

the sewage treatment concern is addressed in Section 2(G) which makes reference to the participating bodies and indicates what responsibilities have been conferred to Metro Authority.

Mr. Meech said it is his understanding that this proposal is in effect to have an act adopted that would give the individual municipalities the right to develop their own respective By-laws in regard to regulating solid waste. He said they want to ensure that the waste stream ends up going to the regional facilities that the Metropolitan Authority is designing, constructing and is going to operate on behalf of the respective members. He said it is his understanding that even after the legislation is passed there will be a need for each municipality to pass a specific by-law setting out how it intends to regulate the whole waste stream.

MOTION CARRIED

SUPPLEMENTARY LETTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE

1. Mr. Kelly outlined a letter from Kenneth C. Rowe, Honourary Campaign Chairman, Special Delivery Campaign, Grace Maternity Hospital.

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

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

VILLAGE OF WAVERLEY PRESENTATION

Mr. Bruce Keevill made a presentation to council. He said the Village of Waverley was asking to opt out of one of the systems that collects and processes their recyclable materials. He said that the Village had done it's own recycling before the municipal wide recycling program had been implemented. He said that they feel that community involvement, not just community participation is a key element in the successful recycling program. He said there are several community projects that are youth and recreation activity orientated that need financial support and they would channel revenues from the recycling program to these projects. He said they are suggesting they collect and divert the product to private recyclers.

Councillor Snow stated that the recycling in the Village of Waverley had been a success. He said by doing this he feels there would be more tonnage coming out of the community than what is presently. He said he supports this and would like to see it become a reality.

Councillor Boutilier asked what the legalities would be.

Mayor Lichter said it may be more of a financial situation whereby Halifax County has an obligation, based on assessment, to cost share in all Metro Authority waste management projects. He said these costs are automatically billed to Halifax County whether it supplies or does not supply recyclables.

Councillor Brill said he would like to see a staff report from Metro Authority to advise of what the ramifications will be.

Councillor Ball asked if Halifax County goes along with this particular idea and therefore not allow the curbside collection in the Village of Waverley does Halifax County still pay the contractor the once a month pick up that was agreed to.

Mr. Meech said this would have to be examined. He said there may be some flexibility in the agreement as to whether or not it is equated to "x" number of units.

Councillor Harvey said that he feels the blue bag collection has been a failure. He said he feels this whole thing needs to be examined.

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

"THAT THE ISSUE BE REFERRED TO STAFF AND/OR METRO AUTHORITY TO BRING BACK A REPORT ON THE PRO'S AND CON'S AND ANY RAMIFICATIONS WHICH MAY OCCUR DEPENDING ON WHAT DECISIONS ARE MADE."

MOTION CARRIED

TRANSIT COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Kelly outlined the report. The Transit Committee recommended approval of a grant not to exceed \$8,000.00 for the paratransit pilot project for the Sambro/Harrietsfield/Williamswood area. The Committee was recommending that the funding be 75% from the general rate and 25% from the district rate.

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

"THAT COUNTY COUNCIL APPROVE IN ITS 1993/94 BUDGET A GRANT NOT TO EXCEED \$8,000.00 FOR A PROPOSED PARATRANSIT PILOT PROJECT IN THE SAMBRO/WILLIAMSWOOD/HARRIETSFIELD AREA. THE GRANT TO BE FUNDED BY 75% FROM THE GENERAL RATE AND 25% FROM THE DISTRICT RATE"

Councillor Ball said this service would provide transit four (4) times a day. He said the \$8,000.00 would be SEED money to help operations in the first period of time and it will only be paid on a monthly basis.

Councillor Boutilier asked if there is a policy concerning paratransit.

Councillor Merrigan said there is a policy in place which indicates that a proposal that was supported by the Transit Committee, would have to be agreed to by the area councillor and the if the project did prove to be workable, but might need an area rate to keep in operation, the area councillor would also have to support that. He said there are other conditions dealing with budgets and schedules. He said the Transit Committee was satisfied that this fit the policy.

Councillor Boutilier asked if another area of Halifax County came with a request for paratransit would they be eligible for up to 75% from the general rate.

Mayor Lichter said they would have to be decided in the same manner as this present issue.

Mayor Lichter said that the vehicle to be used in this pilot project was not being purchased but leased.

Deputy Mayor Richards asked where the money was being taken from.

Mr. Meech said that if council wished to endorse this proposal they would authorize an additional expenditure to the 1993/94 estimates to a sum of \$6,000.00 for that particular purpose. \$2,000.00 would be coming out of the district capital.

Deputy Mayor Richards said he is not against the project but he is against asking for additional money that hasn't been allocated or budgeted for.

MOTION CARRIED

14 IN FAVOUR

6 AGAINST

Mr. Meech said with authorizing this expenditure the proper controls and requirements would be put in place.

Councillor Ball said Dale Reinhardt had the information with respect to this.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Closed Business Accounts

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

"THAT COUNCIL AUTHORIZE THE WRITE OFF OF THE UNCOLLECTIBLE CLOSED BUSINESS OCCUPANCY ACCOUNTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$19,327.80"

MOTION CARRIED

Stop Dated Accounts

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Richards, seconded by Councillor Peters:

"THAT COUNCIL AUTHORIZE THE WRITE OFF OF THE UNCOLLECTIBLE STOP DATED ACCOUNTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$87,449.17"

MOTION CARRIED

Borrowing Resolutions - Renewals

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

"THAT BORROWING RESOLUTION RENEWAL 91-12, WATER (BENNERLY LAKE - AEROTECH) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$400,000 BE APPROVED"

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT BORROWING RESOLUTION RENEWAL 91-13, SEWAGE (MILL COVE TREATMENT PLANT) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$200,000 BE APPROVED"

MOTION CARRIED

Group Employee Benefits Program

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

"THAT THE U.N.S.M. GROUP EMPLOYEE BENEFITS PROGRAM BE APPROVED"

MOTION CARRIED

Tender - 1993 Vehicles

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Richards, seconded by Councillor Rankin:

"THAT APPROVAL BE GIVEN FOR THE PURCHASE OF FIVE (5) VEHICLES FROM HOLLIS FORD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$76,195.00 AND ONE (1) VEHICLE FROM CARROLL PONTIAC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,918.00 FOR A TOTAL OF \$92,113.00"

MOTION CARRIED

\$70,000 Loan Request - Seabright Volunteer Fire Department

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

"THAT APPROVAL BE GIVEN TO A \$70,000 TEN YEAR LOAN ADVANCE TO THE SEABRIGHT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF A PUMPER TANKER FIRE VEHICLE. THE LOAN IS REPAYABLE WITH INTEREST AND COUNCIL RESERVES THE RIGHT TO LEVY AN AREA RATE IN DEFAULT OF PRINCIPAL AND/OR INTEREST REPAYMENT"

MOTION CARRIED

Mr. Meech said because the vehicle is being purchased through a contractual agreement in the United States a specific resolution need to be approved by council to enter into the agreement.

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

"THAT COUNCIL ENDORSE THE SIGNING OF THE "RESOLUTION OF AUTHORIZATION"

MOTION CARRIED

SUPPLEMENTARY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Fire Service Policy 601

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

"THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE ADOPTION OF FIRE SERVICE POLICY 601 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE FIRE ADVISORY BOARD"

MOTION CARRIED

POLICE COMMITTEE REPORT

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

"THAT A LETTER BE WRITTEN TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL ADVISING THAT HALIFAX COUNTY SUPPORTS THE EXTENSION OF THE SPECIAL TASK FORCE RE PROSTITUTION"

MOTION CARRIED

APPOINTMENTS OF TWO COUNCILLORS, SET ASIDE POLICY REVIEW COMMITTEE

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

"THAT COUNCILLOR SNOW BE NOMINATED TO THE SET ASIDE POLICY REVIEW COMMITTEE"

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

"THAT COUNCILLOR ADAMS BE NOMINATED TO THE SET ASIDE POLICY REVIEW COMMITTEE"

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

"THAT NOMINATIONS CEASE"

MOTION CARRIED

REPORT RE: COMMITTEES AND BOARDS RESTRUCTURING

Councillor Fralick asked if this item could be deferred without affecting the budget.

Mayor Lichter said the budget motion is predicated on the possibility of this recommendation being approved. He said it would make a difference of \$25,000. in the Legislative Budget.

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

"THAT THIS ITEM BE DEFERRED TO THE NEXT SESSION OF COUNCIL"

MOTION DEFEATED

6 IN FAVOUR

15 AGAINST

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

"THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE RESTRUCTURING AND THE NECESSARY BY-LAWS OR RESOLUTIONS BE PREPARED BY THE SOLICITOR IN ORDER TO BRING THIS INTO EFFECT"

Mr. Crooks said a memorandum was circulated which could serve as notice of intent to consider the amendments of the three By-laws that are in question. This is presented to council on the basis that if the report of the Ad Hoc Committee is approved those are amendments which would have to be done. He said the Charter provides that committees and boards can be established by and councillors remuneration dealt with by way of Recorded Resolution rather than By-law amendment. The proposed procedure is to amend the By-laws which exists to repeal the provisions to deal with these issues and to establish the new committees and the new remuneration by way of Recorded Resolution which would not require

ministerial approval or advertising.

Councillor Boutilier asked who would make the decision with respect to membership on the committees.

Mayor Lichter said if the recommendation is accepted then the nominating committee would be called together and try to even out committee membership.

Councillor Sutherland asked if there was any provision with regards to remuneration for volunteers on these committees with respect to mileage.

Mayor Lichter said all travel expenses would be paid the same as before.

Councillor Merrigan said he is in agreement with the restructuring of the committees but he does not agree with the manner in which remuneration will be paid.

Councillor Peters said she feels this new committee structure would result in more productivity.

MOTION CARRIED

16 IN FAVOUR

5 AGAINST

Mr. Crooks said with approval of the report it would be necessary to amend three by-law's - The Municipal Council By-law with respect to councillors remuneration, The Committees and Boards By-law will be repealed and The Municipal Officers By-law will have to be amended to repeal those provisions dealing with the remuneration of the Mayor and the Deputy Mayor.

He said he would suggest that a motion be made to receive the notice of intent to consider those amendments.

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

"THAT NOTICE OF MOTION IS GIVEN TO:

- 1) AMEND THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL BY-LAW WITH RESPECT TO COUNCILLORS REMUNERATION;
- 2) REPEAL THE COMMITTEES AND BOARDS BY-LAW AND;
- 3) AMEND THE MUNICIPAL OFFICERS BY-LAW TO REPEAL THOSE PROVISIONS DEALING WITH REMUNERATION OF THE MAYOR AND DEPUTY MAYOR"

MOTION CARRIED

Mr. Crooks said the next step would be to have prepared, for circulation to and consideration by council, the text of the recorded resolution which is going to fix the remuneration and also replace the Committees and Boards By-law by describing in detail the terms of reference and structure of the new committees. He said he is suggesting that the By-law amendments and Recorded Resolution all be prepared and considered by council to take effect on or after May 14, 1993.

ARMOYAN GROUP SUGGESTIONS AND/OR CONCERNS

Mr. Meech said this is for information at this time with a further report coming back at a later date with regards to the issue of whether or not Halifax County can find a way of regulating the lot grading.

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

"THAT THE REPORT BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

URBAN SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

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

"THAT COUNCIL RATIFY THE APPROXIMATELY \$700,000 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE MILLWOOD/STOKIL WATERMAIN PROJECT IN LOWER SACKVILLE"

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDATION

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

"THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE 1993/94 OPERATIONAL PLAN PROVIDING FOR TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$82,731,801 AND FURTHER THAT THE TAX RATE FOR THE 1993/94 OPERATING BUDGET YEAR BE SET AT \$0.882 PER \$100.00 OF ASSESSMENT FOR RESIDENTIAL & RESOURCE AND \$2.217 PER \$100.00 OF ASSESSMENT FOR COMMERCIAL & BUSINESS OCCUPANCY"

MOTION CARRIED

MEMORANDUM RE: NOMINATIONS - SET ASIDE POLICY REVIEW COMMITTEE

Mayor Lichter requested that council give consideration for members they would wish to nominate for the next council session.

HALIFAX HARBOUR CLEANUP

Deputy Mayor Richards said he felt this needed to be brought to council's attention. He said HHCI has stated that their preference for the plant location is Ives Cove on McNab's Island. He said that McNab's Island is within the planning district of Eastern Passage/Cow Bay. HHCI have indicated that locating the plant at this site will have positive results to the Eastern Passage community. He said Mr. Caulda has indicated that the plant would be designed to accommodate the Eastern Passage plant if Halifax County wanted to pay all additional costs. He said it was clearly stated that there will be no compensation. He said Halifax County is being told to accept this plant with no direct or indirect benefit to the Eastern side of the county. He said if this project is to be located in the county of Halifax then he believes that it is only right that there should be some benefit from it.

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

"THAT HALIFAX COUNTY MUNICIPALITY SEND A LETTER IMMEDIATELY TO THE ASSESSMENT REVIEW PANEL, THE HALIFAX HARBOUR CLEANUP CORPORATION, AND THE MINISTER INVOLVED EXPRESSING OUR POSITION THAT IF THE SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT IS TO BE LOCATED AT MCNAB'S ISLAND THAT HALIFAX COUNTY SHOULD BE ABLE TO CONNECT THEIR SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT IN EASTERN PASSAGE WITH NO ADDITIONAL COST TO EITHER HALIFAX COUNTY OR THE RESIDENTS BEING SERVED BY THE EASTERN PASSAGE PLANT. FURTHER THAT CONSIDERATION BE GIVEN FOR COMPENSATION TO THE COMMUNITY ADJOINING THE PROPOSED TREATMENT PLANT"

Councillor Deveaux said he would hope that part of the compensation package would be that Eastern Passage be able to hook into the plant free of charge for the capital cost involved.

Mayor Lichter said he did not see anything wrong with the community requesting the opportunity to hook into that plant without any cost to the municipality.

Councillor Ball said he compensation was not recommended in the Fournier Report and Halifax County allowed the process to take place through HHCI. He said council had decided to stay out of the process and he is encouraging council to stay out of it now and let HHCI and the Environmental Review Council do its job with its recommendations. He said that the recommendations will have to be addressed when they come back but not before.

Mayor Lichter said nothing will be done until an answer comes back, on cost sharing, from Mr. Brian Young.

Councillor Deveaux said all this motion is asking for is that the panel and HHCI consider some form of compensation that will be for the benefit of the people of Halifax County. He said as the public hearings are over he sees no problem with this request being made.

Deputy Mayor Richards said the process has received debate at council on several occasions and council had agreed not to make a formal presentation to the Assessment Panel. He said it is as a result of the sessions that he brings forward this motion this evening. He said he is saying that if the plant is going in Halifax County and will have implications to Halifax County why shouldn't Halifax County be able to get some benefit from it without having to pay double the cost.

MOTION DEFEATED

5 IN FAVOUR

12 AGAINST

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CONSIDER AMENDMENTS TO THE BUILDING BY-LAW AND THE MOBILE HOME PARK BY-LAW

Mayor Lichter said this is to bring into effect the three costs that were agreed to in the Committee of the Whole. He said it is just a matter of giving one motion of notice of amendment to those.

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

"THAT NOTICE BE GIVEN"

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT MAY 10, 1993 BE SET AS THE DATE FOR PUBLIC HEARING FOR AMENDMENT TO THE SUBDIVISION BY-LAW RE: USER FEE FOR LOTS FOR WHICH ENDORSEMENT OF FINAL APPROVAL IS SOUGHT"

MOTION CARRIED

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - COUNCILLOR RANDALL

It was moved by Councillor Randall, seconded by Councillor

"THAT A LETTER BE WRITTEN, WITH A COPY TO THE MLA, TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ASKING WHAT PLANS THEY MAY HAVE FOR IMPROVING THE 207 HIGHWAY, IN PARTICULAR THE SECTION DOWN THROUGH LAWRENCETOWN. FURTHER REQUEST THAT WHITE LINES BE PROVIDED ON THE SIDES OF THE HIGHWAY. HE WOULD ALSO REQUEST, BECAUSE OF THE TYPE OF ROAD IT IS, THAT THE PRIORITY ON THE ROAD BE UPGRADED DURING THE WINTER.

MOTION CARRIED

CLEARCUTTING - COUNCILLOR PETERS

Councillor Peters said developers have cut trees down to the waters edge on the lakes in the district and when there is a heavy rainstorm there is a siltation problem. She said along highway #2 loggers have stripped the land. She said she would like a staff report on this, in particular, with respect to protecting the water. Mr. Meech requested that a memo go to planning for a staff report.

SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT, MADOS DRIVE - COUNCILLOR PETERS

Councillor Peters said a sewage treatment plant was established in Mados Drive, Wellington and the sewage coming out of there is being treated in such a poor standard that it is not possible to swim in the area. She asked for a staff report giving an indication of what the quality of treatment is. She said this treatment plant is on the run where Fletcher's Lake enters into Grand Lake. She said she would like a staff report on the quality of treatment. Mr. Meech requested that a memo go to engineering for a staff report.

TRANSPORTATION - COUNCILLOR GIFFIN

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

"REQUEST TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION THAT
SOUTHWOOD DRIVE AND COX LAKE ROAD IN DISTRICT #18 BE
PAVED UNDER THE 15 YEAR POLICY"

MOTION CARRIED

TAX EXEMPTION FORMS - COUNCILLOR RANDALL

Councillor Randall said that when the forms for the 1993 tax exemption came out it was found that under the new Charter councillors were not included to sign as witness to the sworn statement by the applicants. He said this meant that many people, in particular seniors, who are provided this service by their councillor, can no longer receive this service. He said the solicitor has provided a revised form which will allow the councillors to witness a certification rather than a sworn statement.

Mayor Lichter said he is suggesting that the wording "sworn to etc" be scratched out and put in "certified by".

Mr. Meech said he would that the Mayor's suggestion is the practical way to address it but it should be on record that this was approved as being acceptable.

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

"THAT IT BE APPROVED THAT THE TAX EXEMPTION FORMS CAN BE AMENDED BY COUNCILLORS BY CROSSING OUT THE WORDS "SWORN TO" AND REPLACING THEM WITH "CERTIFIED BY"

Councillor Holland said he does not see why councillors could not be sworn in a Commissioner of Oaths on an individual basis.

MOTION CARRIED

RATEPAYERS MEETINGS - COUNCILLOR PETERS

Councillor Peters said she would like to have an idea if there is any way a solution can be found for continuity in how votes are taken at these meetings. Mr. Meech said he would do a report on this.

She asked if it was necessary, when taking a vote from a ratepayers group regarding something, that when you put the notices you have to say a vote will be taken and it will be one vote per household.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - COUNCILLOR BAYERS

A letter to the minister and Mr. McInnis and Mr. Streach with respect to repaving of the Meaghers Grant Road, highway 357. He said he would like to have from Crawfords Bridge to Musquodoboit Harbour included in a contract that is presently underway for the upper end of that particular highway.

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

"THAT A LETTER BE WRITTEN TO MR. MCINNIS AND MR. STREATCH REQUESTING REPAVING OF THE MEAGHERS GRANT ROAD, HIGHWAY 357 FROM CRAWFORDS BRIDGE TO MUSQUODOBOIT HARBOUR BE INCLUDED IN THE CONTRACT THAT IS PRESENTLY UNDERWAY FOR THE UPPER END OF THAT PARTICULAR HIGHWAY"

MOTION CARRIED

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - COUNCILLOR RANKIN

Residents of Munroe Subdivision would like to have street paving to be done and request the department of transportation to include this in their summer paving program. Copy to Jerry Lawrence and Terry Deleon, Chairperson, Beechville Residents Association.

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

"THAT A LETTER BE WRITTEN TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, WITH A COPY TO JERRY LAWRENCE AND TERRY DELEON, CHAIRPERSON, BEECHVILLE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION,

REQUESTING THAT STREET PAVING BE DONE IN THE MUNROE SUBDIVISION UNDER THEIR SUMMER PAVING PROGRAM"

MOTION CARRIED

BUNKER FUEL - COUNCILLOR PETERS

She said years ago bunker fuel was dumped in the old gold mines in Oldham. She would like a letter to the department of the environment asking them to investigate the possible dumping of bunker fuel in gold mines in Oldham. Copy to Mr. Streach.

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

"THAT A LETTER BE WRITTEN TO THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT, WITH A COPY TO MR. STREATCH, ASKING THEM TO INVESTIGATE THE POSSIBLE DUMPING OF BUNKER FUEL IN THE GOLD MINES IN OLDHAM"

MOTION CARRIED

COUNCILLOR DEVEAUX - FISHING

He would like a letter written to the Mr. Crosbie, Federal Minister of Fisheries, with a copy to the provincial minister of fisheries requesting that he gives consideration to restoring the use of Emerald and Western Banks for the use of cod and haddock fishing for the fishermen on the East Coast from Sambro to Ecum Secum as well as reinstating the original quotas which were in force prior to the cutbacks. In lieu of this the federal government provide substantial financial compensation to offset the loss the fishermen in question have suffered as a result of the recent federal policy regarding the cutbacks in question.

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

"THAT A LETTER BE WRITTEN TO THE FEDERAL MINISTER OF FISHERIES, WITH A COPY TO THE PROVINCIAL MINISTER, REQUESTING THAT CONSIDERATION BE GIVEN TO RESTORING THE USE OF THE EMERALD AND WESTERN BANKS FOR THE USE OF COD AND HADDOCK FISHING FOR THE FISHERMEN ON THE EAST COST FROM SAMBRO TO ECUM SECUM. FURTHER REQUEST THAT THE ORIGINAL QUOTAS BE REINSTATED. IN LIEU OF THIS THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT PROVIDE SUBSTANTIAL FINANCIAL COMPENSATION TO OFFSET THE LOSSES SUFFERED BY THE FISHERMAN AS A RESULT OF THE RECENT FEDERAL POLICY REGARDING THE CUTBACKS IN QUESTION"

MOTION CARRIED

ADDITION OF ITEMS TO APRIL 20, 1993 COUNCIL SESSION

COUNCIL SESSION

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APRIL 6, 1993

Councillor Harvey - Petition for paving Brian Drive and Kelly Court

Councillor Giffin - Transportation

Councillor Adams - Transportation

Councillor Ball - Transportation

Councillor Holland - Presentations Re: St. Margaret's Arena

Councillor Peters - Department of Transportation

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Councillor Ball:

"THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED"

MOTION CARRIED

COUNCIL SESSION

April 20, 1993

PRESENT WERE: Mayor Lichter
Councillor Meade
Councillor Rankin
Councillor Fralick
Councillor Holland
Councillor Ball
Councillor Adams
Councillor Randall
Councillor Bayers
Councillor Smiley
Councillor Taylor
Councillor Peters
Councillor Merrigan
Councillor Brill
Councillor Snow
Councillor Giffin
Councillor MacDonald
Councillor Harvey
Councillor Sutherland
Councillor McInroy
Councillor Cooper

ALSO PRESENT: K. R. Meech, Chief Administrative Officer
Dale Reinhardt, Deputy Municipal Clerk
Fred Crooks, Municipal Solicitor

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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 Ball, seconded by Councillor Giffin:

"THAT JULIA HORNCastle BE APPOINTED AS RECORDING SECRETARY"

MOTION CARRIED

LETTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE

1. Mr. Reinhardt outlined a letter from Joanne Hagen, Marketing Assistant, Department of Tourism and Culture with respect to the 1993 Hometown Civic Tea Socials.

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

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT HALIFAX COUNTY SUPPORT THE HOMETOWN TEAS AND FURTHER THAT THEY BE HELD AT DIFFERENT LOCATIONS AROUND THE MUNICIPALITY"

MOTION CARRIED

2. Mr. Reinhardt outlined a letter from the Honourable George G. Archibald, Minister, Department of Transportation and Communications in response to council's request for a crosswalk across Route 349 near Saint Peter's Church, Ketch Harbour.

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

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

Councillor Ball requested that a copy of the letter be sent to Mrs. Kathleen Flemming in Ketch Harbour.

3. Mr. Reinhardt outlined a letter from Paul Calda, Halifax Harbour Cleanup in response to council's request that minutes of their meetings be made available to the metro councils.

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

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

4. Mr. Reinhardt outlined a letter from Guy J. LeBlanc, Minister, Department of Education with respect to the procedures for levying school area rates.

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

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

SUPPLEMENTARY LETTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE

1. Mr. Reinhardt outlined a letter from Sandra McLeod, Chair, B.A.R.O.L.S. expressing concerns with respect to the PCB incinerator.

Mayor Lichter said that at the next council session Mrs. McLeod be given an opportunity to speak.

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

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

2. Mr. Reinhardt outlined a letter from Pamela Sullivan, Action Committee Against PCB Site for Oldham with respect to the PCB Incinerator.

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

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

Council agreed to hear a speaker representing the Action Committee.

Mr. Fred Dunham said that the residents were made aware of this area being selected as a possible site through the media. He said he and the residents are concerned. He said they have had one public meeting where it was unanimously decided that this action is not proper and not wanted. He said the Action Committee has taken some intensive steps to show their opposition. He said he has discussed this with the area councillor and has learned that Halifax County was not aware of this. He said their main reason for the opposition was that the residents have chosen to live a rural way of life and now there is a potential pollution problem which is discouraging this. He said their main goal is to have clean air, water and land and they feel this is being denied them. He said they have another public meeting planned for Thursday, April 22nd at 7 o'clock.

Councillor Peters asked Mr. Dunham to confirm that he had first received an indication of the PCB incinerator proposed site was by way of a phone call from a newspaper reporter.

Mr. Dunham confirmed this. He said he had received the call on March 11, 1993.

Councillor Peters asked him to confirm that when his group reviewed the guidelines for site selection it was almost specific to the Oldham area.

Mr. Dunham said it looked to him and his group as if it was pre-selected.

Mayor Lichter said it was his understanding that someone from the Federal government agency that is looking for a site will be in

attendance at the meeting.

Mr. Dunham said they are hoping so. He said they have done their utmost to inform everyone who may or should or could be concerned.

Mayor Lichter said he would attempt to be present at the meeting to try and find out why they chose to ignore the municipality because neither him nor Mr. Meech was notified when the sites were originally selected.

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

"THAT A LETTER BE WRITTEN TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS OUTLINING HALIFAX COUNTY'S CONCERN AS TO WHY COUNCIL WAS NOT NOTIFIED OF THE TWO SITES THAT ARE WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY AND FURTHER THAT BETTER COOPERATION IS EXPECTED BETWEEN LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT"

She said she objects to the fact that in the siting criteria they have listed three processes and it is now in the third stage. She said the siting criteria seems to be site specific to Oldham which she finds disturbing. She said she does not feel that she should have to continually go after the Department of Public Works or the Federal government for information.

Mayor Lichter said he feels that letter should be worded so that it just does not say that Halifax County is expressing it's displeasure over not being notified but also express it's displeasure at not being consulted before the actual weeding down to seven sites had taken place.

MOTION CARRIED

3. Mr. Reinhardt outlined a letter from J.G. Rogers, Manager of Engineering Services, Department of Transportation and Communications with respect to the approval of Sidewalk Construction Agreement No 1-1.

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

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

4. Mr. Reinhardt outlined a letter from Pam Sullivan, Spokesperson, Action Committee Against the Oldham PCB Incinerator Site outlining their concerns.

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

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

5. Mr. Reinhardt outlined a letter from John Blumsum, Porters Lake with respect to his concerns with the proposed location of the landfill at East Lake/Lake Williams.

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

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

6. Mr. Reinhardt outlined a letter from the Honourable Joel R. Matheson, Solicitor General with respect to the establishment of the RCMP detachment in Tantallon.

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

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

7. Mr. Reinhardt outlined a letter from FCM with respect to membership to the National Board of Directors.

Mayor Lichter said this is a letter asking council to authorize his running for the FCM directorship.

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

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED AND FURTHER TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR RUNNING FOR THE FCM DIRECTORSHIP"

MOTION CARRIED

8. Mr. Reinhardt outlined a letter from DASC Industries requesting a nomination, on their board, to replace Ms. Fitch's vacancy.

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

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

Nominations to be made at the May 4, 1993 council session.

Mr. Meech said as Ms. Fitch was a staff member of the Social Services department he would check to see if there was a staff person wishing to replace her on the board.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Capital Grant Requests

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

"THAT DISTRICT CAPITAL GRANT, DISTRICT 9, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,000.00 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PURCHASING PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT FOR THE LAWRENCETOWN COMMUNITY CENTRE BE APPROVED"

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT DISTRICT CAPITAL GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,000.00, GENERAL PARKLAND GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,000.00 AND DISTRICT PARKLAND GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,500.00, DISTRICT 8 FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTION OF A PLAYGROUND AT THE EAST PRESTON RECREATION CENTRE BE APPROVED"

MOTION CARRIED

Borrowing Resolutions - Renewals

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

"THAT BORROWING RESOLUTION RENEWAL 88-02 - HUBBARDS INDUSTRIAL MALL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,250,000.00 BE APPROVED"

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT BORROWING RESOLUTION RENEWAL 90-05 - EQUIPMENT (COMPUTER) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$250,000.00 BE APPROVED"

MOTION CARRIED

Bonfires on Lakes

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

"THAT COUNCIL AUTHORIZE THE MUNICIPAL SOLICITOR TO PREPARE A DRAFT BY-LAW RE: "BONFIRES ON LAKES""

Councillor Fralick asked if this would mean that a bonfire could not be set in order for skating to take place on a lake.

Mayor Lichter said it may mean that you can set a bonfire but there may be penalties if it is not cleaned up after the fire is put out.

Councillor Brill asked where this issue had originated.

Mayor Lichter said it had been brought up at Executive because there are times when individuals set bonfires with old tires and other debris on the lake which they do not clean up afterwards. As a result of this in the Spring when the ice melts those items pollute the lake and in many instances swimming areas. The intent was to prevent that from happening.

Councillor Snow said a wood fire would do very little harm.

Councillor Merrigan said his concern is not with bonfires but with allowing the debris such as old tires and broken glass to remain after. He said a by-law would give Halifax County the ability to do something.

Councillor Ball asked how this would be enforced as a lake is a provincially owned watercourse. He said he feels that how such a by-law could be enforced should be looked at. He said if the ability to enforce such a by-law is not available then it would not be feasible. He asked Mr. Crooks if he saw enforcement as a problem.

Mr. Crooks said enforcement is a consideration in connection with the by-law. The issue of enforcement would depend, to a large extent, on what the by-law said. He said various approaches could be examined. If the approach was to make the leaving of debris on ice an offence, the difficulty would be that by the time the debris is left the people who brought the debris have also left. He said it would be difficult to identify who is responsible for the leaving of the debris. He said there could be a problem of enforcement from this point of view. He said the Litter Abatement Act does specifically deal with the leaving of items, matters, things, structures etc. on the ice of watercourses. He said the enforcement of that legislation is with the province and sometimes the ability to enforce this is open to question.

Councillor Taylor said he does not feel Halifax County should be penalizing the people that respect other peoples property. He said the purpose of the by-law, as he interprets it, would be to prohibit persons to set bonfires on lakes. He said he feels it would not be fair to unilaterally say no more bonfires.

Councillor Holland said that the intention was to set up some form of permitting system. He said he has a resident who has environmental sensitivities that are affected by the smoke from tires and she has no remedy as no one she contacted was willing to do anything. He said if there was some form of permitting system then the residents would have somewhere to go if they have a

problem.

Mr. Meech said his understanding was that individual residents could lay complaints.

Councillor Bayers said there is a provincial law in place under the Department of Environment that makes it illegal to burn tires in the province of Nova Scotia. He asked how the county would be able to enforce such a by-law.

MOTION DEFEATED

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

"THAT A LETTER BE WRITTEN TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT TO FIND OUT WHAT THE LAW IS AND HOW HALIFAX COUNTY CAN HAVE IT ENFORCED"

MOTION CARRIED

SUPPLEMENTARY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Capital Grant Requests

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

"THAT DISTRICT CAPITAL GRANT, DISTRICT 11, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000.00 FOR THE PURPOSE OF IMPROVEMENTS TO BOWLING ALLEY IN THE CHURCH HALL IN TANGIER BE APPROVED"

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT DISTRICT CAPITAL GRANT, DISTRICT 21, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,325.00 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAVING 200 METRES ON BRIAN DRIVE AND KELLY COURT, SACKVILLE BE APPROVED"

MOTION CARRIED

Borrowing Resolution

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

"THAT BORROWING RESOLUTION 93-01 - SEWAGE (LAKESIDE TREATMENT PLANT) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$750,000.00 BE APPROVED"

MOTION CARRIED

NOMINATIONS - SET ASIDE POLICY REVIEW COMMITTEE

Two (2) persons recruited from the public to represent the Black Business Community

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

"THAT CECIL WRIGHT JR. BE NOMINATED"

As there were no other nominations Mayor Lichter asked council to agree to have the one nomination approved with the understanding that further nominations would be taken for the second position at the next council session.

Council agreed to this.

One (1) non black member from the business or corporate community

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

"THAT ROBERT J. MACDONALD, WAVERLEY BE NOMINATED"

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

"THAT NOMINATIONS CEASE"

MOTION CARRIED

FIRST READING - BY-LAW AMENDMENTS

A By-law to Amend the Building By-law

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

"THAT FIRST READING BE GIVEN TO A BY-LAW TO AMEND THE BUILDING BY-LAW"

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT FIRST READING BE GIVEN TO A BY-LAW TO AMEND THE MOBILE HOME PARK BY-LAW"

MOTION CARRIED

URBAN SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

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

"THAT COUNCIL SET A DATE FOR A COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE TO DISCUSS A PROPOSED WATER PLAN FOR CENTRAL WATER SERVICE EXTENSIONS, AND THAT INTERESTED PARTIES BE REQUESTED TO ATTEND AND MAKE PRESENTATIONS AT THE MEETING"

Councillor Cooper said that during discussion it was indicated that there would be the possibility of having a proposed policy available from the planning department. He asked if the Committee of the Whole could be scheduled for a time after the proposed policy would be available. He said this would enable coordination of the whole issue in a short a time as possible for the benefit of the developers who are affected by this. He said he would also request that when the proposed policy is being developed consideration is given to the needs of areas of the municipality that have a water quality problem. He said they are trying to address large scale developments that don't have master planning available for them and the effect on the infrastructure and the municipality as a whole. He said areas with water quality problems should also be given some consideration or leeway in that developed policy.

MOTION CARRIED

Council agreed that the Mayor and Mr. Meech would set a date for the Committee of the Whole.

JUNE 1 COUNCIL SESSION

Mayor Lichter said that as a result of councillors being at the FCM conference council needs to make a decision as to whether or not it wished to carry on with that council session.

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

"THAT JUNE 1 COUNCIL SESSION BE CANCELLED"

MOTION CARRIED

APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATES UNSM REGIONAL MEETING - MAY 5, 1993

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

"THAT THE FOLLOWING COUNCILLORS BE APPOINTED AS DELEGATES TO THE UNSM REGIONAL MEETING: COUNCILLOR BATES, COUNCILLOR TAYLOR, COUNCILLOR HARVEY, COUNCILLOR COOPER"

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Lichter informed council members to provide him with any resolutions.

COMMITTEES AND BOARDS RESTRUCTURING

Mr. Crooks said the documentation before council under this item relates to the implementation of the report of the ad hoc committee with respect to committees and boards and specifically what this documentation does, with respect to the draft by-laws to amend by-law No. 2, 3, & 4, is provide for first reading of those by-laws. With respect to the Notice of Intention for by-laws 32 and 46, the purpose is to receive tonight, by resolution, notice of an intention to amend those by-laws.

He said those proposed amendments arise out of a variation of the proposal which was provided to councillors. He said they would provide for the payment of stipends.

Councillor Taylor asked if remuneration with regards to Legislative duties etc. was covered under by-law No. 3.

Mr. Crooks said the basic remuneration for councillors is under by-law No. 2. The remuneration to councillors for committee service is provided for under by-law No. 3. The remuneration for the Mayor and Deputy Mayor is provided for under by-law No. 4.

Councillor Taylor said he agreed with many of the findings of the Reorganization Committee but he feels there are several inequities. He said he feels that all councillors should be on the same pay scale. He said under the proposed scale nine councillors will be receiving pay cuts while other councillors will be receiving increases. He said he understood the committee was working towards establishing uniformity and he does not consider this uniformity.

Councillor Merrigan said if the Rehab by-law was changed the Rehab Committee will no longer get the provincial funds that were counted on in the budget.

Mr. Crooks said the Ocean View Manor by-law is silent with respect to remuneration. The Rehab by-law contains a provision which stipulates that members of the Rehab Centre Board are paid or are entitled to a stipend which is provided for by the Council for members of its committees and boards. On the basis of the by-law, if the province is paying the stipend, it's paying it on the basis of the stipends which affects other committees and boards paid by the municipality.

Councillor Randall said it appears that the rural councillors will be hardest hit. He said they have a much bigger area to cover as well as longer distances to travel for meetings or to look after residents concerns. He said he feels remuneration should be the same across the board.

Mayor Lichter said that during the six or seven meeting of the committee nowhere has it occurred to any one of the members to take a look at rural versus urban councillors. He said if it happens to be that way, it happens to be that way only because a group of

councillors had indicated to the nominating committee that they had the time and could afford the time to be on as many committees as possible. He said others had indicated that they did not have as much time therefore they could not serve on as many committees. He said this is where the differences have been created.

Councillor Adams said he would rather see all members of council receive an even amount of money. He said he feels this should be looked at further.

Councillor Peters said that when some of those meetings were initially started the Mayor helped by computing several scenarios. She said the committee chose to go with the scenario that no one would go with less than their base pay that they are receiving now. She said because of the reorganization of the boards and committees there is not going to be a situation where a given councillor is on a number of committees and another councillor on very few. She said this will be equalized out because of the way the structure is placed. She said the committee did review a number scenarios trying to keep it down to "0" budget increase. She said that on the committee the mayor was silent when increases to Mayor and the Deputy Mayor positions was discussed. She said she had been the councillor who had made the motion that it would be on a percentage basis. She said there was no particular discussion on whether it was rural or urban or for any particular positions. She said she believes that this is setup is more equitable. She said the new pay base reflects that equality. She said she feels the extra pay for the members of the community council's is justified because of the extra work involved.

Councillor Ball said this restructuring was agreed to as a budget process. He said he hoped that councillors did not choose to serve on a particular committee because of the remuneration involved but because of the interest they had.

Councillor Peters said this new structure would eliminate the duplication of staff time.

Councillor Rankin said the review was prompted as a ways and means to reduce the number of committees. He said as a consequence of reducing of committees all councillors could make an equal contribution as councillor.

Councillor Sutherland said that this is trying to look at an efficient operation of council. He said this would be a more efficient use of the system as well as staff.

Councillor Harvey asked if council was amending the option passed at last council session.

Mayor Lichter said it had been indicated that a notice of first reading of the necessary by-laws to be amended be given. The

committee, at his instigation, has looked at how to help those councillors who have experienced the greatest amount of cut. He said the status is that if council wishes to adopt the recommendation with regards to Ocean View, Rehab and Metro Authority it will become part of the first reading at the next council session.

Mr. Crooks said the amendments to by-law 32 and 46 would be read for the first time at the next council session and they would be designed to implement the recommended variation.

Councillor Harvey asked if the new pay arrangement option passed at the last council session was being changed.

Mayor Lichter said it hasn't been changed because it does not affect the other by-laws.

Councillor Harvey said, if it would make everyone feel equal, he would have no objections to taking the extra amount and dividing 25 ways and thus increasing the base pay for all councillors.

Councillor Taylor said that he did support the restructuring and consolidation of the committees.

Councillor Giffin said he agreed with the new system and felt that the new pay structure was very fair.

Councillor Cooper said he felt this item was handled efficiently. He said councillors had expressed concerns with the number of meetings they attended and the committee was set up to address and look at this matter. He said the objectives were looked at without getting into personalities or pay structures. He said if this new structure works efficiently councillors will be spending less time in for meetings and have more time to spend in the community. He said he feels this was handled in an efficient way and will provide for a more efficient system.

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

"THAT FIRST READING BE GIVEN TO AMEND BY-LAW NO. 2 - THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL BY-LAW WITH RESPECT TO COUNCILLOR REMUNERATION AS IT APPLIES TO OCEAN VIEW MANOR, METROPOLITAN AUTHORITY AND HALIFAX COUNTY REGIONAL REHABILITATION"

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT FIRST READING BE GIVEN TO A DRAFT BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW NO. 2 - THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL BY-LAW"

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT FIRST READING BE GIVEN TO A DRAFT BY-LAW TO REPEAL BY-LAW NO. 3 - THE COMMITTEES AND BOARDS BY-LAW"

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT FIRST READING BE GIVEN TO A DRAFT BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW NO. 4 - THE MUNICIPAL OFFICERS BY-LAW"

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT NOTICE OF INTENTION TO GIVE FIRST READING TO A DRAFT BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW NO. 32 - THE OCEAN VIEW MANOR BY-LAW BE GIVEN"

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT NOTICE OF INTENTION TO GIVE FIRST READING TO A DRAFT BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW NO. 46 - THE HALIFAX COUNTY REGIONAL REHABILITATION CENTRE BY-LAW BE GIVEN"

MOTION CARRIED

PETITION FOR PAVING BRIAN DRIVE AND KELLY COURT - COUNCILLOR HARVEY

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

"THAT COUNCIL RECEIVE AND ENDORSE A PETITION FOR THE PAVING OF EXTENSION OF BRIAN DRIVE AND KELLY COURT"

Councillor Harvey said this relates to a grant passed under the Executive Committee Report and indicates the willingness of the residents to pay a percentage of the paving.

MOTION CARRIED

Councillor Harvey asked that the decision of council, with relevant documentation, be sent the Department of Transportation with a copy to John Holm, MLA.

NATURAL RESOURCES - COUNCILLOR GIFFIN

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

"THAT A LETTER BE WRITTEN TO THE MINISTER, DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES REQUESTING UPPER HAMMONDS PLAINS DECLARED A "LAND TITLE CLARIFICATION AREA"".

Councillor Giffin said in some areas land is passed down through generations but there was never a deed.

MOTION CARRIED

TRANSPORTATION - COUNCILLOR ADAMS

Councillor Adams said that council had written a letter to the Department of Transportation asking for a study on the need for traffic control signals at the corner of either Number 7 highway and Lake Major Road or Number 7 highway and Ross Road. He said a reply had been received confirming that there was a need for one at one of the intersections. He said nothing has been forthcoming since that time. He asked if there could be a follow up to that request to see where and when they may be taking action. Councillor Adams asked if replies to letters requested by individual councillors could be copied to the councillor involved.

Mayor Lichter said that staff could be requested to take note that a certain councillor moved the writing of a letter so that when a reply is received it would be copied to that councillor.

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

"THAT STAFF BE REQUESTED TO TAKE NOTE THAT WHEN A COUNCILLOR REQUESTS THE WRITING OF A LETTER WHEN THE REPLY TO THE LETTER IS RECEIVED IT IS COPIED TO THE REQUESTING COUNCILLOR"

MOTION CARRIED

TRANSPORTATION - COUNCILLOR BALL

Councillor Ball said that a request had been made to reduce the speed limit from Hebrideen Drive in Herring Cove to Village Road/Ketch Harbour Road. He said there has not been a reply from the Department of Transportation on this other than an acknowledgement of the letter from council.

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

"THAT THIS BE FOLLOWED UP TO SEE IF THERE HAS BEEN ANY ACTION TAKEN ON THIS MATTER"

MOTION CARRIED

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - COUNCILLOR PETERS

Councillor Peters said that snow removal on the Oldham Road in the Enfield/Oldham area was taken care of by the same department that handles the rest of district 14. Last winter it was under the care of the Musquodoboit department and the snow removal has gone down considerably.

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

"THAT A LETTER BE WRITTEN TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION REQUESTING THAT THE MINISTER REASSIGN THE BURNSIDE DEPARTMENT TO HANDLE SNOW REMOVAL IN THE ENFIELD/OLDHAM AREA OF DISTRICT 14"

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT A LETTER BE WRITTEN TO THE MINISTER, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION REGARDING THE INSTALLATION OF A GATE AT THE END OF HOLLAND ROAD AND AT THE END OF HOLLAND ROAD COMING OUT OF KELLY ROAD TO DETER PEOPLE FROM DUMPING DERELICT VEHICLES AND GARBAGE"

She said a couple of years ago a number of vehicles were removed from Holland Road and on May 8th of this year they will be removing a number of derelict vehicles from the Holland Road. She said she would like to request that the Minister of Transportation, once this has been done, to install a gate at the end of Holland Road and at the end of Holland Road coming out of Kelly Road to stop people from taking derelict vehicles and garbage in there and dumping it but having regard to the fact that the gate off Kelly Road will not be installed until past Mr. Millers property so there is still access to the lakes in the area.

MOTION CARRIED

URGENT AGENDA ITEMS

Transportation and Communications - Councillor Fralick

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

"THAT A LETTER BE WRITTEN TO THE MINISTER, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION REQUESTING THAT CROACHERS POINT ROAD BE PAVED UNDER THE 15 YEAR PAVING PROGRAM"

MOTION CARRIED

Amalgamation - Councillor Rankin

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

"THAT A LETTER BE WRITTEN TO THE PREMIER WITH RESPECT TO THE REQUESTED CONSULTATION ON PROPOSED MUNICIPAL REFORM WHICH WOULD READ:

"In light of the Honourable Thornhill's resignation as chairperson of your cabinet committee responsible for municipal reform, we address our concerns directly to you. On behalf of our taxpayers we wish to inform you that there has not been an ounce of consultation with our public by your commissioner. This is particularly disappointing to Halifax County, after all it is more than four months ago on December 10, 1993 that your minister of municipal affairs stated in his press release "We will be proceeding with the first stages of consultation and implementation almost immediately. The commissioner will inform and consult with the public in determining the size of council and other implementation questions". However, the problem today is that there are no such meetings with the public taking place despite well over 50 of our communities requesting of the commissioner to visit them for their promised consultation. This must also disturb you since we recall that on the same day last you stated in your press release "I cannot stress enough the importance of consulting with the public, the people. Consultation will be essential". We are therefore urgently requesting that you instruct you commissioner to respond to our communities' need for consultation as they will no doubt be affected one way or the other by this reform. Specifically this means the commissioner to now take immediate steps to arrange a series of meetings in the affected communities. Should it be desired the municipality will be happy to make available our resources in assisting the commissioner with these arrangements"

Councillor Peters said she would like to have the opinion of the other two political parties that are campaigning and ask them to make a comment or respond to council's concern for the possible impact of the proposed amalgamation on the county. She said also ask that they respond to that particularly to the candidates that are running in county seats. She said she would like to know the position of the NDP and Liberal party on the proposed amalgamation.

Mayor Lichter said the NDP has sent out a position paper on amalgamation. The leader of the Liberal party has sent out a position paper. He said both parties had difficulty with the timing and were both urging that it be delayed to 1997 election so that enough time be given for consultation with the public and financial figures would be in place. He suggested that this be

dealt with by way of separate motion.

Councillor Cooper said that he would also have the motion to include a request that the premier and the government proceed immediately to provide residents of the municipality with financial implication packages for any proposed amalgamation, which to this time has been lacking and which they cannot make sound judgements without having.

Mayor Lichter said his preference at this time would be to push the government to amend the terms of reference to the commissioners before they do anything else to include proper options and not the dictatorial option of the one level government. He asked if the mover would include "That Halifax County is not only asking the commissioner to consult with the public but also asking premier Cameron to amend the terms of reference to be as free and fair as it is to Lunenburg County".

Councillor Rankin agreed to incorporate both Councillor Cooper and Mayor Lichter's suggestions in the letter. Secunder agreed to the incorporation.

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT A LETTER BE WRITTEN TO THE NDP AND LIBERAL PARTIES ASKING THEM TO REAFFIRM THEIR STAND ON THE PROPOSED AMALGAMATION AND FURTHER THAT A LETTER BE WRITTEN TO EACH CANDIDATE ASKING THEM TO PUT IN WRITING THEIR POSITION CONCERNING AMALGAMATION OF THE METRO AREA"

MOTION CARRIED

ADDITION OF ITEMS TO MAY 4, 1993 COUNCIL SESSION

DOT - Councillor Ball
Starting Time for Public Hearings - Councillor Randall
Chezzetcook Clam Flats - Councillor Randall
Education - Councillor Giffin
Transportation - Councillor Giffin
DOT - Councillor Merrigan
Unightly Premises - Councillor Merrigan
Canada Post - Canada Post
DOT - Councillor Peters
DOT - Councillor Smiley
DOT - Councillor Taylor
School Board - Councillor Rankin

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Councillor Meade:

COUNCIL SESSION

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APRIL 20, 1993

"THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED"

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC HEARING

April 19, 1993

PRESENT WERE: Mayor Lichter
Councillor Meade
Councillor Rankin
Councillor Fralick
Councillor Holland
Councillor Adams
Councillor Randall
councillor Taylor
Councillor Peters
Councillor Merrigan
Councillor Brill
Councillor Giffin
Councillor Harvey
Councillor Sutherland
Councillor Cooper

ALSO PRESENT: Dale Reinhardt, Deputy Municipal Clerk
Fred Crooks, Municipal Solicitor
Tony O'Carroll, Planning Department

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The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Lord's Prayer. Mr. Reinhardt called roll.

APPOINTMENT OF RECORDING SECRETARY

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

"THAT JULIA HORNCastle BE APPOINTED AS RECORDING SECRETARY"

MOTION CARRIED

APPLICATION NO. DA-FEN-04-92-19 - DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT TO ALLOW FOR A COMMERCIAL TRAIL RIDE FACILITY ON THE LANDS OF VIDA MAE DOUCET IN HAMMONDS PLAINS

Tony O'Carroll, Planning Department, made the staff presentation. He said the application is made by Mr. Brian Hatfield on his mothers' property. It is a 257 acre parcel just South of the Hammonds Plains Road. Mr. Hatfield wishes to develop a small trail riding business on the front 25 acre portion of this property. This property presently supports agricultural uses which have taken place in the past and there has been some history of some sort of agricultural related uses up to the present. He said there are pigs and horses on the property and it was at one time used for horse boarding.

He said the proposal is to develop a trail riding business to