSION - JANUARY 12, 1981

A meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Bedford took place on Monday, January 12, 1981, 7:30 p.m. in Suite 400, Bedford Tower, Bedford, Nova Scotia. Mayor Francene Cosman presided and the meeting was attended by Councillors Arnold Legree, Bosko Loncarevic, David Lugar, Keith Roberts and John Tolson.

Mayor Cosman welcomed Councillor Roberts back to Council Sessions following a lengthy illness.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was agreed that the minutes of the Council Session of December 19, 1980, should be amended to note the fact that the session had been called to replace the previously cancelled meeting of December 16, 1980, and that the Public Hearing had been deleted from the agenda.

ON MOTION of Councillor Legree and Councillor Loncarevic, it was moved that the minutes of the meeting of December 19, 1980, be approved as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

#### TMH RENOVATIONS - SIDNEY STEPHEN BUILDING

ON MOTION of Councillor Loncarevic and Councillor Legree, it was moved that the motion re the TMH Renovations to the Sidney Stephen Building be deferred to the next meeting of Town Council, pending the outcome of an emergency meeting to take place between the Boards of School Commissioners of the Town of Bedford and the Municipality of the County of Halifax. Motion carried unanimously.

#### INTERIM REPRESENTATIVE - LIBRARY BOARD

Councillor Roberts advised Council that he expected to be able to resume his activities as a representative of the Town of Bedford on the Regional Library Board.

ON MOTION of Councillor Loncarevic and Councillor Lugar, it was moved that Mr. Brian Nicholls be appointed as an alternate representative to the Regional Library Board. Motion carried unanimously.

#### 1981 OPERATING ESTIMATES - TOWN OF BEDFORD

The Chief Administrative Officer advised Council of the present status of budget preparation. He noted that, due to the difficulty of determining estimates in several areas of expenditures, it would probably be late February before an initial draft is ready for Council review.

#### INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

The Mayor advised Council that a meeting has been scheduled for later this month with officials of the Department of Development to discuss possible funding assistance from the Department.

#### SHORE DRIVE - ACCESS RESTRICTIONS

Councillor Tolson expressed concern re the delay in implementing traffic restrictions on Shore Drive. The Town Engineer reviewed the problems being encountered in this and other matters and noted that it was hoped these could be settled in the near future.

#### REQUEST TO PURCHASE PROPERTY - 41 HIGH STREET

The Town Engineer advised Council that Staff intends to submit a proposal to Council on January 26, 1981, with regard to procedures for the disposal of surplus lands.

#### BEDFORD PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

Councillor Loncarevic reviewed the BPAC report in which the following recommendations were made:

- (a) that Mr. Barry Zwicker be designated as the Town Staff Member assigned to BPAC to assist in the preparation of the Bedford Municipal Development Plan;
- (b) that the Chief Administrative Officer seek approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs for the appointment of Mr. Zwicker as the Planner assisting the Town of Bedford in the preparation of its Municipal Development Plan;
- (c) that Council members on BPAC be reappointed for the year 1981;
- (d) that the Mayor write to the Honorable J. Erola, Minister of State for Mines, requesting that the depiction of Bedford in the next edition of "Canada Atlas" be corrected.

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Loncarevic, it was moved that the Mayor and Council be appointed to serve on the Bedford Planning Advisory Committee for the year 1981. Motion carried unanimously.

ON MOTION of Councillor Roberts and Councillor Lugar, it was moved that Councillor Loncarevic be appointed as Chairman of the Bedford Planning Advisory Committee for the year 1981. Motion carried unanimously.

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Legree, it was moved that the report of the Bedford Planning Advisory Committee be adopted. Motion carried unanimously.

#### DEED TRANSFER TAX REPORT

Copies of the Deed Transfer Tax Report were circulated in which it was noted that, as of December 31, 1980, 126 transactions have taken place resulting in the collection of a total deed transfer tax of \$64,851.

#### TAX COLLECTIONS REPORT

Copies of the Tax Collections Report were circulated in which it was noted that, as of December 31, 1980, 87.6% of current taxes receivable in an amount of \$1,099,603, and 55.7% of tax arrears, in an amount of \$196,681, have been collected.

#### PROPERTY TAX DISCOUNT AND INTERIM BILLING

Councillor Loncarevic requested that Staff and Council consider the implementation of a discount for early payment of property taxes. Some discussion also took place with regard to the possibility of an interim billing of taxes. It was agreed that these matters should be discussed further at a future meeting of Council.

#### BUILDING INSPECTION REPORT

Copies of the Building Inspection Report for the month of December, 1980, were circulated in which it was noted that twelve permits were issued for a total construction value of \$246,762, resulting in building fees collected of \$496.

Council was also advised that during the month of December a total of one hundred and twenty-seven (127) inspections were conducted.

A consolidated report from the Building Inspection Department indicated that permits issued from July 1, 1980 to December 31, 1980 totalled one hundred and three (103) for a total construction value of \$2,997,297.

Councillor Loncarevic expressed approval of the detail provided in the Building Inspection Report and inquired as to whether it would be possible to include an additional column which would indicate the actual value of the residential and commercial development. Staff agreed to include this information in future.

#### BLASTING AND/OR DEMOLITION NOTIFICATION

Mayor Cosman inquired of the Town Engineer if it would be possible for Council to be notified when blasting or demolition permits are issued. The Town Engineer agreed that Staff could carry out this policy.

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Copies of the report of the Fire Department were circulated in which it was noted that twenty calls were received during the month of December, and a total of two hundred and seventy-four (274) for the year 1980. The report also contained a review of training and inspection activities for the month of December. The Fire Chief noted that the construction of the addition to the Fire Hall is progressing well.

In response to an inquiry from Council with regard to the difficulty in responding to calls during the particularly bad weather being encountered this year, Chief Selig advised that the vehicles are well equipped for winter movement.

CORRESPONDENCE - MR. MARTIN GALLAGHER - CAPITAL SEWER CHARGES -CEMETERIES

Copies of correspondence from Mr. Martin Gallagher, Director of Engineering and Works, County of Halifax, were circulated in which Mr. Gallagher reviewed the situation with regard to the charging of Capital Sewer Charges to cemetery properties in the Town of Bedford. He advised that the only charges applied were to two lots owned by the Brookside Cemetery Corporation, on the basis that these two particular lots might, in the future, be developed for purposes other than that of a cemetery. He noted that, at the present time, no provision has been made in the applicable legislation for the exemption of cemetery properties with regard to such capital charges and advised that it is his intention to bring this matter before the appropriate committee so that steps might be taken to rectify the situation.

It was agreed by Council that the matter be deferred with the proviso that Council be informed promptly with regard to Mr. Gallagher's success in obtaining the desired change in legislation.

#### PERTH STREET

Councillor Lugar requested that the Traffic Authority ensure that Perth Street receives a higher degree of attention with regard to snow clearing, sanding, etc., than has been customary in the past, noting that the residences of two doctors are located on this street.

CORRESPONDENCE - ITALO-CANADIAN CULTURAL ASSOCIATION - REQUEST FOR GRANT

Copies of correspondence from Aurora Gardin, of the Italo-Canadian Cultural Association, were circulated in which Town Council was requested to consider the approval of a financial grant to the Italian Relief Fund.

During the ensuing discussion it was suggested by Councillor Loncarevic that it might ultimately be more valuable and of more assistance if Council would explore the idea of becoming more personally involved than would be the case if a grant is simply approved. He suggested that there are many ways in which the Council might provide leadership to the community in this regard.

Councillor Lugar expressed concern that the Town was not yet in a position to consider financial grants until the total financial picture of the Town is available.

It was agreed that Councillor Lugar would contact the writer to discuss the possible alternatives suggested.

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Legree, it was moved that the matter be deferred, pending a report from Councillor Lugar on his discussion with Mrs. Gardin. Motion carried unanimously.

#### CORRESPONDENCE - COBEQUID MULTI-SERVICE CENTRE - REQUEST FOR GRANT

Copies of correspondence from Shirley Freer, Chairman, Board of Directors, Cobequid Multi-Service Centre, were circulated in which Mrs. Freer requested consideration of Town Council for a financial grant to the Centre.

ON MOTION of Councillor Roberts and Councillor Lugar, it was moved that consideration of a grant to the Cobequid Multi-Service Centre be deferred pending the obtaining of information with regard to the present financing of the operations of the centre. Motion carried unanimously.

#### CORRESPONDENCE - HONORABLE R. THORNHILL - MAINSTREET PROGRAM GRANT

Copies of correspondence from the Honorable R. Thornhill were circulated, in which Mr. Thornhill advised Mayor Cosman that the Department of Development has approved the allocation of a grant of \$69,459 towards the construction of sidewalks and the cost sharing to a maximum of \$10,000 towards the preparation of a long-term development plan for improvements in Bedford's Business District.

#### CORRESPONDENCE - HONORABLE T. McINNIS - SACKVILLE EXPRESSWAY

Copies of correspondence from the Honorable T. McInnis to Mr. W.L. Single, President of Industrial Estates Ltd., were circulated in which Mr. McInnis advised that, due to the construction of C.P. Allen High School, it would be necessary for the Department of Transportation to re-investigate alternate alignments for the proposed future expressway in that area.

ON MOTION of Councillor Legree and Councillor Loncarevic, it was moved that the Mayor write to the Minister of Transportation expressing the Town's desire for the construction of the expressway from Rocky Lake Drive to the Cobequid Road including the proposed interchange with the Bi-Centennial Highway, and that this request be followed up by meetings of the Town Staff with the Department. Motion carried unanimously.

During the ensuing discussion it was agreed by Council that the Mayor write the Minister asking that Town Staff have input into the planning of the alignment of the Bedford-Sackville Expressway and, further, that the Mayor be authorized to strongly encourage the early construction on that portion of the Bedford-Sackville Expressway between Rocky Lake Drive and the Cobequid Road.

#### CORRESPONDENCE - DARTMOUTH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE - METRO TRANSIT

Copies of correspondence from Mr. Ralph Sams, Co-Chairman of the Dartmouth Chamber of Commerce, concerning the delay in the commencement of Metro Transit, were circulated. It was noted by Council that meetings are currently being scheduled to discuss this problem.

#### SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION - ROCKY LAKE DRIVE

Councillor Roberts noted that at a previous meeting of Town Council it was agreed that an estimate of costs should be obtained for the extension of the sidewalk on Rocky Lake Drive from Rockmanor Drive to the Sunnyside intersection. He advised that he has obtained an estimate of \$140,000 for this construction from the Department of Transportation. Councillor Roberts also noted that the Honorable K. Streath, M.L.A., has agreed that provincial cost sharing would be made available for this extension of the original contract.

ON MOTION of Councillor Roberts and Councillor Loncarevic, it was moved that in view of the recent announcement by the Honorable K. Streatch regarding the extension of the Rocky Lake Drive Sidewalk contract from Rockmanor Drive to the Sunnyside intersection, with cost sharing as in the initial phase, the Town Council formally request the Department of Transportation to undertake this extension of sidewalk construction. Motion carried unanimously.

It was noted by the CAO that approximately \$30,000 remains in the County of Halifax Special Reserve Fund, presently allocated for sidewalk construction in Bedford, which will result in an expenditure from Town funds of only \$10,000 to \$12,000 for this extension of sidewalk construction for the 1981 fiscal year.

Some discussion took place with regard to the location of the side-walk extension and it was suggested by Councillor Roberts that a crosswalk should be located at the intersection of Sunnydale Crescent and Rocky Lake Drive in order that the sidewalk from Sunnydale Crescent to the Sunnyside intersection could be placed on the southeast side of the highway.

#### SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION POLICY

Mayor Cosman expressed concern re the need for sidewalk construction on the Hammonds Plains Road, noting the dangerous situation which exists along this particular highway.

A discussion ensued as to the future of the Hammonds Plains Road and it was recommended that the Mayor write the Minister and ask that Town Staff be kept informed and have input into the determinations of the future of the Hammonds Plains Road.

Councillor Lugar suggested that Staff be requested to draw up a threeyear program for sidewalk construction and that Council consider adopting the recommended schedule in order that the public will be aware of what is planned.

#### PURCHASING POLICY

Copies of a draft Purchasing Policy were circulated for consideration by Council. The following amendments were requested by Council:

Section 1.5 -- the addition of, "and the Chief Administrative Officer shall encourage the overall standardization of items used by the Town."

- Section 4.1 -- following the word manner, the addition of,
  "subject to Section 4 (g) of the Chief Administrative Officer Bylaw."
- Section 5.3 -- following the word ensure, the addition of, "firstly the need and secondly,"
  - Section 7.1 -- Paragraph 1 should read, "Tenders shall be invited for the supply of goods and/or services exceeding \$2,500 and shall be advertised for the supply of goods and services exceeding \$25,000."

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Legree, it was moved that the Purchasing Policy as presented and amended be adopted. Motion carried unanimously.

#### 1981 SCHOOL BOARD OPERATING BUDGET

By memorandum, The Chief Administrative Officer recommended that the 1981 School Board operating Budget, approved by the Bedford Board of School Commissioners, be tabled for consideration at a later date.

ON MOTION of Councillor Roberts and Councillor Legree, it was moved that the 1981 School Board Operating Budget be tabled. Motion carried unanimously.

#### 1981 SCHOOLS CAPITAL BUDGET

By memorandum, the Chief Administrative Officer circulated the 1981 Schools Capital Budget as approved by the Bedford Board of School Commissioners in an amount of \$109,800 and recommended that the Town Council approve the submission of the 1981 Capital Program to the Department of Education for cost sharing.

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Legree, it was moved that Town Council submit the capital budget to the Department of Education for cost sharing. Motion carried unanimously.

#### APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL CONSTABLE

By memorandum, the Chief Administrative Officer recommended the appointment of Mr. Lloyd Boutilier as a Special Constable with the territorial jurisdiction of the Town of Bedford.

ON MOTION of Councillor Tolson and Councillor Roberts, it was moved that the Nova Scotia Police Commission appoint Mr. Lloyd Boutilier as a Special Constable with the territorial jurisdiction of the Town of Bedford for the purpose of the service of documents of the Family Court. Motion carried unanimously.

#### CONTRACTS - 1981 - METROPOLITAN AUTHORITY

The Chief Adminstrative Officer advised Council that the contracts for