

1638 Cole Harbour Rd.,
RR 1, Dartmouth, N.S.,
July 7, 1986

Halifax County Council,
Dutch Village Rd.,
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Sirs,

Re: Planning application to rezone lands of Coleridge Estates
from R7 to R1 by Home East Developments Ltd.

We would like to register our objection to the rezoning of the land of Coleridge Estates from R7 to R1 which has been applied for by Home East Development Ltd.

Local citizens spent many years working to enact zoning which it was hoped would go some way toward alleviating the pressure on the ecological balance of Cole Harbour by the ever encroaching urbanization of the area surrounding the water.

The arguments for limiting development put forward at public meetings and the Municipal Development Plan are still valid. To start a piecemeal rezoning at this stage will make a mockery of those efforts and of the Development Plan itself. The County has invested considerable money in purchasing land to assist this process.

Additional housing on smaller lots together with the increased population in the area is bound to increase the ecological strain on the harbour and also on the already creaking road system between Dartmouth and Cole Harbour. We too have seven acres of land on the opposite side of Cole Harbour Rd., which from a financial point of view would be very nice to develop. However the ecological considerations are much more important than personal gain. We have already observed that the osprey have been forced to change their normal breeding pattern as a result of the road works on the site.

Yours sincerely,



Cyril Burnell,
Ethelda Burnell

COUNCIL SESSION

JULY 8, 1986

PRESENT WERE: Warden MacKenzie
Councillor Walker
Councillor Fralick
Councillor P. Baker
Councillor C. Baker
Councillor Deveaux
Councillor DeRoche
Councillor Adams
Councillor Randall
Councillor Bayers
Councillor Reid
Councillor Snow
Councillor Merrigan
Councillor MacKay
Councillor McInroy
Councillor Eisenhower
Councillor MacDonald
Deputy Warden Wiseman
Councillor Mont

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. K.R. Meech, Chief Administrative Officer
Mr. G.J. Kelly, Municipal Clerk
Mr. R.G. Cragg, Municipal Solicitor

SECRETARY: Glenda Higgins

Warden MacKenzie called the Council Session to order at 6:05 p.m. with the Lord's Prayer.

Mr. Kelly called the Roll.

APPOINTMENT OF RECORDING SECRETARY

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

"THAT Glenda Higgins be appointed as Recording Secretary."
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Councillor Deveaux, seconded by Councillor C. Baker:

"THAT the minutes of the June 3, 1986 Regular Session of Council be approved as circulated."
MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole, June 10, 1986 be approved as circulated."
MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT the minutes of the Public Hearing, June 23, 1986 be approved as circulated."
MOTION CARRIED

AGENDA ITEMS

Councillor P. Baker - Social Services Sub-Committee
- Old Cemetery

Councillor MacKay - Bingo License

Councillor C. Baker - Lands and Forests

Councillor Walker - Signage

Councillor MacDonald - General Capital Grants, Priorities

COUNCILLOR P. BAKER - CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Councillor P. Baker offered an apology to Mr. Meech for the rude manner in which he treated him at the last Session of Council. He stated he felt out of order later, and he was not prompted by anybody to offer the apology. He concluded that he has the highest respect for Mr. Meech as a professional in his field and as a man.

Mr. Meech expressed appreciation to Councillor P. Baker for his apology. He stated people often respond in such a manner in the heat of a discussion.

LETTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Halifax County-Bedford District School Board

Mr. Kelly identified the letter, advising it was appreciation for financial assistance towards the upgrading of the CP Allen Playing Field.

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

"THAT this item of correspondence be received."
MOTION CARRIED

The Canadian Red Cross Society, Service for Sexual Assault Victims, and Antigonish-Eastern Shore Tourist Association

Mr. Kelly advised these three items of correspondence were letters extending their appreciation to Council for the 1986 grants given to each.

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

"THAT these three items of correspondence be received."
MOTION CARRIED

Canada Post Corporation

Mr. Kelly advised this letter was acknowledging Council's letter of May 28, 1986 with respect to the post office at Meagher's Grant.

Councillor Reid informed the letter was outdated because the Post Mistress in Meagher's Grant has been announced, and she has commenced her duties.

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

"THAT this item of correspondence be received."
MOTION CARRIED

Department of the Environment

Mr. Kelly advised this letter was with respect to Council's resolution expressing concern over the siltation at First Chain Lake.

Councillor P. Baker advised he has noted the siltation here has disappeared. It appears there is a trench or bypass of some kind leading into Long Lake.

It was moved by Councillor P. Baker, seconded by Councillor C. Baker:

"THAT this item of correspondence be received."
MOTION CARRIED

Metropolitan Authority, Regional Water Supply System

Mr. Kelly advised this letter is in response to a request by Council for a report on the suggestion that the Halifax and Dartmouth water utilities be integrated into a single regional system and the implications it may hold for the Lake Major watershed.

Warden MacKenzie advised he received a letter from the Chairman of the Metropolitan Authority requesting information from the County. Warden MacKenzie advised Mayor Savage he would discuss this with the Director of Engineering and Works and forward any information to the Urban Services Committee.

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

"THAT this item of correspondence be received."

Councillor Adams advised he had asked Mr. Jackson for an outline of what the immediate plans are with respect to this. Mr. Jackson recently made a presentation in Kentville, where he stated the Lake Major Watershed had reached low levels of Canadian standards to the point there would have to be treatment. However, in this letter there was no indication as to how bad the water supply is and how soon such treatment facilities would be put in place. He advised he was looking for such details because people in his area have been asking questions since the workshop that Mr. Jackson spoke at.

Mr. Meech informed he would be attending a meeting on Friday, July 11, 1986 with the other Chief Administrative Officers and representatives of the Metropolitan Authority. He noted this is one item on the agenda. He felt he would be in a position at that time to raise a few more questions and get additional information.

Councillor Adams asked if the statement made at the conference was more accurate than the information in the letter. Mr. Meech advised he was aware of a possible need for the City of Dartmouth to make a large expenditure for a filtration plant, as it is not now part of the existing water utility serving Dartmouth and areas of the Municipality.

Councillor Adams next commented there was once a Lake Major Advisory Committee, and he asked if this committee should be reporting on such developments. Mr. Meech informed the Metropolitan Authority is only raising the issue of whether or not a regional water supply should be considered for the Metropolitan area. He also advised he had heard from another informed individual that Dartmouth will be faced with establishing a filtration plant for its water system.

Warden MacKenzie asked if the names of the people on the Lake Major Advisory Committee could be provided. Councillor Adams informed he is also looking for these names. He advised he would submit these names to Warden MacKenzie when he gets them.

Mr. Meech felt this issue should be dealt with by the Dartmouth Water Utility more than anyone because it has to do with the quality of water for consumption going into the system. With the filtration plants, there may be an ability for greater development. Such a filtration system adds to the capital costs as well as the operational costs. Dartmouth's water rates are fairly low because they do not have this system, but it will soon be necessary. He suggested that Mr. Jackson may be raising the issue that the City of Dartmouth may be more prepared to talk about a regional water utility because of the need for the filtration plant. Mr. Meech advised he would check into this further at his meeting on Friday. He suggested it may be better to have Mr. Jackson meet with Council to review the issue.

Councillor DeRoche advised the water from Lake Major is pumped across the land into Lake LeMont and treatment is done there. Councillor

DeRoche asked that Councillor Adams, the Watershed Associated Development Enterprises, and himself be kept advised of any future information that evolves with respect to this item.

MOTION CARRIED

COUNCILLOR McINROY - RICK HANSEN MAN IN MOTION WORLD TOUR

Councillor McInroy advised Rich Hansen is a Canadian who has been touring the world in a wheelchair in order to raise funds for spinal cord research. Councillor McInroy informed that a sub-committee of the Executive Committee was formed to come up with ideas for greating this man when he arrives in Halifax County. People from the committee that coordinates the provincial segment of the tour met with this sub-committee to discuss ideas and determine if they would be compatible with provincial plans. Councillor McInroy reviewed a number of ideas the sub-committee had generated. They suggested the coordination of a Rick Hansen Halifax County fund that would receive contributions from organizations and individuals throughout the County to present to Rick Hansen when he arrives. This could coordinate with an updating account similar to that of Rainbow Haven with acknowledgement of donations in the newspaper. Another suggestion was the planning of a reception within Halifax County, possibly Musquodoboit Harbour. Further details would have to be worked out at a later date.

At the meeting with the provincial coordinators, the sub-committee was informed they are looking for direct contributions from the municipalities within Nova Scotia because this segment will probably be the major part of the tour in the Atlantic Provinces. The committee informed they received free accomodations from the Holiday Inn, MacDonald's supply food, etc., but there is a need for an additional \$4,000 to cover other expenses. Councillor McInroy advised the sub-committee felt it would be a good idea for Halifax County to show strong support and major input into the tour.

Councillor McInroy concluded there will be a press conference held by the provincial coordinating people on July 11, and that would be a good time to announce the County contribution. Therefore,

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

"THAT the Municipality of the County of Halifax sponsor the Nova Scotia segment of the Man in Motion Tour as it relates to travel expenses in Nova Scotia for Mr. Hansen and his entourage up to the amount of \$4,000."

MOTION CARRIED

Warden MacKenzie thanked the sub-committee of the Executive Committee for their work on this matter.

PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTBill No. 124 - An Act Respecting Mobile Home Sites

Mr. Kelly read this report.

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

"THAT Council, through the speaker of the house, advise that the Planning Advisory Committee do have concerns with Bill No. 124; and that the Planning Advisory Committee would appreciate being advised if and when this Private Members Bill is to be discussed further so that the Bill can be examined in detail and a presentation made before the Legislative Committee."

Mr. Meech advised he was of the understanding this matter would never come back to the Legislature in its present form because it was not supported by the government. He felt the bill was considered finished unless it is reintroduced.

Councillor DeRoche stated the Bill can always be reintroduced in the same format. The Planning Advisory Committee is requesting that should this Bill or a similar Bill with a different number designation be introduced with respect to Mobile Home Park legislation that the Planning Advisory Committee be advised because the Committee does have some serious concerns with a number of items in this particular Private Members Bill.

Warden MacKenzie asked if there were changes to that Bill and it were reintroduced, would County Council be notified. Mr. Cragg informed County Council would be notified because the whole process would have to begin again.

MOTION CARRIED

File No. PA-EP-12-85 Proposed Amendments to the Eastern Passage/Cow Bay Municipal Planning Strategy - LaFitte

Mr. Kelly identified the application and the recommendation of the Planning Advisory Committee.

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

"THAT File No. PA-EP-12-85 be approved and that a Public Hearing be held on August 11, 1986 at 7 p.m."

MOTION CARRIED

Application No. RA-LM-32-86-08 - Rezoning of a Portion of the Lands of Earl, Ralph, and Allison Ernst and the Lands now or formerly of Berton Turner, located on the Crane Hill Road

Mr. Kelly identified the application and the recommendation as presented in the report.

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

"THAT Application No. RA-LM-32-86-08 be approved and that a Public Hearing be held on August 11, 1986 at 7 p.m."
MOTION CARRIED

File No. ZA-TLB-33-86-02 - Amend the Zoning By-law for Timberlea/Lakeside/Beechville - I-1 (Light Industrial) Zone

Mr. Kelly identified the application and advised of the recommendation of the Planning Advisory Committee.

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

"THAT Application No. ZA-TLB-33-86-02 be approved and that a Public Hearing be held on August 11, 1986 at 7 p.m."
MOTION CARRIED

Application No. RA-SA-31-86-21 - Rezoning of a Portion of the Lands of Crandell Developments Limited, Cobequid Road, Lower Sackville

Mr. Kelly outlined the report of the Planning Advisory Committee with regard to this application.

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

"THAT Application No. RA-SA-31-86-20 be approved and that a Public Hearing be held on August 25, 1986 at 7 p.m."
MOTION CARRIED

File No. PA-CH/W-16-85 - Amendment to the Cole Harbour/Westpal Municipal Planning Strategy - Chestnut Realty - Extension of Services

Mr. Kelly identified the application and the recommendation from the Planning Advisory Committee.

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

"THAT File No. PA-CH/W-16-85 be approved, as per Appendix "A" of the staff report, and that a Public Hearing be held on August 11, 1986 at 7 p.m."
MOTION CARRIED

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Middle Sackville School

Mr. Kelly outlined the report respecting this matter.

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

"THAT the Municipality enter into a five year lease agreement at \$1 per year with the 50+ Club for the former Middle Sackville School and allow them to sublet a portion of the building to the Beacon House Interfaith Society."

Councillor MacDonald expressed appreciation to Council and the Executive Committee for the consideration given to this matter over the past month. He stated the 50+ Club is appreciative of the building and the agreement to sublet a portion of the building. He informed both groups are excited and happy about the agreement.

MOTION CARRIED

"Grace Day" on County Playgrounds

Mr. Kelly outlined the report of the Executive Committee.

It was moved by Councillor Deveaux, seconded by Councillor C. Baker:

"THAT the Municipality endorse the fund raising program on County playgrounds for the Grace Maternity Hospital Building Fund."

MOTION CARRIED

Grace Maternity Hospital Building Fund

Mr. Kelly advised the Executive Committee had considered the request for funds for the construction of the new Grace Maternity Hospital.

It is the recommendation of the Committee that approval be granted for a grant to the Grace Maternity Hospital Building Fund in the amount of \$200,000 over a five year period commencing in 1987.

It was moved by Deputy Warden Wiseman, seconded by Councillor Eisenhauer:

"THAT approval be given for a grant to the Grace Maternity Hospital Building Fund in the amount of \$200,000 over a five year period beginning in 1987."

MOTION CARRIED

Request for District Capital Grant, District 17

Mr. Kelly outlined the request.

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

"THAT a District Capital Grant, District 17 in the amount of \$2,500 for the fencing of public walkways at Ellerslie Crescent, Cedar Crescent, and Elm Street be approved by Council."

MOTION CARRIED

Request for District Capital Grant, District 17

Mr. Kelly outlined the report respecting this request.

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

"THAT approval be granted for a District Capital Grant, District 17 in the amount of \$3,500 for the purpose of fencing public walkways at Hallmark Street, and Hollyoake Street, Colby Village."

MOTION CARRIED

Request for District Capital Grant, District 19; General Capital Grant; and County Loan

Mr. Kelly identified the next request, advising the purpose of the request is for improvements to the sewer and water system at Lively Subdivision, totaling \$130,000.

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

"THAT approval be granted for a District Capital Grant, District 19 in the amount of \$10,000; a General Capital Grant in the amount of \$55,000; and a loan advance in the amount of \$65,000 for improvements to the sewer and water system at Lively Subdivision, with the loan, principal, and interest to be recovered from the environmental service rate over a four year period."
MOTION CARRIED

Temporary Borrowing Resolution, Sewer Treatment, Eastern Passage

Mr. Kelly outlined the report of the Executive Committee respecting this matter.

It was moved by Deputy Warden Wiseman, seconded by Councillor DeRoche:

"THAT a temporary borrowing resolution in the amount of \$3,200,000 for sewage treatment at Eastern Passage be approved by Council."
MOTION CARRIED

Temporary Borrowing Resolution, Industrial Commission, Aerotech Industrial Park Land

Mr. Kelly reviewed the report.

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

"THAT a temporary borrowing resolution in the amount of \$6,000,000 for the Industrial Commission, Aerotech Industrial Park Land be approved."
MOTION CARRIED

Withdrawal from Vehicle Reserve Fund

Mr. Kelly reviewed the report and recommendation of the Executive Committee.

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

"THAT a request to withdraw \$18,000 from the vehicle reserve fund for a 3/4 ton, four wheel drive maintenance truck for the Parks and Recreation Department be approved by Council."
MOTION CARRIED

County Councillors Pension

Mr. Kelly reviewed the report of the Executive Committee.

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

"THAT the three Councillors that are putting the funds into the group RRSP's be left as it is now being done; that no funds be deducted from the other 18 Councillors and they will be responsible for transferring their own funds to whichever vehicle they feel will best meet their own needs; and that the existing amounts in the savings accounts of the Councillors be transferred to them to utilize in the best manner possible with no further savings accounts to be held for Councillors."

MOTION CARRIED

Fire Hall Construction, Eastern Passage

Mr. Kelly outlined the report and recommendation with respect to the temporary borrowing resolution.

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

"THAT approval be granted for a temporary borrowing resolution in the amount of \$700,000 for the construction of a fire hall at Eastern Passage."

MOTION CARRIED

Collective Agreement, Lakeside and Black Point Fire Departments

Mr. Kelly outlined the report of the Executive Committee.

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

"THAT a revised collective agreement with IAFF, local 1456 based on the negotiated tentative agreement be approved by Municipal Council."

Mr. Meech advised that Councillor Walker and Councillor Poirier were both aware of the recommendation, and they both are in favour of it.

MOTION CARRIED

Social Assistance Expenditures

Mr. Kelly read the report with regard to this matter.

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

"THAT Council approve the hiring of an additional Social Service worker in 1986 and that cost-sharing for this additional person be requested from the Province."

Councillor DeRoche asked if this matter had been included in the budget for 1986. Mr. Meech informed this position was not included in the original budget. It had been in the very early stages of the budget, and after consultation between Mr. Meech and Mr. Mason it was decided

it may be possible to get by during 1986 without the additional position. However, the average caseload for at least the first five months has been much higher than anticipated.

Councillor DeRoche stated that Councillor Lichter constantly references such an approach midway through a year of operation and being faced with have the position locked in placed at the new budget. Councillor DeRoche expressed appreciation for how this can happen, but stated he did not appreciate the approach taken. He felt these things should be made known to Council during the budget discussions.

Warden MacKenzie commented that the Social Services Department have found themselves with an increased caseload and felt a requirement for an additional staff person to service the caseload and save a few dollars instead of costing more.

Councillor DeRoche stated it is the Municipal level of government that is expanding. All others are retracting in size. He felt Councillors should have been made known that this would be inevitable over the past three or four years. He also felt it should have been included in the 1986 budget. He commented this proposal may coincidentally coincide with the graduate of a new group from the Nova Scotia Institute of Technology.

Warden MacKenzie stated Mr. Mason and his department could probably manage without this additional person, but he questioned the efficiency of this.

Councillor Randall asked if there had been any initial approach made to the Provincial Department of Social Services. Mr. Meech informed the County has had some verbal preliminary reaction which suggests the Province should be prepared to cost-share the position. Warden MacKenzie added there is a sub-committee looking at social services costs.

Councillor MacDonald commented that the Eligibility Review Officer was hired two years ago to protect against abuse of the social services system. However, this person has been made a social services worker. Mr. Meech agreed the person retained as the Eligibility Review Officer has been assigned a regular caseload, and there is very little time to devote to his original position. This is one of the reasons for the need for the additional person. Mr. Meech added there is a number of requests with respect to tax relief that have to be properly researched. A substantial increase in the caseload also increases the demand for an additional person. An independent assessment was done in the past by the Social Services Department to look at County of Halifax staffing levels in comparison to neighbouring municipalities. The study found Halifax County to be operating with lesser numbers of staff, although it had greater caseloads. Mr. Meech added that the population of Halifax County is still increasing, so statistically there is going to be an increase in social assistance recipients, as well as any other program.

Councillor MacDonald commented that with a larger number of cases, the position of Eligibility Review Officer would be increasingly important because there will be more abuse. Mr. Meech stated this request is because there is not sufficient staff resources to allow the Eligibility Review Officer to fulfill his original mandate. There have also been a number of people in the department on long-term illness which has caused some short-term difficulties with the operation of the department. For these reasons, the Eligibility Review Officer has been assigned a permanent caseload within the last 12 months.

Councillor Mont advised the first he knew of the Eligibility Review Officer being removed from his original duties was when he read the report, and he was bothered by it. Councillor Mont commented the reassignment occurred when his role was beginning to have a useful financial impact for the Municipality. Councillor Mont also felt Councillors should have been told of the potential need for this additional person because he had been under the assumption that cases were being reviewed by the Eligibility Review Officer, when they have not. He stated he would be willing to support another worker if it is necessary, but he wanted to be assured that the Eligibility Review Worker would be reinstated to his original work.

Mr. Meech advised it is intended to continue the program, and it is also intended to combine the role of the Eligibility Review Officer with accepting some caseload.

Councillor Mont expressed concern that the Eligibility Review Officer would be doing his intended duties second to a regular caseload. Mr. Meech clarified the intent is to follow-up with respect to internal referrals. When the position of Eligibility Review Officer was established, it was suspected there would be many inquiries. However, there is very few, if any, investigations initiated from public inquiries. There is a need for this person, however, because they are often referred to the Eligibility Review Officer by staff. Councillor Mont concluded he would like to see this function continue, and he felt Councillors should receive a report as to what this person is doing in his capacity of Eligibility Review Officer.

Mr. Meech stated the Social Services Department has benefitted from this person because he has good skills and abilities with a caseload. He has also been doing research necessary for tax relief.

Councillor Eisenhower agreed that the Eligibility Review Officer should be reinstated quickly. He stated with the increase in recipients of social assistance, there should be further assurances there is not abuse of the system. He suggested the motion be based on the condition that the Eligibility Review Officer be reinstated in his original position.

Mr. Meech informed one of the tasks of the special sub-committee is to examine the traditional classifications of social assistance recipients for accuracy. There is concern over the classification of recipients into the able-bodied category because many people are physically able to work but do not have the necessary education to work.

Councillor McInroy expressed disappointment in the turn of events and the reallocation of staff. He informed he worked hard to bring the concept of an Eligibility Review Officer forward with the knowledge that it would be beneficial. Reports indicate that funds saved were worthwhile of this position.

It was amended by Councillor McInroy, seconded by Councillor Mont:

"THAT Council give approval for the hiring of an additional social service worker; that the Eligibility Review Officer be reinstated to the originally intended duties; that the Eligibility Review Officer report to Council on a regular basis; and that the Province be requested to cost-share for this additional person."

Councillor Fralick expressed support for the motion; if there is the caseload, the extra employee should be hired. The best way to solve a problem is to be efficient, and hiring an additional employee will make the system more efficient. He asked if there were a turn-around in the economy if it would be possible to lay off staff. Mr. Meech replied such employees receive permanent status, but if circumstances did reach a point where this would be necessary, nothing restricts the Municipality from laying people off. However, due to the size of the department, the caseload has continued to grow or at least be maintained. If there was not sufficient work activity for employees, there are ways of dealing with that.

Councillor Deveaux advised he would be voting against the amendment. He stated he did not agree when the proposal first came forward to hire the Eligibility Review Officer. At that time, Mr. Mason felt this position was not necessary. He felt the Social Services Department do the best possible job, and if the Eligibility Review Officer serves a better purpose with a caseload, he should be doing that. Councillor Deveaux commended the Social Services Department for giving the Eligibility Review Officer a caseload instead of looking for another employee earlier. He agreed with Mr. Meech that the population in Halifax County is increasing and with that and other circumstances, it is only logical to expect a larger social assistance caseload. He felt there will always be two or three percent that beat any system under the democratic system of government. Councillor Deveaux concluded he would not support additional staff to the Social Services Department.

Councillor C. Baker expressed concern about the Eligibility Review Officer being reinstated to his original position. He asked if the existing Eligibility Review Officer ever submitted any reports of findings of abuse of the system. Councillor C. Baker informed he heard from the outside the he had found abusers of the system, and they were made to pay back. However, he felt Councillors should be made aware of such information from County staff. He also asked why district recipients of welfare are not posted as they were in the past.

Mr. Meech informed he initiated this change because he felt such information was not comparable with anything. The format was changed to give a better understanding of what the caseloads are, what categories they are, etc. to be compared on a time basis. He stated

the information on a district basis could be made available by asking Social Services staff for it. Councillor C. Baker asked if he has authority to ask Mr. Mason who receives assistance from his district. Mr. Meech informed the Municipality is not permitted to publicize the names of welfare recipients. However, if a Councillor wanted to have a confidential meeting with the district worker, he would share the information verbally. He stated it is federal legislation that does not allow the information to be publicized, and he felt a staff person giving out such information could be subject to disciplinary measures. He suggested Councillor C. Baker speak to Mr. Mason privately.

Councillor P. Baker questioned the intent of the sub-committee established by the Executive Committee. He also asked if the sub-committee has to have approval from Council. Warden MacKenzie replied the Executive Committee has the authority to appoint such sub-committees.

Councillor Reid informed the Executive Committee were concerned about the increasing caseload, and they wanted to look for a method to decrease it. Although some people believe this sub-committee is infringing upon people's rights, this is not the intent of the committee. Members of this sub-committee would like to identify the percentage of employable people presently on the caseload who can utilize skills of any kind to be an effective member of the community. The sub-committee is looking for a manner to give these people more self-esteem and maintain their dignity. These people can be given their money each month with an offer as to how they can contribute to their community. He concluded the sub-committee is not in the position to be making recommendations within the next few months; it may take a year or more.

Councillor P. Baker felt some Councillors were acting as a group of vigilantes. There will always be poor people. He asked if accusers of abuse of the system could find such proof. Councillor P. Baker felt the staff in the Social Services Department is very capable with a reputable Director and Assistant Director. He stated welfare recipients live under the poverty line, and they do not have opportunities others do. He also questioned the expertise of Council Members to be sitting and taking action on the sub-committee. Councillor P. Baker stated that information about people receiving social assistance is confidential between the Social Services Department and the individual concerned, and should some information be given to Councillors on a confidential basis, it must be remembered the information is confidential. He concluded there is a need for another worker, as the only means of controlling costs. Warden MacKenzie stated the sub-committee is looking for ways to combat the increasing caseload, whether it be methods of getting people back to work, or looking to the federal government for assistance. The purpose of the sub-committee is not to get at the recipients of social assistance who truly need it. Councillor P. Baker felt the sub-committee is nothing but a vigilante group because the members are not trained in the field of social work. He concluded the sub-committee is an insult to the Social Services Department. Warden MacKenzie clarified that Mr. Mason approached the Executive Committee for assistance, and the sub-committee is working with the Social Services Department.

Councillor DeRoche stated the individual right to privacy is contained in the Charter of Rights, and by virtue of that it is part and parcel of the Canada Assistance Act. Therefore, individuals have the right to privacy. If it is violated, there can be very severe penalties. He suggested the Social Services Department deal in numbers rather than specific names. He felt the sub-committee can assist the Social Services Department with respect to representation to the higher levels of government.

Councillor Deveaux expressed concern that the public will get the wrong impression from what was printed in the newspaper about the sub-committee and the Social Services Department. He stated the article indicated to him that somebody would be out to get the people who are on social assistance. He asked if this is one of the purposes of the sub-committee. Councillor Walker and Councillor Reid both clarified it is not. Councillor Deveaux stated he has no objections to social assistance recipients volunteering to do local community work, and he has no objections to the Municipality trying to work something out with social assistance people in the line of providing meaningful jobs. He expressed hope the indications in the newspaper would not take place, and that the sub-committee would put pressure on the provincial and federal governments to provide more programs for work. He concluded by asking if the members of the sub-committee are paid for their participation. It was confirmed they do receive remuneration. Councillor Deveaux felt such a committee had to be approved by Council in order to be paid.

Mr. Cragg informed there is provision in the Committees and Boards By-law which allows the Executive Committee to establish a sub-committee. He clarified the Executive Committee has the authority to do so without coming to Council.

Councillor Deveaux asked Councillors to keep in mind that cutting people off from social assistance will be causing children more hardship than anyone else. Also that there will always be two or three percent of the people beating the system.

Councillor Reid informed the impression received from the article in the paper is wrong. He stated that wanting to get a list of individual people on welfare is most definitely not the intent of the committee. He read a letter he received from a person who is on welfare and who does not want to be. He stated the committee is looking for ways to help such people get away from social assistance.

Councillor Walker assured Members of Council that the committee in question is only a sub-committee of the Executive Committee which will have to report back to Council before final approval is given for anything.

Councillor Adams advised another point the sub-committee is studying is whether or not people need more to get by with the basics.

AMENDMENT CARRIED

MOTION CARRIED AS AMENDED

Temporary Borrowing Resolution

Mr. Kelly read the report of the Executive Committee.

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

"THAT Municipal Council approve of a temporary borrowing resolution in the amount of \$1,500,000 for the construction of the Westphal/Cole Harbour and District Fire Station."

MOTION CARRIED

RURAL SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

Derelict Vehicle Program

Mr. Kelly outlined the report, advising the Rural Services Committee recommend to Council that the Province be approached to have the Derelict Vehicle Program reinstated.

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

"THAT Council contact the Province to have the Derelict Vehicle Program reinstated."

Councillor DeRoche asked if it is too late to submit such a resolution to the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities although the regional meetings have already been held. Warden MacKenzie stated during the regional meeting there was a resolution prepared by Councillor Adams, and it was approved.

MOTION CARRIED

BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT - LESSER SETBACK

Robert Bezanson, Porter's Lake

Mr. Kelly read the report from Mr. Hefler, Chief Building Inspector.

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

"THAT Council approve a lesser setback of 24.4 feet on Lot C4, G. W. Mills Subdivision, Myra Road, Porter's Lake."

MOTION CARRIED

URBAN SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

Proposed Sidewalk Construction

Mr. Kelly read the report from the Urban Services Committee with regard to this matter.

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

"THAT Council approve the County's share of the cost of sidewalk construction as noted in the report and that the list be submitted to the Province for approval."
MOTION CARRIED

Ross Road Water Supply

Mr. Kelly read the report.

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

"THAT Council make representation to the Province for cost-sharing with the residents of Ross Road to connect to the central water supply."
MOTION CARRIED

APPOINTMENT OF TWO COUNCIL MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF THE DARTMOUTH GENERAL HOSPITAL

Mr. Kelly informed the Municipality has been invited to appoint two Members of Council to this Board.

Councillor Mont felt these appointments should be made, although he understood why the previous appointees resigned because they could not get backing from Council for grants which were felt to be necessary. The hospital is of importance to the residents of the County, and if the opportunity is offered to have two members on the Board, County Council should take advantage of the opportunity to make sure residents get the best possible service.

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

"THAT County Council appoint two representatives to the Board of the Dartmouth General Hospital."
MOTION CARRIED

It was moved by Councillor Deveaux, seconded by Councillor C. Baker:

"THAT Councillor Mont be appointed to the Board of the Dartmouth General Hospital."
MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT Councillor DeRoche be appointed to the Board of the Dartmouth General Hospital."
MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT nominations cease."
MOTION CARRIED

Warden MacKenzie declared Councillor Mont and Councillor DeRoche appointed to the Board of the Dartmouth General Hospital.

APPOINTMENTS OF TWO COUNTY RESIDENTS TO THE SHUBENACADIE CANAL COMMISSION

Councillor Snow informed there are two residents in his district who live adjacent to the canal and are members of the Shubenacadie Lakes Advisory Board. He stated because the County portion of the Canal is in District 14, he felt it would be appropriate to appoint these two residents from District 14.

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

"THAT Keith Manchester and Bill Lockhart be appointed to the Shubenacadie Canal Commission."

MOTION CARRIED

ISSUING RESOLUTION, RE DEBENTURE

Mr. Kelly informed the temporary borrowing resolution was passed at the June 3, 1986 Council Session, and these resolutions are with respect to the balance of water for the Waverley water system and a portion of the Windsor Junction water system. Council is now requested by the Department of Municipal Affairs to approve the issuing of the debenture.

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

"THAT Council approve the issuance of this debenture."

MOTION CARRIED

REPORT, RE LANDS OF PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Mr. Kelly advised there was a report attached from Patricia Aikens, Property Management Assistant.

Mr. Meech advised that subsequent to the meeting by Ms. Aikens with Mr. Gates, there was another meeting with Mr. Gates last week. He stated the information conveyed from Mr. Gates is outlined in the report. The Public Service Commission does have a large amount of acreage which has been declared surplus as it relates to protection for watershed. This land could be available for acquisition, should the Municipality be interested. The Public Service Commission has established as a policy that it is not their intent to sell the land in small parcels, but they would be interested in entertaining proposals for larger sites. Mr. Meech also felt putting this amount of acreage on the market would not be beneficial at this point in time; however, if the Municipality is interested in pursuing this, the Public Service Commission would be prepared to review a proposal.

Warden MacKenzie stated Mr. Gates had indicated there are three lots north-west of Highway 103 that might be disposed of, although there is a problem with access to those lots.

Councillor P. Baker asked if developers bought the land, would it still remain in District 4 and would District 4 receive revenue from that. He commented that the City of Halifax is now encroaching into his District, and this should be watched carefully.

Mr. Meech informed that the City of Halifax paid approximately \$7,000,000 to the Public Service Commission for lands they presently own.

Warden MacKenzie informed the Public Service Commission is concerned about selling only the front portion of the land, and the land behind would be worthless. Also, as far as the County is concerned obtaining the lands would only be through purchase, and the lands have a fair market value. Expropriation would also be possible if there was a specific purpose for the land.

Councillor P. Baker informed that Mr. Gates had indicated to him that should any government require a smaller parcel of land for a specific parcel, the Public Service Commission would have no objections; although, they did not say for free. Mr. Meech clarified such a need might be for a school or another such project. He stated there is another staff report in the process, which may identify a site for public housing owned by the Public Service Commission along the Prospect Road. Mr. Meech expressed hope Council would agree to this and a small site may be acquired for that purpose. Warden MacKenzie felt it would be worthwhile purchasing this land, if the necessary dollars were available.

RESOLUTION - COUNCILLOR SNOW

Mr. Kelly informed this resolution was asked to be presented by Councillor Snow. He advised the resolution is attached to the agenda.

Councillor Snow advised this resolution has been initiated as a result of concerns about the Tidewater Construction Company. He read the last paragraph of a letter from Mr. LeBlanc, Minister of the Environment, explaining this is the why the motion came to the floor.

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

"THAT the Council of the Municipality of the County of Halifax hereby request the Minister of the Environment and the Minister of Municipal Affairs to jointly examine the content, meaning, and application of the Environmental Protection Act and the Planning Act in order to provide to the citizens of Halifax County a review process and decision-making capability respecting quarries and similar matters, which properly address the environment of a community as including not only its physical elements but an essential social, aesthetic and institutional fabric."

Warden MacKenzie asked what is meant by "similar matters" in the context of the resolution. Councillor Snow believed it referred to the mushroom farms and their impact on communities. He advised he would make copies of the letter and circulate it to all Councillors. Mr. LeBlanc stated in the letter he had no other means but to pass the resolution because the environmental approval could not be rescinded, and the municipal permit could not be rescinded. However, it has been determined the community impact is not acceptable, and it was decided the quarry proposal should not succeed. Councillor Snow stated the purpose of the resolution is to see if there is a way to resolve such matters without costing the citizen's of the area.

Councillor DeRoche stated the resolution is in keep with recommendations contained in the proposed plans and by-laws of the various districts presently under the planning process. He expressed support for the resolution.

MOTION CARRIED

RECOMMENDATIONS, COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RE LEGISLATIVE MANDATE AND STRUCTURE

Mr. Kelly informed these are recommendations which were made at Committee of the Whole meetings on June 10 and June 17, 1986.

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

"THAT the recommendations with regard to the Strategy Report, re Annexations/Incorporations made at Committee of the Whole meetings on June 10 and June 17, 1986 be approved."

MOTION CARRIED

APPOINTMENT OF FIVE REPRESENTATIVES TO THE HALIFAX COUNTY REGIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY

Warden MacKenzie suggested the five representatives be appointed on the basis of one per school sub-system in the Municipality.

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

"THAT this matter be deferred to the Council Session of July 15, 1986."

MOTION CARRIED

AGENDA ITEMS

Councillor P. Baker - Old Cemetery

Councillor P. Baker advised he was referring to an old cemetery which used to service the old Halifax County Hospital. He advised there are people who live in the area but do not know it exists. There are no

markers on the site, although there are a few small crosses and stones which are not visible because they are covered with trees and grass. He advised this matter was discussed with officials of the Department of Lands and Forests earlier in the spring. He asked that Mr. Meech assign staff to put pressure on the province for a make-work program for the preservation of this cemetery. He felt it should be preserved because at a later point in time people will not know it exists and go in with bulldozers.

Councillor DeRoche reminded Members of Council the preservation of this land was a condition attached to the conveyance of this property to the Department of Lands and Forests.

Warden MacKenzie clarified that one of the representatives of the Department of Lands and Forests had agreed to that. He also noted there had been mention of two cemeteries - one which is visible.

Councillor DeRoche advised the other has not be identified, and the Department of Lands and Forests were to ensure that identification was made and protection given to this cemetery.

Councillor Mont asked about the status of the transfer of title. Mr. Meech advised it has not officially taken place yet. Councillor Mont expressed agreement with Councillor P. Baker's concern and the comments made by Councillor DeRoche. He felt steps should be taken to assure that something will be done. Mr. Meech clarified that Mr. Brine, Property Manger, had met with Department of Lands and Forests officials on the site, and they are aware of its existence. They also have every intention of retaining and preserving it.

Councillor P. Baker informed the cemetery is located off an old road on the harbour which is no longer accessible. He stated there would have to be a road cleared. He stated he would like to see something done soon because the winter will be here again, and it will then take another year to get anything done.

Councillor Mont felt since the County has owned the land until now and being the owner of the former County Hospital, the Municipality holds some responsibility for the cemetery. He expressed appreciation that County staff have been there and identified the cemetery to the Department of Lands and Forests. He suggested the Municipality take steps to do something about it this summer. Mr. Meech suggested the Department of Lands and Forest may also be in a position to make some resources available for this project. He stated he would ask Mr. Brine to consult the Department of Lands and Forest and Mr. Markesino, Director of Parks and Recreation.

Councillor Snow asked if there is any record of burial permits as required in Nova Scotia. This record would provide information such as the names of people buried in the cemetery. Councillor P. Baker informed that the cemetery that is visable contains the bodies of ten adults and a baby. However, there are no records available for the other cemetery. He advised he found this out from a man who passed away three years ago.

Warden MacKenzie expressed hope that something will be done about this in the near future.

Councillor MacKay - Bingo License

Councillor MacKay informed that the local service clubs, recreation organizations, etc., are losing their main source of income (bingo) to commercial bingos. He stated the small bingos initiated by various organizations in the community of Sackville provide many worthwhile projects with the money they make from their bingos. Now a large building has been purchased or leased, and small organizations are being asked to sponsor the bingo license because commercial licenses are no longer issued. Councillor MacKay informed it is his understanding from meeting with officials and Councillor MacDonald and Deputy Warden Wiseman that a preliminary license is first issued to be reviewed after three months. It is difficult to say who should and should not have a license, but it is the firm opinion of Councillors in the Sackville area that organizations should not be going to Sackville sponsoring large bingos, reaping the profits, and detracting from bingos run by area service organizations.

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

"THAT the Municipality request the Lottery Corporation that existing licenses for organizations conducting bingos at the Sackville Activity Centre be not renewed and further request that licenses be not issued to other organizations to conduct bingos at this location."

Deputy Warden Wiseman informed she spoke to a number of groups who have been involved with bingo for a number of years in the Sackville area, and the bingo put on by the Kinsmen Club has produced a great deal of facilities and support for other endeavors within the community. They have worked very hard for a park in Sackville, and they have donated much money towards other organization into the community that do not have these fundraising capabilities. However, the commercial bingos are defeating the Kinsmen Club's ability to earn. She stated the situation is a difficult one, and the community has depended for years on such groups who need bingo for their funds. She requested Council's support for the resolution.

Councillor MacDonald reiterated the feelings of Councillor MacKay and Deputy Warden Wiseman. He stated the organization who sponsors the commercial bingo in order to get the license only comes out with a donation after all bills and costs are paid for. He advised he had called Mr. Kelly to find out about the licenses. Mr. Kelly informed there were two bingos licensed to operate at the Sackville Activity Centre, and they expire on July 22.

Councillor Snow expressed support for the motion.

MOTION CARRIED

Councillor C. Baker - Lands and Forests

It was moved by Councillor C. Baker, seconded by Councillor Deveaux:

"THAT a letter be written to the Department of Lands and Forests requesting that the road and parking area at Crystal Crescent Beach be upgraded."

MOTION CARRIED

Councillor Walker - Signage

Councillor Walker informed he has been receiving many calls about the large number of advertising signs being erected in his area.

It was moved by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Fralick:

"THAT a letter be written to the Department of Transportation requesting their policy with regard to the placement of signs along the highways and the procedure taken by the Department to protect against an over-abundance of advertising signs."

Councillor Mont suggested the County has control over this through the Municipal Development Plan. Councillor Walker informed his district does not have a Municipal Development Plan in effect at this point in time, and he wanted something done about the large number of signs this summer. He felt the Department of Transportation is not policing this area up to standards.

MOTION CARRIED

Councillor MacDonald - General Capital Grants, Priorities

Councillor MacDonald asked about the stage of the program set up for disbursement of capital grants. Mr. Meech informed a report was tabled, and there was intent to hold a meeting of the Committee of the Whole to discuss the recommendations contained in that report. However, Mr. Meech informed he has decided to initiate some further detailed action at the staff level. He hoped to have something together before 1987 that would identify all projects, establish priorities, and have Council make the final decisions. After the expansion to sewage treatment plant and trunk main on the Eastern side, Springfield Lake was the next priority in the original report.

Councillor MacDonald informed he is under a lot of pressure from his residents to have this proposal finalized so a direction can be found. He stated if cost-sharing from the Province for this project is not obtained, other means of funding should be considered in the near future.

Mr. Meech suggested that the Minister of Municipal Affairs again be asked to give some indication as to when the Provincial Special Assistance might be available for this project.

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

"THAT a letter be written to the Minister of Municipal Affairs requesting an indication as to when Provincial special assistance will be available for the Springfield Lake project."
MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT a letter be written to the Minister of Municipal Affairs requesting when funding for the Musquodoboit sewer system will be forthcoming."
MOTION CARRIED

Councillor Reid - Social Assistance Sub-Committee

Councillor Reid asked to speak on this matter. Council agreed. He stated at the last meeting of the sub-committee, a request was made of the Social Assistance Department to develop a letter and questionnaire to be sent to welfare recipients. He read the letter and outlined the questionnaire informing all information would remain confidential. He expressed hope that this memorandum would relieve concerns of other Councillors expressed earlier. Councillor Reid stated the caseworkers would ask the people to fill in the questionnaire when they visit the various homes, and each would be dealt with on a confidential basis by the Social Services Department.

ADDITION OF ITEMS TO JULY 15, 1986 COUNCIL SESSION

Councillor Fralick commented there was a freeze on selling surplus properties owned by the County some time ago. He asked if it would be possible to have a list of surplus lands for District 3 from the Property Management Department for the next Council Session. He stated there is a property in his district he is desirous of selling because there are always many children and cars there; it is becoming a loitering spot. Several people have showed interest in buying the property, which would create some revenue. He asked if it would be possible to sell such land to private individuals in the area.

Mr. Meech informed if the lands have not been acquired under the Subdivision By-law, there would not be anything to restrict Council from taking steps to sell the lands. However, if the land came to the Municipality under the Subdivision By-law, there are legal restrictions against selling the lands because they were designated for parkland purposes. He suggested the lands in question be identified first, and if it is determined the lands can be sold privately, the process would go to public tender.

Councillor Fralick questioned if somebody has a small property with sewage problems, and an adjacent parcel of land could solve the problems, could something be worked out. Mr. Meech informed there is nothing legal to stop the County from negotiating and agreeing to sell parkland, especially in such a situation. He stated if somebody

does have such a problem, and adjacent lands are identified as County-owned and available, the person should put a proposal forward to Mr. Brine, Property Manager, to be brought forward to the Executive Committee for consideration and discussion. With respect to former school property, when it is conveyed back to the Municipality from the School Board, the first step is to advertise to see if there is a local organization who might be interested in the property. If there is not, the practise is to put the land out for public tender.

Councillor Fralick stated he would like to begin with selling a parcel of County-owned land to an individual to solve his problems, and then he would like to assess each of the former school properties in order to have them sold. Mr. Meech informed some of the old school properties are probably subject to leases which have been negotiated with different organizations, and in some cases the leases may be for a long period of time.

Councillor Fralick stated he has several organizations occupying the former schools, and they are not living up to there expectations - always looking for grants, etc. He felt such organizations are only a drain on the County.

Mr. Meech stated the information could be prepared, although it may not be available for the next Council Session. He stated the Property Management Department is trying to identify all County-owned properties and have them put into the computer. At this point in time, most properties can probably be identified through lease agreements and the assessment roll.

Councillor Snow - Holland Road School
- Department of Transportation

Councillor MacDonald asked if he could discuss a short matter with regard to the Department Transportation. Council agreed.

Councillor MacDonald felt the importance of traffic lights at the Old Sackville Road and the Beaverbank Connector should be reiterated to the Department of Transportation. He stated studies and traffic counts have been done at this intersection, but no information has been sent back to the Municipality. He stated it is a very dangerous intersection, and a building permit has been applied for a Good Year Tire store at this intersection, which will make the intersection worse.

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

"THAT a letter be written to the Department of Transportation reiterating to them the important of traffic lights at the intersection of the Old Sackville Road and the Beaverbank Connector."
MOTION CARRIED

Councillor Randall - Dredging, Three Fathom Harbour

ADJOURNMENT

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

"THAT this Session of Council adjourn."
MOTION CARRIED

COUNCIL SESSION

JULY 15, 1986

PRESENT WERE: Warden MacKenzie
Councillor Walker
Councillor Poirier
Councillor Fralick
Councillor P. Baker
Councillor C. Baker
Councillor Deveaux
Councillor DeRoche
Councillor Adams
Councillor Randall
Councillor Reid
Councillor Lichter
Councillor Merrigan
Councillor MacKay
Councillor McInroy
Councillor Eisenhower
Councillor MacDonald
Deputy Warden Wiseman
Councillor Mont

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. G.J. Kelly, Municipal Clerk
Mr. K. Wilson, Director of Finance
Mr. R.G. Cragg, Municipal Solicitor

SECRETARY: Glenda Higgins

Warden MacKenzie called the Council Session to order with the Lord's Prayer at 6:05 p.m.

Mr. Kelly called the Roll.

Warden MacKenzie welcomed Fire Chief Harold Parker, Mrs. Parker, Fire Chief Peter Sheen, Captain Kelly, Mrs. Conrad and son Stephen, and Kenneth Bendelier. He advised Mr. Bendelier would be making a presentation to Mrs. Conrad and her son, Stephen.

Mr. Bendelier advised he is the Commissioner for the Red Cross in Nova Scotia and a representative of the Royal Canadian Humane Association. He stated last December a tragic car accident took place in which three young men lost their lives, one was seriously injured, and one only received minor injuries. Mr. Bendelier stated his presentation is to recognize the contribution of Rev. Donald Conrad and his son Stephen. He stated Rev. Conrad could not be present because he was in Ontario on business; therefore, Mrs. Conrad received his award on his behalf. Mr. Bendalere stated the award being presented to Rev. Conrad and Stephen was the Royal Canadian Humane Association Bronze Medalion offered to people who risk their lives in an attempt to save other lives. Rev. Conrad and Stephen managed to pull one of the young men from the car

saving his life. Mr. Bendelier presented the award with best wishes and congratulations to Mrs. Conrad and Stephen. Mr. Bendelier thanked Council for the opportunity to make the presentations, and he also thanked Chief Parker and Captain Kelly for their work in making sure the presentation took place.

Warden MacKenzie advised one of the rescued people in the vehicle that evening was Chief Sheen's son. He then expressed appreciation to Mrs. Conrad for her husband and to Stephen for their bravery in this incident. He called upon Councillor MacDonald, representative of the area where the accident took place, to make a presentation to Mrs. Conrad and Stephen on behalf of the Municipality.

Councillor MacDonald congratulated and thanked Mrs. Conrad for her husband, and Stephen for their bravery, and he also thanked Chief Parker, Chief Sheen, and Captain Kelly for their input into the presentation. He presented Mrs. Conrad and Stephen with a plaque on behalf of the Municipality.

APPOINTMENT OF RECORDING SECRETARY

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

"THAT Glenda Higgins be appointed as Recording Secretary."
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Councillor C. Baker, seconded by Councillor Deveaux:

"THAT the June 16, 1986 Public Hearing minutes be approved as circulated."
MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting, June 17, 1986 be approved as circulated."
MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT the Council Session minutes, June 17, 1986 be approved as circulated."
MOTION CARRIED

AGENDA ITEMS

Councillor Mont - Street Names
Councillor Deveaux - Fire By-law

Councillor C. Baker asked if there had been a reply to the letter sent to the Lottery Commission about a Municipal Lottery. Mr. Kelly advised there has been no reply. Councillor C. Baker asked if there is any other way to get information about this.

Councillor Deveaux felt nothing more could be done until an official answer is received from the Lottery Corporation.

Councillor P. Baker felt the Municipality is entitled to a reply. Information regarding this was in the newspaper several weeks ago, informing the request was denied. He felt the Municipality should have received such information before the press.

It was moved by Councillor P. Baker, seconded by Councillor C. Baker:

"THAT a letter be written to the Minister in charge of the Administration of the Lottery Commission seeking a response to a letter forwarded earlier respecting a Municipal Lottery."
MOTION CARRIED

LETTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Halifax County-Bedford District School Board

Mr. Kelly read this item of correspondence advising the Board has declared the school at South-East Passage surplus, and it will be turned back to the Municipality effective August 1, 1986.

Councillor Deveaux clarified that the school must be turned back to the Municipality before it can be offered to any organization. Mr. Kelly agreed, stating this letter is for acceptance of the surplus school.

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

"THAT the South East Passage School which had been declared surplus to the District School Board be accepted by the Municipality."
MOTION CARRIED

Canadian Association for the Mentally Retarded, The Canadian National Institute for the Blind, and Adsum House

Mr. Kelly advised these letters are all respecting 1986 grants, and they are all self-explanatory.

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

"THAT these three items of correspondence be received."
MOTION CARRIED

Nova Scotia Drama League

Mr. Kelly advised this letter is with regard to the Nova Scotia Drama League's request for a 1986 grant, which was denied. The letter stated a request for a grant would be submitted again next year.