

Mr. Wishart suggested that the motion be amended to state that the boundary change should only apply to the areas of the Peggy's Cove Preservation area. This was agreed to by the mover and seconder.

MOTION CARRIED AS AMENDED

Councillor Fralick advised that one property was left out of the by-law, and it should be added to the Land Use By-law for Districts 1 and 3 to allow for its operation. He advised that this property is in the name of Harvey Dauphinee, a contractor from Tantallon.

Speakers in Favour of this Plan and Land Use By-law

Bob Hoegg, Glen Haven, advised that he served on the PPC for District 3. He felt the Plan is a tremendous achievement for the area. He stated the people have worked together very well on this Plan, and the residents of the area should be proud to have this Plan. He stated previous efforts to develop a Plan in this area did not involve the residents, which makes this Plan such a tremendous achievement. He stated comprises were made where new residents worked out their issues with long time residents, and it has all come together very well. Mr. Hoegg further stated that individual concerns about the Plan will not diminish this accomplishment in general. Mr. Hoegg concluded by thanking for the opportunity to serve on the Committee and expressing appreciation for all who worked on this Plan over the years.

Victor Pittman, Head of St. Margaret's Bay informed that his wife worked on the PPC for approximately 3 1/2 years. He stated there has been much work done and many meetings held, and it has been an accomplishment to come up with this Plan. He stated the Plan may not be perfect, but it is a Plan, and it will be reviewed again in five years. He stated he wife has spent much of the past 3 1/2 years on the phone and at meetings, and he asked that Council support the adoption of this Plan and By-law for his and his wife's peace of mind.

Peter McCreath, Shore Road, Hubbards, commended Council for the process entered into and for the development of this Plan, which he felt is an important and significant development for the residents of Halifax County.

Mr. McCreath presented a petition signed by approximately 25 residents of the Shore Road, Hubbards. He reviewed the petition, expressing congratulations and thanks to those who worked on the Plan. They felt it recognizes changes in the community, and that the community is fundamentally residential, although there are three commercial establishments that have existed here for many years, and the Plan recognizes their right to existing and to continue to contribute to the community. Those who signed the petition expressed concern about expansion to these industries, most particularly with regard to marinas, campgrounds, clubs, dance halls, video arcades, etc. The residents of Shore Road would find these and other such uses to be incompatible with the residential nature of the community, and further developments in this area should proceed only by means of a development agreement with Halifax County Municipality, including the

public hearing process. Mr. McCreath stated this would be consistent with the concept articulated in the Plan.

Mr. McCreath noted there has been an exemption granted from the application of the Plan to the Shore Club, Hubbards. He requested, on behalf of those who signed the petition, that the Plan be amended, deleting this exemption. They felt the principle of the Plan is sound and should be applied throughout.

Mr. McCreath also expressed concern marinas. He felt there should be a written definition of marina, in order to make it clear that there are no marinas. He stated it must be clearly deemed that there are no marinas now or there must be provision that any further expansion of any deemed marinas would have to proceed through the development agreement process. He concluded by asking that Council support the adoption of this Plan and By-law.

Gordon Morrison, Hubbards advised that he as the Chairman of the PPC for District 1. He expressed appreciation to all those who worked on the Plan, and he recommended the adoption of it. He stated everybody worked hard in development the Plan, and there were many compromises; he commended all involved.

Mr. Morrison referred to marinas, as previously discussed. He stated it has been suggested there are no marinas along St. Margaret's Bay; however, he felt there are some. The Seabright Campground has a marina, dispensing gas, rents boats, etc. He advised he also has a marina at his own establishment, renting and storing boats, with fishing charters off his wharf. He felt the grandfather existing enterprises, he recommended that the By-law be adjusted to allow existing marinas to continue to operate.

Mr. Morrison also referred to an industrial zone (I-1 Zone) on property in Hubbards. He felt that the by-law should be amended to allow multi-residential dwellings on this land, and he asked Council to also consider this amendment.

Mr. Allan MacNeil advised that he has a 43,000 square foot lot which was approved for the location of a mobile home, and he recently purchased a new mobile home to place here, but the new Plan will not allow his trailer to be located here.

Mr. Wishart advised that Mr. MacNeil's property will be rezoned to R-A under the draft By-law, which will not permit the location of a mobile home. He advised a Mixed Rural Residential Zone would be necessary in order to locate the mobile here. Mr. Wishart advised Council could chose to amend the By-law to allow this.

Councillor Fralick asked if Mr. MacNeil had a trailer there before. Mr. MacNeil advised he did previously have a trailer at this site, but he now wants to locate a new mobile home here. Councillor Fralick asked that this amendment be considered by Council.

Tom Davis, Hubbards advised he is in favour of the Plan. However, he a definition of marina should be incorporated into the By-law to protect against the expansion of any existing marinas. Mr. Wishart advised at the present time there is no definition of marina in the Land Use By-law. When the PPC discussed this issue, they determined there are no marinas in the St. Margaret's Bay area, and the Plan as drafted would allow the expansion of existing marinas by right. He advised it is the staff recommendation to delete the clause allowing existing marinas to expand by right, in order to avoid confusion.

Speakers In Opposition to this Plan and By-law

Thomas A. Young, Jr. advised he is a PPC representative for District 4. He expressed appreciation for the work of the PPC for Districts 1 and 3, but he also expressed concern about having the planning boundary extending into District 3. He inquired about the jurisdiction of the Peggy's Cove Commission over the Municipality's Plan and Land Use By-law. Mr. Wishart advised the Peggy's Cove Act is Provincial legislation with supercedes any Municipal Planning Strategy in the area known as the Peggy's Cove Preservation area.

Mr. Young next inquired about the rights of the residents of Peggy's Cove with respect to the Peggy's Cove Commission. Mr. Wishart noted the Commission is a provincially appointed body, made up of a number of Peggy's Cove residents, the District 3 Councillor, staff from the Department of Municipal Affairs, and Municipal staff. He advised that body is responsible for issuing permits in the area, for rezoning applications, the Zoning By-law for Peggy's Cove, which is separate and apart from the Municipal Planning Strategy.

Mr. Young clarified that the Municipality's Planning Strategy does not have any authority in this area; the Peggy's Cove Commission supercedes this. He stated it may be good in intend, but he asked about the sense of a Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law if it does not coincide with the Peggy's Cove Act. Mr. Wishart advised that the Provincial government deemed in its interest, as the higher government authority, to decide to control the land in this area, thus taking away the right of the Municipality to apply land use controls in the Peggy's Cove preservation area.

Mr. Young stated his area is also looking forward to the implementation of a Municipal Planning Strategy, and they have been worked very hard with the Planner, Maureen Ryan, in this respect. He expressed hope that work with the Provincial with help to make this Plan and By-law coincide with the Peggy's Cove Act.

There being no further speakers with respect to the adoption of this Plan and By-law, Mr. Kelly referred to correspondence submitted in this regard. He advised the following letters were received and not supported by a presentation: Elaine LeBorgne, Lorne Boutlier, Sonny Kennedy, and Nancy Fiendel.

Councillor Walker stated there was much hard work and compromising put into this Plan, and he complimented the PPC Members, particularly those from District 1. He stated they worked very closely with him and the people. However, he expressed concern about two issues. He felt there are marinas in the St. Margaret's Bay, and he felt there should be a definition for a marina. He also felt the exemption of the marina designation to the Shore Club should be withdrawn. He asked that this be further investigated before the Plan is adopted.

Councillor Walker advised his second area of concern is with respect to the I-1 Zone with multiple dwellings for property in Hubbards. He recommended that this area be amended as recommended by the PPC for Hubbards.

Councillor Fralick also expressed appreciation for the hard work of his PPC Members and to Mr. Wishart and the residents who attended meetings. He felt it is a real "people's plan".

Councillor Eisenhower asked for clarification with respect to the Mushroom Plant located in Tantallon. He stated there appears to be some conflict in the Plan where the need for a development agreement is written, but in Appendix A it indicates this is a non-conforming use, which should not be permitted to re-commence operations, if discontinued for a period of six months. Mr. Wishart advised the Mushroom Farm has been a topic of much discussion by the PPC for this Plan area. He stated the Committee has agreed that all existing uses can continue their operation, and they were given some rights of expansion. Therefore, the Mushroom Farm is recognized as an existing use and given the right to expand by development agreement or contract. However, there were a number of residents who wished to see this operation close down, so it was agreed that if the Farm closes for a period of six months after the adoption of the Plan, it cannot re-start, and it would lose the right to apply for an expansion.

Councillor Lichter advised that the Planning Advisory Committee anticipated such requests for amendments to the draft Plan and By-law, so they have tentatively scheduled a meeting for June 1 to discuss any amendment, and they could then be approved at the next Council Session. He suggested it will take some time to deal with such amendments.

On behalf of the residents of West Dover, Councillor P. Baker thanked Warden MacKenzie, Mr. Wishart and his planning staff, and Council for the support given to his residents, particularly with respect to amending the planning boundary.

There was some discussion concerning the manner in which the amendments would be dealt with. Councillor Eisenhower stated he would not support any expansion to the Mushroom Farm, and he would like to see an amendment to reflect this before he supports the adoption of this Plan and By-law. Councillor Merrigan also stated the amendments should be available before the Plan and By-law are supported.

It was agreed that staff would retire from the meeting and prepare appropriate amendments to the draft Plan and By-law to reflect those concern brought forth at the public hearing.

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

"THAT Council take a five minute break."

MOTION CARRIED

Council reconvened to hear amendments to the Subdivision By-law as presented by Mrs. MacKinnon. She advised the amendments to the Subdivision By-law deal with reduced lot frontage provisions. She stated the most recently adopted Municipal Planning Strategies, including the Districts 1 and 3 Plan, all provide for the reduced lot frontage provisions contained in the Subdivision By-law. Recent comments from the Department of Municipal Affairs has stated that any subdivision matters must be implemented through the Subdivision By-law rather than the Land Use By-law. Therefore, it was recommended that the Subdivision By-law be amended as shown in Appendix "A" attached to the staff report. The effects of these amendments would mean that where any land use by-law provides for the reduced lot frontage provisions of the Subidivision By-law, the most recent date would apply. She concluded that this will effect the Planning Strategies for Districts 15, 18, and 19; District 14; and Districts 1 and 3.

Warden MacKenzie welcomed Mr. Milton Larsen, former Halifax County Councillor, to the public hearing. He also called upon Mrs. Berrit Pittman to make some comments regarding the proposed Plan.

Mrs. Pittman thanked all members of the MPC, particuarly Councillor Lichter for his guidance and patience. She stated there was much personal input into the Plan; she suggested that there is no other planning area that had as much public input, and she thanked all participants.

The meeting rested pending proposed amendments from staff.

Council reconvened at 8:55 p.m.

Mr. Butler advised the first amendment is with respect to the Dauphinee property along Highway No. 3 at Upper Tantallon. He advised the request was to allow the continued operation of a trucking type business. He advised that staff has recommended the lot be rezoned from MRR-1 to MU-2 to allow for this. He stated this parcel of land is six acres in size, and it has occupied this operation for some time. Also, it is located adjacent to the MU-2 zoning to the west, and the R-A Zoning to the east will act as a buffer for the Tantallon Woods Subdivision.

The next amendments were as explained by Mr. Wishart at the beginning of the public hearing, intended to correct typographical errors and to further clarify the intent of the Plan.

Mr. Butler next advised there were two submissions with regard to the ability to subdivide land, and he stated there is no staff recommendation in this regard. If the amendments to the Subdivision By-law, as presented, are approved, these concerns will be addressed.

The next requested amendment was with respect to the Shore Club Road, Hubbards, and the first request was that an exemption given to a proposed marina on the Shore Club Road be removed, and the second was that no expansion of certain commercial uses be permitted. Mr. Butler advised that staff has recommended that the exemption with respect to the first request be removed, and that the Plan and Land Use By-law be amended accordingly. He noted there was concern about the location of marinas and their effects on neighbouring land areas and the environment; therefore, the strategy will require that they proceed by development agreement. Removing this exemption is entirely consistent with the strategy.

Mr. Butler stated the second request, with respect to the expansion of certain existing commercial uses not be permitted is not supported by staff. He advised that the Plan and By-law permit most existing uses that concern was expressed about to expand only on the lot occupied on the effective date of the by-law; any expansion beyond that will require a public hearing. Staff felt this policy should not be amended.

The next amendment reviewed by Mr. Butler was with respect to the continued operation of the Kreft Mushroom Farm or having it moved to a more isolated and/or farm-related district. He advised the recommendation of staff is that no changes be made to the Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law in this respect. He stated the mushroom farm is a non-conforming use under this By-law and Plan, to the extent that if it discontinues operation for more than six months, it cannot be re-commenced. He noted that the Strategy and By-law do not have legislative authority to close a business or require it to move to another location.

Councillor Eisenhauer expressed concern that the Mushroom Farm will be allowed to expand, and he felt it should not be allowed to expand. Mr. Wishart advised that the draft Strategy and By-law will not allow the Mushroom Farm to expand without a development agreement and public hearing process.

The next amendment referenced was with respect to Mr. MacNeil's submission. He advised it is staff's recommendation that this property be rezoned from R-A to MRR-1 to allow the location of a mobile home Mr. MacNeil's property. He noted the lot was zoned general under Zoning By-law No. 24 which would have permitted the location of a mobile home. Also, the lot is near an existing mobile home, and it is located three lots from mixed use zoning fronting on Highway No. 3.

The next amendment was proposed as a result of a submission by Mrs. Nancy Fiendel. She wishes to have property at 6146 Route 3 at Head of St. Margaret's Bay rezoned to permit the continued operation of a excavation business here. Mr. Butler advised that he would recommend

this rezoning from RA (Residential) Zone to the MU-2 (Mixed Use 2) Zone and RA (Residential) Zone. He noted zoning the rear of the property will be consistent with other zoning in the area; the front portion of the property will be zoned MU-2 and the rear portion, residential.

The next submission was by Mr. Gordon Morrison requesting permission for lots shown in the staff report to be developed with multi-units and to allow more than two dwelling units on the lot. Mr. Butler advised that staff recommend approval of these requests. He noted the size of the units and the regulations of the Department of Health and the Environment will ensure that effluent will be adequately handled.

The final amendment was with respect to the definition of marina and how existing marinas should be treated. Mr. Butler reviewed a staff recommendation for a definition as presented in the staff amendments and other concerns related to marinas. Councillor Walker expressed some difficulty with the definition. He asked if the definition refers to any or all of the activities referred to (storing, servicing, fueling, berthing, and securing of pleasure boats). Mr. Butler advised the definition intends to consider the commercial aspect of a marina. He stated if one provides a commercial service, the definition would apply. Councillor Walker indicated that people he talked to were mostly concerned with action on the shore.

There was some discussion and several options considered with respect to the definition of a marina. Mr. Butler stated the key is reference to a commercial operation.

There was also discussion concerning the jurisdiction of the Municipality over the water and the land. Mr. Butler clarified that the Municipality can only institute land use controls for on-shore uses.

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

"THAT the Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law for Planning Districts 1 and 3 be referred to the Planning Advisory Committee to deal with a definition of marina and brought back to Council with a final recommendation."

MOTION DEFEATED 7 YES
 8 NO

There was further discussion about a definition of a marina. Councillor Wiseman suggested the following definition, which was agreed to by Council:

"Marina means a commercial facility for storing, servicing, fueling, berthing, and securing of pleasure boats and which includes, on-shore eating, sleeping, and retail facilities for owners, crews, and guests."

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

"THAT the Municipal Planning Strategy for Planning Districts 1 and 3 be adopted by Halifax County Municipality with the amendments as presented."

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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

"THAT the Land Use By-law for Planning Districts 1 and 3 be adopted by Halifax County Municipality with the amendments as presented."

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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

"THAT Halifax County Municipality approve amendments to the Subdivision By-law as presented by staff."

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

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

"THAT this public hearing adjourn."

MOTION CARRIED

The public hearing adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MAY 31, 1988

PRESENT WERE: Councillor Merrigan, Chairman
Councillor Rawding
Councillor Fralick
Councillor P. Baker
Councillor C. Baker
Councillor Deveaux
Councillor Randall
Councillor Bayers
Councillor Reid
Councillor Lichter
Councillor Snow
Councillor MacKay
Councillor McInroy
Deputy Warden MacDonald
Councillor Wiseman
Councillor Mont

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. K.R. Meech, Chief Administrative Officer
Mr. Ken Wilson, Director of Finance
G. Masters, Department of Municipal Affairs
Jack Novack, Henson College
Nancy Dempsey-Crossman, Administrative Assistant
Rob Ferguson, Information Officer

It was agreed that the meeting be held in-camera.

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

"THAT a plebescite be held during the Municipal Election in October and that all four options be presented;
FURTHER, that Council will take immediate steps to implement concepts if options 1 or 2 (Existing Structure or Community Council) are chosen in the plebescite;
FURTHER that Council will approach the Provincial Government for legislation if option 3 (County Town) is chosen in the plebescite;
FURTHER that the first three options (Status quo, Community Council, and County Town) be refined from their present state and the title changed on the status quo option, and that the refined proposal be brought back to Council."
MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

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OF THE
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OF THE
MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF HALIFAX

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COUNCIL SESSION

JUNE 7, 1988

PRESENT WERE: Warden MacKenzie
Councillor Walker
Councillor Rawding
Councillor Fralick
Councillor P. Baker
Councillor C. Baker
Councillor Deveaux
Councillor Adams
Councillor Bayers
Councillor Reid
Councillor Lichter
Councillor Snow
Councillor Merrigan
Councillor Eisenhauer
Deputy Warden MacDonald
Councillor Wiseman

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. K.R. Meech, Chief Administrative Officer
Mr. R.G. Cragg, Municipal Solicitor
Mr. D.D. Reinhardt, Deputy Municipal Clerk

SECRETARY: Glenda Hill

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

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

"THAT Glenda Hill be appointed Recording Secretary."
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

"THAT the minutes of the Public Hearing, April 25, 1988, be approved as circulated."
MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole, May 2, 1988, be approved as circulated."
MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT the minutes of the Council Session, May 3, 1988, be approved as circulated."
MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT the minutes of the Public Hearing, May 9, 1988, be approved as circulated."
MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole, May 11, 1988, be approved as circulated."
MOTION CARRIED

EMERGENCY AGENDA ITEMS

None.

MEETING WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE HARNESS HORSE OWNERS ASSOCIATION OF HALIFAX COUNTY

Mr. Reinhardt introduced Mr. Paul Grey, Mr. Wayne McCrae, and Mr. Wilfred Cameron to Members of Council. He advised they are here at the request of Councillor Walker and Councillor P. Baker to discuss a potential harness racing facility in Halifax County.

Mr. Grey thanked Members of Council for the invitation to attend this meeting.

Mr. Grey advised that his association is now under the impression that funds are being made available for a new harness racing facility, through both the federal and provincial governments.

Councillor P. Baker noted there was some interest expressed in locating this facility at Exhibition Park, but more recently there have been stories that the Association may be interested in locating the facility at the Aerotech Business Park. Mr. Grey advised that his association is totally committed to a racetrack as close as possible to the population base in Atlantic Canada. He stated the harness racing industry is shrinking fast, and the Association's mandate is to get a track in the area where the most population is. He continued that the Association has been campaigning for funding, and it now appears this will be made available soon from both the federal and provincial governments. He stated to date the Association has actively attempted to have this facility built at Exhibition Park because they were first informed that only this site would be considered. However, the Association is now hearing that the Province will entertain any reasonable location; they will support this industry in Nova Scotia. He stated his mandate is only to get this facility built in the very near future.

Mr. McCrae added that over the past 22 months Exhibition Park has been the Association's choice and principle site. He stated they do not know much about the people interested in building a track at the airport, but they will be meeting with those people and considering their proposal. He stated all proposals must be considered, although the Association is still looking towards Exhibition Park. He stated this must be discussed with everybody involved, including the Atlantic Winter Fair and government officials. He suggested it may be found that the industry at Exhibition Park and the harness racing industry cannot mix, and this site will not be a good location. He concluded that all proposals must be heard before a site is decided upon and supported by the Association.

Mr. Grey stated the provincial government has made it clear that the Association is expected to discuss and consider all proposals. He stated this matter must be approached with an open mind. He stated he is very pleased that there is more than one location showing interest, and he suggested the final decision may be a political one, as the majority of this project will be funded by the provincial and federal governments.

Mr. Grey advised the investment of horse owners in Nova Scotia is \$44 million, and there are as many as 700 to 800 people directly affected by employment in the harness racing industry, and these figures are reducing quickly and drastically without a track in this area. Therefore, the mandate is to find a location that will best suit the industry in Nova Scotia.

Councillor P. Baker clarified that Exhibition Park is not disfavoured to the Association for a harness racing track. He asked if there is anything Halifax County Council can do to expedite the development of this track. Mr. MacCrae advised that the federal and provincial funds will only provide \$5 to \$6 million combine, and there will be a requirement for another \$2 million. He suggested Halifax County will be able to assist in this regard.

Councillor Snow advised that he will support the development of this facility in District 14, although the most important thing is to support the racetrack because there are 250 people in this industry in need of jobs. He stated the benefits of the car racing facility at the Aerotech Park is already being felt, and a harness racing facility would add to this. He suggested District 14 would be the ideal location for this facility. He stated if the decision is made to locate in District 4, all should support it because it is important to get this industry off the ground again.

Councillor Wiseman clarified that the tracks in Truro and Sydney are still operational, and she inquired about efforts being made to move the harness racing industry to Truro and if this has worked. Mr. Grey advised this is working to some extent. However, the breeding industry is far greater than the track. The track proposed would be an \$8 million investment and the industry in Nova Scotia now is \$44 million; it was closer to \$60 million when Sackville Downs closed. He

stated not having a track in the major population area has dropped in the whole Atlantic Region. He stated the business at Truro has increased by about 30 percent, and at Sydney it has either stayed the same or lessened. He suggested Truro will have difficulty getting enough horses next winter because there is not enough money to justify people spending large sums of money on horses.

Councillor Wiseman inquired about the affect on the paramutual by this change. It was suggested there has been about \$10 million lost since the closure of Sackville Downs. Any good horses have been moved to larger race tracks in Montreal, Toronto, and the United States. Mr. MacCrae clarified that about 27.3 percent of the paramutual goes to the Province.

Deputy Warden MacDonald stated Sackville has been the loser since Sackville Downs closed, and the breeding industry has certainly dropped. He stated there is a need to get a racetrack going - one that is large enough to attract people all across North America; otherwise, the industry will not grow as it has in the past. He thanked the Association for a fine job, stating it is encouraging for the future.

Councillor Eisenhower stated the funding should be simple; he stated a harness racing track will impact the economy in many ways, and if the Province receives such substantial funds as a result of the races, he felt they should be put towards this racetrack. He inquired about amounts the Province collects from the paramutuals. He asked if the municipal taxpayers should be charged for this facility if the Province is receiving benefits from the harness racing industry. Mr. Grey stated this issue is a very political issue. Many people do not realize the impact of the harness racing facility, and many feel the government should not put their money into the harness racing industry and gambling. He stated the track cannot be built on its own because it is the other factors of the industry that draw the funds. He stated the harness racing industry affects everybody, whether or not they know it. He stated across Canada the industry includes as many people as the steel industry and more people than the car industry.

Mr. MacCrae advised that Sackville Downs always made money until the final months before it closed down. He stated the track at Sackville was pulled away from the harness racing people. He stated 3.3 percent is the paramutual tax, of which most goes to the Province. He clarified to Councillor Eisenhower there would not be enough funds generated to the Province to divert back into the payment of a new facility. He stated it could never pay off an \$8 million debt load. He stated the entire industry must be considered, rather than just the track. He stated the track can support a mortgage, but not \$8 million.

Councillor P. Baker thanked the Association for meeting with Council, and he solicited support for District 4 for the location of this facility. He stated it is disappointing that there is little control over the decision of the location.

Councillor Rawding commended the Association for their work and dedication to this project. He advised that the residents of District 2 are supportive of a racetrack locating in the western subsection, and he stated he was surprised at the high level of interest. He stated the entire area could benefit from the track locating here. He asked if the Association would be in a position to pay municipal taxes. Mr. Grey indicated the Association feels it could pay its municipal taxes.

Councillor Snow asked if any individual horse owners have been solicited to support this. Mr. Grey advised they will be prepared to do this at the end of this week.

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

"THAT Halifax County Council go on record as supporting the location of the harness racing facility in the western subsystem, particularly Exhibition Park, and that this support be forwarded to the Department of Development and the Harness Racing Association."

Councillor Rawding stated District 14 has had its share of capital development, and District 4 is entitled to this development.

Councillor Snow noted that only three members of the Association have shown their support for this development in District 4.

Mr. Grey stated the racetrack will not be built where it will satisfy the horse industry; it will be built where it is deemed to be most beneficial to the harness racing industry. He stated that everybody has self-interest reasons for wanting the facility located in various places, but the final decision will rest with what the various levels of governments feel will most benefit their money. He stated support the industry is the key issue - not personal preference.

Councillor Rawding stated he can appreciate that the decision will be political, but he reiterated the importance of having this facility in the western subsection because the location could be of great assistance in increasing useage of Exhibition Park.

MOTION CARRIED 11 YES
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Councillor Rawding stated the Federal and Provincial government should be strongly urged to dispatch these funds as fast as possible towards the site favoured by Halifax County.

Warden MacKenzie thanked the representatives for meeting and discussing this issue with Council.

LETTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Minister of Transportation

Mr. Reinhardt read this letter respecting a meeting to discuss flooding and storm drainage problems in the Municipality.

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

"THAT this letter be received."

Councillor Lichter expressed difficulty with the response from the Minister. He stated the Minister refers to meetings with Mr. Sheppard, but this does not address Council's request for a meeting; he stated Mr. Sheppard is not the County. He expressed a desire to have a firm letter written indicating that the Minister will or will not meet with Council, rather than referring other staff committees, etc.

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT a letter be written to Premier Buchanan requesting that he arrange a meeting between the Minister of Transportation, the Minister of Housing, and Halifax County Council and that a copy of this letter be sent to the Minister of Transportation and the Minister of Housing."

MOTION CARRIED

Minister of Transportation

Mr. Reinhardt read this letter concerning the possible listing of an extension of the Old Musquodoboit Highway (Logan Road).

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

"THAT this letter be received."

MOTION CARRIED

Councillor Lichter clarified that the road in question is not the Logan Road, but one near the Logan Road which does not have a name; it is close to the Logan Road.

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

"THAT the Minister of Transportation, through his staff, take the necessary steps to have the necessary right-of-way obtained and provided to the Department of Transportation for takeover;

ALSO THAT the Minister of Transportation be advised that the road in question is not Logan Road, but staff is aware of the road from their investigation."

MOTION CARRIED

The Executive Council Office

Mr. Reinhardt read this letter concerning the proclamation of a civic holiday.

It was moved by Deputy Warden MacDonald, seconded by Councillor Rawding:

"THAT this letter be received."
MOTION CARRIED

Department of Transportation and Communications

Mr. Reinhardt read this letter concerning traffic lights at the intersection of Hugh Allen Drive and the Cole Harbour Road.

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

"THAT this letter be received."
MOTION CARRIED

Minister of Education

Mr. Reinhardt read this letter concerning amendments to the Education Act to abolish provisions for school area rates.

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

"THAT this letter be received."

Councillor Rawding commented that he is not favourable of this move to abolish provisions for school area rates. He stated without area rates there would be an inequitable level of education. He stated there are too many different needs, which would be impossible to meet.

Councillor Wiseman objected to Councillor Rawding's comments. She stated it is the area rates that cause inequities in the level of education. She noted that the response from the Province is the result of a resolution supported by Halifax County Council.

MOTION CARRIED

Ratepayers, District 13 (BoMont Subdivision)

Mr. Reinhardt read this letter concerning problems with the road between Trunk No. 1, Elmsdale and Route 227, Dutch Settlement and BoMont Drive and Hillcrest Street in BoMont Subdivision.

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

"THAT this letter be received."
MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT Halifax County Council indicate to the Minister of Transportation support for the request by Mr. John Harrison concerning these roads in District 13."

MOTION CARRIED

SUPPLEMENTARY CORRESPONDENCE

Solicitor General

Mr. Reinhardt read this correspondence respecting the approval of an increase of three person years to the Sackville Detachment of the RCMP.

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

"THAT this letter be received."

MOTION CARRIED

Deputy Solicitor General

Mr. Reinhardt read this letter advising that the report concerning the assessment of Police Services in Halifax County will be delayed until the end of July, 1988.

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

"THAT this letter be received."

Councillor Rawding expressed difficulty with the delay of this report. He stated 80 percent of the residents of District 2 felt there is a need for increased police protection in the western subsection. He stated this areas is growing, and immediate consideration should be given to locating a detachment of the RCMP in the western subsection. He stated the delay of this report will create problems for District 2 because they have been looking for this report. He stated the County is also supporting this report on a financial basis, and it should be presented when it was expected.

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT a letter be written to the Deputy Solicitor General expressing concern about the coverage and the delay of the report concerning the assessment of policing services in Halifax County."

Councillor Rawding felt this study should be complete before the summer months because that is when the number of problems increase.

Warden MacKenzie referred to the attached letter from Chief Superintendent Reid noting that measures have been taken to ensure that residents of Halifax County receive the highest quality of police services, and that the RCMP will continue to monitor the situation and deal with any problems which may occur. Councillor Rawding clarified that there will still be a comprehensive policing service in the entire County.

Councillor Lichter commented on the rapid growth in the western subsection. He stated the PAC often hears about the rapid growth in the area, and when the Harness Racing representatives were present, it was understood that the area needs this growth. Now there is a request for a study of police services because there is so much growth in this area.

Councillor Deveaux felt the RCMP is doing the best it can in this regard, and the end of July is not very far away. On this basis, Councillor Deveaux stated he cannot support the motion.

MOTION CARRIED

PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

Application No. DA-CH/W-05-87-07 - Development Agreement - 1523613 Holdings Ltd.

Mr. Reinhardt read the report and recommendation of the Planning Advisory Committee.

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

"THAT Application No. DA-CH/W-05-87-07 be approved and that a public hearing regarding this application be held on June 27, 1988 at 7 p.m."

Councillor Lichter referred to the changes to the development agreement included in the supplementary Planning Advisory Committee report.

MOTION CARRIED

File No. ZA-15/18/19-08-88-18 - Proposed Amendments - Land Use By-law for Planning Districts 15, 18, and 19

Mr. Reinhardt read the report.

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

"THAT the amendment to application No. ZA-15/18/19-08-88-18 be approved and that a public hearing regarding this application be held on June 27, 1988 at 7 p.m."

MOTION CARRIED

File No.'s PA-CH/W-07-86, PA-EP/CB-08-86, and PA-CH/W-01-88 - Amendments related to the Eastern Passage and Cole Harbour/Westphal Service Boundaries

Mr. Reinhardt read the report.

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

"THAT the amendments to the above-noted application no.'s PA-CH/W-07-86, PA-EP/CB-08-86, and PA-CH/W-01-88 - be approved and that a public hearing be held on July 11, 1988 at 7 p.m.
MOTION CARRIED.

SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

Application No. DA-CH/W-05-87-07 - Development Agreement - 1523613 Holdings Ltd.

Mr. Reinhardt read the amendments to the Development Agreement as recommended by the Planning Advisory Committee.

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

"THAT the amendments to the development agreement be approved."
MOTION CARRIED

File No. PA-SA-04-87 - Commercial Development in the Sackville Industrial Park

Mr. Reinhardt read the report.

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

"THAT the amendments as per File No. PA-SA-04-87 be approved and that a public hearing concerning this application be held on July 11, 1988 at 7 p.m."
MOTION CARRIED

Town of Bedford Public Hearing Notice re, Mill Cove Project Proposed Amendment to General Project Agreement and Phase 11 - Development Agreement

Councillor Lichter advised that the Town of Bedford has scheduled a public hearing concerning the above-noted development, and it may involve the disputed lands occupied by the treatment plant. He stated the Planning Advisory Committee felt Council should be made aware of this and decide if representation should be made at this public hearing. He noted that Mr. Hyland specifically asked that the Sackville Councillors be made aware of this public hearing.

Councillor Wiseman felt the lands the Town of Bedford are holding the public hearing for are on the Sobey's lands and totally within the Town's jurisdiction. She felt the County should not interfere in this regard. Mr. Meech agreed that this development will have no impact on the treatment plant lands.

CHIEF BUILDING INSPECTORS REPORTS

Fred Fleet, Upper Tantallon

Mr. Reinhardt read the recommendation of the Chief Building Inspector.

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

"THAT approval be granted for a lesser setback of 2 feet for lands owned by Fred Fleet at White Birch Drive, Upper Tantallon."

MOTION CARRIED

Henry Sawicki, Lawrencetown

Mr. Reinhardt read the report.

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

"THAT approval be granted for a lesser setback of 15 feet for property owned by Henry Sawicki at Brian Drive, Lawrencetown."

MOTION CARRIED

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Walkway off Arklow Drive

Mr. Reinhardt reviewed the recommendation of the Executive Committee respecting this matter.

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

"THAT unfinished walkway of approximately 1200 square feet off Arklow Drive be sold to the two abutting property owners for an amount of \$500."

MOTION CARRIED

Vehicle Acquisitions, 1988

Mr. Reinhardt reviewed the report.

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

"THAT approval be granted for vehicle acquisitions for 1988 as outlined in the report and that \$150,000 be withdrawn from the vehicle reserve account for these vehicles."

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT staff present an evaluation and report on the use of County-owned vehicles as opposed to paying mileage."

MOTION CARRIED

Salary Increases

Mr. Reinhardt read the report.

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

"THAT approval be granted for a cost of living increase to all non-union County administration staff in the amount of 4 percent, effective January 1, 1988."

Councillor P. Baker inquired about the status of the new positions which were to be referred to the Executive Committee before reporting back to Council. Mr. Meech advised this has not yet be dealt with by the Executive Committee, although it should be brought back to Council by the first Session in July.

Councillor P. Baker expressed some urgency in dealing with this matter, and he asked that it be brought back to the June 21, 1988 Session of Council.

Councillor Deveaux asked if this 4 percent increase is in keeping with what union staff received. Mr. Meech suggested it is close to the figure the union employees received; the salary increase for union employees may have only been 3.5 percent, but they received other benefits to offset the difference.

MOTION CARRIED

Requests for Grants and Loans

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

"THAT the following grants and loans be approved by Halifax County Council:

a District Parkland Grant, District 14 in the amount of \$2,000 for the Goff's Recreation Association;

a District Capital Grant, District 21 in the amount of \$5,000 for fencing walkways in Cole Harbour;

a loan to the Tangier Volunteer Fire Department in the amount of \$25,000 for building improvements and the purchase of a fire vehicle and tank - the loan to be repaid over a period of ten year, principle and interest, with Council reserving the right to levy an area rate in default of repayment of principle and/or interest;

a District Capital Grant, District 8 in the amount of \$1,200 for improvements to the East Preston Day Care Centre;

a District Capital Grant, District 10 in the amount of \$1,400 for the Ostrea Lake Volunteer Fire Department;

a District Parkland Grant, District 14 in the amount of \$2,000 for improvements to Hilchie Field, Waverley;

a District Parkland Grant, District 14 in the amount of \$2,000 for building repairs at the Cheema Canoe Club;

a District Parkland Grant, District 15 in the amount of \$3,000 and a General County Parkland Grant in the amount of \$3,000 for improvements to County-owned parkland at Slukie Drive;

a District Capital Grant, District 20 in the amount of \$2,118 for repaving walkways in Sackville; and

a District Capital Grant, District 20 in the amount of \$808.12 for fencing public walkways in District 20."

MOTION CARRIED

Canadian Occupational Health and Safety Week

Mr. Reinhardt read the report.

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

"THAT Council approve a proclamation that Halifax County Municipality observe the week of June 19 to 25 as Canadian Occupational Health and Safety Week."

MOTION CARRIED

SUPPLEMENTARY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Middle Musquodoboit Servicing

Mr. Reinhardt read the report.

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

"THAT the proposed sewer and water servicing for Middle Musquodoboit, as outlined in the pre-design report and as updated with the movement of the treatment plant and the addition of the polishing lagoon, be approved for design and construction;

FURTHER THAT the serviceable area boundary, as outlined in areas "A", "B", and "C" be approved by Council as the serviceable area for Middle Musquodoboit with the understanding that the corresponding Subdivision By-law be amended to allow for on-site sewage disposal for areas "B" and "C" within the serviceable area."

Councillor Bayer informed that he cannot support this motion because he and the residents of Musquodoboit Harbour are concerned about the outfall of this treatment plant running into the Musquodoboit River. He expressed appreciation that the plant has been moved and a polishing lagoon has been added to the treatment process, but there is still fear for the Musquodoboit River.

MOTION CARRIED

North Preston Water and Sewer Treatment Tenders

Mr. Reinhardt read the report.

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

"THAT the water treatment, sewage treatment, and water reservoir components of the North Preston servicing program be awarded to the low tenderer, Woodlawn Construction, at a price of \$1,294,840, subject to the Province cost-sharing 50-50 for the additional cost."

Councillor Lichter clarified that the 50-50 cost-sharing is between the Province and the Municipality, as opposed to the residents. Mr. Meech agreed, stating the cost-sharing will be between the Province and the County's general capital grant fund. He stated the 50 percent share from the Province will be 20 percent payable directly to the Municipality, and the other 30 percent would be the property-owners additional cost. He advised that he has received word from a departmental official that the Minister would be prepared to support the additional cost on this basis.

MOTION CARRIED

MUNICIPAL PLAN COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Reinhardt read this report respecting the Porter's Lake Canal. He noted that the Public Participation Committee for this area feels this site is valuable to their community, and it is recommended that the Province take over responsibility for this canal.

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

"THAT Halifax County Council request the Provincial government to take over the Porter's Lake Canal property."

MOTION CARRIED

MEADOWBROOK SUBDIVISION, PROPOSED SERVICING

Mr. Reinhardt read the report from the Engineering Department respecting the servicing of this subdivision.

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

"THAT the proposed installation of water, sanitary sewer, and storm systems to serve Meadowbrook Subdivision be approved by Council."

Councillor C. Baker advised that there have been problems with water and sewer in this area for a long time, and it was proposed for servicing 15 to 18 years ago, but because water had to be brought here from the City, it was felt to be too expensive. He advised that the residents of this area are all in favour of this project, although the cost is high.

Mr. Meech noted that the cost includes storm sewer, in addition to the water and sewer services. Councillor C. Baker asked if the storm drainage system is necessary. Mr. Meech advised that the Engineering and Works Department recommend that this work be done now, because it may be necessary in the future, and it will be much more difficult and expensive to install after this water and sewer servicing work is complete.

MOTION CARRIED

1988 SUBURBAN PAVING PROGRAM

Mr. Reinhardt read this report.

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

"THAT the Department of Transportation be requested to provide the names of the streets of the previously successful streets attached to the staff report which will be paved under the current 1988 Suburban Paving Program and that this information be made available immediately."

Deputy Warden MacDonald expressed concern about the paving of "C" class streets. He stated many of these roads have been on the street paving list for nine or ten years, but they are never given consideration for paving. He stated many of these roads are in bad shape, and they should be given serious consideration for paving. He suggested there are 35 or 40 such streets in his district.

Mr. Meech advised the purpose of the recommendation is to minimize the amount of time and effort spent on re-petitioning for the pavement of streets. He stated the intention is to indicate to the Department of Transportation that the County has the necessary petitions for all these streets, and they are being requested to advise the County which streets will be paved this year, so new petitions will not have to be gathered in the future. He stated this procedure should make the system more efficient in terms of the amount of staff time and paper flow involved.

Deputy Warden MacDonald inquired about priority lists. He suggested if the County made up their own priority lists, the Department of Transportation may give more consideration to those roads. Mr. Meech agreed. He stated this may provide greater influence on the Department of Transportation as to which streets will be selected for paving under the cost-sharing arrangement.

Councillor Adams expressed difficulty with the lists attached to the staff report. He stated he has several streets in his districts that are now in the process of being paved, but they are not included on these lists. Mr. Wdowiak explained that the list was prepared on the basis of those successfully petitioned. Those roads referred to by Councillor Adams may be included under the 1987 program, and the Department may have been advised that these roads were going to be paved before these lists were compiled.

MOTION CARRIED

HALIFAX COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH REPORTSludge Management

Mr. Reinhardt read the report concerning this issue.

Councillor Lichter suggested that the recommendation of the Board of Health should be dealt with by two resolutions. He informed that the Board is recommending that an application be made to the Department of Health and the Environment to dump sludge into the ocean is because it was learned that although a letter was written requesting this permission, they did not consider this a proper application. Therefore, it is suggested that an official application for this approach be made. He stated the City of Dartmouth has granted a six month extension for dumping sludge into their manhole, but once this extension expires, Dartmouth cannot be approached for a solution; the Board of Health expects that if Grow Rich is contracted to undertake a comprehensive study in this regard, the six month period will run out first. Therefore, a joint certificate to dump into the ocean will be required.

Mr. Meech clarified that Halifax County Council has already directed staff to proceed to establish a lagoon system. Councillor Lichter stated that after listening to Grow Rich, the Board of Health came to the conclusion that there will be a problem with a lagooning system, although it may not be for a few years. Eventually, the sludge from the lagoons will have to be disposed of somewhere else, so there is still not a long term solution with the lagooning process. Therefore, the Board of Health felt if the City of Halifax, the City of Dartmouth, the Town of Bedford, the County of Halifax, and the Provincial government all contributed towards the cost of the study by Grow Rich, it may be worthwhile for the Metro area in finding a long term solution.

Mr. Meech advised that the Provincial Department of Municipal Affairs has acknowledged that there will be a potential problem, and he suggested Grow Rich should have approached the Province with their proposal, as it may be a long term solution, which the Province is working towards. He asked if this study is agreed to, is it still intended to proceed with the lagooning system. Councillor Lichter suggested this should not be proceeded with until after the Grow Rich study is complete because the study will determine whether lagooning, dewatering, or some other sludge management program would work best.

Mr. Meech expressed concern about the study taking longer than six months and that the agreement with the City of Dartmouth for the dumping of sludge will run out in six months. He noted that the first recommendation of the Board is to get authorization from the Department of Health and the Environment to dump into the ocean until this study and conclusion is implemented.

Councillor Lichter further clarified that there was an option to tell Grow Rich to approach the Province, but the Board of Health feared that this would not be followed up on, and in the near future attempts

would have to be made to start the lagooning process, which will require the purchase of lands, political pressures with respect to the location of the lagoon, and much cost (which may be repetitious). However, if the County takes the leadership in this regard, the problem may be solved quicker and with the least cost.

Councillor Rawding expressed agreement with the recommendations of the Board of Health. He stated there must be a short term solution, and a lagoon will not be implemented in the short term. He stated there is also more information that should be made available before Council can make an informed decision.

Mr. Meech advised that he has been operating on the assumption that Council directed staff to proceed to implement a lagooning system. He advised that Mr. Wdowiak will be in a position to provide some suggested sites in the very near future.

Councillor Eisenhauer also expressed agreement with the recommendations of the Board of Health. He stated sludge management has been on the MAPC agenda for some time now, and it has not been dealt with as a pressing item. He suggested it may be time consuming to make a decision with regard to a central treatment system. He suggested once a treatment system is implemented, the funding will be a major concern, and the regional cooperation will not be satisfactory. He suggested the Board of Health is doing the right thing, looking for a long term solution on a regional basis, but he suggested there is not time to do this. He concluded that he would support Council's decision and the Engineering Department to get a lagooning system implemented.

Mr. Meech advised that it was May 2, 1988 when Council endorsed three resolutions, and those three directives to staff have been carried out. The first was to negotiate with the City of Dartmouth for another location for the dumping of sludge for an additional six months. The second directive was to make application to the Department of the Environment for the dumping of sludge into harbour. There was a negative response, but Mr. Wdowiak has re-applied on the basis of a joint certificate. Also, within a period of about three weeks, Mr. Wdowiak should be in a position to provide a report to Council with regard to potential sites for the establishment of a lagoon. If the issue of the site can be agreed upon, a lagoon system can be constructed fairly quickly. He expressed concern that the agreement of a location will cause delays. He noted that Mr. Wdowiak has been working very diligently in this regard, spending much of his personal time on this project.

Councillor Deveaux inquired about Provincial cost-sharing for a lagooning system. Mr. Meech advised there has been no indication of such cost-sharing to date, but this approach will be taken when the final program is agreed upon, and the estimated costs are available. He expressed concern that if there is agreement to cost-share in a sludge management study, and a consultant is hired to consider different options, and this is one option that should be considered. He felt the whole project should be co-ordinated to prevent repetition and disruption; therefore, he suggested the Province should be persuaded to consider a study for long term sludge management.

Councillor Snow expressed concern that the recommended location for a lagoon will be thrust upon a Councillor without any notification, and he felt the people have to have some say in this regard. He felt finding a site for a lagoon will take as long as finding the landfill site. He felt the Grow Rich solution is the answer to this problem; he stated it is better to take action which is safe for the ecology, rather than implementing a lagooning system that will eventually be full.

Councillor Lichter noted that the first portion of the Board of Health recommendation has already been done. He referred to the second part of the recommendation. He stated lagooning will only be politically acceptable if it is developed on a large track of land in order to assure there will not be a great outcry about potential problems. He stated if a large track of land is acquired and the lagoon is established, the City or the Province will declare that area reasonable for the dumping of their sludge and septage, or perhaps another landfill site. Therefore, he suggested the metro governments all be involved in this study. He stated much thought went into this recommendation of the Board of Health, much of which remains unexplained, but it is a reasonable recommendation. He stated there is going to be much political backlash no matter where Mr. Wdowiak recommends for the lagoon site. He noted the lagooning system in Pictou works because it is operated by an individual entrepreneur serving several municipalities, rather than one municipality that implemented and operates it on its own. He concluded stating it is doubtful that a lagooning system will be implemented before the six month extension by the City of Dartmouth expires.

Councillor Rawding felt that a public hearing should be held in the area recommended for a lagoon by Mr. Wdowiak; he stated it would only be fair to the people.

Following further discussion,

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

"THAT Halifax County Council direct the proposal from Grow Rich Waste Recycling Systems Inc. to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and to MAPC requesting that they examine and consider it as an option for long-term sludge management."

MOTION CARRIED

WATER UTILITY - COUNCILLOR DeROCHE

This matter was deferred to the next Council Session in the absence of Councillor DeRoche.

NEGOTIATIONS RE DISTRICT BOARD AGREEMENT - COUNCILLOR WISEMAN

Councillor Wiseman asked that this matter be deferred to the next Council Session. She advised she is awaiting information in this regard, which she had expected to receive by now.

WOODBINE MOBILE HOME PARK - COUNCILLOR MERRIGAN

Councillor Merrigan advised that in August, 1986 a report went to Council from the Urban Services Committee with regard to this mobile home park and malfunctioning sewer systems here. In 1988 this was referred to the Planning Advisory Committee, and a public meeting was held. To date there have been no answers to any questions, and the problem persists. He advised the water here was tested by the Department of Health about three weeks ago, and the fetal coliform count was over 3,000, which is dumping through Sackville into District 14. He stated this is not acceptable, and the County of Halifax has an obligation to assure that the residents have a safe and healthy place to live. He stated Council has been aware of this problem for two years, and he has asked that Council make some decisions and assist in this regard. He noted that a long term solution of hooking into the main system at Mill Cove has been suggested, and there must be some decisions made.

Councillor Lichter advised that the Planning Advisory Committee attended a public meeting in this regard on March 22 in an effort to establish the opinion of the people with regard to the expansion of the serviceable boundary and the servicing of Woodbine Mobile Home Park. At a subsequent Council Session, Councillor MacKay asked that the long term impact of this proposed servicing be assessed by staff and reported to Council. Councillor Lichter advised that he recently inquired about the status of this report, and he was assured it will be brought to the Planning Advisory Committee either on June 13 or 20, and he advised that Councillor Merrigan will be invited to that meeting.

Councillor Merrigan expressed dissatisfaction with the time delays. He stated there must be some answers now because Council should not be satisfied with this situation.

There was some discussion about the time delays involved. It was noted there was some confusion at the public meeting. It was also suggested that no decisions should be made before the proper information and reports are presented to Council.

Deputy Warden MacDonald inquired about the status of this project if it is added to the list of capital projects. Mr. Meech stated it will not be a municipal capital project, but the developer will be responsible for the hook-up of this service. Deputy Warden MacDonald clarified that the developer stated he would pay for costs going by his property, but not for the service beyond his park. Mr. Meech advised that staff submitted a report some months ago indicating this servicing is technically feasible, but the decision is a matter of Council wanting this to proceed. Also, some feel the developer should address this issue on his own. There is also an issue with amending the serviceable boundary.