Councillor Ball stated that the planning review process has gone on for a long period of time with referrals to the Cole Harbour Community Committee. There have been meetings, public hearings and public participation sessions. He stated that he does not understand how in a process that has been on going for six to eight years that this has become a problem now. He stated that no matter what decision is taken on any plan some time down the road somebody is going to be dissatisfied. The Cole Harbour/Westphal Community Committee were contacted and asked if they were comfortable with the plan to go forward. If the plan is not going to go forward at this point then he suggests that the responsibility of the review of the plan become the responsibility of the Cole Harbour/Westphal Community Committee and when they are ready with the document then it be brought back to council. He stated that he, personally, feels that it should not be referred back to PRC but to the Cole Harbour/Westphal Community Committee.

Councillor Cooper stated that the process of removing developed areas of the PUD has been an objective of the community in order to have more control over what development occurs in the community. It was realized and understood by him that this particular piece of property had not been completely developed and would therefore stay under the PUD agreement. If there is individual ownership of lots then there are provisions of the present plan that might enhance that development. If the majority is still under one ownership and is not completely developed then they have the question of whether it should have stayed under the PUD. The development of that particular property shouldn't go unfettered which it can now do under the PUD agreement.

Councillor Bates feels that should be some more time spent taking a look at this.

Mayor Lichter pointed out that a letter received from Mr. Peter McKeeghan indicates that he wished to address council on the issue. He stated that hearing Mr. McKeeghan at this point would appear as if a public hearing was in progress.

It was moved by Councillor Richards, seconded by Councillor Cooper:

"THAT THE DRAFT PLAN FOR THE COLE HARBOUR/WESTPHAL COMMUNITY BE REFERRED BACK TO PRC FOR CONSIDERATION AND ADJUSTMENT IN RELATION TO THE PUD DEVELOPED AREA AND THEN BE BROUGHT BACK FOR A NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AFTER THOSE ADJUSTMENTS HAVE BEEN NEGOTIATED. FURTHER ALL FIVE OF THE OUTSTANDING MATTER BE INCLUDED"

Councillor Richards stated in the motion he specifically sent this back to PRC because it is his understanding that any amendment or changes to a Municipal Plan must be reviewed by the committee of council and not the community council's. Community council's have certain rights under the planning act according to the new Charter

but they don't have the right to deal with this proposal. He stated that there will be input from the Community council on recommendations to the PRC.

Councillor Ball stated that he feels this should be referred to the Cole Harbour/Westphal Community Committee for them to come up with their recommendations to the PRC.

Mayor Lichter stated that if council feels it is not prepared to recommend a public hearing date to the regular council session then it is still back with PRC. PRC can and ought to involve the Cole Harbour/Westphal Community Council as advisors. The charter indicates that they cannot hold a public hearing and they cannot make a decision on MPS's and MPS amendments consequently they can only advise PRC.

MOTION CARRIED

Councillor Ball requested a meeting of the Planning Review Committee on September 21, 1992 to deal specifically with these items. Mayor Lichter informed Mr. Reinhardt to make a note of this.

WASTE MANAGEMENT

Mayor Lichter circulated a memorandum on Waste Management Options to council. He outlined the memorandum for council.

Councillor Ball asked if Halifax City has given a recommended site for Option 1.

Mayor Lichter stated that the citizens committee has indicated that, if the city is willing to go it alone, they recommend the Ragged Lake site.

Councillor Ball asked, for the record, if the Sackville site will close out in 1994.

Mayor Lichter stated that it has been ordered by the Minister that it be closed in June, 1994.

Councillor Ball stated that he feels that Halifax County should look at Strategy 5 but not necessarily with the incineration process of Augden Martin. Also, if an agreement cannot be reached with Bedford and the City of Dartmouth to work together on this, Halifax County should explore other incinerators that will deal with the waste problem in Halifax County. He feels this is the route Halifax County should take. He stated he believes that Halifax City will not be satisfied until it gets the cheapest possible method of waste disposal in someone elses jurisdiction. He stated that he questions whether or not the articles being recycled is actually being recycled.

Mayor Lichter stated that in a report received by him clearly indicates that 12.7% of what goes to the MRF is rejected and from there it goes to the landfill. The rest of it does have markets which don't guarantee anything in the future.

Councillor Ball asked how much Halifax County is paying to market it.

Mayor Lichter stated that Halifax County does not have recoveries anywhere close to the \$337.00 per ton. His understanding is that there is some \$40,000.00 owing for what has been stockpiled for markets. He does not have an accurate figure on what Halifax County received per ton.

Councillor Ball stated that he believes that Halifax County should take the position of going on it's own and closing its borders to other municipal units, effective June, 1994. He feels it is time for Halifax County to go on it's own and explore the possibility of a dry landfill with incineration.

Councillor Taylor stated that he has suggested that Halifax City left the waste management strategey. Perhaps as an option or alternative would be to look at other municipal units. He believes that it is the responsibility of Halifax County to consider Halifax County first.

Councillor Richards stated that the position paper presented by the Mayor causes him to consider his position differently. If the Metropolitan Authority Act is as the Mayor has outlined, then he is surprised that the Authority, itself, hasn't gone forward or understood the provisions of their Act. If what the Mayor is saying in Option 1 is interpreted correctly then why hasn't council put this in place by now.

Mayor Lichter stated that there are complicating factors - anybody who negotiates with a contract, depending on their comfort level as to who is guaranteeing the capital that they will originally invest and will get back in terms of so much per ton during the next 25 years, the terms in the contract are going to be somewhat more generous if their comfort level is high and less generous if their comfort level is low. Consequently, Metro Authority has operated in the past, whenever they had to either negotiate with a firm or borrow money through the finance corporation, by going to that finance corporation and said you borrow the money for us. Municipal Finance Corporation has been in the habit of saying they will be willing to do that providing there are borrowing resolutions. During the mediation process it was found out that it is really not law or mandatory but only a practice of the Municipal Finance Corporations, that is why Option 1 is there. If the push comes the Municipal Finance Corporation and the Province may say they will borrow the money and the comfort level will remain what it was some time ago. The contract price doesn't have to go up and the taxpayers don't have to pay extra monies. If the situation can be resolved in that manner then each municipality would have to pay it's obligation. This is not the approach that Metro Authority wanted to use.

Mayor Lichter stated that whatever decision was made at this meeting would have to be a recommendation to the September 1, 1992 council session. If council wants to put forward a motion then it would have to wait until after that time.

Councillor Richards asked if Metropolitan Authority has already talked about this and have not taken any action then why is it being discussed this evening. The dilemma becomes, if Halifax County does not push forward, the third option is not a viable one and he is not sure number two will work because the City of Halifax may not give Halifax County the right to get out of Metropolitan Authority. He does not know what the council can do other than give a recommendation. The real recommendation or push should be going to the provincial government. They could have said months ago that the Metropolitan Authority has duly passed a motion and lets get on with it. He thinks the position of Halifax County should be strong and hard at this time. Council has taken responsible action to date but they have not fulfilled their It is an act of the province that gives the proper obligations. authority but they won't enforce it. He believes that council should ask the mayor and the other two members of the Metropolitan Authority to put forward the position that has been outlined this evening by recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and ask the province to take the appropriate action to get on with the decision that the Metropolitan Authority has duly passed some months ago.

Councillor Bates stated that he agrees that the number one position of Halifax County should be to press for Strategy 5. He feels the County should be strong in it's recommendation to the province. He said he believes that it has come to a point where Halifax County should have a separate committee of council formed to deal specifically with the province and to negotiate with the City of Dartmouth. He feels that the problem with the City of Halifax is not going to go away. He stated that Halifax County had made a commitment to the people not to have wet waste. He feels that the first recommendation should be the one to go with.

Councillor Rankin stated that he concurred with Option 1. He would more detail to indicate to the Minister that if Halifax County does not get a definitive response it will have to consider other options that may not include the Metro Authority. The mandate to close the landfill in 1994 is in place. He stated that he would like to have a clear time limit put on this to test the Metro Authority.

Councillor Fralick stated that he supported Option 1. He asked for clarification on the percentage of recycling.

Mayor Lichter stated that Metro Authority's Strategy 5 aims at 15% recycling. The Option 1 that he was referring to speaks about 43%.

Councillor Fralick asked what percentage was being recycled in Halifax County at the present time.

Mayor Lichter stated he did could not confirm an exact figure but in the four metro units the recycling is somewhere within the 4 or 5 percent range.

Councillor Fralick asked if Option 1 is doesn't go through by the Metropolitan Authority, the boundaries of Halifax County should be the County's only.

Councillor Cooper stated that Halifax County, Dartmouth and Bedford should go forth and try to complete a plan that will take care of the needs of these three units. He is supportive of Strategy 5 and he feels it is the right one to be with. He stated that there is the time frame of 1994 which has to be met with the objective of a dry landfill after that time. He feels that Halifax County should not be going back to the mediation table with Halifax. He stated he feels that Halifax County cannot go along with the third item because there are too many people involved, too much expense and it would be an unnecessary burden on the people of the Municipality. There are options where savings can be achieved and have a better cost effectiveness for the Municipality. The item 2, talking to Bedford and Dartmouth, should be started immediately to indicate that Halifax County is prepared to go ahead and find a solution that is best for these three Municipalities. If Halifax County gets involved with discussions, with the province, about the funding this would just be giving Halifax the opportunity for delaying tactics in the whole process. He feels there are several things Halifax County should be doing: 1) realizing the seriousness of the waste management system in the province as a whole and ask the province to adopt the Metropolitan Authority Strategy 5 for the entire province; 2) continue with Bedford and Dartmouth to pursue Strategy 5 and ask some neighbouring Municipalities if they would like to be a part of that option.

Councillor Adams asked if Site H is still the landfill site in question.

Mayor Lichter stated that if Strategy 5 of Metro Authority goes ahead Site H, at the present time, is the one that is under the Environmental Assessment process. If the three Municipalities pursue a Strategy 5 the same applies. If the Municipality went on it's own, he doesn't see it that way and a new strategy would have to be developed and the Municipality, subject to council approval, would have to invite a host community somewhere in the Municipality to provide a landfill or perhaps provide a waste management park at a price. He would have difficulty considering the East Lake site because he couldn't then give the kind of guarantees that he can

give with Strategy 5.

Councillor Adams asked if there was any other landfill site being considered.

Mayor Lichter stated that if the DEA process rejects that landfill site then some other site will have to be considered. If it is not rejected then, with Strategy 5, the East Lake site is the one under consideration.

Councillor Ball asked when the Environmental Assessment was started.

Mayor Lichter stated that it had been started a while ago and everything is proceeding according to schedule.

Councillor Ball stated he believes that Halifax County can afford to go it alone.

Mayor Lichter stated that he had said "and/or" indicating that all of those thing could be done simultaneously. A motion can be passed as a recommendation to council to go to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and ask him to force the other Municipalities, with a 30 day deadline, to do what they decided to do or will he allow Halifax County to go on it's own.

Councillor Giffin stated he is in favour of giving a deadline and going to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and getting him to react. He feels that Halifax County residents have to be considered because there is less than two years before Sackville has to close.

Councillor Brill asked if there was an official evaluation of sound resource management review of the waste management system options.

Mayor Lichter stated there had not been one by Metro Authority but there was a peer group review committee, that was set up by Halifax City, which has reviewed it and have recommended that further studies be done in connection with it and if Halifax was to go it alone, they should follow that route.

Councillor Peters stated that all the recommendations made by the Mayor be combined. She suggested that the cost of going it alone be looked at in house. She stated that, while this was being done, a letter could be sent to the Minister asking for his decision on these statutes. Discussion could be going on, at the same time, with the Mayors, CAO's and Director's of Finance so there would be no loss of time.

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

APPROVAL OPTION 1 OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS AS OUTLINED IN THE MAYOR'S PAPER AND FURTHER THAT OPTIONS 2 AND 3 BE SIMULTANEOUSLY PROCEEDED WITH AND FURTHER THAT THE LETTER TO THE MINISTER OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS OUTLINE THE THREE OPTIONS WITH A DECISION REQUESTED FROM HIM BY SEPTEMBER 15, 1992"

Councillor Richards stated that he feels it is important to get on with the decision process.

Mayor Lichter stated that he will draft a letter indicating that this was the motion passed by a committee of the whole and the request will be formalized by a council meeting on September 1, 1992.

Councillor Taylor stated that he cannot support this motion because the Minister of Municipal Affairs has indicated that the four Municipalities are to resolve their own differences.

MOTION CARRIED
14 IN FAVOUR
4 AGAINST

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Councillor Giffin:

"THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED"

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC HEARING

August 31, 1992

PRESENT WERE: Mayor Lichter

Councillor Meade Councillor Fralick Councillor Holland Councillor Ball Councillor Deveaux Councillor Bates Councillor Adams Councillor Randall Councillor Bayers Councillor Smiley Councillor Taylor Councillor Merrigan Councillor Snow Councillor Giffin Councillor MacDonald Councillor Richards Deputy Mayor Sutherland

ALSO PRESENT: Dale Reinhardt, Deputy Municipal Clerk

Fred Crooks, Municipal Solicitor

Paul Morgan, Planning Kurt Pyle, Planning

The meeting was called to order with the Lord's Prayer. Mr. Reinhardt called roll.

DA-FEN-01-92-18 - APPLICATION BY THE N.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING TO ENTER INTO A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT IN ORDER TO PERMIT THE CONSTRUCTION OF A 10 UNIT SENIOR CITIZENS HOUSING COMPLEX ON LANDS OF LESTER HUBLEY AND LANDS OF HMO IN UPPER TANTALLON

Kurt Pyle gave the staff presentation. He stated that the Nova Scotia Department of Housing made application to enter into a development agreement with the Municipality for the development of a 10 unit senior citizens residence on lands adjacent to Highway 103 in the Hammonds Plains intersection in Upper Tantallon. Access to the site is via proposed cul-de-sac which intersects with Flat Lake Drive in Haliburton Hills Subdivision. Due to the construction of the proposed cul-de-sac the property previously approved and rezoned for the RCMP station will be crossed and divided into two parcels. The parcel of land divided off the main property is to be consolidated with the abutting residential property.

Council is therefore requested to rezone the parcel from P-2 to R-1 zone. The main body of the RCMP station property will be

consolidated with the small parcel of land adjacent to the South. This is also requested to be zoned from R-1 to P-2. The intended site is for the residence will be the consolidation of the two properties zoned R-1. If the application is approved by council the agreement will not be executed until final endorsement has been given and conveyance of the new property to the Department of Housing has occurred.

He proceeded to show council slides of the property.

The site for the residence is situated in the residential designation and is zoned R-1 which limits new development to single unit dwellings and limited office and daycare facilities within a dwelling. Higher density residential development is not generally supported within the designation; however, senior citizens is permitted by development agreement only in accordance with Policy P31. In the opinion of staff this residence will serve to identify a community need and provide for it while protecting the interests of the established community. The location of the residence will provide its tenants with access to Flat Lake, a shopping and recreation complex and police protection. The proposed agreement will require that the residence be constructed and maintained by public housing authority or fraternal organization as required by Policy P31.

The exterior appearance of the building will be similar to that of the proposed RCMP station and the single unit dwellings in the surrounding area. The proposed development agreement will require landscaping, erosion control measures and maintenance of vegetation to ensure compatibility of use with its' community. Provincial approval agencies have advised that the proposed and future development of the residence appears to be capable of meeting all their regulations. It is therefore a recommendation of staff that the proposed development agreement, by the Department of Housing, for a 10 unit senior citizens complex, in Upper Tantallon, be approved by council. In addition, staff is recommending that council approved the requested rezonings in order to align previously approved zoning with new proposed lot boundaries.

SPEAKERS IN FAVOUR

No speakers in favour.

SPEAKERS IN OPPOSITION

No speakers in opposition.

DECISION OF COUNCIL

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

AUGUST 31, 1992

MOTION CARRIED

It was moved by Councillor Giffin, seconded by Councillor Meade:

"THAT THE REZONING OF LANDS BE APPROVED"

MOTION CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Councillor Fralick:

"THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED"

MOTION CARRIED

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COUNCIL SESSION

September 1, 1992

PRESENT WERE: Mayor Lichter

Councillor Meade Councillor Fralick Councillor Holland Councillor Ball Councillor Deveaux Councillor Bates Councillor Adams Councillor Randall Councillor Bayers Councillor Smiley Councillor Taylor Councillor Peters Councillor Merrigan Councillor Brill Councillor Snow Councillor Giffin Councillor MacDonald Councillor Harvey

Deputy Mayor Sutherland Councillor Richards Councillor McInroy Councillor Cooper

ALSO PRESENT: K. R. Meech, Chief Administrative Officer

Dale Reinhardt, Deputy Municipal Clerk

Fred Crooks, Municipal Solicitor

Ed Wdowiak, Director Engineering and Works

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. with the Lord's Prayer. Mr. Reinhardt called roll.

APPOINTMENT OF RECORDING SECRETARY

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

"THAT JULIA HORNCASTLE BE APPOINTED AS RECORDING SECRETARY"

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

"THAT THE MINUTES OF JUNE 29, 1992 PUBLIC HEARING BE APPROVED"

MOTION CARRIED

It was moved by Councillor Ball, seconded by Councillor Richards:

"THAT THE MINUTES OF JUNE 6, 1992 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE BE APPROVED"

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT THE MINUTES OF JULY 13, 1992 SPECIAL COUNCIL SESSION BE APPROVED"

MOTION CARRIED

It was moved by Councillor Taylor, seconded by Councillor Harvey:

"THAT THE MINUTES OF JULY 21, 1992 COUNCIL SESSION BE APPROVED"

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Lichter welcomed Mr. George Green to council chambers. Mr. Green is the Sackville Crier. Mayor Lichter informed council that there was a special presentation to be made to Mr. Green and he called on the Deputy Mayor to make the presentation.

Deputy Mayor Sutherland stated that Mr. Green has been the Town Crier for Sackville since 1978. He was sponsored by the Sackville Chamber of Commerce. He stated that Mr. Green has been to many of the championships held in different parts of the world. He stated that Mr. Green has achieved the ambassadors award which exemplifies the best promoter of the community. Deputy Mayor Sutherland, on behalf of the Municipality, presented Mr. Green with a certificate and congratulated him on winning the award.

SUPPLEMENTARY LETTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Reinhardt outlined a letter from Mr. Owen Hertzman, representative of the Citizen's Task Force on Waste Management requesting an opportunity to address county council.

Councillor Ball stated that the council, at a Committee of the Whole, took a position with regards to waste management alternatives and he feels that there should be no further delays. He feels that any other discussion sends a mixed message to what council tried to do at the Committee of the Whole Session.

It was moved by Councillor Ball, seconded by Councillor Peters:

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Lichter stated that because of the importance of the item the fairest way, in his opinion, of dealing with the item would be by way of a motion.

It was moved by Councillor Bates, seconded by Councillor Ball:

"THAT COUNCIL NOT ENTERTAIN ANY SPEAKERS ON THIS SUBJECT AT THIS MEETING"

Councillor Holland stated that he would be pleased to accept any material that the representatives would like to leave with him for his review.

Councillor Snow stated that he feels that the council should listen to the representatives.

MOTION CARRIED
16 IN FAVOUR
7 AGAINST

LETTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE

1. Mr. Reinhardt outlined a letter from the Honourable Ken Streatch, Minister, Department of Transportation and Communications with regards to the installation of traffic signals at the intersection of Trunk 3 and Route 333 at Tantallon.

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

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

2. Mr. Reinhardt outlined a letter from the Honourable Thomas J. McInnis, Minister, Department of Economic Development with regards to the establishment of a Mainstreet program in the Lakeside/Timberlea area. He advises that this area does not meet the criteria for such a program.

It was moved by Councillor Giffin, seconded by Councillor Meade:

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

3. Mr. Reinhardt outlined a letter from J. William Ritchie, Chairman, IWK Children's Hospital Foundation thanking Halifax County for its donation to the IWK Campaign.

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

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

As Councillor Rankin was not in attendance the Mayor requested that he be made aware of the letter and its contents.

4. Mr. Reinhardt outlined a letter from the Honourable George Moody, Minister, Department of Health in response to Halifax County's inquiry in the Meningococcal Vaccine Program.

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

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

5. Mr. Reinhardt outlined a letter from the Honourable Ken Streatch, Minister, Department of Transportation and Communications informing council that a speed zone reduction has been recommended along the Halls Road and signage will be installed as soon as possible to implement this reduction.

It was moved by Councillor Peters, seconded by Councillor Giffin:

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

6. Mr. Reinhardt outlined a letter from the Honourable Marie P. Dechman, Minister, Department of Housing and Consumer Affairs thanking council for providing her with a copy of council's resolution concerning a provincial housing task force.

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

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

7. Mr. Reinhardt outlined a letter from Donald P. Keddy, President, Keddy's Hotels & Inns requesting a meeting with council with regards to the Birchlee issue.

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

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

Councillor Ball asked the solicitor if council should be listening to someone while in a litigation matter concerning the subject.

Mr. Crooks stated that his advice to council is that, to the extent that the request is to appear before council to deal with matters which are before the courts, it would not be advisable for the council to receive submissions related to those matters nor would it be advisable to enter into the kind of discussion deliberations which those submissions would be intended to generate.

It was moved by Councillor Ball, seconded by Councillor Giffin:

"THAT COUNCIL NOT HAVE MR. KEDDY IN ATTENDANCE TO DISCUSS ANY MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE BIRCHLEE TRAILER COURT AND FURTHER THAT MR. KEDDY BE INFORMED, BY MAIL, OF COUNCIL'S DECISION"

MOTION CARRIED

PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Addendum Staff Report - Notification Procedures; Memo - Update on Registered Mail Costs

Mayor Lichter informed council that on the advice of the solicitor that this item be deferred.

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

"THAT THIS ITEM BE DEFERRED, WITHOUT DAY, UNTIL SUCH TIME AS AN APPROACH CAN BE FORMULATED FOR DEALING WITH THE INTER JURISDICTIONAL ISSUES BETWEEN THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL'S AND COUNCIL"

MOTION CARRIED

2. Staff Report - File No. FE-63-92-010 - Subdivision of the lands of Norman and Edward Fahie, Ship Harbour, through the Undersized Lot Legislation

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

"THAT LOT 1-A OF THE SUBDIVISION OF THE LANDS OF NORMA AND EDWARD FAHIE BE GRANTED FINAL ENDORSEMENT APPROVAL AND FURTHER THAT THE PUBLIC HEARING BE HELD ON OCTOBER 6, 1992"

MOTION CARRIED

3. File No. RA-F&S-15-92-14 - Rezoning of properties to the R1-E (Residential Estate) Zone - Planning Districts 14 & 17

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Sutherland, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

"THAT OCTOBER 5, 1992, 7:00 P.M. BE THE DATE AND TIME SET FOR PUBLIC HEARING"

MOTION CARRIED

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Caldwell Road Storm Sewer

Mr. Reinhardt outlined the recommendation of the Executive Committee.

Councillor Ball asked if the cost estimates included the easement cost.

Mayor Lichter stated that yes it was included.

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Sutherland, seconded by Councillor Bates:

"THE COUNCIL APPROVE THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION WITH ITEMS 2 AND 3 GOING TO THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL FOR FINE TUNING"

Councillor McInroy stated that he has a problem with taxing those who will ultimately buy the houses built on the lots. He feels that it would be administratively easier, more understandable and acceptable if those lots were charged on a per lot basis.

Mr. Wdowiak stated that the amount of money was identified for all undeveloped lands. He stated that the report has not indicated how this would be recovered. If this is approved a recommendation would come back to council with regard to a specific approach to recovery.

Councillor McInroy stated that this recommendation had not come before the Community Council. He stated he has no difficulty in supporting what's before council but he would like the record to show that he would strongly urge that the amount per lot be collected at the lot approval stage rather than delaying it for subsequent property owners to pay.

Mr. Meech informed council that tenders on the project have closed. He stated that staff's recommendation is to proceed with the project.

Councillor Richards asked Mr. Meech if this would hold up the project in terms of the tendering process and construction. He stated that the recovery process is not clear but it should not impede the work activity.

Mr. Meech stated that construction of the project can proceed with the understanding that the actual method of recovery will be worked out at the Community Council.

Mayor Lichter stated that the staff report recommendation was in four parts: 1) approval of the whole system; 2) how the funding is going to be done; 3) establish a storm drainage management area and 4) awarding of construction to bidders. The motion is approving 1, 2, and 4 with number 3 to be fine tuned with the assistance of the Community Council.

Councillor Richards stated that he sees parts 1 and 4 being in the recommendation but for part 2 to be included with number 3 because it includes part of that storm drainage management area component.

Mayor Lichter stated that 2 and 3 will be the parts that will be fine tuned at the Community Council.

MOTION CARRIED

Musquodoboit Harbour Refuse Depot

Councillor Bayers declared a "Conflict of Interest"

Mr. Reinhardt outlined the Executive Committee recommendation.

Councillor Taylor asked who owned the land in question.

Mr. Meech stated that it is in joint ownership of Councillor Bayers and a relative. This is why this matter was referred to the Metropolitan Authority. Halifax County had asked them to negotiate the purchase of the land. The recommendation to Halifax County is to accept the \$20,000 price.

Mr. Wdowiak stated that at the time the report was presented at the Executive Committee it was pointed out that 3.5 acres was identified. That was an estimate at the time from preliminary surveys that were carried out. He stated that at the time he presented this to the Executive Committee he did point out that the actual legal survey was not an estimate but more precisely 2.9 acres. He stated that he had indicated to the Executive Committee that a legal survey had been carried out as well, because of the nature of the usage, staff would pursue an option which would be required for rezoning with a report coming to council. He stated that the final appraisal was \$10,000.

Deputy Mayor Sutherland stated that it should be made clear what part the county played in this whole process because it could be inferred that the county is in a situation whereby it may find itself in a conflict of interest. The authority for negotiation was passed over to the Metro Authority and the county was not in any way involved in the negotiations for this particular piece of

property.

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

"THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE EXPENDITURE OF \$20,000 FOR THE ACQUISITION OF THE 2.9 ACRE PARCEL OF LAND"

Councillor McInroy stated that he could not support the motion because the information before him is insufficient. He stated that it does not give an indication of what other options, locations or asking prices there are. He stated that the reality of this situation is that you have a piece of property appraised at \$10,000 owned in part by a member of council and council is being asked to approve the purchase of that property for \$20,000.

Councillor Deveaux that there is no indication of whether or not there are more property owners who would be willing to sell a piece of property for a better price than what was being recommended here.

Councillor Ball asked who was going to be operating the depot and who was purchasing the property.

Mayor Lichter informed him that Metro Authority would be operating the depot and the county would be purchasing the property.

Councillor Ball asked if this was standard procedure.

Mayor Lichter stated that the land is acquired by the Municipality that requests it and within who's jurisdiction it is going to be. The building and operation etc. is at Metro Authority's cost. He stated that Halifax County is fortunate that Metro Authority has agreed to put a depot in that area because it is barely outside the range, which according to the policy of Metro Authority, anybody qualifies for a transfer station. The main reason for the requirement for the depot is not the residential garbage but the commercial garbage. He stated that he does not have information on how many pieces of land Metro Authority staff has looked at but they made it be known in the area that they would require a piece of land for that purpose.

Councillor Taylor asked if construction costs would be over and above the \$20,000.

Mr. Wdowiak stated that yes it would be. He stated that this location is adjacent to the dump which has recently been closed out which would make it an ideal location. Mr. Wdowiak stated that it is forested land. A road will be cut through but forested growth will be left in place as cover and the gravel that would be required would be available at no charge.

Councillor Richards asked the Mayor what size of purchase would

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Metro Authority enter into before calling tenders.

Mayor Lichter stated that up to \$25,000 there is no requirement for a tender call by the chief administrative officer.

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Mr. Meech stated that it would not be customary to call tenders for He stated that the sites are identified by their land. compatibility to the intended use.

Councillor Richards stated that he feels that a complete document outlining all the information should be made available so that council can comfortably make a decision that would be in the best interest of the Municipality. He stated that this way all concerns can be addressed as this is a sensitive issue. He stated there is correspondence from Metro Authority, there have been appraisals done, and there was an original value but council is now being asked to support another value.

It was moved by Councillor Richards, seconded by Councillor Taylor:

"THAT THIS ITEM BE DEFERRED UNTIL COUNCIL DOCUMENTATION WHICH CONCLUDES ALL THE OUTSTANDING COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS THAT WERE RAISED"

MOTION CARRIED ORIGINAL MOTION DEFEATED

Civic Holiday - First Monday of August

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

"THAT THE REPORT BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

Capital Grant Requests

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

"THAT THE FOLLOWING CAPITAL GRANT REQUESTS BE APPROVED:

- District Capital Grant, District #1, in the amount of \$1,000.00 for the purchase of Karate Mats for St. Margaret's School of Karate located in Black Point Community Centre.
- General Parkland Grant in the amount of \$5,450.00 and b) District Capital Grant, District #2, in the amount of \$5,450.00 for upgrading of the Lakeside Recreation Centre Ball Field.

- c) General Parkland Grant in the amount of \$600.00 and District Capital Grant, District 14, in the amount of \$600.00 for fencing around ballfield, Oldfield School.
- d) General Parkland Grant in the amount of \$2,650.00 and District Capital Grant, District #21, in the amount of \$2,650.00 for fencing basketball court, Meadowlands Subdivision.
- e) General Parkland Grant in the amount of \$4,250.00 and District Capital Grant, District #22, in the amount of \$4,250.00 for the purchase of land and fencing of extension of existing walkway from Stokil Drive."

MOTION CARRIED

\$50,000.00 Loan Advance - Moser River Volunteer Fire Department

It was moved by Councillor Smiley, seconded by Councillor Taylor:

"THAT COUNCIL APPROVE A \$50,000.00 LOAN ADVANCE TO THE MOSER RIVER VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING AN EXTENSION TO THE FIRE STATION. THE LOAN TO BE REPAID, PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST, WITHIN A TEN YEAR TERM WITH COUNCIL RESERVING THE RIGHT TO LEVY AN AREA RATE IN DEFAULT OF PRINCIPAL AND/OR INTEREST REPAYMENT"

MOTION CARRIED

LESSER SETBACK APPLICATIONS

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

"THAT THE REQUEST BY DONALD A. RUTLEDGE FOR A LESSER SETBACK OF 20 FEET FROM THE FRONT LOT LINE OF LOT 1-2, SUBDIVISION OF LANDS OF CHARLES GAULT, ON HIGHWAY NO. 224 IN SHEET HARBOUR BE APPROVED"

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT THE REQUEST BY KEITH W. LAHEY FOR A LESSER SETBACK OF 1.5 FEET FROM THE LEFT SIDE YARD (WESTERN) BOUNDARY LINE OF LOT 1AX, SUBDIVISION OF LANDS OF LAHEY ET AL, OLD HIGHWAY NO. 7, SALMON RIVER BRIDGE, BE APPROVED"

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDATION

It was moved by Councillor Peters, seconded by Councillor Taylor:

"THAT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE BE APPROVED AND ADOPTED"

MOTION CARRIED
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APPOINTMENT TO COLE HARBOUR PLACE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Councillor Cooper stated that there is presently a vacancy existing on the Board of Directors for Cole Harbour Place and in relation to the participated expansion it is required that a person from the Building Committee be on the board.

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

"THAT MR. JIM GEORGIANNIS BE NOMINATED AS A MEMBER TO THE BOARD OF COLE HARBOUR PLACE"

It was moved by Councillor Peters, seconded by Councillor Giffin:

"THAT NOMINATIONS CEASE"

MOTION CARRIED

MEMORANDUM RE: SCHOOL SITE/COMMUNITY FACILITY - ELKINS BARRACKS, EASTERN PASSAGE

Mr. Reinhardt outlined the report which stated that the Department of Government Services can not agree to the condition set by Halifax County and request that the condition be waived and accept the arrangement as set out in the Joint Use Agreement which would provide the Municipality with the first option to purchase in the event the property is declared surplus by the board.

Councillor Deveaux stated that there was correspondence from the school board indicating that the motion that was made was in contravention of the Education Act. He asked if this was approved would there be any problem in including the fact that when and if the property becomes surplus it would be sold back to the Municipality for \$2.00. Based on what is presently worded here the school board could charge any amount they so wish.

Mr. Meech stated it is that condition they are indicating they cannot legally meet. The best they can do is to give Halifax County the right of first refusal on the school property when it is declared surplus. He stated that his advise would be to agree to remove the condition.

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

"THAT THE CONDITION OF TRANSFERRING THE PROPERTY BACK TO THE MUNICIPALITY FOR TWO (\$2.00) DOLLARS BE STRUCK FROM THE AGREEMENT"

Deputy Mayor Sutherland asked if Halifax County had discussed the option of the right of first refusal.

Mr. Meech stated that his understanding is that Halifax County would have the right of first refusal not on the basis of \$2.00 but on what the market value would be determined to be at that time.

Councillor Cooper asked if they are making a distinction between the school building and the property. He stated that the letter indicates that the Department of Government Services won't agree to return of the property when the school building is declared surplus. He suggested that it be worded to say when the school property becomes surplus.

Mr. Meech stated that the building goes with the land.

Councillor Cooper stated that the Department of Government Services seems to be making a distinction between them.

Mr. Crooks stated that the building is affixed to the land and is part of the land. Under most circumstances the land includes any fixtures, such as a building, which are on the land.

Councillor McInroy that there is nothing to protect Halifax County from paying full market value and he feels that the Municipality should be able to have specified that any value attributable to the land, at that time, be reduced to \$2.00 otherwise the Municipality is giving something away for two dollars and may end up paying \$50,000 to get it back.

Mayor Lichter stated that when this issue was dealt with originally council had a great deal of reluctance to offer that land without money being paid by the government.

Mr. Crooks stated that the extent to which legislation, including some provisions relative to community schools in the charter, which might provide an opportunity for imposing some terms would have to be examined. He stated that the provisions of the Education Act have a bearing on this and it may be that very little can be done.

Mayor Lichter stated that if this was the wish of council then a deferral motion would be in order.

Councillor Merrigan asked Mr. Crooks if the county can convey a piece of property with restrictions that the property cannot be sold and, therefore, require no agreement on behalf of the province to sign any agreement with Halifax County.

Mr. Crooks stated that the Charter, in section 152, provides that the School Board shall not sell a school property to which an agreement relates without first offering to sell the school property to the Municipality on such terms and conditions as are set out in the Community Schools Agreement. Section 153 provides that all ministerial consents that would be required are required. There is a legislative provision that says that restricts the boards ability to sell property to which a community school agreement relates to a sale to the Municipality on terms that are set out in the agreement.

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

"THAT THE ITEM BE DEFERRED PENDING FURTHER STUDY AND CLARIFICATION FROM THE SOLICITOR AND IN THE PROCESS OF REVIEWING THE SOLICITOR CHECK WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO GET CLARIFICATION AS TO WHETHER, IF THE COUNTY HAS FIRST OPTION, THAT THE OPTION WOULD BE THAT THE \$2.00 PRICE WOULD BE INCLUDED IN THAT OPTION"

MOTION CARRIED

HALIFAX COUNTY MAINSTREET CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT

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

"THAT THE REPORT BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

CABLE SERVICE TO ELMHURST SENIOR CITIZENS HOME, SHEET HARBOUR - COUNCILLOR SMILEY

It was moved by Councillor Smiley, seconded by Councillor Taylor:

"THAT A LETTER BE WRITTEN TO THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE HALIFAX COUNTY REGIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY ASKING THEY DO EVERYTHING IN THEIR POWER TO PROVIDE THAT SERVICE TO THE SENIORS"

MOTION CARRIED

DOT - COUNCILLOR BALL

It was moved by Councillor Ball, seconded by Councillor Holland:

"THAT A LETTER, WITH A CARBON COPY TO THE MLA, BE WRITTEN TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ASKING IF THEY PLAN ON DOING THE NORMAL MAINTENANCE OF THE ROADS IN DISTRICT #5 AS THERE IS NO SHOULDERING AND POTHOLES HAVE NOT BEEN FILLED IN"

MOTION CARRIED

DOT - COUNCILLOR TAYLOR

It was moved by Councillor Taylor, seconded by Councillor Peters:

"THAT A LETTER BE WRITTEN TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION INFORMING THEM THAT THERE HAS BEEN AN INCREASE IN TRAFFIC ON THE SIBLEY ROAD AND AS A RESULT COULD IT BE PUT ON THE PRIORITY LIST"

MOTION CARRIED

CATS - COUNCILLOR BRILL

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

"THAT THIS ISSUE BE REFERRED TO THE SACKVILLE COMMUNITY COUNCIL"

MOTION CARRIED

LISTING OF CAPITAL PROJECTS - COUNCILLOR COOPER

Councillor Cooper stated that in discussions with staff it is indicated that the capital projects are continuing to build up and it may become necessary to look at limitations on those projects. He stated that projects normally go through a three point process, identification, budgeting and expectations of the Municipality and the residents.

A report be prepared which will look at identification; the process whereby a project arrives at this Municipality; and the process it follows to be listed by the Municipality by staff for action. Have the criteria used by staff reviewed to see if they are appropriate and to see if they need to be expanded or contracted.

Capital projects affect budgeting. He would like staff to review the budgeting process of the capital projects, how we are paying for them and what effect it will have, down the road, on the ability of the Municipality to continue its operations and meet the needs of the residents.

The third area is the expectations of the residents. When the projects come forward it is as a result of people having a need to be met. They have a reasonable request and expectations to have that request answered and addressed in a reasonable period of time. He would ask that staff review and come up with a method whereby the projects as they are identified by the residents and accepted by council as a need, will be given a priority which should not be

detracted or deterred without a sufficient reason because you are removing the expectations of the services the residents want.

It was moved by Councillor Cooper, seconded by Councillor Peters:

"THAT STAFF PREPARE A REPORT ADDRESSING THE THREE ITEMS AS OUTLINED"

MOTION CARRIED

SIDEWALKS - COUNCILLOR MERRIGAN

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

"THAT A LETTER BE WRITTEN TO THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORTATION ASKING WHEN THE SIDEWALK FROM KINSAC CORNER TO THE BEAVERBANK/KINSAC BALLFIELD WILL BE CONSTRUCTED. FURTHER IT BE POINTED OUT THAT IN AN INTERVIEW IN THE DAILY NEWS IT WAS RECOGNIZED BY HIM THAT IT WAS A DANGEROUS HILL AND THE ONLY WAY TO CORRECT THE SITUATION WAS TO PUT THE SIDEWALK IN PLACE"

MOTION CARRIED

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REPEAL BY-LAW 36

Mayor Lichter stated that at the Committee of the Whole he was asked to write certain letters to the Minister of Municipal Affairs, etc. These letters were done within thirty six hours of the meeting being held. While doing those letters he realized that Halifax County has to actually, by By-law, revoke By-law 36. This is the By-law which has handed over the authority to Metro Authority the handling of the garbage. At that time he had requested Mr. Crooks to draft a By-law that would satisfy everybody. He stated that what is required at this meeting is a motion to receive.

It was moved by Councillor Taylor, seconded by Councillor Holland:

"THAT THE BY-LAW TO REPEAL BY-LAW 36 BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

CHARTER CELEBRATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Mayor Lichter stated that the Charter Celebration Committee had met and due to the cost involved, they are recommending that the celebration scheduled for September 27, 1992 be cancelled. He stated that next year Natal Day be celebrated at Charter Day and at that time something may be organized to celebrate the first anniversary.

Council agreed to this.

PROPOSED HIGH SCHOOL IN COLE HARBOUR - COUNCILLOR RICHARDS

Councillor Richards stated that in the communities of Cole Harbour, Westphal, Preston, Eastern Passage and parts of Upper Lawrencetown there will be approximately 1,800 high school students. Over the past years there have been many meetings and a conclusion was given to the community that a new high school would be constructed in the community to help serve the growing needs. He stated that there will be close to 600 grade 10 students in a building that was never designed as a high school.

The community has been asking when construction of a new school is being started and to date no answer has been forthcoming. He stated that he was not sure what position council should take other than to ask for some kind of conclusive report as to when actual construction is going to commence on this badly needed facility.

It was moved by Councillor Richards, seconded by Councillor Cooper:

"THAT HALIFAX COUNTY SEND A LETTER TO THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND THE MINISTER OF GOVERNMENT SERVICES REQUESTING A COMPLETE UPDATE ON THE STATUS OF THE HIGH SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION - WHEN STUDENTS CAN EXPECT TO ENTER THAT FACILITY TO RECEIVE THE KIND OF EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS THAT THEY DESERVE"

MOTION CARRIED

TRAFFIC REPORT ON CALDWELL ROAD AND HAMPTON GREEN STREET COUNCILLOR RICHARDS

Councillor Richards stated that a meeting had been held in the community with officials from the Department of Transportation to receive the comments of the community and to take action. These two streets have been of great concern with regards to traffic difficulties.

It was moved by Councillor Richards, seconded by Councillor Cooper:

"THAT COUNCIL RECEIVE THE UP TO DATE REPORT WITH REGARDS TO THE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE TRAFFIC DIFFICULTIES THAT ARE BEING ENCOUNTERED ON THE CALDWELL ROAD AND HAMPTON GREEN STREET"

MOTION CARRIED

URGENT AGENDA ITEMS

DOT - Councillor Smiley

Councillor Smiley stated that where the Sheet Harbour Connector Road intersects with Highway #7 in Sheet Harbour tractor trailers have to make a very dangerous 90 degree turn on to the #7. It's at a curve up from the East River bridge and it is a very dangerous site for potential accidents.

It was moved by Councillor Smiley, seconded by Councillor Taylor:

"THAT A LETTER BE WRITTEN TO THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORTATION ASKING THAT AN AMBER WARNING LIGHT BE POSITIONED THERE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE EVEN IF IT IS ONLY ON A TEMPORARY BASIS UNTIL A PERMANENT LIGHT CAN BE ESTABLISHED"

MOTION CARRIED

Crosswalk - Councillor Holland

Councillor Holland stated that he had written a letter requesting a crosswalk at the entrance to Pinedale Park Subdivision. He had been informed by the Department of Transportation that the request would have to be made through the Municipality.

It was moved by Councillor Holland, seconded by Councillor Ball:

"THAT A REQUEST BE MADE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO HAVE A CROSSWALK INSTALLED AT THE ENTRANCE TO PINEDALE PARK SUBDIVISION, PROSPECT BAY"

MOTION CARRIED

Overhead Signs - Councillor Holland

It was moved by Councillor Holland, seconded by Councillor Peters:

"THAT A REQUEST BE MADE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO HAVE AN OVERHEAD SIGN INSTALLED AT THE CROSSWALK AT THE ENTRANCE TO BROOKSIDE ROAD"

MOTION CARRIED

ADDITION OF ITEMS TO SEPTEMBER 15, 1992 COUNCIL SESSION

DOT - Councillor Taylor DOT - Councillor Giffin

Department of Education - Councillor Giffin

DOT - Councillor Peters

Surplus Buildings - Councillor MacDonald

Disposal of Surplus Vehicles - Councillor Ball (1st session in October)

Councillor Peters asked Mr. Crooks when the report on Municipal

Parklands and the ability of the County to dispose of same would be forthcoming.

Mr. Crooks stated that a report should be available for the next council session.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Councillor Deveaux:

"THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED"

MOTION CARRIED

COUNCIL SESSION

September 15, 1992

PRESENT WERE: Mayor Lichter

Councillor Meade Councillor Rankin Councillor Fralick Councillor Holland Councillor Deveaux Councillor Bates Councillor Adams Councillor Randall Councillor Bayers Councillor Smiley Councillor Taylor Councillor Peters Councillor Merrigan Councillor Brill Councillor Snow Councillor Giffin Councillor MacDonald Councillor Harvey

Deputy Mayor Sutherland

Councillor McInroy Councillor Cooper

ALSO PRESENT: G. J. Kelly, Municipal Clerk

K. R. Meech, Chief Administrative Officer

Fred Crooks, Municipal Solicitor

Ed Wdowiak, Director, Engineering and Works

Bill Butler, Planning Department

The meeting was called to order with the Lord's Prayer. Mr. Kelly called roll.

APPOINTMENT OF RECORDING SECRETARY

It was moved by Councillor Snow, seconded by Deputy Mayor Sutherland:

"THAT JULIA HORNCASTLE BE APPOINTED AS RECORDING SECRETARY"

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Councillor Harvey, seconded by Councillor Bates:

"THAT THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 4, 1992 COUNCIL SESSION BE APPROVED"

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 10, 1992 PUBLIC HEARING BE APPROVED"

MOTION CARRIED

LETTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE

1. Mr. Kelly outlined a letter from Terence O'Driscoll, President, Cultural Federation of Nova Scotia advising that the Cultural Federation sponsoring Cultural Awareness Week from October 26 - November 1, 1992.

It was moved by Councillor Deveaux, seconded by Deputy Mayor Sutherland:

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

2. Mr. Kelly outlined a letter from D.C. Rowland of Canada Post in response to County correspondence to Mr. Lander, President and Chief Executive Officer of Canada Post, regarding the changes to postal service in Lower Sackville.

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

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

3. Mr. Kelly outlined a letter from Harley Marchand, Executive Director, Canadian Cancer Society acknowledging receipt of Halifax County's payment of the fourth instalment on its pledge of \$50,000.00.

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

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

4. Mr. Kelly outlined a letter from A. Kim Campbell, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada in response to council's correspondence and resolution concerning violent crime.

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

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

5. Mr. Kelly outlined a letter from the Honourable Marie P. Dechman, Minister, Department of Housing and Consumer Affairs, confirming that the individuals nominated, by council, as members of the Board of Halifax County Housing Authority have been acknowledged and officially approved as members of the board.

It was moved by Councillor Taylor, seconded by Councillor Peters:

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

6. Mr. Kelly outlined a letter from the Honourable Ken Streatch, Minister, Department of Transportation and Communications regarding council's request for a speed zone reduction and additional signage along the South Point Road in Portuguese Cove.

It was moved by Councillor Taylor, seconded by Deputy Mayor Sutherland:

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

7. Mr. Kelly outlined a letter from the Honourable Ken Streatch, Minister, Department of Transportation and Communications, in response to council's correspondence expressing concern of traffic problems on John Stewart Drive in Cole Harbour.

It was moved by Councillor Cooper, seconded by Councillor Bates:

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

Councillor Cooper referred to the letter and its reference to the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices which quotes "Stop Signs are not intended as speed control devices. Their usage is limited to the control of right-of-way conflicts." He stated this answer is not going to solve the problem for the people in the John Stewart Drive area. It continues to be heavily travelled and it will be worse when the new high school is built.

Councillor Brill asked if a traffic department could be set up which could control where stop signs go.

Councillor Bates expressed concerns. He felt that the Department of Transportation is not doing much to assist the communities. He