

Speakers in Opposition to this Application

Mr. Roger Lintaman, 6 John Stewart Drive, advised that he and his wife are opposed this application because they have endured frustrations, obsentities, litter, noise pollution, invasion of privacy, etc. He advised that he became aware of this application one week ago and immediately took the pictures for circulated at this public hearing. Therefore, all the cars are the same. He noted the photographs show three of Mr. Fong's relatives playing in the parking lot of the restaurant.

Mr. Lintaman continued that he has not seen Mr. Fong's father for about one year, and he suggested that Mr. Fong's father is not alive. He felt the residence is occupied by others than those Mr. MacDonald referred to.

Mr. Lintaman stated painted lines on a parking lot are not adhered to. There was a fence between 4 John Stewart Drive and the rear yard of 4 John Stewart Drive erected by the previous owners. He stated he has also made many repairs to his fence along the abutting property line. He advised there have been vehicles smash the fence by back vehicles into the fence, patrons kicking pickets off the fence, and beer bottles and pop cans have been thrown into the back yard. He stated a picket fence costs approximately \$2,000 today. Also a gazebo has been built to hide the view from the kitchen window, which cost another couple of thousand of dollars.

Mr. Lintaman advised when he moved to John Stewart Drive, his was the fifth house on the street, and the Fong property was vacant. When it was developed commercial, he advised his backyard to be filled in, which cost another \$1,500 to \$2,000. He stated this has all been frustrating and expensive.

He noted that staff have been advised of many of these problems, but it has all been to no avail. He stated the litter has not been enjoyed, and this past weekend the garbage was overflowing. It was picked up late Friday night, and it was not picked up again on mid-day on Monday.

Mr. Lintaman showed slides of his view of the Fong property from his own property. There were pictures of food drying which was visible from Mr. Lintaman's bedroom window. He stated this scene was witnessed two weeks ago and again three days ago. There also pictures of bags of garbage. He stated he can see the garbage overflowing from the garbage bin over the top of his fence.

Mr. Lintaman stated an average parking space is six feet wide, and if these additional six spaces are built according to specifications, there is not enough room for six. Therefore, he felt this application does not qualify for approval.

Mr. Lintaman stated he could continue, but his presentation, the slides and the discussion should provide enough information without dragging the issue.

Questions from Council

Warden MacKenzie asked if there is any type of baracade between his property line and Fong's Restaurant. Mr. Lintaman advised he constructed a wooden, picket fence there. It is elevated closer to about six feet closer to the house.

Councillor Mont inquired about previous ownership of 4 John Stewart Drive. Mr. Fong advised it was previously owned by a family of five. It changed hands in 1981 or 1982. The property remained fenced for the first year after Mr. Fong purchased it. Later the fence was removed, the grass was plowed up, and crushed stone was put down, and the area was paved. He stated this all took place within 1 1/2 days.

Councillor Mont clarified that Mr. Lintaman moved into the fifth house on John Stewart Drive approximately 20 years ago, and at that time the Fong property was vacant.

Councillor Mont advised that Mr. Lintaman complained to him in March, 1988 about a garbage problem. At that time, Councillor Mont advised that he had the Board of Health investigate that situation, and it was reported that garbage disposal habits were not satisfactory. He clarified with Mr. Lintaman that there are still garbage problems. Mr. Lintaman agreed stated it piled up for three days last week.

Warden MacKenzie suggested the garbage problem is something that should be dealt with through the Unsightly Premises Office. Mr. Lintaman responded that 48 additional seats will create that much more litter.

Councillor Mont stated at first glance, this application seemed to be very minor. However, after listening to the frustration of the Lintaman's over the past number of years, this application is more serious. Councillor Mont stated it appears Mr. Fong has been frustrated with parking procedures, but it appears that Mr. Fong removed the fence and paved the yard for the additional parking. Councillor Mont stated he cannot support this application. He stated if Mr. Fong really wanted to stop parking, he would build a fence, which would solve part of the problem. He noted there has been no indication that Mr. Fong will cooperate in that regard.

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

"THAT the Application by Fong's Restaurant to rezone a portion of the property at 1241 Cole Harbour Road from R-1 (Single Unit Dwelling) Zone to C-2 (General Business) Zone be denied by Halifax County Council."

Warden MacKenzie asked if Mr. MacDonald had consulted with his client about the construction of fence between the residential and the commerical properties. Mr. MacDonald responded that Mr. Fong feels at this stage a fence would not be feasible. He added that this application is for a rezoning, as opposed to an unsightly premise.

Councillor DeRoche stated he and other Members of Council have been patrons of Fong's Restaurant in the past, and he reminded of the difficulty there was with respect to parking and leaving the location. He stated the request via this application was already in existence the day the restaurant was patronized by the Board of Health. He stated there is inadequate parking for the restaurant as it presently sits, and if this application is approved, the problem will only be compounded. He asked that Council support the motion.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Deputy Warden MacDonald stated now that this application has been denied, the concerns of the Lintaman's should be followed up on. Warden MacKenzie stated staff will be left with this responsibility.

APPLICATION NO. RA-CH/W-08-88-17 - APPLICATION TO REZONE LOT 153, 37 CARISBROOKE LANE, FROM P-1 (OPEN SPACE) ZONE TO R-1 (SINGLE UNIT DWELLING) ZONE

Mr. Morgan reviewed the staff report and recommendation. He advised that this lot was not shown on LRIS mapping at the time of adoption of the Plan and By-law, and therefore, it did not appear as a separate lot on the zoning schedules. Thus, this application is to correct a zoning error during the adoption of the Plan and By-law for Cole Harbour/Westpal. He identified the lot in question on a map on the overhead projector.

Questions from Council

None

Speakers in Favour of this Application

None

Speakers in Opposition to this Application

None

Warden MacKenzie expressed concern about a residential building being built on this lot, and the County subsequently receiving complaints about the abutting parkland. Mr. Morgan responded that access to the parkland is not adjacent to the property in question. There is a watercourse running between the lot in question and the adjacent lot.

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

"THAT the Application to rezone Lot 153, 37 Carisbrooke Lane, from P-1 (Open Space) Zone to R-1 (Single Unit Dwelling) Zone be approved by Halifax County Council."

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

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

"THAT these public hearings adjourn."
MOTION CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

AUGUST 29, 1988

PRESENT WERE: Councillor Rawding
Councillor Fralick
Councillor P. Baker
Councillor C. Baker
Councillor DeRoche
Councillor Adams
Councillor Randall
Councillor Bayers
Councillor Reid
Councillor Lichter
Councillor Snow
Councillor Merrigan
Councillor MacKay
Councillor McInroy
Councillor Eisenhauer
Deputy Warden MacDonald
Councillor Wiseman
Councillor Mont

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. D. Reinhardt, Deputy Municipal Clerk
Mr. R. G. Cragg, Municipal Solicitor
Mr. Brant Wishart, Senior Planner, Policy Division

SECRETARY: Gail Foisy

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Deputy Warden MacDonald called the Public Hearing to order at 7:00 p.m., with the Lord's Prayer, and then called the roll.

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

"THAT Gail Foisy be appointed Recording Secretary."

Motion carried.

Deputy Warden MacDonald reviewed the procedure for the public hearing.

APPLICATION NO. RA-CH/W-10-88-21 - APPLICATION BY REVEREND RON PERRY TO REZONE THE LANDS OF HOME EAST DEVELOPMENTS LTD., ON LOT F OF THE EVATT BISHOP SUBDIVISION, FROM A R-1 (SINGLE UNIT DWELLING) ZONE TO TO A P-2 (COMMUNITY FACILITY) ZONE

Mr. Brant Wishart reviewed the staff report. He indicated that the application has been submitted to rezone Lot F of the Evatt Bishop Subdivision from a R-1 (Single Unit Dwelling) Zone to a P-2 (Community Facility) Zone. He pointed out that the lot was originally zoned P-2, and was rezoned to R-1 in 1985. The purpose of the application is to construct an approximately 15,000 square foot church.

Mr. Wishart advised that the lot is divided into two designations: the Residential A Designation, and the Special Area Designation. He noted that the Special Area Designation was established to protect public views from Long Hill to the waters of Cole Harbour. He said that it was staff's opinion that the development of a church would not negatively affect the view plane.

Mr. Wishart indicated that the Special Area Designation does not allow for the establishment of new community facilities. However, the municipal planning strategy allows for the consideration of development on a property which has been split by two designations, provided that all other intentions of the strategy and by-law are met.

Mr. Wishart stated that there are a mix of uses in the area, and pointed out to the Council on the map the different land uses. He also noted that there is a small stream on the property, and that it is the intention of the applicant to build the church away from this stream. He indicated that the stream acts as a storm drainage channel and runs through other properties downstream, and that the applicants have stated that they intend to engage an engineer to ensure that the construction of the church does not create any problems downstream.

Mr. Wishart advised that staff are recommending that the application be approved by Municipal Council.

Questions by Council

Councillor MacKay noted that in some areas a church is permitted by right in a R-1 Zone, and asked if that was the case for the Cole Harbour/Westphal plan area.

Mr. Wishart responded that some plan areas do allow churches by right in a R-1 Zone, but that the Cole Harbour/Westphal plan does not.

Councillor MacKay referred to the statements: "The Special Area Designation does not allow for the establishment of new community facilities. However, the planning strategy allows for the consideration of a development on a property which has been split by two designations provided that all other intentions of the strategy and by-law are met." He asked who makes the determination of whether something in the Special Area Designation would affect the view plane. He questioned whether there was any established criteria, or if it was just a judgement call.

Mr. Wishart responded that it is basically a judgement call. He indicated that there is no fixed criteria when a property is split into two designations. He noted that in this instance the church would be located in a low lying area and would not affect the view in any way.

There were no speakers in favour or opposed to the rezoning application.

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

"THAT LOT F OF THE EVATT BISHOP SUBDIVISION BE
REZONED FROM R-1 (SINGLE UNIT DWELLING) ZONE TO P-2
(COMMUNITY FACILITY) ZONE."

Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

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

"THAT this public hearing adjourn."

Motion carried.

The public hearing adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

MINUTES & REPORTS

OF THE

THIRD YEAR MEETINGS

OF THE

MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF HALIFAX

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 and 20, 1988

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SEPTEMBER 12, 1988

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COUNCIL SESSION

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 1988

PRESENT WERE: Warden MacKenzie
Councillor Walker
Councillor Rawding
Councillor Fralick
Councillor P. Baker
Councillor C. Baker
Councillor Deveaux
Councillor Randall
Councillor Bayers
Councillor Reid
Councillor Lichter
Councillor Snow
Councillor Merrigan
Councillor McInroy
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.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

"THAT the minutes of the Council Session, August 2, 1988, be approved as circulated."

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT the minutes of the Public Hearings, August 8, 1988, be approved as circulated."

MOTION CARRIED

EMERGENCY AGENDA ITEMS

Councillor Rawding - Police Protection

LETTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Harness Horse Owners Association of Halifax County

Mr. Reinhardt reviewed this item of correspondence from Mr. Paul Grey, President, requesting an announcement that will confirm both the location of the race track and the issue of the funds.

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

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

Petition, Residents of Roma Drive

Mr. Reinhardt read the petition requesting the paving of Roma Drive under the new paving policy by the Department of Transportation for roads which have been publicly listed for more than 15 years. He advised that 24 people have signed the petition.

It was moved by Councilllor Randall, seconded by Deputy Warden MacDonald:

"THAT Halifax County forward this petition to the Department of Transportation expressing support for the request."
MOTION CARRIED

Minister of Municipal Affairs

Mr. Reinhardt reviewed this letter regarding withdrawal of amendments to the Municipal Development Plan for Sackville.

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

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

Minister of Transportation and Communications

Mr. Reinhardt reviewed this letter regarding the paving of George Street, Sackville and Hillborough Drive, Westphal.

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

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

Minister of Transportation and Communications

Mr. Reinhardt reviewed this letter regarding the limited access designation on the Cobequid Road from Trunk 1 (Sackville Drive) to Memory Lane.

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

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

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

"THAT this item of correspondence be forwarded to the Sackville-Beaverbank Advisory Board for their attention and response."

Councillor Wiseman expressed concern that the response from the Minister of Transportation does not address the problem presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Solicitor General

Mr. Reinhardt read this letter concerning an RCMP Detachment for the western sub-system of Halifax County.

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

"THAT this letter be received."

Councillor Rawding asked that his emergency agenda item be discussed at this time, as it is relevant to this discussion. Members of Council agreed.

Councillor Rawding felt the updated report on the sufficiency of police protection in the western sub-system from the Solicitor General. He stated Council has been anxiously awaiting this report for some time, and this should be reflected to the Solicitor General in writing.

Councillor Rawding also noted that two or three additional RCMP officers have recently been promised to the Cole Harbour detachment under 100 percent provincial funding. He expressed concern about the inequities and inconsistency of the system for approving such additional officers, and he suggested these concerns should be addressed.

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT a letter be written to the Solicitor General requesting the report on police protection in the western sub-system of Halifax County as soon as possible;

AND FURTHER THAT the policy for approval of additional officers be confirmed."

Councillor C. Baker stated Herring Cove should be included in the study, as there are policing concerns there, and it should be considered part of the western sub-system.

Councillor P. Baker requested that his area be referred to as District 4, as opposed to Terence Bay, which infers that all policing problems are only in the Terence Bay area.

MOTION CARRIED

Minister of Transportation and Communications

Mr. Reinhardt read this letter concerning the construction of sidewalks on Majestic Avenue and Beaverbank Cross Road.

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

"THAT this item of correspondence be received."

MOTION CARRIED

Minister of Municipal Affairs

Mr. Reinhardt read this letter concerning an amendment to the Municipal Development Plan and Land Use By-law for Sackville to permit C-2 uses to locate in the Sackville Industrial Park.

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

"THAT this item of correspondence be received."

MOTION CARRIED

Letter from Earl Burton, re Road Upgrading to Church Camp at Miller Lake

Mr. Reinhardt read this letter.

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

"THAT this letter be received and that Council support this request and advise the Minister of Transportation of such."

MOTION CARRIED

George E. Richards and the Halifax-Dartmouth Port Development Commission

Mr. Reinhardt advised that these two items of correspondence are with regard to Mr. Richards being re-appointed to the Commission for a final term.

It was moved by Deputy Warden MacDonald, seconded by Councillor P. Baker:

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

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

"THAT George Richards be appointed to the Halifax-Dartmouth Ports Development Commission for a final term."

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

"THAT the appointment of a member to the Halifax-Dartmouth Port Development Commission be deferred to the next Council Session."
MOTION DEFEATED

ORIGINAL MOTION CARRIED

PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

File No. P 495-88-04 - Undersized Lot Legislation - Lands of Jessie May Slaunwhite, Terence Bay

Mr. Reinhardt read the report.

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

"THAT Application No. P-495-88-04 be approved in principle and that the applicant be directed to proceed to the final subdivision stage; also that staff be empowered to advertise the public hearing once the application is complete."
MOTION CARRIED

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Portable Classroom

Mr. Reinhardt read the report.

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

"THAT portable classroom no. 37 be provided to the Cole Harbour Commons to be used as storage for Cole Harbour minor ball and soccer."
MOTION CARRIED

Requests for Grants

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

"THAT the following grants be approved by Municipal Council:

- a) District Capital Grant, District 14 in the amount of \$2,000 for the Waverley Village Commission toward the construction of a village hall/office building;
 - b) District Capital Grant, District 20 in the amount of \$135 for topsoil, green area, Chandler Drive, Sackville;
 - c) District Capital Grant, District 20 in the amount of \$965.30 for completion of improvements to the Caudle Park ballfield;
 - d) District Capital Grant, District 18 in the amount of \$4,870 for topsoil, labour, and backhoe services for the Upper Hammonds Plains Recreation Association;
 - e) District Parkland Grant, District 16 in the amount of \$3,000 for the installation of a backstop, Acadia Recreation Group."
- MOTION CARRIED

Designation of Park Area, Wellington

Mr. Reinhardt read the report.

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

"THAT approval be granted for the designation of Lot C, Wellington as a park area."

MOTION CARRIED

Pension Plan, Part Time Employees

Mr. Reinhardt read the report.

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

"THAT approval be granted for a defined contribution pension plan for all part time employees effective January 1, 1987 and that with the two years of eligibility requirement, that employees would enter the plan on January 1, 1989;

FURTHER THAT Confed consulting Services Ltd. be retained to administer a defined contribution plan for all part time employees of Halifax County."

Councillor Lichter expressed concern that Ocean View Manor and the Rehab Centre may have some financial or budgetary difficulties given the proposed effective date of this plan.

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

"THAT the aforementioned resolution be amended to reflect an effective date of January 1, 1990."

AMENDMENT DEFEATED

ORIGINAL MOTION CARRIED

Communications

Mr. Reinhardt read the report.

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

"THAT a Committee comprised of the Warden, the Deputy Warden, one other Council Member, the Chief Administrative Officer, the Personnel Manager, and the Special Events Co-ordinator be established to implement the recommendations as outlined in the staff report."

MOTION CARRIED

North Preston, Lot 3, Sewage Treatment Plant Lot

Mr. Reinhardt read the report.

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

"THAT Halifax County occupy and start construction of the treatment plant which was expropriated at the August 2, 1988 Council Session, without having legal ownership of the required lands, while application is made to the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia for direction in this regard."

Councillor Snow inquired about possible consequences of starting construction without direction from the Supreme Court. Mr. Cragg responded that the land is considered to be worthless, and it is not being used for anything at the present time. If the County starts work without direction from the Supreme Court, and the land is improved substantially, Halifax County's compensation will be upgraded accordingly.

Mr. Meech added that the Executive Committee is aware of the benefits, as outlined in correspondence from Mr. Cragg (included in the agenda). He stated it is also his opinion that work should proceed.

MOTION CARRIED

St. Margaret's Arena Association - Request for Additional Funding in the Amount of \$250,000

Mr. Reinhardt advised that the report in the agenda has been replaced by another which was circulated to Members of Council. He reviewed the recommendations contained in the new staff report.

Councillor Walker informed that he made a personal guarantee to his residents that he would not make them responsible for an area rate for this arena. He stated he supports the project, but he cannot support this loan based on an area rate in default of repayment of principle and/or interest.

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

"THAT Halifax County request the transfer of the land and buildings of the St. Margaret's Bay Arena to the County name with the buildings to be leased back to the Association for \$1 and the Association would operate the premises;

THAT the County advance an additional \$188,000 that has been committed by the Province to be paid in 1990 with the understanding that the Provincial payment will not be transferred to the County;

THAT Halifax County authorize an additional grant of \$76,816 under the Municipal Recreational Grant Funding Policy;

AND THAT the County loan the Association \$173,000 - \$60,000 to be repaid within 120 days and the \$113,000 to be repaid over a period of five years."

Councillor P. Baker expressed concern about the number of grants being approved and the amounts of money handed out for recreational purposes; he felt there are better uses for this money. He stated he is absolutely against any grant for this purpose.

Councillor Rawding stated the Association does qualify for additional funding under the new policy for funding recreational facilities because there has been the addition of a swimming pool, which has added to the value of the facility. He stated the western sub-system is behind the times in terms of recreation, and it will be difficult to catch-up within one year. He noted that this facility was officially opened a few weeks ago, and it should be continually supported now that it is open. He felt the County should feel secure with this project, and Councillor Walker's point of principle should be taken seriously in terms of giving credibility to this project.

Several Members of Council stated they would not support the motion because it is County policy that if a loan cannot be re-paid, an area rate be set to recover the funds.

MOTION DEFEATED

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

"THAT Halifax County request the transfer of the land and buildings of the St. Margaret's Bay Arena to the County name with the buildings to be leased back to the Association for \$1 and the Association to operate the premises;

THAT Halifax County advance the additional \$188,000 that has been committed by the Province to be paid in 1990, on the understanding that the Provincial payment will be transferrable to the County and normal County policy on the recovery for non-payment be adhered to;

THAT Halifax County authorize an additional grant of 76,816 under the Municipal Recreational Grant Fund Policy;

AND THAT Halifax County loan the Association \$173,000 - \$60,000 to be repaid within 120 days and the remaining \$113,000 to be repaid over a period of five years, principle and interest and that an area rate be set in default of repayment of principle and/or interest."

MOTION CARRIED

Acquisition of Property, South Shore Regional Recreation Association Facilities, Hubbards

Mr. Reinhardt read the report.

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

"THAT Halifax County accept the request of the South Shore Regional Recreation Association to have all real property containing 38.5 acres in the name of the Association transferred to the Municipality subject to the title being free and clear of encumbrances."

MOTION CARRIED

SUPPLEMENTARY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Proposed Harness Racing Facility

Mr. Reinhardt read the report contained with the supplementary agenda.

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

"THAT with respect to the development of a harness racing facility, Halifax County Council advise both the Atlantic Winter Fair group and the Scotia Downs group that tax relief will not be provided to either group; that financial assistance will not be provided to either group; and that the request by Scotia Downs to connect to water and sewer services at the Aerotech Park will be referred to the Halifax County Industrial Commission for consideration."

MOTION CARRIED

BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT, RE LESSER SETBACK AND SIDEYARD CLEARANCE

Edward Redman, Porter's Lake

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

"THAT a side yard clearance of two feet be approved by Municipal Council for Lot L1X, Beatrice Hines Subdivision, Porter's Lake, applicant Edward Redman."

MOTION CARRIED.

Waldo Smith, Terence Bay

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

"THAT approval be granted for a lesser setback of 52 feet from the centreline of the highway for applicant Waldo Smith, Terence Bay Road, Terence Bay."

MOTION CARRIED

DATE FOR PUBLIC HEARING, APPEAL OF MINOR VARIANCES

Mr. Reinhardt advised there are two minor variance decisions being appealed, and he recommended public hearings for both at the first Council Session in October, October 4, 1988. The applicants being Mr. R. Vis (Application No. MV-31-06-88), Eastern Passage and Mr. Mehrdad Erfani (Application No. MV-23-16-88), Sackville.

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

"THAT two minor variance appeal public hearings be scheduled for October 4, 1988 at 7 p.m. being for Application Nos. MV-31-06-88 and MV-23-16-88."

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC HEARING, RE MINOR VARIANCE APPEAL - APPLICATION NO. MV-24-17-18

Mr. Gough reviewed the staff report concerning this minor variance appeal.

Questions from Council

Councillor McInroy asked if there has been any communication from abutting property owners as a result of notification for this public hearing. Mr. Gough advised that he has received nothing in writing, although he did receive several telephone calls from callers not willing to leave their names.

Speakers in Favour of this Application

Mr. Ezz El-Masry, 8 Flagstone Drive, Cole Harbour advised this application has been made because he is building an attached single car garage, and it will be located very close to the property line. He stated the garage is vital to his house for drainage purposes, and it will also enhance his property.

Questions from Council

None

Speakers in Opposition to this Application

None.

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

"THAT Halifax County Council approve a minor variance for the construction of a single car garage at 8 Flagstone Drive, Colby Village, as per Application No. MV-24-17-88."

Councillor McInroy explained that he has visited the property in question, as well as the neighbours most affected by this addition. He stated there were no objections to this addition. He noted when Mr. El-Masry originally applied for the addition, he intended there to be no clearance, and when that was rejected, Councillor McInroy had advised him to apply for a two foot clearance and following this public hearing procedure. He advised he is in receipt of a letter from the immediate abutting property owner as well as four others indicating support for the two foot side yard clearance. He stated he is not aware of any objections to this application.

MOTION CARRIED

URBAN SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

Floodplain Mapping, District 5

Mr. Reinhardt read the report respecting this matter.

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

"THAT Halifax County Council direct staff to make an immediate application to the Canada/Nova Scotia Flood Damage Reduction Program for funds to complete the mapping of the 20 year floodway and 100 year floodway fringe zones along the Ocean Run River System, along the MacIntosh Runs River system, and along the Pennant River system with a view to making use of their maps for future setback planning, noting that these rivers are presently essentially under-developed and that less expensive methods than used on the Sackville Rivers can possibly be employed."

MOTION CARRIED

Water Utility

Mr. Reinhardt read the report and recommendation of the Urban Services Committee regarding the Water Utility.

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

"THAT Council forward the staff report regarding the Water Utility to the Town of Bedford requesting their consideration and official response."

Councillor Eisenhower clarified that this has nothing to do with the sewer service. Mr. Meech agreed.

MOTION CARRIED

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDANotice of Motion, re Plebiscite on Sackville Civic Status

Mr. Reinhardt read the notice of motion for the next Council Session.

Councillor Eisenhauer asked that a portion of District 18, the community of Lucasville, be included in the plebiscite. He advised that all services for that area of District 18 come from Sackville, and the residents of that area pay the area rates for Sackville. He clarified that the area is between Sackville and Timber Trails Mobile Home Park, but not including the mobile home park.

Councillor Reid clarified that the area to be included is a separate polling station, so there will be no difficulty in handing out ballots to the proper constituents. Councillor Eisenhauer agreed.

There was a brief discussion with regard to including the community of Lucasville in the plebiscite. There was concern expressed that those residents have not been included in information campaigns to date, and they would not be knowledgeable enough on the issue to vote. It was agreed that the Ad Hoc Committee and Councillor Eisenhauer should do their best to provide all necessary information to those people before the plebiscite on October 15. Councillor Merrigan noted that two public meetings will be held before the next Council Session, and the community of Lucasville should be advised of them and urged to attend. He also noted that an information sheet will be attached to the poll booth during the election.

Warden MacKenzie noted that the actual motion will be presented at the September 20, 1988 Council Session, as this is only notice of motion.

There was no further discussion in this regard.

ADDED ITEM - APPROVAL OF AREA FOR TEMPORARY STORAGE OF DERELICT VEHICLES, SHEET HARBOUR - FILE NO. PD-B-26-88

Mr. Reinhardt read the report. Mr. Meech noted that this matter has been presented directly to Council to give public notice of an intention to consider designating this site at the next Council Session. Warden MacKenzie noted that it is only for a temporary location in order to store derelict vehicles until a crusher is on-site. He noted the property is owned by Scott Paper Company Limited, and they would not allow the location to continue to be used for storage of derelict vehicles.

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

"THAT Municipal Council, under Section 30, Subsection (a), of Zoning By-law No. 24 (Powers of Council) designate an approximate one acre area of land at the end of Mill Road, Sheet Harbour, for the temporary storage of derelict vehicles under the derelict vehicle program;

ALSO THAT Council give public notice of its intention to consider designating this site at the next Council Session by way of newspaper advertisement."
MOTION CARRIED

ADDITION OF ITEMS TO THE SEPTEMBER 20, 1988 COUNCIL AGENDA

Councillor Deveaux - Faulkner Drive

ADJOURNMENT

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

"THAT this Council Session adjourn."
MOTION CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

COUNCIL SESSION

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 1988

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

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 p.m. with the Lord's Prayer. Mr. Reinhardt called the Roll.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

"THAT the minutes of the Council Session, August 16, 1988,
be approved as circulated."

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT the minutes of the Public Hearings, August 29, 1988,
be approved as circulated."

MOTION CARRIED

EMERGENCY AGENDA ITEMS

Councillor Snow - Lockview/McPherson Road Servicing
Councillor Fralick - Transportation

MEETING WITH LLOYD GILLIS, HALIFAX COUNTY-BEDFORD DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Mr. Gillis thanked Council for the opportunity to meet with this Council for the last time. He stated Councillors are often perceived as only being interested in education when it comes to budgets, although he stated that is not true, and many know the importance of education.

Mr. Gillis reviewed his report as presented to Members of Council, reviewing enrollments; capital projects; community school programs including those for the unemployed and women on social assistance; and the curriculum update. He also introduced a program status report as prepared by Gillis Carrigan, Superintendent of Programs.

Questions from Council

Councillor Rawding inquired about the process for site determination for the new Timberlea and Lakeside Elementary School. Mr. Gillis advised that there has been no formal order from the Minister of Education to proceed with this process. Once a letter is received from the Minister including the description of the project and the exact amount of money being allocated to this project, the first step will be to identify a number of potential sites. At that point, School Board Members, Board of Trustees, and Council are involved, although the final recommendation is made to the Province for approval.

Councillor Rawding next inquired about physical education facilities in the new school. Mr. Gillis advised that standards for elementary schools clearly call for the allocation of both inside and outside physical education facilities.

Councillor Rawding asked if it is the intention to continue courtesy busing for children of elementary age. Mr. Gillis responded that the object is to build the new facility as close to the centre of the population base as possible, so as many walkers as possible can be accommodated. The courtesy busing policy is reviewed annually, and each year changes are made. He suggested the new school will have an impact on courtesy busing, although it cannot be determined at this time. Councillor Rawding expressed concern about children from Glengarry Estates and Greenwood Heights because there are so many. He stated centralization is only one consideration; the transportation of those who cannot walk to the new school is another.

Councillor McInroy advised that at a recent Board of Trustees meeting at Astral Drive Elementary School, much concern was expressed about split classes. He inquired about the steps taken in such a situation to ensure quality education and to protect the learning atmosphere. He also expressed concern that there are split classes due to lack of classrooms. He noted that a considerable amount of land at the end of Astral Drive has recently been included in the serviceable area boundary, and this could be considered an ideal location for a new facility.

Mr. Gillis responded that the practice of split classes is applied to accommodate situations whereby there is inadequate student population for one class. The size of the classes are considered, most with 25 or fewer students. An attempt is also made at bringing together students with a great deal with similarities, although their grade level placements may be different. Thus, students can share experiences, and others are working at specific skills associated with their level of placement. Placing students in a split class in consecutive years is avoided, as the Board is not popular wherever the split class is employed. At Astral Drive there is no extra space, although other opinions in this regard are now being considered, including the potential of locating a portable classroom on site. Mr. Gillis stated there are concerns about this boundary in the long term, and there has been a boundary change this month to shift some students from the Holly Oak area into the Colby area. When final enrollments are available, at the end of September, a report will be forthcoming with final changes and recommendations for further changes, with consideration being given to that additional land now included within the serviceable boundary. He noted that sustained growth in this area will require a new facility.

Councillor DeRoche asked why specialized programs are held in the City of Dartmouth, as opposed to an area within the geographical jurisdiction of the Halifax County-Bedford District School Board. Mr. Gillis advised that the first project was set up at Woodlawn Mall because there were no facilities available in the Cole Harbour area. The program operated successfully at Woodlawn Mall, and this was attributed greatly to the merchants in the community, whereby many students could walk to their work experience activities. Mr. Gillis was not aware of the degree of success of the most recent program. Councillor DeRoche suggested a facility could now be found in the Cole Harbour area at a comparable price.

Warden MacKenzie noted that the increase in student population indicates that there is still much growth in the Municipality, and he expressed hope that this will continue.

Warden MacKenzie thanked Mr. Gillis for his report, and he expressed appreciation to Mr. Gillis, the District School Board, and staff for support given over the past few years.

NOTICE OF MOTION, RE PLEBISCITE, SACKVILLE CIVIC STATUS

Councillor Merrigan advised that after two public meetings, it became obvious to the Civic Status Committee that there is much confusion about the options for Sackville. The Committee now feels the plebiscite should only contain a question requiring a yes or no answer as to whether or not Sackville should remain part of the County of Halifax.

Councillor Merrigan stated the County should not abandon the approach of allowing Sackville more say in its own direction, but at this point, it is important to ensure that the people are not confused when making its decision.

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

"WHEREAS consideration has been given to conducting a plebiscite on Sackville Civic Status;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Municipal Council approve the conducting of a plebiscite in conjunction with the Municipal Elections on October 15, 1988 in Sackville Districts 16, 19, 20, 21, 22, and that portion of District 18 that pay Sackville area rates;

THAT the following question, as set forth on the ballot attached hereto, be submitted to the electors on October 15, 1988: Should Sackville remain part of Halifax County Municipality; and

THAT Municipal Council has caused to be held two public meetings to discuss Sackville Civic Status and the aforementioned plebiscite on September 13, 1988 at Sackville High School and on September 19, 1988 at Springfield Lake Recreation Centre and will not be holding a further public meeting preceeding the said plebiscite."

Deputy Warden MacDonald agreed that the decision must be made as simple as possible at this time. Councillor Wiseman also agreed. She expressed concern that three options would cause a split vote without a majority. Councillor Wiseman stated it is in the intention of Halifax County to provide a better form of government to Sackville with a better sense of determination. She suggested a letter be sent to the residents of Sackville outlining a proposed phased-in approach and a time schedule when the people could expect a very minimal level of service.

Councillor Merrigan felt, personally, that if the people of Sackville vote to remain with the County, the County should show leadership and initiate a Community Council at no extra cost to the people of Sackville. Councillor P. Baker expressed objection, stating the County has given too much to Sackville, and it must stop somewhere.

Mr. Cragg clarified that the motion should include a description of the total area to be covered by the plebiscite, whether or not public meetings will be held with regard to the plebiscite, and the question to be contained on the ballot for the plebiscite.

Councillor Wiseman expressed concern that stating there will be no further meetings with regard to Sackville Civic Status precludes the community or anyone other than Council from holding such a meeting. Mr. Cragg clarified that it would mean Halifax County could not hold any such meeting, although anybody else would be free to do so.

MOTION CARRIED

LETTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Petition for Paving, District 9

Mr. Reinhardt read the petition requesting the paving of Keating and Redmond Drives in District 9

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

"THAT this petition be received and forwarded to the Department of Transportation for consideration."
MOTION CARRIED

Halifax County Regional Housing Authority/R.H. Coote, Priest

Mr. Reinhardt advised that the three letters in the agenda are regarding the resignation of R.H. Coote from the Halifax County Regional Housing Authority.

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

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

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

"THAT the appointment of a member to the Halifax County Regional Housing Authority be deferred to the next Council Session."
MOTION CARRIED

Minister of Municipal Affairs

Mr. Reinhardt read this letter concerning amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law for Eastern Passage/Cow Bay and the Subdivision By-law.

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

"THAT this letter be received."
MOTION CARRIED

Minister of Transportation and Communications

Mr. Reinhardt read this letter concerning the construction of sidewalks at Eastern Passage.

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

"THAT this letter be received and that any further response be conveyed to the District Councillor immediately."
MOTION CARRIED

Minister of Transportation and Communications

Mr. Reinhardt read this letter concerning the paving of Parkcrest Drive and Roywell Drive in Lawrencetown.

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

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

Office of the Mayor, North Bay Ontario

Mr. Reinhardt read this letter expressing appreciation for representation by Town Crier George G. Green in the North American Town Crier's Championships.

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

"THAT this letter be received."
MOTION CARRIED

Evan Morgan

Mr. Reinhardt read this letter from Mr. Morgan advising of his resignation from the Halifax County Industrial Commission.

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

"THAT this letter be received."
MOTION CARRIED

SUPPLEMENTARY CORRESPONDENCE

Halifax County-Bedford District School Board

Mr. Reinhardt read this correspondence requesting immediate action to initiate the construction of sidewalks along the Beaver Bank Road to ensure the safety of students who must walk to Millwood Elementary School.

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

"THAT the Department of Transportation be requested to immediately initiate the construction of sidewalks along the Beaver Bank Road (Sunnyvale to Millwood Drive) to ensure the safety of elementary students walking to Millwood Elementary School."
MOTION CARRIED

Frank Sutherland

Mr. Reinhardt advised that this is a letter of resignation from Mr. Sutherland from the Halifax County Industrial Commission.

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

"THAT this letter be received."
MOTION CARRIED

REPORT OF THE DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

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

"THAT the report of the Development Officer be received."
MOTION CARRIED

PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

Planning Districts 1 & 3 - Ministerial Amendments

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

Councillor Lichter advised that the Plan for Districts 1 and 3 has been written as the people want, and the amendments by the Minister's office will change the intent of the people. He asked that Council support a request to the Minister to reconsider these amendments.

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

"THAT strong representation be made to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for reconsideration of the amendments and adherence to the Plan and By-law as submitted and that the Minister be requested to provide clarification of his changes."
MOTION CARRIED

Application No. RA-SA-12-88-20 - Rezoning of 52 Lumsden Crescent, Lower Sackville

Mr. Reinhardt read the report regarding this rezoning application.

There was some discussion about whether or not a public hearing could be held between the election and the swearing in of a new Council. Following some research, Mr. Cragg clarified that a public hearing could be held, and the old Council would sit until the new Council is sworn in.

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

"THAT a public hearing for Application No. RA-SA-12-88-20 be held on October 17, 1988 at 7 p.m."

Councillor Wiseman expressed opposition to holding this public hearing, stating she is looking for a resolution to the problem of illegal basement apartments. The homes in this area were subjected to public hearings in this regard when such discussion took place in the past, and she felt it grossly unfair that the residents should have to fight this everytime someone comes forward with such an application in an R-1 zone.

Councillor Lichter stated he does not disagree with Councillor Wiseman, and he understands her frustration. However, he felt Council should have learned from experience with the Municipal Board that the opportunity will have to be given to the residents of Sackville to speak against this application because it is contrary to the Municipal Planning Strategy for Sackville. Any further appeal will hinge on the people's stance in this regard.

MOTION CARRIED

File No. F-654-88-04 - Undersized Lot Legislation - Lands of Colin & Muriel Slaunwhite, Terence Bay

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

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

"THAT Application No. F-654-88-04 - the proposed subdivision of lands of Colin & Muriel Slaunwhite - be granted final approval and that a public hearing be held on November 1, 1988 at 7 p.m."

MOTION CARRIED

File No. P-584-88-04 - Undersized Lot Legislation - Lands of Byron Slaunwhite and Orest Ulan, Terence Bay

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

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

"THAT Application No. F-584-88-04 be approved in principle and that the applicant be directed to proceed to the final subdivision stage;

ALSO THAT staff be empowered to advertise for a public hearing once the final application is complete."

MOTION CARRIED

Extension of Zoning By-law No. 24

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

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

"THAT the Minister of Municipal Affairs be requested to extend Zoning By-law No. 24."

MOTION CARRIED

SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

Application No. RA-SA-14-88-20 - Rezoning of Property at 85 Rogers Drive, Lower Sackville

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

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

"THAT Application No. RA-Sa-14-88-20 be approved and that a public hearing be held on October 17, 1988 at 7 p.m."

MOTION CARRIED

Application No. DA-CH/W-06-87-07 - Amendment to Development Agreement Between the Municipality and 1523613 Holdings Ltd.

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

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

"THAT Halifax County Council amend the approved Development Agreement No. DA-CH/W-06-87-07 to permit enlarged facial signs on the retail shopping centre, located to the northwest of the Forest Hills Connector and the Highway No. 7 Intersection."

MOTION CARRIED

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Water Frontage By-law

Mr. Reinhardt advised that this proposed by-law concerning per foot frontage charges for the installation of water lines is submitted to Council for consideration.

Mr. Meech noted that the wording of this by-law will be changed to prevent confusion regarding lots with water frontage. It will now be called a By-law Respecting the Charge for Water Services.

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

"THAT the By-law Respecting the Charge for Water Services be adopted by Halifax County Council and forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for approval."

MOTION CARRIED

Requests for Grants

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

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

- a) District Capital Grant, District 14 in the amount of \$1,000 for a well at the Millers Lake Homeowners Association;
- b) General Parkland Grant in the amount of \$1,250 for fencing for the Fall River East School, District 14;
- c) District Parkland Grant, District 20 in the amount of \$129.57 for improvements to the walkway and parkland around the water tower on Sampson Drive."

MOTION CARRIED

Animal Control Proposals

Mr. Reinhardt reviewed the Executive Committee report regarding this matter, noting there was also a letter circulated to Members of Council from Imperial Investments Ltd.

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

"THAT Mountain Security be awarded the Animal Control contract for a three year period with a 90 day termination clause."

Councillor Snow objected to making a decision at this time. He stated many Council Members are not Members of the Executive Committee and did not hear the presentations made to the Committee. He felt the recommendation will not provide a solution to the dog problem in District 14, and he suggested this decision be deferred to a meeting of the Committee of the Whole, and that each bidder be asked to meet with the Committee.

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

"THAT the matter of awarding the dog control contract be deferred to a meeting of the Committee of the Whole for further deliberation."

MOTION DEFEATED 6 YES
 9 NO

Councillor Walker objected to the recommendation, stating contracting this service to an outside agency will not solve the dog problem. He felt the solution is an in-house operation with more stringent guidelines than there are now. He stated the recommendation by the Committee is only a cop-out; Imperial Investments is now blamed for the County's dog problems, and Mountain Security will be receiving the same bad vibes after three years of providing this service.

Councillor Bayers indicated support for the motion, stating the recommendation was made after two long meetings at the Executive Committee level. He stated the two contenders for the contract both agreed that education program are important, but there was some concern about overtime hours by Harbour Cities Veterinary Hospital. Also, Mountain Security has agreed to hire some of the existing dog control officers, so they will not be left without jobs. He felt the recommendation of the Executive Committee should be supported for these reasons.

Councillor Wiseman expressed concern that the SPCA withdrew their proposal. She felt their proposal met the criteria called for, and they should have been given further consideration. She asked if there was any indication as to why the SPCA withdrew their proposal. Mr. Reinhardt advised he was only in receipt of a letter requesting the removal of the bid, and there was no reason given.

Councillor McInroy reviewed the action of the Executive Committee in making this recommendation. He stated the overtime question with Harbour Cities' proposal was of concern, and Mountain Security had a 24 hour telephone service in his favour.

Councillor Wiseman asked if it is a requirement that Mountain Security will sell the dog licenses. Councillor McInroy advised that alternative is optional. If some districts want to continue with the existing procedure for selling license, that practice can continue, but Mountain Security will be available to sell these licenses in any district if required.

Councillor P. Baker expressed concern that Imperial Investments were not considered for this contract. He stated there has been no difficulty with the service provided by Imperial Investments in his area.

Councillor Reid indicated that he would not support the motion because Harbour Cities Veterinary Hospital has offered the same service for a lower price with the overtime clause. He felt Harbour Cities would not use more than 900 hours of overtime, which would be required to bring the cost up to Mountain's bid price.

Deputy Warden MacDonald stated the existing contract with Imperial Investments has almost expired, and if this issue is not settled by the end of the week, the County will be without dog control services unless an extension can be negotiated with Imperial Investments. He stated Imperial Investments got much credit for finding homes for stray dogs rather than putting them down, and he expressed hope that