

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - FEBRUARY 5, 1985 COUNCIL SESSION; FEBRUARY 11, 1985 PUBLIC HEARING

It was moved by Councillor DeRoche, seconded by Councillor Eisenhauer:

"THAT the minutes of February 5, 1985 Council Session be approved as circulated."
Motion Carried.

It was moved by Councillor Mont, seconded by Councillor Gaetz:

"THAT the minutes of February 11, 1985 be approved as circulated."
Motion Carried.

AGENDA ITEMS

Councillor Lichter - Kennel Licensing

Councillor Larsen - RRAP

Councillor Gaetz - Industrial Mall, Chezzetcook

PRESENTATION - AVIATION COUNCIL OF NOVA SCOTIA

Members for the Aviation Council of Nova Scotia were not in attendance.

PRESENTATION - CAMR, PRE-SCHOOL PROGRAM

Warden MacKenzie welcomed Constable Fred Gallop, CAMR.

Mr. Gallop presented an appeal to Council with regard to a developmental preschool that is located in Lower Sackville. He advised that the school is run in conjunction with the Canadian Association for the Mentally Retarded. Mr. Gallop indicated that the school is an integrated preschool. The integrated preschool is a foundation for the mentally handicapped children in the Metro area specifically in the outlining County areas.

Mr. Gallop further advised that there are approximately thirty eight (38) children in the integrated program. He stated that half of these children have some sort of an affliction of mental retardation or physical handicap.

Mr. Gallop went on to state that this program is run in the basement of the Kinsmen Center in Lower Sackville. He indicated that the facilities are donated by the Kinsmen so there is no overhead with the total operation of running a building. It was indicated that the preschool is operated with more staff than a normal preschool because the programming is more intense. The total operating budget for the preschool is forty five thousand dollars (\$45,000).

Mr. Gallop indicated that they are requesting six thousand dollars (\$6,000) to keep the program operational for this year.

Councillor Baker inquired if this program included other districts other than Sackville. Mr. Gallop advised that children from Waverley, Fall River, Dartmouth also attend this school. He further noted that there is a child from Halifax who lives in the City but stays with a relative in the County in order to take advantage of the early childhood home stimulation program which is another facet of the preschool.

Councillor Wiseman inquired as to who the regulatory body was for the program. Mr. Gallop advised that the regulatory body is the Canadian Association for the Mentally Retarded. Councillor Wiseman also inquired if there was any input from the Department of Education or the Department of Social Services. Mr. Gallop advised that they receive a grant from the Department of Social Services in the amount of sixty six hundred dollars (\$6,600). He also indicated that they fall under the guidelines of the Provincial Day Care Act and must adhere to that.

Mr. Gallop presented a slide presentation describing the preschool program.

In conclusion, Warden MacKenzie advised Mr. Gallop that his request will be given consideration and will be forwarded to the County's grants committee.

LETTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Kelly advised that a letter had been received from the Canada Post Corporation. He indicated that the letter is in acknowledgement of our letter of January 22 with respect to mail delivery service to Site 20, R.R.#1, Dartmouth.

It was moved by Councillor DeRoche, seconded by Councillor Gaetz:

"THAT this item of correspondence be received."
Motion Carried.

Mr. Kelly indicated that a letter had also been received from Canada Post. This letter is in response to our letter respecting postal service in Lake Echo. The letter indicated that some additional group boxes have been put in place to assist with the problem in that area. It was also indicated that there are no plans to provide an additional post office.

Councillor Adams expressed concern with regard to the contents of the letter. He inquired if the details on how they did their investigations could be requested.

It was agreed that Staff would be requested to ask for further details in terms of their study.

PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

Rezoning Application No. RA-SA-05-85-19. Application by Mr. Doug Lowe to rezone Lot C-1, Beaver Bank Cross Road from R-1 (Single Family Dwelling) Zone to R-2(Two Unit Dwelling) Zone, Lower Sackville.

The Planning Advisory Committee recommended that Rezoning Application No. RA-SA-05-85-19 be approved and a public hearing be called. A suggested date for the public hearing is April 22, 1985 at 7:00 p.m.

It was moved by Councillor MacDonald, seconded by Councillor MacKay:

"THAT Rezoning Application No. RA-SA-05-85-19 be approved and a public hearing be held on April 22, 1985 at 7:00 p.m."
Motion Carried.

Parkland Review

Mr. Kelly advised that the Planning Advisory Committee recommends that Miller Developments Limited, Parcel P84, Windsor Junction, District 14 being donated to the Municipality under the provisions of the Planning Act be accepted as parkland by County Council.

It was moved by Councillor Snow, seconded by Councillor Lichter:

"THAT Miller Developments Limited, Parcel P84, Windsor Junction, District 14 be accepted as parkland."
Motion Carried.

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

Building Inspectors Report, re Lesser Setback

Mr. Kelly advised that approval is recommended for the following request for lesser setback:

1. Application for lesser setback of 5.3'. Lot 139, Ferguson's Cove Road. Applicant Stan Hatfield. The reason for this request is the narrow depth of the lot.

Mr. Birch advised that this is a request by Mr. Hatfield who basically wishes to rebuild his house on the same location in which the existing house is. Mr. Birch further noted that the existing house is not capable of sustaining renovations; therefore, Mr. Hatfield has been advised to rebuild completely. It was indicated that the Department of Highways have agreed to the lesser setback provided it is not infringed on.

It was moved by Councillor Baker, seconded by Councillor Gaetz:

"THAT the application for lesser setback of 5.3', Lot 139, Ferguson's Cove Road, Ferguson's Cove be approved."
Motion Carried.

Approval, Reardon Development Agreement

Mr. Birch highlighted those points that were agreed to between Municipal Council and Reardon Developers at a recent public hearing.

Mr. Birch advised that the Agreement is being restructured to delete the area along the Bay Road which results in various schedules being renamed in terms of alphabetical order and then to apply some landscaping factors with respect to the area where the trailer at the entrance of the subdivision is located and that the area be landscaped by requiring the planting of some Ostrian Pines for long term landscaping and, for short term appearance, planting in front of it some Lombardy poplars and then the area in front of that seeded or sodded. Mr. Birch further noted that Mr. Reardon is agreeable to that although he thinks, to some extent, the Lombardy poplars might over time be unnecessary.

Mr. Birch indicated that the agreement, as presented to Council, deletes all the references to those schedules which were deleted as a result of Council's action and that the setbacks reflect that.

Councillor Poirier inquired as to what was the passageway is to the lake that apparently is allowed for recreation. Mr. Birch advised that a minimum ten (10) foot wide strip of land is required in order to give access to the lake shore from the driveway to the shores of Governor Lake. Mr. Birch advised that that is the only requirement for recreation.

Councillor Poirier expressed concern with regard to the requirement for recreation land. She indicated that the recreational land is on the opposite side of the highway from the subdivision and could provide a danger when the children are crossing the road to find a place to play. Councillor Poirier hoped that in the future, as these trailer courts are established, that proper consideration is given to recreation land.

Mr. Birch advised that the Planning Advisory Committee is discussing the question of providing "open space" under the terms of the new Mobile Home Park By-Law. If this area wishes to revert to regular development in the form of single family dwelling, Mr. Birch advised that the area would require a rezoning.

Councillor Lichter indicated that on March 14, 1985 at 7:00 p.m. PAC will be dealing again with the Mobile Home Park By-Law.

It was moved by Councillor Larsen, seconded by Councillor Snow:

"THAT the Development Agreement between the Reardon "Developers" and the Municipality of the County of Halifax be approved."
Motion Carried.

Supplementary Report, Executive Committee

Mr. Kelly advised that the Executive Committee has discussed the "Municipal Awareness Week" project and is recommending the establishment of a Planning Committee consisting of two members of Council and

Pam Nauss, Supervisor, Tourism to promote the Municipal Awareness Week project in the Municipality and further the Committee recommends to Council endorsement of the Municipal Awareness Week resolution.

It was moved by Councillor Margeson, seconded by Councillor Mont:

"THAT Council endorse and undertake to participate in Municipal Awareness Week May 13-19, 1985."
Motion Carried.

It was moved by Councillor DeRoche, seconded by Councillor Adams:

"THAT Councillor Adams be nominated to the Planning Committee to promote the Municipal Awareness Week project in the Municipality."

It was moved by Councillor Baker, seconded by Councillor Gaetz:

"THAT Councillor DeRoche be appointed to the Planning Committee to promote the Municipal Awareness Week project in the Municipality."

It was moved by Councillor Larsen, seconded by Councillor Gaetz:

"THAT nominations cease."
Motion Carried.

Warden MacKenzie indicated that Councillor Adams and Councillor DeRoche are the two members of Council appointed to work with Pam Nauss, Supervisor, Tourism to promote the Municipal Awareness Week project.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Request for General Capital Grant and District Capital Grant, District 14

Mr. Kelly indicated that the Executive Committee received a request for a General Capital Grant in the amount of \$3,500 and a District Capital Grant, District 14, in the amount of \$1,000 for carrying out improvements to the Miller Lake Subdivision Central Water Supply.

It was moved by Councillor Snow, seconded by Councillor MacKay:

"THAT a General Capital Grant in the amount of \$3,500 and a District Capital Grant, District 14, in the amount of \$1,000 for the purpose of providing improvements to the Miller Lake Subdivision Central Water Supply be approved."
Motion Carried.

Request for District Capital Grant, District 11

Mr. Kelly advised that the Executive Committee received a request for a District Capital Grant, District 11, in the amount of \$1,000 for land improvements, Eastern Shore Wildlife Association.

It was moved by Councillor Baker, seconded by Councillor Gaetz:

"THAT a District Capital Grant, District 11, in the amount of \$1,000 for the purpose of providing improvements for the Eastern Shore Wildlife Association property be approved."
Motion Carried.

Expropriation of Lands, Riley Road, Westphal

Mr. Kelly advised that the Executive Committee received a memorandum respecting the takeover of Riley Road by the Department of Transportation and the difficulty in determining ownership of certain lands in the area.

It was indicated that the Committee recommends to Council that expropriation procedures be authorized and further that the Municipal Solicitor be instructed to undertake appropriate expropriation procedures.

It was moved by Councillor DeRoche, seconded by Councillor Adams:

"THAT expropriation procedures be authorized and further that the Municipal Solicitor be instructed to undertake appropriate expropriation procedures."

Councillor MacKay inquired as to where the associated expense for the expropriation would come from. Councillor DeRoche advised that it is not anticipated that there would be any expense involved but if there were he stated that the funds may be provided through Capital Grants.

Motion Carried.

Appointment of Sub-Committee, re Forestry Protection

Mr. Kelly advised that the Executive Committee recommends to Council a sub-committee re Forestry Protection including Warden MacKenzie, Deputy Warden Walker, Councillor Reid, Councillor Bayers and one (1) or two (2) non-council members.

It was moved by Councillor MacKay, seconded by Councillor DeRoche:

"THAT a sub-committee re Forestry Protection including Warden MacKenzie, Deputy Warden Walker, Councillor Reid, Councillor Bayers and three non-council members be approved."
Motion Carried.

It was moved by Councillor Bayers, seconded by Councillor MacKay:

"THAT Mr. David Gaetz, Head of Chezzetcook, be appointed to the committee re Forestry Protection."

It was moved by Councillor Reid, seconded by Councillor Lichter:

"THAT Harlen Redden, Secretary/Treasurer of Conform Ltd., be appointed to the sub-committee re Forestry Protection."

It was moved by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor DeRoche:

THAT Mr. James Francois, Executive Director for WADE, be appointed to the sub-committee re Forestry Protection."

It was moved by Councillor Larsen, seconded by Councillor Mont:

"THAT nominations cease."
Motion Carried.

Warden MacKenzie declared Mr. Gaetz, Mr. Redden, and Mr. Francois members of the sub-committee re Forestry Protection.

Windsor Junction Area - Supply

Mr. Kelly indicated that the Executive Committee recommends that Council endorse the project and further that an application be submitted to the Department of Municipal Affairs for financial assistance under the provincial special capital assistance program.

It was moved by Councillor Snow, seconded by Councillor Lichter:

"THAT Council endorse the project and further that an application be submitted to the Department of Municipal Affairs for financial assistance under the provincial special capital assistance program."

Councillor DeRoche expressed concern with regard to this item. He stated that the Municipality of the County of Halifax has in existence five Municipal Planning Strategies which have been presented to Council and adopted and three of them contain policies which have been adopted but not implemented with respect to provision of water and sewer services throughout the Districts concerned. Councillor DeRoche inquired if a situation is being set up where Municipal Council loses all credibility with respect to Municipal Planning Strategies, the policies that are adopted within them and their implementation and, if we are, what is the sense in proceeding at the present time with the rest of the plans that are underway or those that are yet to come. Councillor Snow advised that District 14 does not have a policy in place for water. He advised that the residents are in need of water. He indicated that it is senseless to do a study when there is a need present.

Councillor Lichter stated that it is true that there are five plans in existence and there are certain things that Council intended to do and indicated in the plan policies. Councillor DeRoche went on to advise that at the time when Staff began planning in 1979 at least four of those five areas. He indicated that at that time they did not make a commitment that everything in those plans would be done. It was also advised that PAC two years ago had indicated to all the Councillors of the five plan areas that they would like to have the priorities so that they could take a serious look.

Councillor Baker also expressed concern with regard to a feasibility study for Harrietsfield.

A number of Councillors spoke in favour of Councillor DeRoche's comments with regards to the areas which are in the Municipal Development Planning process or have Municipal Development Plans completed.

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor DeRoche:

"THAT a feasibility study be carried out respecting the capital projects included in the Lake Major Municipal Development Plan adopted by Council four years ago."

Motion Carried.

Councillor Margeson requested that Councillor Baker would be invited into the discussion with respect to the feasibility for his study. Mr. Meech indicated that Councillor Baker would be consulted during the process of terms of reference.

Renewal, Temporary Borrowing Resolutions

It was moved by Deputy Warden Walker, seconded by Councillor Margeson:

"THAT renewal of a temporary borrowing resolution, re water, Beechville, Lakeside, Timberlea in the amount of \$300,000 be approved."

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Deputy Warden Walker, seconded by Councillor MacKay:

"THAT renewal of a temporary borrowing resolution, re sewer, Beechville, Lakeside, Timberlea in the amount of \$1,000,000 be approved."

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Councillor Margeson, seconded by Councillor Gaetz:

"THAT renewal of a temporary borrowing resolution, re water, Waverley in the amount of \$300,000 be approved."

Motion Carried.

REPORT OF THE HALIFAX COUNTY INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

Mr. Kelly advised that the Warden and members of Council received a memorandum for information from the Halifax County Industrial Commission with regard to Fossil Power, Musquodoboit Harbour..

Councillor MacKay advised that the building constructed and owned by the Industrial Commission in the Musquodoboit Industrial Park had been leased to Preston Fiberglass who unfortunately suffered some difficulties and the building became vacant. He went on to advise that the Commission had the building advertised for sale and they received a proposal from Fossil Power as outlined in the memorandum.

Councillor MacKay indicated they are recommending that the building which has a cost to the Municipality and or the Commission of approximately \$180,000 would be offered to Fossil Power for \$150,000 on closing with an interest-free second mortgage of \$30,000 reducing by \$6,000 per annum for a period of five years and that is subsequent to Fossil Power receiving a total contribution of \$50,000 from the Federal and Provincial Governments of \$25,000 each.

It was moved by Councillor Bayers, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

"THAT the report of the Halifax County Industrial Commission be approved."

Councillor Lichter inquired as to what the total amount of money was that went into the building. Councillor MacKay advised that there was no Federal or Provincial money that went directly into the building itself.

Discussion was held with regard to development and expansion of the land in Chezzetcook Park. Councillor Gaetz indicated that he knows a gentleman who has a business in Chezzetcook and he needs to expand as soon as possible. He indicated that he is requesting a mall where the rent would be subsidized. Mr. Meech advised that the proposal put forth by Councillor Gaetz was that the Eastern Shore Development Commission was putting forward a proposal requesting the Halifax County Industrial Commission to contribute a sum of \$100,000 which was to be matched by the Province and that was then to be applied as an outright grant towards the construction of a mall and then the net cost of the mall would be repaid on the basis of the rentals that would be charged to the tenants. Mr. Meech indicated that the idea of the Municipality contributing \$100,000 outright would be difficult to deal with. After discussion, it was agreed that Councillor Gaetz's concerns would be given every consideration by the Halifax County Industrial Commission and the Eastern Shore Development Commission.

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

Tabling of 1985 Budget

Mr. Meech indicated, as stated in the contents of the Budget folder, that there is a suggestion that Thursday, March 21 and Friday, March 22 from 2:30 to 5:30 be set aside as Committee of the Whole Sessions to start the review of the budget.

It was agreed that Thursday, March 21 Committee of the Whole date be set for 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. rather than 2:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

It was moved by Councillor DeRoche, seconded by Councillor Baker:

"THAT the Friday, March 22 Council of the Whole Session be held from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m."
Motion Carried.

Mr. Meech pointed out that, as noted in the covering memorandum, that they are indicating in this preliminary operating budget that an 8.2 percent increase would be required in the general residential tax rate. Mr. Meech further noted that that is with the assumption that the education cost allocation in the budget has only been increased by 4.8 percent over and above the amount that we in fact provided in 1984 and also the commercial industrial tax rate is increased by 6.6 percent and thirdly that that also take into consideration a transfer from our surplus account of one and a half million dollars to arrive at that increase of 8.2 percent to the general tax rate.

Mr. Wilson outlined the format for the 1985 Budget indicating that it is the same as in prior years.

It was moved by Councillor DeRoche, seconded by Councillor Adams:

"THAT this report be tabled to March 21 and March 22, 1985."
Motion Carried.

1985 Roadside Spraying Program

Mr. Kelly indicated that he has provided to members of Council a copy of a report he had received from Department of Agriculture officials in Truro. Mr. Kelly further advised that the officials had met with Councillor Lichter and Councillor Reid with respect to procedure for implementing a roadside weed spraying program for this year.

Mr. Kelly stated that it was his understanding that the procedure which has been identified is one that has been agreed to by the Department of Agriculture officials and is acceptable to the Councillors concerned.

It was moved by Councillor Reid, seconded by Councillor Lichter:

"THAT the Department of Transportation be requested to carry out a highway roadside spraying program this year and include, as procedure, the items which have been agreed to by the Department officials and Councillor Lichter and Councillor Reid."
Motion Carried.

INTERPRETATION OF POLICIES OF A MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN - COUNCILLOR POIRIER

Councillor Poirier stated that at the last Council Session, when she had this item placed on the agenda, she was disturbed at the Public Hearing that had took place that evening and the confusion that was involved with it. She stated that when the Municiple Plan was adopted, she felt it would be something the people could depend on, the Councillor could depend on, and you could look at it and say what was what and what it should be. Councillor Poirier went on to say that at the last public hearing there was a great deal of confusion.

Councillor Poirier also stated that when the public participation group is often meeting, the people who are working hard and long hours, do not have the time to get to these meetings. She also stated that most of these people, as a result, are somewhat confused and do not always fully understand just what the category is and when the plan is put into effect they are again confused and disappointed that they find themselves in a position that they did not realize they were in.

Councillor Poirier went on to state that it is important for the working men and the construction people to be made aware of what is being dealt with when the plans are being developed.

Councillor Lichter advised that, the 1978 Plan and the present Plans that have been adopted and the ones that will be adopted, the approach is totally different. He stated that the Planning Advisory Committee want to involve people. Councillor Lichter went on to state that the Public Participation Committees are working extremely hard to try and involve people and some times they are quite successful in getting a good crowd out and at other times they are not successful in getting people out.

A number of Councillors agreed with the concerns raised by Councillor Poirier.

Councillor DeRoche advised, stating from experience, that Public Participation Committees have gone beyond the realm of what is reasonable to identify for the people what is involved in the plan and indicated that there is absolutely no way that has been conceived yet whereby you are going to get to everybody to their satisfaction when they only identify in the negative when it impacts on them after the Plan has been implemented.

ACADIA LANE - COUNCILLOR MACKAY

Councillor MacKay announced that since the last Council Session the problem involving Acadia Lane has been resolved.

SIDEWALK PROGRAM 1985, SACKVILLE - COUNCILLOR MACKAY

Councillor MacKay presented a 1985 Sidewalk Program for Sackville.

It was moved by Councillor MacKay, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

"THAT Council write to the Department of Transportation indicating that in the Sackville Beaverbank area we are desirous in having the following capital construction as prioritized by the Sackville Advisory Board: 1. Old Sackville Road, Section from Sackville Cross to Connolly Road; 2. Beaverbank Area, Beaverbank Junior High School to Tucker Lake; 3. Connolly Road, Section from the Old Sackville Road to Sackville Heights Junior High; 4. First Lake Drive, Section from Sackville Arena to Cavendish; 5. Reconstruction on Sackville Drive, Section from Beaverbank Road to Sackville Cross."

Councillor MacKay advised that these are priority lists which had been established approximately a year ago by the Sackville Advisory Board and had been requested of the Province. Councillor MacKay indicated that they have just learned recently that they had failed to have the resolution approved by Council and requested now that Council officially endorse their recommendation to the Provincial Department of Transportation. Councillor MacKay also requested that Council ask for an updated construction cost.

Motion Carried.

PROPERTY CLEAN-UP PROGRAM - COUNCILLOR MARGESON

Councillor Margeson felt that this item should be referred to the Executive Committee in order that the Committee could set up some program for cleaning up the Parks and make plans for planting shrubs, flowers, etc. in the various parks located throughout the Municipality.

Councillor Margeson also suggested that messages could be conveyed through the medium of our own mailing processes.

It was moved by Councillor Margeson, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

"THAT this item be referred to the Executive Committee."
Motion Carried.

POST OFFICE, FALL RIVER, LAKE FLETCHER - COUNCILLOR SNOW

It was moved by Councillor Snow, seconded by Councillor Margeson:

"THAT a letter be written to the Canada Post Corporation requesting that a feasibility study be carried out to determine the need to establish a Post Office within the communities of Fall River and Lake Fletcher, Halifax County."
Motion Carried.

DEER CROSSING SIGNS - COUNCILLOR LICHTER

It was moved by Councillor Lichter, seconded by Councillor Eisenhauer:

"THAT Staff be directed to write a letter to the Minister of Lands and Forests with a copy to the Department of Transportation requesting improved deer crossing signs."
Motion Carried.

Councillor Lichter stated that the improvement that he is requesting is just a simple sticker on deer crossing signs indicating distance.

HOSPITAL SIGNS - COUNCILLOR LICHTER

It was moved by Councillor Lichter, seconded by Councillor McInroy:

"THAT the Department of Transportation be requested, with a copy to the Department of Health, to erect a few signs at locations where they would consider to be proper."

Councillor Lichter advised that there is a local hospital in the Musquodoboit Valley but there are hardly any signs indicating where the hospital is located.

Motion Carried.

AGENDA ITEMS

Kennel Licensing - Councillor Lichter

It was moved by Councillor Lichter, seconded by Councillor Snow:

"THAT Staff be directed to permit dog constables to sell kennel licenses to those kennel owners who do have in their possession a registration indicating that they are registered members of the Canadian Kennel Club as well as a membership for that same organization.

Motion Carried.

Councillor Lichter indicated that the reason for requesting this is because it is difficult for some of the residents to appear in person in the County Building.

RRAP - Councillor Larsen

It was moved by Councillor Larsen, seconded by Deputy Warden Walker:

"THAT the CMHC officials be requested to review and explain the objectives of the RRAP Program in view of the present level of funding and further to examine increased funding in order to provide greater benefits under the program."

Motion Carried.

ADDITION OF ITEMS TO THE MARCH 19, 1985 COUNCIL SESSION

Councillor Adams requested that the Metropolitan Authority examine some possible solutions to easing traffic congestion between the Eastern areas of Halifax County and the bridge approaches to the City of Halifax, particularly during the peak morning hours.

Councillor Wiseman - Community Profiles, Up-Date on Progress

COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT FOR SACKVILLE FIRE FIGHTERS AND THE COUNTY OF HALIFAX

It was moved by Councillor MacKay, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

"THAT the Collective Agreement for the Sackville Fire Fighters and the County of Halifax be approved."
Motion Carried.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

COUNCIL SESSION

TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 1985

PRESENT WERE: Warden MacKenzie, Chairman
Deputy Warden Walker
Councillor Poirier
Councillor Larsen
Councillor Gaudet
Councillor Baker
Councillor Deveaux
Councillor DeRoche
Councillor Adams
Councillor Gaetz
Councillor Bayers
Councillor Reid
Councillor Lichter
Councillor Snow
Councillor Margeson
Councillor McInroy
Councillor Eisenhauer
Councillor MacDonald
Councillor Wiseman
Councillor Mont

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. K. R. Meech, Chief Administrative Officer
Mr. G. J. Kelly, Municipal Clerk
Mr. R. Cragg, Solicitor, County of Halifax
Mr. John Markesino, Director of Recreation
Ms. Pam Nauss, Supervisor, Tourism
Mr. Killam, St. Margaret's Bay Peace Movement
Mrs. Gael Scott, St. Margaret's Bay Peace Movement
Ms. Lisa Scott, St. Margaret's Bay Peace Movement

SECRETARY: Margaret MacDonell

CALL TO ORDER

Warden MacKenzie called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the Lord's Prayer.

ROLL CALL

Mr. Kelly called the Roll.

APPOINTMENT OF RECORDING SECRETARY

It was moved by Councillor DeRoche, seconded by Councillor Margeson:

"THAT Margaret MacDonell be appointed as Recording Secretary."
Motion Carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - FEBRUARY 19, 1985 COUNCIL SESSION; FEBRUARY 25, 1985 PUBLIC HEARING

It was moved by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Gaetz:

"THAT the minutes of February 19, 1985 Council Session be approved as circulated."
Motion Carried.

It was moved by Deputy Warden Walker, seconded by Councillor Gaudet:

"THAT the minutes of February 25, 1985 Public Hearing be approved as circulated."
Motion Carried.

AGENDA ITEMS

Deputy Warden Walker - Senior Citizen Housing, Boutiliers Point

Councillor Wiseman - (1) Letter From Minister of Education
(2) 1985 Library Grants

Councillor Adams - Municipal Awareness Week Budget Presentation

Councillor Baker - Employee Parking, County Building

Councillor Deveaux - Grants to Organizations

Councillor Bayers - T.V. Reception, Head of Ship Harbour

PRESENTATION - THE ST. MARGARET'S BAY PEACE MOVEMENT

The Chairman welcomed Mr. Killam along with a delegation from the St. Margaret's Bay Peace Movement who made a presentation respecting the St. Margaret's Bay Peace Movement. Mr. Killam introduced Gael Scott who is involved in many community affairs and who has a great interest in both National and International matters. He also introduced Lisa Scott who is a Grade 12 student at Sir John A. MacDonald High School who has attended an international youth leadership camp.

Mr. Killam indicated that their purpose for coming before Council is that more and more are feeling concern about the overwhelming build up of nuclear arms. Mr. Killam expressed their desire that there be no nuclear weapons or components in Halifax County. He went on to indicate that they wish to support the Council in their recognition in a responsibility for the overall safety, protection, and well being of County residents.

Council received copies of information respecting nuclear disarmament.

Mrs. Scott made a presentation indicating that she fears for her children's future when she thinks that one Trident sub can release the destructive power of eight WW1s, that we have US submarines coming into Halifax Harbour, and that it is obvious that accidents can happen.

Ms. Lisa Scott indicated that she is part of the youth and have come before Council to ask that Council represent the youth. She indicated that the youth generation is in fear also.

The representatives of The St. Margaret's Bay Peace Movement requested that, within the scope of the County's jurisdiction and ability, Halifax County shall: 1. Do everything possible to prevent production, storage, stationing, and transportation of any type of nuclear weapons within the boundaries of the County of Halifax; 2. Allow no nuclear weapons or components of nuclear weapons of any kind to be stored, serviced, assembled, manufactured, transported or brought into Halifax County; 3. Declare the County of Halifax to be a nuclear free zone.

Councillor Baker felt a need to have something in place to counteract what other countries have already built and are building. Mr. Killam stated that according to all reports, as has stated, the Soviet Union and the United States of America have approximately an equal share of this arsenal that has been built up. He also advised that the St. Margaret's Bay Peace Movement would be willing to attend a citizens meeting with any of the people in any Councillor's district.

The argument was put forth that if Halifax County declare a nuclear free zone then they are really not getting at the problem or solving the problem and, in fact, would be living under a false security. Mr. Killam indicated that there is no way that a peace group is going to stop the World scene overnight but they can speak up on what their heart tells them.

Councillor Deveaux also expressed the concern, as several of the other Councillors did, even if Halifax County did become a nuclear zone, it will still not prevent us from being bombed. Concern was also expressed with regard to the verifiable nuclear freeze. The belief that a system could not be established where one could be one hundred percent sure it can be verifiable that Russia would stick to the Agreement was expressed. Based on that concern, a number of Councillors could not support the nuclear freeze philosophy.

Councillor Lichter indicated that his childhood was spent in a communist country. He advised that in the early fifties the blueprint was laid down and from that blueprint no deviation has ever taken place. Councillor Lichter went on to say that ninety nine percent of the people want peace over war but at what cost he questioned. He further noted that there is a movement that is very sincere and there is a movement that is being dreadfully exploited. That movement is the nuclear free zones.

Councillor Lichter inquired if any member of the St. Margaret's Bay Peace Movement would be happy if, within a month, the superpowers have announced that nuclear freeze indeed is a reality and can trust that

the Russians will stick to it. Ms. Scott indicated that the problem is nuclear arms and how long we are going to be here. She indicated that the fear that we have for the Soviet Union should be much greater on the chances that we are taking with the nuclear arms. Ms. Scott advised that she would be happy if it was announced within a month that the superpowers declared a freeze and it was a freeze that could be verified.

Councillor Lichter, in his final comments, stated that if they don't cut back to the point of nonexistence, we are still at the point that the whole world could be wiped out which means that the argument is futile unless we are talking about destruction of all nuclear weapons. Councillor Lichter further concluded that he did not believe there is now a safe way of even destroying it.

Warden MacKenzie read a passage from a letter that was sent off to a senior level of government from the Municipal Government of Halifax County. The letter stated that this item would not be adequately resolved by a public referendum on this specific issue. Warden MacKenzie also indicated that he received another telegram that covered the same issues which should be discussed further. Warden MacKenzie indicated that the information received from Mr. David E. Code with respect to a nuclear weapons free zone should also be discussed further before any firm resolution is made.

It was moved by Councillor Larsen, seconded by Councillor Gaudet:

"THAT within the scope of the jurisdiction of the ability of Halifax County Council that they do everything possible to prevent the production of storage, stationing, and transportation of any nuclear weapons within the boundaries of the County of Halifax and, secondly, allow no nuclear weapons or components of nuclear weapons of any kind to be stored, serviced, assembled, manufactured, transported or brought into Halifax County and, thirdly, declare the County of Halifax to be a nuclear free zone."

Councillor Larsen personally felt that we live under the threat of death and he did not feel that there are any winners in a nuclear attack. Councillor Larsen felt that this is not an impossible situation to correct.

Councillor Wiseman indicated that there is no way that she feels able to make a reasonable decision regarding this matter at this time. She indicated that she wants time to be able to think about it more, time to be able to examine the ramifications, and time to be able to settle in her own mind whether she can or cannot support this resolution.

It was moved by Councillor Wiseman, seconded by Councillor Poirier:

"THAT this item be referred to the Executive Committee for further discussion and clarification."
Motion Carried.

MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT AWARENESS WEEK

Mr. Markesino advised the Warden and members of Council that he and Ms. Nauss have come up with two budgets. One budget is a cadillac budget of \$7400 and the other budget is for \$4900. The Cadillac budget consists of pins, advertising, and brochures. The \$4900 budget consists of pins, brochures, and advertising also but there would be a cutback on the pins to two thousand.

Copies of recommendations regarding Municipal Government Awareness Week were circulated.

It was moved by Councillor Margeson, seconded by Councillor Gaetz;

"THAT the \$4900 Budget be approved."
Motion Carried.

LETTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Warden MacKenzie read a letter from Henry Burrows, Barbara Marcavitz, Brian Muise, Alice Sandkuhl, John Bersteich, and John Cox respecting the nuclear arms issue.

It was moved by Councillor Snow, seconded by Councillor Baker:

"THAT this item of correspondence be referred to the Executive Committee."
Motion Carried.

Mr. Kelly advised that a letter had been received from The Honourable Elmer MacKay, Solicitor General of Canada, in response to a letter dated November 23, 1985, outlining the Halifax Municipal Council's resolution urging that a referendum be held on capital punishment.

The Honourable Elmer MacKay, in his letter, indicated that the views expressed in the Council's resolution will be given every consideration as they determine how best to combat the violence that is putting such strains on our police and prisons, and upon public confidence in our criminal justice system.

It was moved by Councillor Deveaux, seconded by Councillor Gaetz:

"THAT this item of correspondence be received."
Motion Carried.

Mr. Kelly advised that a letter had been received from the Honourable Thomas J. McInnis, Minister of the Department of Municipal Affairs, in response to a letter dated January 24, 1985 and Municipal Council's motion requesting that he make the necessary changes to the Regional Development Plan in order to allow the Municipality to implement affected sections of its Subdivision By-law.

The Honourable Thomas J. McInnis, in his letter, advised that pursuant to the provisions of Subsection (9) of Section 111 of the Planning Act, Stats. N.S. 1983, C.9, he has effective February 20, 1985, exempted "Residential Dwelling Units" from the requirements of a regional development permit.

It was moved by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Margeson:

"THAT this item of correspondence be received."

Councillor Larsen pointed out that exempting "Residential Dwelling Units" from the requirements of a regional development permit also takes away a right that people have to Appeal. Mr. Meech indicated that this particular regional development permit procedure has not applied to any of the areas that now have municipal plans.

Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION RE DEBENTURE ISSUE

Mr. Kelly advised that the debenture issue is one in the amount of \$1,000,000. He further advised that the resolution to renew the temporary borrowing resolution was approved by Council at the previous session for sewer Lakeside/Beachville/Timberlea. It is now the issuing of the debenture which has been issued by the Department of Municipal Affairs requiring an issuing resolution of Council.

It was moved by Councillor Poirier, seconded by Councillor DeRoche:

"THAT Council approve an issuing resolution with respect to the \$1,000,000 debenture for Lakeside/Beechville/Timberlea sewer."
Motion Carried.

PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

Rezoning Application No. RA-CH/W-01-85-07

The Planning Advisory Committee recommended that Application No. RA-CH/W-01-85-07 be approved and that a public hearing be held. A suggested date for the public hearing is April 22, 1985.

It was moved by Councillor DeRoche, seconded by Councillor Mont:

"THAT Application RA-CH/W-01-85-07 and a public hearing date set for April 22, 1985 at 7:00 p.m. be approved."
Motion Carried.

Rezoning Application Nos. ZA-SA-51-84, ZA-CH/W52-84, ZA-EP/CB-53-84, ZA-T/L/B-54-84, ZA-LM-55-84.

The Planning Advisory Committee recommended that these applications be approved and that public hearings be held. A suggested date for the public hearings is April 22, 1985 at 7:00 p.m.

It was moved by Councillor Larsen, seconded by Councillor Wiseman:

"THAT Rezoning Application Nos. ZA-SA-51-84, ZA-CH/W-52-84, ZA-EP/CB-53-84, ZA-T/L/B-54-84, ZA-LM-55-84 and a public hearing date set for April 22, 1985 at 7:00 p.m. be approved."
Motion Carried.

Councillor McInroy indicated that he had no difficulty with the intention of this report but expressed concern with the fact that lifting devices and wheelchair ramps in side yards are being allowed. Councillor McInroy inquired as to how often does one have to apply for a minor variance with regard to this issue.

Mr. Meech, in response to Councillor McInroy, stated that he believes that part of the object of the group who had advanced these suggestions to the Planning Advisory Committee is to ensure that they don't have to be treated differently or special. He also stated that one of the key objects in incorporating this is to give it some focus and recognition and to ensure that it is part of the normal requirements without having to look for something special or different. Councillor McInroy preferred that Staff have another look at the wording before they finalize this because someone may take advantage of it.

It was agreed that the last line be changed to allow for wheelchair ramps and lifting devices for wheelchairs to be constructed within any required yard clearance.

Development Agreement, Alderwood Trailer Park, Lakeside

The Planning Advisory Committee recommended that the development agreement be approved and that a public hearing be held. A suggested date for the public hearing is April 29, 1985 at 7:00 p.m.

It was moved by Councillor DeRoche, seconded by Councillor Adams:

"THAT the development agreement respecting the Alderwood Trailer Park, Lakeside and a date be set for April 29, 1985 at 7:00 p.m. be approved."
Motion Carried.

Lot Approval, Ira Gloade, Dutch Settlement, T-671-84-13

The Planning Advisory Committee is recommending to council that a letter be sent to the Ministers of Transportation and Municipal Affairs indicating that the county desires clarification as to where roads owned and not maintained by the Department of Transportation fit in the definition under Section 99 of the Planning Act; either a public road, or as a private road.

It was moved by Councillor Lichter, seconded by Councillor Snow:

"THAT a letter be sent to the Ministers of Transportation and Municipal Affairs indicating that the County desires clarification as to where roads owned and not maintained by the Department of Transportation fit in the definition under Section 99 of the Planning Act; either a public road, or as a private road."
Motion Carried.

Councillor Lichter indicated that situations have come up where by roads are owned by the Department of Transportation but not maintained. He went on to advise that the Department of Transportation, since the beginning of this year, maintains that those roads are not eligible for development by virtue of the fact that they are not public roads nor are they eligible for development because they are not private roads.

Amendment to the Zoning By-Law For Sackville Re: Royce Hefler Property

Mr. Kelly read the report indicating that the Planning Advisory Committee wishes to inform Council that amendments to the Sackville Municipal Planning Strategy have now been approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs.

The Planning Advisory Committee recommended, as stated in the report, that council make a decision with respect to the by-law to amend the zoning by-law for Sackville in order to permit Mr. Hefler to construct an apartment building.

Mr. Meech indicated that it was his understanding, from discussion with Staff, that Council had improved, before the plan amendment went through, an amendment to the zoning by-law or land use by-law which was to rezone it from C-2 to a dual zone (C-2 R-4). Mr. Meech indicated that that was the amendment that was approved and the Department of Municipal Affairs decided to appeal it. Subsequent to that, Mr. Meech advised that Council amended the Plan and, as indicated in the report, the Minister has now approved the amendment. In order to complete or correct the record, Mr. Meech suggested that a motion to rescind that original amendment to the by-law be approved.

Councillor Lichter stated that if the first motion is rescinded and the second motion is defeated, then a plan amendment has been done for no reason. It was suggested that first of all the rezoning to R-4 decision be made and then, depending on what the outcome of that decision is, vote on the rescindment. Mr. Meech agreed that a motion was in order on the recommendation in the report of the Planning Advisory Committee.

It was moved by Councillor MacDonald, seconded by Councillor Wiseman:

"THAT the zoning by-law for Sackville be amended in order to permit Mr. Hefler to construct an apartment building."
Motion Carried.

Councillor DeRoche inquired if it was necessary to present a motion of rescindment considering the fact that Council has had a second public hearing and a motion is being presented now for rezoning to the R-4. Councillor DeRoche inquired if this would not supersede the previous motion. Mr. Cragg advised that it would not technically have the effect of doing that. Mr. Cragg indicated that a motion of Council has been appealed properly so and is properly before the Municipal Board. Mr. Cragg further advised that he feels that the Appellant has every right to go before the Board and demand that it be heard on the merits. Mr. Cragg went on to state that the easiest way to deal with the motion of Councillor MacDonald and, if it is successful, then rescind that motion that effect defeats the appeal.

Councillor Margeson stated that he recalled that it was Mr. Hefler's preference to have a C-2 and an R-4 Zoning. Councillor Lichter stated that, at the time of the Public Hearing, it was quite clear that Council defer a decision on the rezoning from C-2 to R-4 only with the possibility that the Minister will sign it and they withdraw the appeal saying that the previous rezoning is acceptable now. Councillor Lichter indicated that, apparently it is not, because the Appeal still stands.

It was moved by Councillor Lichter, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

"THAT the above motion be rescinded."
Motion Carried.

Councillor DeRoche suggested that an indication that the R-4 change of zoning will be accepted be acquired before Council removes the resolution whereby dual zoning is placed on the property. Mr. Cragg, in his opinion, felt it was appropriate that Council deal with the motion of rescission at this time. He advised that if Council does not follow that route then Council will have two amendments dealing with the same piece of land.

Mr. Meech further clarified that it was his understanding that if Council authorizes the amendment to rezone from C-2 to R-4, then the Department of Municipal Affairs would be prepared to withdraw their Appeal on the previous amendment.

APPEAL OF MINOR VARIANCE

Mr. Kelly indicated that an appeal to Council respecting the issuance of a minor variance was received.

It was moved by Councillor DeRoche, seconded by Councillor Mont:

"THAT the appeal be held on April 16, 1985 at 7:00 p.m."
Motion Carried.

DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT REPORT

It was moved by Councillor Poirier, seconded by Councillor Gaetz:

"THAT this report be received."
Motion Carried.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Lease Agreement, Former Harbourview Consolidated School

Mr. Kelly read the report indicating that the Executive Committee recommends that the Municipality enter into a ten (10) year lease agreement with option to renew with the Tangier Volunteer Fire Department for the former Harbourview Consolidated School.

It was moved by Councillor Snow, seconded by Councillor DeRoche:

"THAT the Municipality enter into a ten (10) year lease agreement with option to renew with the Tangier Volunteer Fire Department for the former Harbourview Consolidated School."
Motion Carried.

Request for District Capital Grant, District 13

Mr. Kelly indicated that the Executive Committee received a request for a District Capital Grant, District 13, in the amount of \$3,000 for the Dutch Settlement Volunteer Fire Department for the purpose of acquiring communication equipment.

It was moved by Councillor Lichter, seconded by Councillor Reid:

"THAT a District Capital Grant, District 13, in the amount of \$3,000 for the Dutch Settlement Volunteer Fire Department be approved."
Motion Carried.

Request for District Capital Grant, District 14

Mr. Kelly advised that the Executive Committee received a request for a District Capital Grant, District 14, in the amount of \$2,000 for the Wellington and Fletcher Lake Volunteer Fire Department for the purpose of completing an extension to the fire hall.

It was moved by Councillor Snow, seconded by Councillor Lichter:

"THAT a District Capital Grant, District 14, in the amount of \$2,000 for the Wellington and Fletcher Lake Volunteer Fire Department."
Motion Carried.

Request for District Capital Grant, District 14

Mr. Kelly indicated that a request had been received for a District Capital Grant, District 14, in the amount of \$2,000 for the Waverley Volunteer Fire Department for the purpose of completing an extension to the Waverley Fire Hall.

It was moved by Councillor Snow, seconded by Councillor Margeson:

"THAT a District Capital Grant, District 14, in the amount of \$2,000 for the Waverley Volunteer Fire Department be approved."
Motion Carried.

Mainstreet Program - 1985

Mr. Kelly indicated that the Executive Committee received reports respecting proposed 1985 Mainstreet Programs for Sackville, Musquodoboit Harbour and Sheet Harbour.

The Committee recommended endorsement of these programs and further that application be made to the Department of Development for approval of the 1985 Mainstreet Programs.

It was moved by Councillor Snow, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

"THAT Council endorse the Sackville, Musquodoboit Harbour, Sheet Harbour 1985 Mainstreet Programs and further that application be made to the Department of Development for approval of the 1985 Mainstreet Programs."
Motion Carried.

Councillor Lichter inquired if there was a deadline by which time Council has to give their approval to the Department of Development. Mr. Meech advised that there is a deadline, in fact, with respect to the submissions. Councillor Lichter stated that when he was going through the budget for the County, obviously these figures appear in there and, it was his opinion in all fairness, that that should receive the same kind of scrutiny as other department budgets will receive on Thursday and Friday.

Mr. Meech indicated that this issue was discussed at length by the Executive Committee and it was decided that because there may be some likelihood that not all the programs will be fully approved, the submissions be made at this point and then, subsequent to receiving the final word from the Department of Development, the source of funds would have to be determined.

Councillor Wiseman pointed out that Council does not really have any choice at this time as to whether or not Council can approve a budget. She advised that Council can only approve a submission or an application for funds to the Department of Development.

Councillor Gaetz inquired if the areas concerned make a contribution. Mr. Meech advised that in 1984 the Municipality contributed the full Municipal contribution. He further noted that it is cost shared on a sixty forty percent cost sharing formula with the Province. Councillor Gaetz personally felt that the areas concerned should make a contribution because it is to their benefit. Mr. Meech indicated that if it is enhancing the business sector, then it should be adding to the tax base of the Municipality generally.

Concern was raised with regard to the priority of a Mainstreet Program for this year especially with all the cutbacks which are being placed on the Municipality. Mr. Meech advised that the Executive Committee recommended that Council endorse the submission. He further advised that it was not with the clear understanding that the Municipality was prepared at this point to fully pick up the total Municipal contribution.

It was suggested that an amendment be made to the previous motion indicating that this endorsation reflect Council's agreement in principle and carries no financial commitment.

SUPPLEMENTARY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Appointment of Deputy Municipal Clerk

The Executive Committee received a report and recommendation respecting the appointment of Dale Reinhardt to the position of Deputy Municipal Clerk.

It was moved by Councillor Poirier, seconded by Councillor Baker:

"THAT Dale Reinhardt be appointed to the position of Deputy Municipal Clerk."
Motion Carried.

MUNICIPAL PLAN COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Kelly read the report.

It was moved by Councillor DeRoche, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

"THAT discussion be undertaken by the Metropolitan Authority and MAPC for the express purpose of negotiating an Engineering study on the landfill site to determine the potential uses of the site, upon termination of operation, in whole or in part."
Motion Carried.

It was moved by Councillor Snow, seconded by Councillor Deveaux:

THAT Council forward to the Minister of Municipal Affairs a request that the Planning Act be amended to give the Municipality the authority to regulate the control and placement of pits and quarries in the same manner as any other use of land and THAT a request be put forward to the Province asking that the Department of Environment draft regulations regarding pits and quarries be adopted by the Province and THAT the Minister of Mines and Energy identify areas of high quality gravel and other deposits in order to assist the Municipality to develop policies respecting the location of pits and quarries."
Motion Carried.

METROPOLITAN AUTHORITY REPORT - COUNCILLOR MacDONALD

Councillor MacDonald read the report indicating that the decision to proceed with the Dartmouth transfer station and the two for the Municipality were deferred to do further negotiations with Dartmouth.

Councillor MacDonald also advised that the Young Offenders Act was on the agenda. He advised that the Metropolitan authority feel quite uncomfortable with the direction the Province is planning on taking to resolve this issue. Councillor Deveaux indicated that it was his understanding that the Attorney General will release what will be taking place with regards to the Young Offenders Act. Councillor Deveaux inquired if this Act will alleviate some of the problems in the correctional center. Warden MacKenzie advised that that is unknown at this point in time but it was made quite clear that it is very unlikely that the Province will take over the correctional center in the foreseeable future.

It was moved by Councillor MacDonald, seconded by Councillor Mont:

"THAT this report be received."
Motion Carried.

APPOINTMENT OF RETURNING OFFICER, MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Mr. Kelly advised that it is essential to appoint a returning officer to conduct the 1985 Municipal Election. The Returning Officer is responsible for administering the provisions of the Municipal Elections Act.

It was moved by Councillor Mont, seconded by Councillor Adams:

"THAT Mr. G. J. Kelly be appointed Returning Officer for the 1985 Municipal Election in Halifax County."
Motion Carried.

URBAN SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Kelly read the report with regard to the proposed agreement for the operation and cost sharing of the Bedford/Sackville Sanitary Sewer System.

It was moved by Councillor McInroy, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

"THAT the proposed agreement for the operation and cost sharing of the Bedford/Sackville Sanitary Sewer System be approved."
Motion Carried.

COMMUNITY PROFILES - COUNCILLOR WISEMAN

Councillor Wiseman indicated that this issue was dealt with at the Executive Committee and is hopeful that Community Profiles will be made available to the various communities.

AGENDA ITEMS

Forestry Committee - Councillor Bayers

Councillor Bayers informed Council that he had informed Mr. David Gaetz to the Committee Re Forestry but Mr. Gaetz has recently advised that he is unable to attend the meetings and, therefore, has asked to be removed from that Forestry Committee.

It was moved by Councillor Bayers, seconded by Councillor Reid:

"THAT Council rescind the motion of having Mr. David Gaetz appointed to the Forestry Committee."
Motion Carried.

It was moved by Councillor Bayers, seconded by Councillor Eisenhauer:

"THAT Mr. Murray Prest be nominated to the Forestry Committee."

It was moved by Councillor Gaetz, seconded by Councillor Reid:

"THAT nominations cease."
Motion Carried.

Mr. Prest was declared a member of the Forestry Committee.

Letter to the Minister of Education - Councillor Wiseman

Councillor Wiseman indicated that a vocational school swimming pool complex was promised to the community of Sackville a couple of years ago. She advised that a vocational school is needed in the community and it has been long demanded by the educators. Councillor Wiseman further noted that the community pool has been seen has an absolute necessity for the community for many years and they have time and time again tried to place a swimming pool in the community.

Councillor Wiseman indicated that the Premier was present at the Kinsmen Center in late 1983 and announced the vocational school at that time. He also announced that the vocational school was to include a community swimming pool. Councillor Wiseman also reported that the Premier had announced the anticipated construction start in early 1984. At that time, Councillor Wiseman advised there was a community group that had been formed to examine the possibility of getting a swimming pool. She went on to state that, based on the Premier's commitment, the committee abandoned the planning for a separate swimming pool and certainly welcomed the chance to have a swimming pool provided within the vocational school.

Councillor Wiseman indicated that after the announcement, the community has been at a standstill. She indicated that the vocational school and the swimming pool is on hold. Councillor Wiseman indicated that a letter was written to the Premier with respect to this matter. She advised that they received a letter from Mr. Donahue which indicated that plans for a Sackville Vocational School have been tabled pending a review of capital estimates. Councillor Wiseman advised that the Community is not satisfied with the response they received.

It was moved by Councillor Wiseman, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

"THAT a letter be forwarded to the Minister of Education requesting that action be started at the earliest possible moment on the vocational school/swimming pool complex."
Motion Carried.

Metro Food Bank Society - Councillor Larsen

Councillor Larsen introduced Mr. Mel Boutilier who has recently been appointed chairman of the Metro Food Banks Society. Councillor Larsen informed Council by reading a passage of a letter in order to inform Council about this Society.

1985 Library Grants - Councillor Wiseman

Councillor Wiseman indicated that the Library Board is becoming very concerned about the lack of confirmation from the Department of Education regarding grants for Regional Library Funding for 1985.

It was moved by Councillor Wiseman, seconded by Councillor Gaetz:

"THAT Council express its concern to the Minister of Education with regard to lack of information on library funding for 1985."
Motion Carried.

Parking - Councillor Baker

It was moved by Councillor Baker, seconded by Councillor Councillor Margeson:

"THAT a study be carried out with regards to charging County employees for parking on the grounds."

Councillor Baker suggested that this issue be referred to the Executive Committee and a report be brought back.

Motion Defeated.

Grants - Councillor Deveaux

Councillor Deveaux expressed concern with regard to how priorities are determined respecting grants.

Mr. Meech advised that there are representatives scheduled to come before the Executive Committee shortly with respect to representation on the existing policy.

It was moved by Councillor Deveaux, seconded by Councillor McInroy:

"THAT the policy respecting grants be referred to the Executive Committee and a recommendation be brought back to Council."
Motion Carried.

T.V. Reception, Head of Ship Harbour - Councillor Bayers

It was moved by Councillor Bayers, seconded by Councillor Reid:

"THAT a letter be sent to the Department of Communications expressing concern with regard to the TV reception in the Head of Ship Harbour area and, if possible, meet with the public in order to investigate the problem and resolve it."
Motion Carried.

ADDITION OF ITEMS TO THE APRIL 2, 1985 COUNCIL SESSION

None.

RESOLUTION RE ADJOURNMENT OF ANNUAL SESSION TO APRIL 2, 1985

It was moved by Councillor McInroy, seconded by Councillor Gaetz:

"THAT the Annual Session be adjourned to April 2, 1985."
Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

SETTING OF 1985 TAX RATES AND AREA RATES

Mr. Wilson reviewed and circulated copies of a summary regarding alternative 1985 tax rates for the County of Halifax.

There was concern expressed with regard to the adjustments to the original budget. With regard to the Mainstreet Program, Councillor MacKay indicated if the program was reduced by \$10,000 then some of the projects would have to be scaled down or cut out. He inquired if one of the areas were desirous of continuing the program, would it be possible to fund it through an area rate or a general rate. Mr. Meech advised that this would be possible.

Concern was expressed with regard to eliminating the new youth program. A number of Councillors indicated their opposition to the elimination of the new youth program. It was noted that this program is a very worthwhile program and favoured it being included in the budget.

It was moved by Councillor Larsen, seconded by Councillor MacKay:

"THAT a .79 residential rate be approved on the assumption that it is 1.63 for Commercial and further that the youth program not be cut from the budget."
Motion Carried.

Warden MacKenzie advised that the area rates have been established and have been delivered to each member of Council.

It was moved by Councillor MacKay, seconded by Councillor Deveaux:

"THAT the areas rates be approved as detailed in the attached report with the deletion of the Upper Hammonds Plains Fire Department rate, the Upper Hammonds Plains Community Center rate, and the area and recreation rate in East Preston."
Motion Carried.

Councillor Eisenhower requested that the areas for the Upper Hammonds Plains Fire Department and for the Upper Hammonds Plains Community Center be deferred. It was agreed that Councillor Eisenhower's request be granted.

Councillor Adams requested that the Area and Recreation Rate in East Preston be deferred. It was agreed that this rate would be held in abeyance until such time a public vote has been taken respecting the rate.

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JOINT COUNCIL SESSION

APRIL 10, 1985

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PUBLIC HEARINGS

APRIL 22, 29 and 30, 1985

JOINT COUNCIL SESSION

APRIL 10, 1985

PRESENT WERE: Warden MacKenzie, Chairman
Deputy Warden Walker
Councillor Poirier
Councillor Larsen
Councillor Gaudet
Councillor Baker
Councillor Deveaux
Councillor DeRoche
Councillor Adams
Councillor Gaetz
Councillor Bayers
Councillor Reid
Councillor Lichter
Councillor Snow
Councillor Margeson
Councillor MacKay
Councillor McInroy
Councillor Eisenhauer
Councillor MacDonald
Councillor Wiseman
Councillor Mont

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. K. R. Meech, Chief Administrative Officer
Mr. K. Wilson, Director of Finance

Mr. Lloyd Gillis, CEO, Halifax County-Bedford District School Board
Mr. Dan English, CAO, Town of Bedford
Mayor Keith Roberts, Town of Bedford
Councillor Loncarevic, Town of Bedford
Councillor Short, Town of Bedford
Deputy Mayor Roy, Town of Bedford
Councillor Lugar

SECRETARY: Margaret MacDonell

CALL TO ORDER

Warden MacKenzie called the meeting to order at 3:15 p.m.

1985 HALIFAX COUNTY BEDFORD SCHOOL BOARD BUDGET

A report respecting contributions to the 1985 District School Board Budget was presented to members of the Halifax County Council and the Bedford Town Council.

The Chairman advised both Councils that the motion required an eighty percent vote in favour.