

the new animal control agency would try to do the same. He noted that Mountain Security has proposed a building in Burnside Industrial Park to house the dogs, which is a good central location, but he expressed difficulty that the building is not within the boundaries of the Municipality.

Councillor Rawding expressed agreement with the comments of Councillor Reid. He stated the SPCA, Mountain Security, and Harbour Cities Veterinary Hospital all had good proposals, although Harbour Cities appear to have superior ability because they have been pleasing the Cities of Halifax and Dartmouth with their service for a number of years now. They also agreed that public education is important, and the two men involved are professional vets involved in the business. He felt the contract should be awarded to Harbour Cities Veterinary Hospital.

Councillor Lichter clarified that there was a 90 day termination clause included in the dog control contract with Imperial Investments, and he asked why that termination clause was not exercised when so many people expressed dissatisfaction with the dog control service. Councillor Lichter stated he understands that Imperial Investments were not considered for the contract because many were dissatisfied with the service he offered over the past three years, but he felt the recommendation should be that the contract be awarded to Harbour Cities, and he stated he would not support the motion.

Councillor Eisenhower stated his area has not received proper dog control in the past three years, but rather than terminate the contract, he felt an effort should be made to improve the service. He also stated he could not support the proposal by Harbour Cities because the question of overtime would be like signing a blank cheque. He stated most dog complaints are during the evenings and weekends when people are home and allow their dogs to run free, and this could lead to an unlimited amount of overtime by Harbour Cities. Councillor Eisenhower stated he would support the motion because of the more secure price offered by Mountain Security for the same type of service as Harbour Cities.

Councillor Bayers stated the unknown factor with Harbour Cities is their contract price plus overtime, but consideration must also be given to the fact that the Cities of Halifax and Dartmouth have police assistance in the enforcement of their dog by-laws, and the RCMP are not willing to assist the County in this manner. Also, Mountain Security has guaranteed a 24 hour phone service, as opposed to an answering machine. He stated he is more than pleased with the proposal by Mountain Security, as it will be an improvement over the existing service; also a number of existing dog constables will be hired by Mountain Security.

Councillor DeRoche advised that he tried to terminate the dog control contract with Imperial Investments when he first began to experience problems, but there was no seconder for his resolution. He stated his district lacks dog control service, and he is very familiar with the services of Harbour Cities Veterinary Hospital, and he felt that

either Harbour Cities or Mountain Security could provide his area with improved service, but he favoured Mountain Security because of the 24 hour telephone service.

MOTION CARRIED 10 YES
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PUBLIC HEARING, RE MINOR VARIANCE NO. MV-30-02-88

Councillor Lichter advised that this public hearing had been advertised for September 20, 1988 at 7 p.m., although it does not appear on the Council agenda. He asked that Council permit the hearing to be heard, as it was duly advertised. Members of Council agreed.

Mr. Gough advised that this minor variance is for the construction of a garage 4.1 feet from the property line instead of the required 8 feet. The minor variance was denied as the difficulty is directly related to the disregard of the information provided on the Municipal Development Permit.

Questions from Council

Councillor Rawding clarified that the Development Division is satisfied that abutting property owners have no objection to this minor variance. Mr. Gough agreed.

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

"THAT Halifax County Council approve a minor variance of 4.1 feet at Lot 12, Governor's Lake Road, Governor's Glen Subdivision, Lakeside."

MOTION CARRIED

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT Cont'd.

By-law Amendments

This matter was deferred pending a report from the Municipal Solicitor.

SUPPLEMENTARY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Acquisition of County Flag

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

"THAT Halifax County Council adopt the County flag as presented and that a quantity of 500 flags be purchased."

Warden MacKenzie advised that the funds to purchase these flags will come from the Recreation Department's lein law fund until the end of 1988.

MOTION CARRIED

Request for Grant, re Fire Prevention Contest

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

"THAT Halifax County Council approve a grant of \$2,100 from the general fund for the annual Halifax County Fire Prevention Contest."

MOTION CARRIED

Training, Hazardous Materials Incidents

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

"THAT Council approve a maximum \$2,500 expenditure from the general fund for cost-sharing in a training program in hazardous materials incidents for Halifax County firefighters."

MOTION CARRIED

Requests for Grants

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

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

- a) District Capital Grant, District 3 in the amount of \$4,000 for capital improvements to Noojintoe Hall (former school property);
- b) District Parkland Grant, District 8 in the amount of \$449.49 for improvements to the Lake Echo Community Centre;
- c) District Capital Grant, District 9 in the amount of \$2,500 for the replacement of windows at the Chezzetcook Fire Hall;
- d) District Capital Grant, District 9 in the amount of \$2,500 for the purchase of chairs for the Lawrencetown Community Centre;
- e) District Capital Grant, District 17 in the amount of \$3,700 and a District Parkland Grant, District 17 in the amount of \$700 for the fencing of walkways and tot lots, Chaswood Drive, Cole Harbour;
- f) District Capital Grant, District 17 in the amount of \$4,000 for the paving and fencing of walkways and a tot lot in Cole Harbour;

g) District Capital Grant, District 21 in the amount of \$2,200 for the construction of a boardwalk at the Cole Harbour Heritage Farm."

MOTION CARRIED

CHIEF BUILDING INSPECTORS REPORT

Ray Imai, Ketch Harbour

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

"THAT Council approve a lesser side yard clearance of 0 feet at 122 East Road, Ketch Harbour for applicant, Ray Imai."

MOTION CARRIED

George El Khawaja

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

"THAT Council approve a lesser setback of 22 feet at Lot 10, Highway No. 333, Bayside, for applicant El Khawaja."

MOTION CARRIED

URBAN SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

Environmental Services Rate, Herring Cove Area

Mr. Reinhardt read the report.

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

"THAT the original resolution respecting centralized sewage services in the Herring Cove area be rescinded and that the properties directly effected in the Herring Cove area be assessed at the rate of .089 cents per \$100 of assessment which is directly attributable to the sewer maintenance and storm drainage costs."

MOTION CARRIED

MAPC Regional Pollution Control Proposal

Mr. Reinhardt read the report.

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

"THAT a letter be written to the Minister of Municipal Affairs requesting that there be County representation with respect to all committees relating to the Regional Pollution Control decision-making bodies including consideration for operation of the sewage treatment plant."

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution, re Local Involvement, Regional Pollution Control Proposal

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

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

"THAT Halifax County Council adopt the resolution urging the Premier of Nova Scotia to ensure that maximizing local involvement is a mandatory and non-negotiable item in the cost-sharing agreement which will be signed prior to the commencement of work."

MOTION CARRIED

Storm Drainage By-law

Mr. Reinhardt read the report.

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

"THAT staff concentrate on creating a by-law dealing with lot grading and drainage in the urban areas this year and phase-in over time other by-laws to implement the remaining stormwater policies."

Councillor Lichter clarified that the recommendation is as reads, rather than the recommendation of the Engineering and Works Department as contained in the staff report. Mr. Meech agreed. Councillor Lichter felt the resolution should reflect the serviced areas as opposed to the urban areas, because some districts which are considered to be urban contain a great deal of rural jurisdiction.

Mr. Meech agreed, and he suggested that the motion be amended to reflect such.

Councillor Snow and Councillor Deveaux agreed to amend the motion to read:

"THAT staff concentrate on creating a by-law dealing with lot grading and drainage in the serviced areas this year and phase-in over time other by-laws to implement the remaining stormwater policies."

MOTION CARRIED

METROPOLITAN AUTHORITY REPORT - COUNCILLOR McINROY

This matter was deferred in the absence of Councillor McInroy.

DESIGNATION OF TEMPORARY SITE FOR STORAGE OF DERELICT VEHICLES, SHEET HARBOUR

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

"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."

Warden MacKenzie assured that this site will be designated temporarily only.

MOTION CARRIED

FAULKNER DRIVE, EASTERN PASSAGE

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

"THAT Halifax County Council approve sewer and water services on Faulkner Drive, in particular to the Faulkner and Edwards properties, at a cost of \$20 per foot."

Councillor Deveaux advised that when services were installed in this area approximately 15 years ago, property owners on Faulkner Drive were told it would be impossible to service their road. Since that time, it has been determined that those properties can be serviced. Councillor Deveaux stated he has been attempting to provide these services because it was not their fault that they were not serviced all this time, and he felt the property owners deserve these services at the original price. However, Council would not agree, so the property owners have agreed to pay one-half of the cost (\$20 per foot).

Mr. Reinhardt read the letter from Mr. Ellswanger, explaining the situation.

Councillor Lichter noted that residents of Timberlea/Lakeside/Beechville received servicing at \$20 per foot four or five years ago, although the cost of installing the service was much greater. He stated those residents on Faulkner Drive deserve these services at \$20 per foot, and he suggested the matter be resolved at this time at \$20 per foot.

Councillor Eisenhauer asked if the value of the services today, at \$37, is based on the value of the dollar today compared to the value of the dollar at that time. Mr. Meech advised that the cost of \$37.85 was based on an estimated capital cost of \$35,000 and the policy that 60 percent would be provided by the County's general capital grant, and the other 40 percent would be recoverable from the property owners.

Councillor Deveaux clarified that there are only two affected property owners at this time, as the third has since passed away.

Mr. Meech stated the resolution should approve the capital expenditure of \$35,000 for an extension to water and sewer services on Faulkner Drive, and that \$20 per foot would be levied to those two properties affected, and the balance of the cost will be in the form of a grant from the General Capital Fund.

Councillor Reid asked if the Edwards' property paid frontage fees for the 47.29 feet fronting on the Cow Bay Road. Mr. Wdowiak responded that he did not; the total recoverable from the Edwards' lot, which is a corner lot, is an average of 238.6 feet, but for this purpose, the frontage is calculated at 191 feet at \$20 per foot. A credit would be made for that frontage already paid.

Councillor Reid expressed concern that the lots could be subdivided in the future, and he asked if the motion could be amended that future hook-ups from subdivision would pay a price to be negotiated and stipulated at this time.

There was some discussion about the subdivision of these lots, and whether another fee should or should not be paid.

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

"THAT the aforementioned resolution be amended as follows:

THAT Halifax County Council approve a capital expenditure of \$35,000 for the extension of water and sewer services on Faulkner Drive, Eastern Passage;

THAT \$20 per foot be levied to the Edwards and Ellswanger properties;

THAT the balance of the cost be in the form of a grant from the General Capital Fund; and

FURTHER THAT any subdivision of lands beyond the Edwards property on Faulkner Drive be charged a hook-up fee to the water and sewer lines, with the exception of the corner lot on Faulner Drive and the Cow Bay Road."

AMENDMENT CARRIED

MOTION CARRIED AS AMENDED

EMERGENCY AGENDA ITEMS

Councillor Snow - Lockview/MacPherson Road Servicing

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

"WHEREAS recent studies have identified public health problems in the Lockview-MacPherson Road area of Fall River;

WHEREAS an engineering study and plan recommended the installation of a public sewerage system with associated secondary wastewater treatment with effluent to Fletcher's Run;

WHEREAS this proposal was presented to property owners of the study area and the general community;

WHEREAS the residents attending the public meeting identified the following as concerns:

a) a need to consider the extension of the water system from Windsor Junction to provide a combined central water and sewerage system;

b) a need to examine the broader issue of environmental preservation and protection of the Shubenacadie waterway with attention to wastewater disposal and development densities;

WHEREAS the development of a long range plan to establish specific community and regional objectives in maintaining the waterway for identified uses is deemed as necessary;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chief Administrative Officer is instructed to develop a strategy for a joint planning/pollution control evaluation of the Shubenacadie waterway in consultation with local residents' groups, associations, government departments and agencies."

Warden MacKenzie asked if there has been any County representation at the public meetings. Councillor Snow indicated there has been.

MOTION CARRIED

Councillor Fralick - Transportation

Councillor Fralick advised he has a petition to reduce a speed limit through Lawrencetown on behalf of Councillor Randall.

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

"THAT a letter be written to the Minister of Transportation with a petition to be enclosed requesting a lower speed limit on Highway 201 through Lawrencetown from 80 km/hr to 70 km/hr with a copy of the letter and the petition to be sent to the MLA for the area, Tom McInnes."

MOTION CARRIED

ADDITION OF ITEMS TO THE AGENDA FOR THE OCTOBER 4, 1988 COUNCIL SESSION

Councillor P. Baker - Tax Deeds
Councillor Fralick - Transportation

ADJOURNMENT

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

"THAT this Council Session adjourn."
MOTION CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1988

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

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. R.G. Cragg, Municipal Solicitor
Mr. Paul Morgan, Planner
Mr. D.D. Reinhardt, Deputy Municipal Clerk

SECRETARY: Glenda Hill

In the absence of Warden MacKenzie and Deputy Warden MacDonald, Mr. Reinhardt called for nominations for a chairperson for the Public Hearings.

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

"THAT Councillor Lichter chair the public hearings."

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

"THAT nominations cease."
MOTION CARRIED

Councillor Lichter was declared chairman for the public hearings. He called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. with the Lord's Prayer. Mr. Reinhardt called the Roll. Councillor Lichter then reviewed the procedure for the public hearings.

APPLICATION NO. RA-24-13-88-11 - APPLICATION BY MR. DONALD FINDLAY TO REZONE A 3.8 ACRE PORTION OF AN APPROXIMATELY 16 ACRE LOT ON THE WILSON FALLS ROAD, MOSER RIVER, FROM UNZONED TO SD (SALVAGE YARD AND DUMP) ZONE

Mr. Morgan reviewed the staff report respecting this application. He identified the location of the property in question on a map on the overhead projector. He noted there are presently two dwellings on the lot in question, which is a violation of the Subdivision By-law; however, the second dwelling is on skids, and it will be removed from the lot upon completion.

Mr. Morgan advised that approval of this application is recommended by staff based on approvals by other appropriate agencies, as well as the fact that the property is screened by the roadway and relatively distant from other residential uses.

Questions from Council

Councillor Deveaux asked if fencing is not required around any salvage yard. Mr. Morgan responded that fencing or appropriate screening is required, and the substantial amount of trees are considered such a buffer. As long as those trees remain, no fencing is required.

Speakers in Favour of this Application

None.

Speakers in Opposition to this Application

None.

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

"THAT the Application by Mr. Donald Findlay to rezone 3.8 acres of a 16 acre lot, located on the west side of the Wilson Falls Road, Moser River, approximately 3 kilometres north of Highway No. 7 intersection, from Unzoned to SD (Salvage Yard and Dump) Zone be approved by Municipal Council."
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

APPLICATION NO. DA-SA-05-88-16 - APPLICATION BY MEMORIAL GARDENS (ATLANTIC) LIMITED TO ENTER INTO A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT TO PERMIT THE EXPANSION OF A FUNERAL HOME, LOCATED AT 125 SACKVILLE DRIVE, LOWER SACKVILLE

Mr. Morgan reviewed the staff report and proposed development agreement. He noted the location of the property in question on a map on the overhead projector, as well as the staff report.

Mr. Morgan advised that it is staff's recommendation that this application and development agreement be approved by Municipal Council.

Questions from Council

Councillor Wiseman asked if there has been any consideration to the addition of a crematory as part of this expansion. Mr. Morgan advised that he is not aware of a crematory being considered as part of this expansion, but the development agreement will permit such an addition. The agreement would not change for the addition of a crematory, although it would have to be constructed and operated according to the instruction in the development agreement.

Speakers in Favour of this Application

Jim Isenor, Solicitor representing Memorial Gardens (Atlantic) Limited, referred to a site plan showing the existing property. He advised that Memorial Gardens now owns the adjacent property, as well, which is required for the addition.

With regard to a crematory, Mr. Isenor advised that Memorial Gardens (Atlantic) Limited has decided not to construct a crematory because they have access to other facility for this purpose. The only use of this property will be for a funeral home.

Mr. Isenor referred to architectural drawings showing the expansion, advising it will be a continuation of what the building already looks like. Approximately \$300,000 will be spent on this expansion, excluding land costs.

Mr. Isenor stated this property has been used for a funeral home for a number of years now, and the increased population and demand in Sackville requires this expansion.

Mr. Isenor stated the proposed development agreement provides the Municipality with sufficient control over the property, so any expansion and use of the property will be in accordance with the peritted uses of the County and the development agreement.

Questions from Council

Councillor Snow inquired about fencing between the Memorial Gardens property and the adjacent mobile home park. Mr. Isenor replied that the conveyance of Parcel B to Memorial Gardens provides for fencing all around the property.

Councillor Snow next inquired about the purpose of the "V" shaped parcel of property. Mr. Isenor replied it is required for access to the present drainage system across the property.

Speakers in Opposition to this Application

None.

Councillor Lichter recalled Mr. Morgan to discuss an amendment to Clause 11 of the development agreement. Mr. Morgan suggested that Clause 11 be amended to read: "Prior to the signing of this Agreement, the Developer shall acquire the said Parcel "B" and hold title to the same in fee simple and shall..."

Councillor Rawding questioned the need for this addition to Clause 11, stating Mr. Isenor had indicated this parcel is already in the name of Memorial Gardens (Atlantic) Ltd. Mr. Cragg informed that it would do no harm to have this clause inserted as part of the agreement.

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

"THAT the Development Agreement as described by Appendix "A" of the staff report and with the amendment as suggested by staff between the Municipality of the County of Halifax and Memorial Garden (Atlantic) Limited for the expansion of an existing funeral home operation located at 125 Sackville Drive, Lower Sackville be approved by Municipal Council."

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

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

"THAT this public hearing adjourn."

MOTION CARRIED

The public hearings adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

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COUNCIL SESSION

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1988

PRESENT WERE. Warden MacKenzie
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Councillor Adams
Councillor Randall
Councillor Bayers
Councillor Reid
Councillor Licher
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 Clerk
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.

Councillor P. Baker noted that Mrs. MacKenzie was in the gallery, and on behalf of Council he welcomed her to the Council Session.

Councillor Snow advised that he has spoken about a badge of office for the Warden for many years, although one has never been officially approved. He presented Warden MacKenzie with an unofficial badge of office, which was designed by him and his daughter. He also presented Warden MacKenzie with a replica of the badge for keepsake.

Warden MacKenzie thanked Councillor Snow for the badge and the replica, stating he is very proud of the crest.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

"THAT the minutes of the Council Session, September 6, 1988, be approved as circulated."
MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT the minutes of the Public Hearings, September 12, 1988, be approved as circulated."
MOTION CARRIED

EMERGENCY AGENDA ITEMS

- Councillor Deveaux - Crosswalks
- Councillor P. Baker - Department of Transportation
- Councillor C. Baker - Pit Bulls
- Councillor Randall - Sludge Disposal
- Deputy Warden MacDonald - Appreciation

LETTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Solicitor General's Office

Mr. Reinhardt advised that the first three items of correspondence are from the Solicitor General's office concerning enhanced policing in Cole Harbour and RCMP services in the western sub-system of Halifax.

Councillor Mont declared a conflict of interest.

Councillor Rawding expressed concern about various levels of police protection for different areas of Halifax County. He also expressed concern about delays in addressing policing problems in the western sub-section, although Cole Harbour and Sackville issues were addressed quickly and effectively. He stated this inconsistent policing is unfair to County residents.

Warden MacKenzie advised that Autoport in Eastern Passage had expressed concern to him about vandalism and policing problems. He suggested additional RCMP officers were added to the Cole Harbour office for that purpose. Councillor Rawding objected, stating policing cannot be upgraded for the protection of the people, but when a private company that makes enough for its own security system complains about policing, additional officers are added for their protection.

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

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

Councillor McInroy stated the Province seems to be struggling with the concept of enhanced policing. He stated there is some confusion in warranting an enhanced level of service; some guidelines for policing urban areas should be pursued.

Councillor Deveaux asked that he has received numerous requests for additional policing or a small detachment in the Eastern Passage area. He stated Autoport has been experiencing many vandalism problems, and they do have their own security system which is expensive. He felt they should be supported by extra police protection according to the taxes they pay to Halifax County.

Deputy Warden MacDonald commented that those additional officers for enhanced policing in Sackville have not yet been located at that detachment. He felt these appointments should be followed upon to determine if they are in line as promised. Warden MacKenzie asked Mr. Meech to check into those appointments.

Councillor C. Baker stated he is not against Sackville and Cole Harbour receiving additional officers, but he felt this coverage should be County-wide. He suggested the people would be willing to pay more for additional protection.

Councillor Merrigan felt the additional officers only provide a reasonable level of service as opposed to enhanced, and the County should not be paying for those additional officers.

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

"THAT a letter be written to the Solicitor General pointing out that it is the opinion of Halifax County Municipality, based on requirements to add to police officers in Cole Harbour, that Cole Harbour does not have an enhanced level of police protection as agreed to earlier and that is it unjust to ask the taxpayers of Halifax County to pay for the additional charges."

Councillor Eisenhauer expressed difficulty with the term enhanced level of service. He stated if the County is to charge an area rate for policing, the additional cost should be for the enforcement of Municipal By-laws.

Following further expressions of concern about additional police officers and enhanced levels of service, Warden MacKenzie suggested a meeting of the Police Committee be arranged to discuss this matter with the RCMP and the Solicitor General.

Following further discussion concerning the enhanced level of service and whether or not the County should be paying for an enhanced level of service, Warden MacKenzie suggested the local MLA's be invited to attend a meeting of the Police Committee.

MOTION CARRIED

Minister of Transportation and Communications

Mr. Reinhardt read this letter respecting the paving of Roma Drive. It was moved by Councillor Randall, seconded by Councillor Deroche:

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

Minister of Transportation and Communications

Mr. Reinhardt read this letter concerning improvements to the road at Miller Lake to the United Pentecostal Church Campground.

Councillor Snow advised that there have been minor improvements to the road and a new sign has been installed; the issue is being addressed.

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

"THAT this letter be received."
MOTION CARRIED

Minister of Transportation and Communications

Mr. Reinhardt read this letter concerning the paving of Lake Hill Drive, Gaetz Brook.

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

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

Minister of Transportation and Communications

Mr. Reinhardt reviewed this letter concerning the paving of suburban streets.

Deputy Warden MacDonald noted that only two streets in Sackville have been listed, which is a low percentage. He stated many "C" class streets in Sackville have been listed for 15 or more years, although they have never been paved. He stated the Minister should be asked why certain streets are being left off these lists.

Councillor P. Baker stated there were commitments and promises that certain roads in his district would be paved (more than requested), but nothing has been done to date. He stated the Engineers on the scene have stated there is nothing planned for those roads, but the Minister's office informs they will be paved. It is difficult to know what to tell the people.

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

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

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

"THAT a letter be written to the Department of Transportation asking why certain roads which were promised for paving in the past have been deleted from the list."

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT a letter be written to Premier Buchanan, with copies to be sent to the MLA (Gerry Lawrence) and the Minister of Transportation (Guy Leblanc), noting the confusion created by the Department of Transportation and that Halifax County wants to know immediatley and definatly which roads will be paved in 1988; and that this letter be sent by special delivery."

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT a letter be written to the Department of Transportation expressing appreciation for the work completed on roads in District 14 and requesting why one road was not paved, although it was successfully petitioned."

MOTION CARRIED

Minister of Transportation and Communications

Mr. Reinhardt read this letter concerning the paving of Pine Falls Drive, Sheet Harbour.

Warden MacKenzie advised that he would be responding to the Sheet Harbour Board of Trade in this regard, suggesting that the road be left until next year, when it will fully qualify for paving by the Department of Transportation.

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

"THAT this item of correspondence be received."

MOTION CARRIED

Minister of Transportation and Communications

Mr. Reinhardt read this letter concerning the extension of the jersey barrier and the widening of Highway No. 101, Sackville.

Deputy Warden MacDonald expressed hope that this project will be given very serious consideration as it has been the scene of numerous accidents and deaths over the years.

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
Department of Lands and Forests

Mr. Reinhardt advised that these two items of correspondence are with respect to the blockage of access to the CNR right-of-way.

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

"THAT these two items of correspondence be received."

Councillor Randall advised that he recently learned that the Department of Lands and Forests have reached an agreement for the takeover of these lands, but the agreement and documents require the ratification of the federal government. It was suggested that this may take some time due to the recently-called Federal election; it may be the first of 1989 before the takeover is finalized. He stated Council will have to continue to press for the closure of these access roads once the agreement is finalized.

MOTION CARRIED

Department of Transportation and Communications

Mr. Reinhardt read this correspondence regarding the re-appointment of Mr. Richards to the Halifax-Dartmouth Port Development Commission.

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

"THAT this letter be received."
MOTION CARRIED

Minister of Education

Mr. Reinhardt read this letter concerning re-consideration of construction of a new Acadia School.

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

"THAT this letter be received."

Councillor Wiseman expressed appreciation for the quick response in this regard. She advised that the School Board and the Board of Trustees met with the Department of Education, and it was felt the meeting was favourable. She expressed hope that something concrete will be heard in the near future.

MOTION CARRIED

Department of Transportation and Communications

Mr. Reinhardt read this letter regarding paving of Atholea, Parkway, and Lansdown Drives.

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

"THAT this letter be received."

Councillor McInroy expressed concern about the words considered and pending. He suggested that the Minister be immediately advised that Halifax County Municipality does approve of cost-sharing for the paving of the 50 metres which does not qualify under the Provincial program. He stated the paving of this 50 metres is important because it cuts off two paved roads. He stated Metro Transit will not run there because that 50 metres is not paved. Also, school buses and emergency vehicle transportation is an important consideration.

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT a letter be written to the Minister of Transportation advising that Halifax County is prepared to cost-share in the paving of the 50 metres of Atholea Drive;

ALSO THAT the Minister be advised of the urgency of having this paving completed because of pending transit routes and other related matters."

MOTION CARRIED

Warden MacKenzie welcomed Mr. Wes Tople, a former Councillor, and his wife to this Council Session.

PUBLIC HEARINGS, RE MINOR VARIANCE APPEALS

Warden MacKenzie reviewed the procedures for the Public Hearings.

MV-31-06-88 - Roelf Vis, Shore Road, Eastern Passage

Mr. Gough reviewed the staff report, noting this application for a minor variance was denied as it was not minor. He noted that Mr. Vis requested a development permit to construct a sundeck 1.5 feet from the property line as opposed to the required 8 feet.

Questions from Council

Councillor Eisenhauer asked if the sundeck has been built. Mr. Gough advised that it has not been constructed. He referred to pictures being circulated.

Councillor Wiseman inquired about re-action from abutting property owners. Mr. Gough advised that the abutting neighbour has expressed no objection to this minor variance.

Councillor Deveaux referred to a letter from Mr. Vis' neighbour expressing support for this minor variance. Mr. Gough read the letter from Mr. Stuart G. Beakly, 1861 Shore Road, Eastern Passage.

Warden MacKenzie asked if there have been similar instances in this area. Mr. Gough advised he does not know of the exact number, although Council recently approved another minor variance in Cole Harbour.

Speakers in Favour of this Application

None.

Speakers in Opposition to this Application

None.

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

"THAT Minor Variance Application No. MV-31-06-88, for 1863 Shore Road, Eastern Passage, be approved by Council."
MOTION CARRIED

MV-23-16-88 - Ainslie Animal Hospital Ltd., Lower Sackville

Mr. Gough reviewed this staff report, noting the application for a minor variance was denied because an attached garage was constructed as opposed to a detached garage as indicated on the building permit, resulting in two variances.

Questions from Council

Councillor DeRoche clarified that the driveway to the garage in question is off Cobequid Road, as opposed to Malik Court for which the permit was issued. Mr. Gough responded that there is a driveway to the garage off Malik Court, although he was not aware of whether or not a highway permit was issued for that access.

Councillor Wiseman expressed concern about the impact of Section 79 (3)(c) of the Planning Act. She asked the status of the building. Mr. Gough advised that the building has been constructed, as shown in picture circulated. He advised that prosecution will depend on the outcome of this public hearing. He stated if the variance is granted by Council, no prosecution will take place. However, if Council denies the permit, prosecution proceedings could begin.

Deputy Warden MacDonald commented that the garage appears to be unsightly from the pictures. He asked how long the garage has been at this site. Mr. Gough responded that it is not complete to date.

Councillor Eisenhauer commented that there is only 10 feet between the garage and the road, which would mean a car longer than 10 feet would sit on the highway if it is outside the garage. Mr. Gough responded that there could be an additional 10 or 12 feet between the lot line and the actual street (a highway right-of-way).

Councillor Eisenhauer clarified that the garage doors appears to be on an angle.

Speakers in Favour of this Application

None.

Speakers in Opposition to this Application

None.

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

"THAT Minor Variance Application No. MV-23-16-88, 190 Cobequid Road, be denied by Municipal Council."
MOTION CARRIED

Warden MacKenzie left the Chair, and Deputy Warden MacDonald took over the meeting.

SUPPLEMENTARY CORRESPONDENCE

Halifax County-Bedford District School Board

Mr. Reinhardt read this letter concerning County representation on the School Board during the interim election period.

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

"THAT Halifax County Council approve the extension of office to November 30 of all non-Council Member appointments who may be disqualified when they cease to become Councillors."

Mr. Cragg advised that this should not be dealt with until the November 1, 1988 Council Session because at this time it is not known who may or may not be disqualified. He felt it should be deferred to the November 1, 1988 Council Session because the vacancy does not arise until the new Council is sworn in.

Councillor Reid and Councillor P. Baker agreed to withdraw the motion.

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

"THAT the matter of extending School Board appointments be deferred to the November 1, 1988 Session of Council."
MOTION CARRIED

Donald Rankin, re Financing for Cole Harbour Place

It was agreed that Council would deal with this correspondence when the issuing resolution respecting Cole Harbour Place is dealt with.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Social Assistance Rates

Mr. Reinhardt read the report of the Executive Committee.

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

"THAT Council approve the proposed adjustments to the social assistance scales effective November 1, 1988."
MOTION CARRIED

Co-ordinated Home Care

Mr. Reinhardt read the report.

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

"THAT Council endorse the enhancement of the existing Homemakers Program, as proposed in the staff report."
MOTION CARRIED

Cultural and Recreational Facilities, Financing County Contributions

Mr. Reinhardt read the Executive Committee report.

Councillor Merrigan noted that the Executive Committee revised the staff recommendation to 1.3 cents per \$100 of assessment. Mr. Meech noted that the recommendation of the Executive Committee is at the end of the staff report.

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

"THAT a maximum \$200,000 Recreation Capital Project Financing Loan be established, subject to approval of the minister of Municipal Affairs with the initial financing to take the form of bank borrowings approved for a period not to exceed ten years as provided under the Municipal Affairs Act;

THAT an amount of 1.3 cents per \$100 taxable assessment (\$400,000) be allocated from the General Operating Fund in 1989 for Recreation Capital Projects. The combination of \$2,000,000 bank borrowings and the \$400,000 allocation from the General Operating Fund would provide the financing for the County contribution to Recreation projects which have been requested to date;

THAT in a year when properties are re-assessed, the amount per \$100 of taxable assessment to be allocated from the General Operating Fund to pay interest and principal on the \$2,000,000 bank borrowing, would be adjusted to reflect any increase which was not new assessment; and

"THAT the \$400,000 allocation be reviewed at the end of three years."

Mr. Meech explained that this is a proposed policy whereby 1.3 cents per \$100 of assessment would be added to the tax rate to generate re-payment of the \$2,000,000 revolving fund for financing of cultural and recreational facilities. He stated there will be a maximum \$2,000,000 revolving fund, and annually that the money generated from that rate would be applied against that fund. This also limits the amount of grants in any year to \$2,000,000.

MOTION CARRIED

Recreational Capital Grant Request, Waverley Sportspark

Mr. Reinhardt read the report.

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

"THAT a commitment of \$1,000,000 be allocated to the Charles L. McDonald Waverley Sportspark on the basis that \$500,000 be provided in the fiscal year 1989 and the balance of \$500,000 be provided in the fiscal year 1990;

ALSO THAT the ownership of the property and facility be transferred to the Village Commission of Waverley to permit the Municipality to legally provide the aforementioned grant."

Councillor Deveaux clarified that the amount of \$1,000,000 is within the guidelines of the new policy for 1/6 of the funding.

MOTION CARRIED

Expropriation of Road Right-of-Way, Devil's Hill Road, Ferguson's Cove

Mr. Reinhardt read the report of the Executive Committee.

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

"THAT the road right-of-way at Devil's Hill Road, Ferguson's Cove, as requested by the Department of Transportation, be surveyed and that lands required from owners unknown and/or from the Estate of William P. Powell be expropriated."

Councillor C. Baker explained that one property owner has been denied a building permit because the road is not listed with the Department of Transportation. Two property owners have not responded to correspondence asking their support for the take-over of this road. Therefore, it is recommended that expropriation proceedings begin.

MOTION CARRIED

Withdrawal from Special Reserve Fund, Hubbards Industrial Mall

Mr. Reinhardt read the report.

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

"THAT Halifax County Council authorize the withdrawal of \$250,000 from the Special Reserve Fund for the Hubbards Industrial Mall."

MOTION CARRIED

Requests for Grants

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

"THAT Halifax County Council approve a District Parkland Grant, District 4 in the amount of \$4,000 for improvements to the Hatchet Lake Ballfield; and

a District Parkland Grant, District 18 in the amount of \$4,500 for improvements to the school grounds at Hammonds Plains Consolidated School."

MOTION CARRIED

SUPPLEMENTARY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Requests for Grants

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

"THAT the following grants be approved by Council:

"District Capital Grant, District 11 in the amount of \$2,000 for the installation of a crosswalk light, Sheet Harbour;

District Capital Grant, District 14 in the amount of \$1,000 for the construction of a well, Miller's Lake Homeowners Association;

District Capital Grant, District 15 in the amount of \$2,500 for the purchase of rescue equipment for the Beaver Bank/Kinsac Volunteer Fire Department;

General County Parkland Grant in the amount of \$5,100 and a District Capital Grant, District 15 in the amount of \$5,100 for renovations to ballfields, Beaver Bank/Kinsac Sports and Recreation Association;

District Capital Grant, District 20 in the amount of \$340 for the fencing of a walkway next to 202 Cavalier Drive;

District Capital Grant, District 20 in the amount of \$1,197 for the paving of a walkway between Nordic Crescent and Neily Drive;

District Capital Grant, District 21 in the amount of \$5,000 for new equipment for the Cole Harbour/Westphal Fire Department;

District Capital Grant, District 21 in the amount of \$4,000 for fencing, County-owned lands, Cole Harbour."

MOTION CARRIED

SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

File No. 786-88-04 - Undersized Lot Legislation - Lands of Byron Slaunwhite and Orest Ulan, Terence Bay

File No. 777-88-14 - Undersized Lot Legislation - Lands of Raymond Cox, Windsor Junction

File No. 714-88-09 - Undersized Lot Legislation - Lands of Greg MacIsaac, Porter's Lake

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

"THAT the above-noted applications all be granted final approval and that public hearings be held for each on November 1, 1988 at 7 p.m."

MOTION CARRIED

BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT, RE LESSER SETBACK

Randy Levy, Sober Island

It was moved by Warden MacKenzie, seconded by Councillor C. Baker:

"THAT a lesser setback of 35 feet from the centreline of Levy Road be approved for application Randy Levy, Sober Island."

MOTION CARRIED

Warden MacKenzie returned to the Chair.

ISSUING RESOLUTION, RE COLE HARBOUR PLACE AND BLACK POINT FIRE HALL

Mr. Meech explained that this is the final approval for debentures for the financing of both Cole Harbour Place and Black Point Fire Hall.

Warden MacKenzie noted that Council is in receipt of a letter from Mr. Donald Rankin, requesting that he be allowed to speak to Council regarding this issue. Warden MacKenzie felt it unnecessary for Mr. Rankin to address Council on this matter, as it is routine Council business. Members of Council agreed.

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

"THAT a fully registered debenture for \$3,365,000 be issued and sold to the Nova Scotia Municipal Finance Corporation;

THAT the Warden and Clerk of the Municipality are hereby authorized and empowered to execute an agreement respecting the debenture with the Nova Scotia Municipal Finance Corporation;

THAT the Warden of the Municipality sign the debenture and the Clerk countersign the debenture and that they affix to the debenture the seal of the Municipality;

THAT the Warden and Clerk of the Municipality sell and deliver the debenture to the Nova Scotia Municipal Finance Corporation;

THAT the Clerk of the Municipality be the registrar of the debenture; and

THAT the amount borrowed pending the issue of debentures be repaid out of the proceeds of the debenture when sold."

Mr. Rankin insisted that Council allow him to speak to Council, although Council persisted in objecting.

Councillor Eisenhauer asked that staff explain the process of the debenture issue for Mr. Rankin's benefit. Mr. Meech explained that this procedure is in accordance with the Municipal Affairs Act. When Council indicated approval of participating in this capital project, Council must pass a temporary borrowing resolution. He noted that resolution was passed many months ago, and when it was approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs, the Municipality was given legal authority to incur the capital expenditure and do temporary financing during construction phase of the project. Mr. Meech continued that the last formality is the long-term financing for the project, with a debenture issue through the Municipal Finance Corporation. The Municipal Affairs Act must approve this issuing resolution upon Council's approval. He noted that the Cole Harbour/Westphal Service Commission is involved in this project, although both are taken care of by the Municipality. Once the Minister signs this issuing resolution, the Municipal Finance Corporation will set up the long-term financing vehicle for the amortization of this capital expenditure.

Mr. Rankin asked that Council listen to his comments. Warden MacKenzie advised that Council has denied his request to speak, and if he continued to interrupt the proceedings, he would be asked to leave the Council Chambers.

MOTION CARRIED

METROPOLITAN AUTHORITY REPORT - COUNCILLOR McINROY

Councillor McInroy reviewed several items which have been discussed at recent meetings of the Metropolitan Authority, including alternative methods of capital financing, the Transit Operators Ambassador Program, and the presentation of the Metro Transit route review study.

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

"THAT the verbal Metropolitan Authority report be received."

Councillor DeRoche asked if copies of the Metro Transit Route Review Study can be made available to Members of Council.

Councillor Mont advised that he had received a copy of the report and that he has forwarded it to Mr. Reinhardt for the Urban Services Committee agenda. Warden MacKenzie advised that he could make the report available to Councillor DeRoche prior to the Urban Services Committee.

Councillor Randall advised that residents of his area received a questionnaire regarding transit. He asked if that questionnaire will be addressed in this report. Councillor McInroy advised there was specific reference to feeder services in the report, which may be the result of this questionnaire.

Deputy Warden MacDonald added that some recommendations in the transit report will result in additional capital costs, which will have to be considered, although it will attract more users of transit. Warden MacKenzie noted that the Metropolitan Authority agreed to approach the Province for greater funding for those projects.

MOTION CARRIED.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER, HALIFAX COUNTY REGIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY

Councillor P. Baker expressed concern that this is not a paid position. He felt this should be reviewed by the appropriate body, which was noted to be the Province of Nova Scotia.

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

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

MOTION CARRIED

Warden MacKenzie asked Mr. Reinhardt to send a communication to Members of Council asking them to give consideration to this appointment.

TAX DEEDS - COUNCILLOR P. BAKER

Councillor P. Baker stated that for a number of years it has been the practice of a number of municipalities to hold tax deeds for those trying to clear title to their lands. However, it is now becoming known that these deeds are not as well recognized as earlier expected; they can be questionable. He advised that Mr. Cragg has been very helpful in this regard, although one person in particular has been denied a mortgage because of a tax deed to their property. He stated he has had many calls, particularly with regard to the Myer's Grant area of Terence Bay.

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

"THAT Halifax County Council request the Governor in Council to designate the Myer's Grant area of Terence Bay as a land titles clarification area when all required information and mapping is complete in a form sufficient to the Governor in Council."

MOTION CARRIED

TRANSPORTATION - COUNCILLOR FRALICK

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

"THAT the Provincial Department of Transportation be requested to install an amber light at the Tantallon Intersection between Highway No. 3 and Highway No. 333 at Redmond's Mall."

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT the Provincial Department of Transportation be requested to lower the speed limit from 90 km/hr to 70 km/hr at the intersection of the new Sobey's mall, arena, and community centre."

Councillor Eisenhower asked that the resolution be amended to also request at least 10 to 20 feet of apron paving at the new

Councillor Fralick and Councillor DeRoche agreed to amend the motion to include the request for apron paving for 10 to 20 feet at that intersection.

MOTION CARRIED

EMERGENCY AGENDA ITEMS

Councillor Deveaux - Crosswalks

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

"THAT a crosswalk be requested at Hines Road and Autoport Avenue, as well as at the Cow Bay Road at Tallahassee School."

MOTION CARRIED

Councillor P. Baker - Transportation

Councillor P. Baker expressed concern about traffic congestion during peak hours at the intersection of Highway No. 102 and Highway No. 103. He noted phase I of an improvement project is now in the works, although the long-term plans are not known.

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

"THAT a letter be written to the Minister of Transportation, on behalf of the residents in the area, requesting temporary controls and long-term intentions with regard to improvements at the intersection of Highway No. 102 and Highway No. 103."

MOTION CARRIED

Councillor C. Baker - Pit Bulls

Councillor C. Baker informed that he is only looking for feedback from other Members of Council with regard to problems with pitbull terriers. He explained a problem with a pitbull terrier in his district, noting the dog control officer order that the dog be quarantined to the homeowner's premises for a period of 14 days. He expressed concern about what could take place there in the future.

Warden MacKenzie suggested that pitbull terriers and any other dog deemed to be fierce and dangerous should not be allowed in Halifax County.

Mr. Meech informed that he is aware of the situation Councillor C. Baker is referring to, and he has referred it to Mr. Cragg for legal advise, particularly with respect to recent amendments to the Dog By-law.

Councillor Walker noted that often the dog owners are the problem, as opposed to the dogs themselves. He felt dog owners should be licensed, rather than dogs.

There was no further discussion in this regard.

Councillor Randall - Sludge Disposal

Councillor Randall inquired about the status of the site section process for sludge disposal. He also asked when a report could be expected from the consultants.

Mr. Wdowiak, Director of Engineering & Works, advised that he and the consultants have been seeking another, more central site since the direction of Council approximately one month ago. He stated attempts have also been made to get confirmation from the Department of Lands and Forests for disposal of digested sludge on crown lands. He advised that at the present time, a site has not be located, other than the one on the Antrim Road, although there have been inquiries from a prospective private contractor who MAY be submitting an unsolicited proposal. He noted that location meets all of the requirements, including being more central. To date, however, no proposal has been received.

With regard to a report on this status, Mr. Wdowiak suggested it may be forthcoming within 10 days.

Councillor Randall thanked Mr. Wdowiak for the information, expressing concern about the timeframe involved.

Deputy Warden MacDonald - Appreciation

Deputy Warden MacDonald, on behalf of Council, expressed best wishes to Warden MacKenzie and appreciation for the fine work done over the past years. He also thanked Mrs. MacKenzie, who was very supportive of Warden MacKenzie throughout his 24 years of service.

Deputy Warden MacKenzie expressed appreciation for all the work, both politically and socially, that Warden MacKenzie has put into this job. He stated Warden MacKenzie has put Halifax County on the map through his efforts.

Deputy Warden MacDonald also expressed appreciation and best wishes to Councillor Wiseman, Councillor Mont, and Councillor Walker, who have also chosen to retire from municipal politics. He welcomed all back, whenever they should decide to enter the scene again.

Warden MacKenzie thanked Deputy Warden MacDonald for his words of appreciation. He noted that this is the last Session of this Council, and he is leaving with mixed feelings. He spoke of the growth of Halifax County and the many projects he has been involved in. He stated Civic Status will be important to the new Council, as well as continued growth, transit, the Harbour clean-up project, and others.

Warden MacKenzie stated he is proud to have served as Warden for the largest municipality east of Quebec City. He thanked Members of Council over the years for their support and co-operation. He also thanked staff and departments heads, as well as Mr. Cragg for their support over the years.

Warden MacKenzie wished all the best to Councillor Wiseman, Councillor Mont, and Councillor Walker in their retirement from municipal politics. He also wished the best to those who are seeking re-election. In closing, Warden MacKenzie stated he has enjoyed the work over the years, with much support from his family.

Councillor Mont also thanked Deputy Warden MacDonald for his words of appreciation, as well as all Members of Council for their support over the past six years. He stated it has been a pleasure to work for the Warden, especially in his year as Deputy Warden. He stated he enjoyed serving his constituents and the friendships with Councillors and staff.

Councillor Wiseman also expressed appreciation for the support given to her as Councillor over the past ten years. She stated she never expected to deal in any field that would offer the challenge, the stimulation, and the rewards that municipal politics has. She stated she has loved every minute of serving as Councillor, as well as School

Board Member. She stated the frustration sometimes felt has never overwhelmed the feelings of enjoyment. She also expressed appreciation for her own washroom, being the only woman on Council.

Councillor Walker echoed the words of Councillor Mont and Councillor Wiseman, stating it has been a pleasure for him to represent the municipality, and in particular his district. He stated he has never regretted the experience, and he suggested he will be back in some form of government in the very near future. He thanked for the support of Council, staff, and the media over the years.

Councillo P. Baker concluded the discussion, reminding Warden MacKenzie of the year they were both sworn in as Councillors, and many of the incidents they have experienced together. He wished Warden MacKenzie all the best of luck in his future endeavours.

IN CAMERA ITEMS

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

"THAT Council go in-camera."
MOTION CARRIED

Members of Council agreed to come out of camera.

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

"THAT Council approve the proposal for the appointment of R.G. Cragg as Municipal Solicitor, as outlined in the staff report with the addition of a 90 day termination clause for both parties and that the contract be for a three year term to be reviewed annually."
MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT the recommendation of the Executive Committee, re the employment of K.R. Meech as Chief Administrative Officer, be approved as proposed."
MOTION CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.