

to try and find a reasonable fair ground and level approach that the thought could rectify this problem.

Mr. Thomas said they have no problems with it. He said he would suggest one member from the East Preston Ratepayers Association, one member from the East Preston Recreation Association, one member from the East Preston Lions Club, one person from the community at large and two ex-officio.

Councillor Hendsbee asked how Mr. Thomas felt about a committee of equal representation with the Ratepayers and Recreation having two representatives, one from the Lion's Club and one Resident at Large to be chosen either by the committee or by a public meeting. He said he would prefer to see a senior that would be fair minded in the eyes of the community. He said there could perhaps be observers from other community organizations who would have some input with regards to the use of the facility but not have voting status on the committee. He said the council representation would be there in an ex-officio, non-voting, non-chairing status. He said perhaps both a representative of the Ratepayers and Recreation Associations could co-chair the committee.

Mr. Thomas said he was in agreement with a co-chair. He said he feels the person at large should be elected at a public meeting.

Councillor Sutherland asked how long the Ratepayers association has been in operation.

Mr. Thomas said the East Preston Ratepayers Association was incorporated in 1977.

Councillor Merrigan said there is the East Preston Recreation Association who has a lease on the building, which is owned by the County of Halifax, and has looked after this property for a number of years and can develop that property and do what they wish under their executive and under sole responsibility. He said he appreciates the fact that the East Preston Ratepayers Association feel that if they are going to be burdened with the cost to upgrade that they should have some say. He said he can appreciate the fact that the councillor for the area should have support. He asked why Mr. Thomas felt the East Preston Ratepayers Association should be directing their recreation. He said he can't appreciate where the Ratepayers Association has authority to dictate and say that the Recreation Association should not, without their support, go through and try to get money to build a recreation facility in the community. He said he feels they should have that right.

Mr. Thomas said the East Preston Recreation Association was incorporated on June 4, 1994 so there is no long history. He said the primary objective of the Ratepayers Association is to

promote and carry out community development. He said that is what this project is. It is a community development project. It is not simply a recreation centre.

Councillor Merrigan said there is a letter from the county engineering department dated June 11, 1990 where it recommends that the county lease to the East Preston Recreation Association for ten years the property. He said it also says that this property was operated and owned by the East Preston Recreation Association from 1965 to 1986. He said were they not registered but were still there.

Mr. Thomas said they were struck from the register. He said the only request that came to council was from the East Preston Boys and Girls Club. He said basically the property had turned over and there was actually no agreement on file for a number of years. He said it was not until the Boys and Girls Club pointed out to the community that there was no agreement made.

Mayor Ball said that for the record the county does have a lease, signed and sealed, between Halifax County Municipality and the East Preston Recreation Association.

Councillor Merrigan said although they have been struck from the register they have been in operation since 1965.

Mr. Thomas said he did not know who Councillor Merrigan was talking about. He said if he was talking about the East Preston Recreation Association or the East Preston Centre. He said when the Mayor says they have a lease signed maybe the solicitor could clarify because they had questions on this way back when they changed the locks on the building.

Councillor Merrigan asked who the county had the lease with.

Mayor Ball said the county has a lease with the East Preston Recreation Association and the lease was checked because back last year around August the locks were changed at the facility and the property manager sent a letter to the East Preston Recreation Association. He said Ms. Smith, at the time was out of town, and the letter was sent to the vice president instructing the Association to secure the premises in which they have a lease with Halifax County.

Mr. Thomas said there is no East Preston Recreation Association. He said it is the East Preston Recreation Centre.

Councillor Merrigan said it seems to him that the community has an opportunity to do something and he does not see how they are going to operate this facility without running in the red. He said he also finds it difficult to appreciate the fact that the County is going to use capital funds under 1/6 funding. He said

he also finds it difficult to support something when the local councillor is against it. He said he feels it is up to the good graces of the East Preston Recreation Association to get involved and to work with their councillor and their ratepayers association to iron this problem out. He said he does believe that if this community are even going to have a start or chance to make this work, they have to get together and work on this. He said council should not be here today fighting but rather working together to try to do this. He said he still believes the Association did have the authority to do this.

Councillor Hendsbee said the purpose of the Ratepayers Association is to organize, promote and carry on projects for the betterment and improvement of District 8 of Halifax County. He said that is the East Preston community. He said that is the purpose of the Ratepayers Association and that traditionally been the custom that has been respected in that community for years. He said when it comes to the Recreation group, Mr. Thomas is probably referring to legal ambiguity when it comes to what title is on the lease and what title is in the records of association at the registry of joint stocks. He said they are two different titles and names but the bodies are basically probably the same even though they did not keep up their records or files in order and keeping themselves up to date with the Joint Stocks. He said with regards to that, it states in the lease under their memorandum of association for a recreation group that they are there for the help, maintenance and improvements to the facility. He said he even asked Mr. Dickson, the solicitor, to what degree do you consider improvements to a facility - small renovations or major overhaul and expansion. He said Mr. Dickson stated that this goes beyond the mandate of that lease.

Mayor Ball asked Councillor Hendsbee if he had this in writing.

Councillor Hendsbee did not.

Councillor Bates confirmed that Mr. Thomas was chairman of the Ratepayers Association. He asked for confirmation that Mr. Thomas not only disagreed with the setup of this committee as recommended in the staff report but also he is not in favour of the project itself. He asked if Mr. Thomas was saying that the Ratepayers believe that they shouldn't be modifying an older building but should be using the money to put up a new facility altogether.

Mr. Thomas said a vote was taken at a public meeting and they don't believe to throw good money after bad. He said that building has been condemned by the Fire Marshall. He said he could allude to reasons why somebody would want to renovate it.

Councillor Bates said Councillor Hendsbee seemed to imply that he was not opposed to the project but he was opposed to the setup of

who was going to comprise the membership of the committee but beyond that Mr. Thomas does not like the project itself. He said Mr. Thomas is saying that the Ratepayers do not agree with that project the way it stands. He said Mr. Thomas is not opposed to using the money to put up a new facility.

Mr. Thomas said he was not opposed to a new facility.

Deputy Mayor Cooper said this seems to be getting deeper and deeper all the time and the main participants are not here. He asked Mr. Thomas if there was a Ratepayers meeting which came out in opposition to this project.

Mr. Thomas said not in opposition. He said they have always believed there is a need for a recreational facility but they were in opposition to the renovation because the renovation is not a good plan. He said the building has been condemned four times by the Fire Marshall, it may be cheaper to build a new facility.

Deputy Mayor Cooper asked if a new facility could be built with that money. Mr. Thomas said they believe so.

Deputy Mayor Cooper asked if the old one can be knocked down and a new one put up where that was.

Mr. Thomas said it would be cheaper.

Deputy Mayor Cooper asked if that would be entirely out of the question.

Mr. Thomas said he would say not.

Deputy Mayor Cooper said that the report in front of council says it was not possible to have both parties agree to a common position. He asked if that was still the case.

Mr. Thomas said he does not know who said that the two parties could not agree. He said he has never been in a room with the two parties.

Councillor Hendsbee said that Mr. Thomas, himself and Mayor and Ms. Smith had a meeting. He asked Mr. Thomas what the purpose of that meeting had been.

Mr. Thomas said that had been about the changing of the locks on the old facility.

Mayor Ball said he wanted this for the record and advised that the correct information be provided.

Councillor Hendsbee said the discussion was also in regards to

the Recreation centre and the application for the project. He said a meeting was held within the last couple of months.

Mayor Ball said the meeting was in December. He said the meeting in December was to bring both sides together and he and Councillor Hendsbee sat down with three people from the Ratepayers Association and there were two from the Recreation Association. He said the meeting was an hour and a half and it was an element of who was going to have control over the development. He said he walked out of the meeting and he will not say what happened after that.

Mr. Thomas said the issue was about keys and he is now hearing there is a different situation. He said at one point in the meeting they had the problems solved.

Councillor Hendsbee said it was also discussed at that meeting that one area of that building could be closed off for access.

Deputy Mayor Cooper said the report states that it was not possible to get both parties to agree to a common position. He asked if Mr. Thomas feels that a committee made up of community representatives could work together.

Mr. Thomas said yes without question.

Deputy Mayor Cooper said after the building is erected would it be acceptable for both groups to have a committee continue on to control usage rather than have any particular group control usage.

Mr. Thomas said he thinks it is an excellent idea.

Deputy Mayor Cooper said he would like to suggest that the presentation has been made. Council has heard both sides and council either dismiss Mr. Thomas if there are no other questions and move along to the report that is in front of council. He said there does not seem to be a great problem and a committee will meet the needs to build it and the committee will meet the needs after to determine usage.

Councillor Smiley said it seems to her that there are a few individuals on both sides playing politics with personal agendas and people have not had a chance to come out and say exactly how they feel. She said she would request that debate be ended and call for the motion and, if the motion passes to support the project, then the municipality go out to the community and sit down with the community and say what do you want? What do you want in your community and in your facility and let's work together on the design. She said this has been going on for years and it may never be resolved with the personalities that are involved. She said if the Mayor would end discussion she would

recommend that this project be approved and let the community get on with it.

Councillor Reid said the original motion does not stipulate that a member of the Lion's Club sit on that committee. He said both sides had agreed that there be a member of the Lion's Club on that committee. He said he would like to have the motion reflect this. Secunder agreed.

Amended motion:

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

THAT THE RECOMMENDATIONS AS OUTLINED BE APPROVED BY
COUNCIL WITH A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LION'S CLUB
SITTING AS A MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE"

Deputy Mayor Cooper said he was really annoyed at some of the press reports that came out shortly after the \$1.1 million was approved. He said there was playing one side against the other, jumping to conclusions, making statements that aren't true. He said he is not happy with the implication that this council is racist in anything in this project because it wasn't. He said council has bent over backwards trying to assist people. He said it is the community that has suffered in this whole process and it is necessary, when council has reached the point it has, to agree that the committee is the one that is going to look at it, organize it, carry it out and operate it afterwards. He said it is at the point right now where a decision has to be made. He said he is not happy that the municipality is designating the \$183,000 as an escrow account to be used for operational. He said the support staff from the Parks and Recreation Department is going to be involved in this. He said it is fairly substantial project. He said he would suggest that Mr. Meech make arrangements to have an additional person brought on to staff until the project building part is underway or partially completed. He said he does not feel it will serve the districts under Mr. Blakeney's responsible nor Preston if he is tied up substantially in this project. He said he would like to suggest that Mr. Meech take that under consideration when staff are going to be assigned to this project. He said he was in support of the motion in order to get the project started.

Councillor Hendsbee said he would like to see council deal with the recommendations as separate motions. He said there are some things he is in support of and some things he would like to amend and he would like to have #3 deferred. He said he agrees totally and supports recommendation #1. He said with regards to recommendation #2 he would like to amend the composition of the committee. He said with regards to recommendation #3 he has some concerns. He said the details and criteria should be developed first and should be brought to council to be voted upon. He said

council has already brought forward a report that has been tabled with Service Standards committee which is the Recreation Facilities Report. He said the county lacks appropriate policies and procedures in dealing with community facilities. He said he does not feel it is fair for council to set a precedent for one particular community organization or facility without having any policy or report brought forward as to how to deal with other facilities in the county. He said he would like to have recommendation #3 referred to the Executive until a policy comes forward. He said the \$183,000 escrow account is not necessary at the present time. It is not necessary until after a year the building is in operation. He said that decision could be made later on and therefore, it is not pending that it has to be decided upon tonight.

He said this has to be a community based initiative and it has to have the respect of all community organizations.

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

'THAT THE COMMITTEE BE MADE UP OF THE FOLLOWING REPRESENTATIVES:

- 2 MEMBERS OF THE RECREATION ASSOCIATION
- 2 MEMBERS OF THE RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION
- 1 MEMBER REPRESENTING THE LION'S CLUB
- 1 RESIDENT AT LARGE CHOSEN AT A PUBLIC MEETING
- 2 NON VOTING - ONE COUNTY RECREATION DEPARTMENT STAFF PERSON
- COUNCILLOR HENSBEE

Councillor Hendsbee said if the committee wished to expand it's membership the committee has to decide this.

Councillor Reid said he would assume that the makeup of this committee, as discussed by staff and the East Preston Recreation Association, was agreed on by that body and they are the group that is responsible for the operation of that facility. He said he does not understand why an amendment would even be considered.

Councillor Merrigan said that the spirit of the motion was to ensure that what is done is what the community wants done. He said he is not sure that the amendment is doing that. He said he feels that council should be saying that it will support this on the understanding that you come back to council with a unified agreement. He said let the community come back and say what they are going to do. He said right now he is being asked to support a motion to put money into a project when he does not know what the project is.

Mayor Ball said he has been trying to resolve this since May 19th. He said it is now to the point where council has to make a

decision because there are two groups but there is a lease arrangement. He said whether one group likes that or not it is in existence.

Deputy Mayor Cooper said that he has to imply from the Mayor's comment that there is a lease agreement that the Mayor is saying that the Recreation Association will be the organization to be up front during this and after this and here council has been trying to get a committee together that will carry on maybe even after the construction for the operation of it.

Mayor Ball said he made the remark because in fairness the county does have that and the Recreation Association has not broken the lease and the County can't break the lease.

Councillor Hendsbee said the discussion he had December 28th with the county lawyers, Alan Dickson stated "they have gone beyond the means of their lease with regards to that renovation". He said the lease is totally irrelevant. All that is being discussed is a community committee to bring both sides together to work together to deal with the issue. He said both parties have stated tonight that they were prepared to do that.

Mr. Meech said that what Mr. Dickson had advised Councillor Hendsbee is correct in that before the expansion can go on the facility they need permission from the county; however, that is incorporated in the recommendation so that if the council does agree to approve the recommendation that issue has then been resolved because, in essence, it is saying is that council is prepared to allow the Association to expand the facility.

AMENDMENT CARRIED

12 IN FAVOUR

8 OPPOSED

Councillor Brill asked why the County was not consulting with the Ratepayers Association.

Mr. Meech said from the staff point of view there has been consultation with Councillor Hendsbee on a number of occasions. He said he is aware of feedback from a number of meetings. He said as indicated by Mr. Thomas, Mr. Blakeney and Mr. Markesino did attend meetings held in the community. He said different messages were being received and staff came to the conclusion that it was the East Preston Recreation Association who the county was dealing with as the lead agency.

Councillor Brill asked if the East Preston Recreation Association levy an area rate for recreation or is it the responsibility of the Ratepayers.

Mr. Meech said the Recreation Association cannot but neither can

any of the other groups to his knowledge because they have to ultimately be approved by this council. He said neither the East Preston Ratepayers Association nor the East Preston Recreation Association has the legal authority to require taxpayers in that area to pay an area rate.

Councillor Brill said if the escrow funds burned up at some future date it may be necessary for this council to levy an area rate at which time they could. Mr. Meech confirmed this.

Councillor Brill asked if the county had received a building inspection report on this proposed renovation. Mr. Meech said at this point there is a conceptual plan and it would be necessary to have those kinds of investigations undertaken. It would require an architectural firm to be appointed to help work out the details and whatever engineering input is required. If, during that process, it was identified that it did not make sense to expand that existing building, one would have to come back and suggest that the project would have to be accomplished in a different way.

Councillor Brill asked Councillor Hendsbee if he was in favour of the proposal based on the amendment just put forward.

Councillor Hendsbee said he was.

Councillor Harvey said he cannot support #3 if it remains in the present form. He said he feels the county is breaking dangerous new ground by using 1/6 funding for an operation escrow fund. He said he would like to see that amended so that if the 1/6 funding is there, it is there for capital and if the other two levels of government want to create such a fund for operating then they can do that. If that fund is exhausted the people involved might have to see about re-establishing the fund.

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

"THAT THE 1/6 FUND REMAINS AS CAPITAL AND SHOULD THERE BE AN ESCROW OR OPERATING FUND IT BE HANDLED BY THE MONIES COMING FROM THE OTHER LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT"

Councillor Hendsbee said he would like to have that one part of the recommendation referred to the Executive until the county recreational facility report is dealt with and some policy established because he feels the county is setting dangerous precedent of where some of the facilities in the county where operational costs are by area taxes and some are paid by the general tax rate. He said some are done by community fundraising efforts and some are in a state of disrepair. He said he feels it is necessary before that precedent is set that the county set that third recommendation aside because it is not timely at this

point to deal with it.

Mayor Ball asked if there was going to be a project in East Preston or not.

Councillor Hendsbee said there is going to be a project but it does not need that money right now to go ahead with it.

Mayor Ball said this has come back in order to make a commitment to the project. He said now Councillor Hendsbee is saying that \$183,000 is irrelevant.

Councillor Hendsbee said the Ms. Smith said that the Recreation Association believe they are capable of meeting the obligation targets. He said this fund may end up being a crutch for them. He said he would hope that is not the case and he would hope that they succeed in all their efforts for the betterment of the community. He said if an account is to be established let's do it within a policy that is established for the county in terms of recreational facilities not just in East Preston but across the county.

AMENDMENT CARRIED
16 IN FAVOUR
3 AGAINST

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

'THAT FAILING ALL ELSE IF THERE IS AN OPERATING DEFICIT AN AREA RATE WILL BE IMPOSED TO COVER SUCH DEBT'

MOTION CARRIED

Councillor McInroy said his difficulty is that there is a fully funded project, a projected operating revenue being generated and now there is an area rate obligation to raise funds in the event that it is required to augment the operating revenue. He asked why do we need the \$183,000 subsidy account?

Mayor Ball said it has been changed to \$183,000 capital.

Councillor Bates said the province is simply going to replace the \$183,000. He said the money will be there to subsidize any loss.

Councillor McInroy said it is his understanding that the capital funding is all here. The operating revenues support the operating costs secured by the area rates if it is necessary. He said regardless of where it comes from why is the \$183,000 needed to subsidize the operating costs.

Mayor Ball said if at the end of the day there is \$183,000 left

what would it be utilized for.

Councillor McInroy said that if what everybody has said is true it seems to him it would be redundant.

Councillor Hendsbee said he stated in December in a memorandum to the Executive and Council which states "furthermore county participation of the East Preston project would free up some provincial and federal dollars to address the problem of the North Preston facilities" He said he had discussions with the MLA and MP in November stating that if the county was to participate it would free up those provincial dollars for other infrastructure projects in the Preston area.

Mayor Ball said in all fairness the \$183,000 that is extra is not council's decision to make. He said it is up to the province to decide that, not the county.

Councillor Bates said council was under the impression that the \$183,000 was going to be there in an escrow account. He said it would be earning interest and it could be a kitty to support any problems that might be experienced with the operating budget. He said hopefully the province and the federal government are going to have that \$183,000. He said you are breaking new ground when you have a residents ratepayers association come and say they do not support it and council turns around and supports an area rate irregardless of what they are saying. He said, based on the \$183,000 being there, council would not have too much to worry about.

Councillor Hendsbee said there has always been problems with regards to lack of policy in regards to ratepayers associations and recreation facilities. He said this is an example of where that work needs to be done. He said the Ratepayers Association said they are in support of the facility and the building of a new facility. He said they are cautious about a renovation but that will be up to the project steering committee to design, re-evaluate and see if it is viable. He said the setting of area rates will rest with council.

Councillor Merrigan said he was concerned based on total assessment for East Preston with their ability to pick up a deficit of operating this facility. He said he does not believe that they are going to meet their budget and he does not feel the county is doing anyone a favour and he feels that council's approval should say that the \$183,000 comes to the county for escrow or it will end up with an area having a small assessment trying to pick up a major deficit. He said there are recreation facilities in other communities which are picking up deficits. He said he feels the \$183,000 should come to the county so it can help offset losses. He said there is no question in his mind that there are going to be losses. He said he does not feel that

the county should support this project and let the \$183,000 go. It has to come to this project.

Mayor Ball said the federal and provincial government will decide where it will go.

Councillor Merrigan said he is suggesting that the county should be asking them to send that money to the county in escrow.

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

"THAT THE \$183,000 THAT WAS PUT IN AS CAPITAL INVESTMENT WILL BE TAKEN FROM THE FEDERAL AND PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT CONTRIBUTION FOR THE ESCROW ACCOUNT"

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Ball said he was asking for question on the whole motion which is item #1, #2 with the amended changes and #3 with the amendment and item #4.

MAIN MOTION CARRIED

It was moved by Councillor Hendsbee,

'THAT THE RATEPAYERS AND RECREATION CO CHAIR THE COMMITTEE"

MOTION LOST DUE TO LACK OF SECONDER

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

"THAT THE RECREATION ASSOCIATION AS LEAD AGENCY ACT AS THE CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE"

Councillor Hendsbee said there has to be cooperation between the two groups and he feels that co-chairing would be a way to do this.

MOTION CARRIED

Councillor Rankin said he was uncertain of an aspect of the recommendations made with regards to who was to be lead agency.

Councillor Merrigan said the motion was to support staff's recommendation dealing with the East Preston Recreation Association as the lead agency to chair.

Deputy Mayor Cooper said this was subsequent to the approval of

the amendment. He said if that was the motion then the chair would be under those conditions of that motion.

Councillor Hendsbee clarified that the resident at large would be chosen at a public meeting.

PRESENTATION BY MIKE HORWICH - DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT RE:
ELIMINATION OF LOCAL BOARDS OF HEALTH

Mr. Horwich made a presentation to council. He said that through the Provincial/Municipal Service Exchange, Boards of Health in all municipalities have been eliminated. The functions, responsibilities and duties have been transferred to the Department of the Environment. He some of those functions have been transferred to the Department of Health. He said one of the main concerns is the appeal process. He said installers of septic systems will now require only one license as opposed to a license for each municipality. There will be one provincial license which will allow them to cross municipal boundaries. The standard for installers will be the same, the provincial standard. He said appeals will be done on a regional level. He said the procedure will be very similar to what presently takes place.

Councillor Merrigan asked who will now sign the permits. He asked if the local inspector will have the authority to sign the permits.

Mr. Horwich said they will now be signed by a representative of the department. He said he would anticipate that is there was a malfunctioning disposal system and an inspector visited the site and was able to draw up a design for repair he could give a permit on site.

Councillor Merrigan asked who was going to be sitting on the new board to hear appeals.

Mr. Horwich said that has not been decided yet. He said the minister may choose a panel or one person as an arbitrator.

Councillor Merrigan asked what would happen with regards to lots that do not meet present standards but would have been approved years ago.

Mr. Horwich said there would have to be a reapplication and that rejection would come forward and be thirty days from that date.

Councillor Merrigan asked if Mr. Horwich was now saying that they may now be able to approve some of these cases. Mr. Horwich said hopefully.

Councillor Snow said he read the report and saw no problem with

it. He said it is done. He asked how the positions on the Board will be selected.

Mr. Horwich said the Minister has already received requests to be members of any appeal panel or board. He said he would expect that here would be some type of public notification. He said that would not prevent anyone from writing the Minister to offer their services.

Councillor Fralick said there are many issues that have to be dealt with.

Councillor Merrigan said the Board of Health will be having a meeting in March at which time they will be looking at the report and if they do see any major thing that has to be dealt with they will be making a recommendation to council.

Deputy Mayor Cooper said that perhaps arrangements could be made for Mr. Horwich to meet with either the Executive or the Board of Health at some further date when his schedule permits. Council agreed to this.

PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

Planning District 1 & 3

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

"THAT A PUBLIC HEARING BE SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 3, 1995
AT 6:00 P.M. TO CONSIDER THE ADDITIONAL AMENDMENTS"

MOTION CARRIED

Copy of an Order from the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board
RE: Alexandros Tsimiklis

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

"THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE REZONING OF 1610 ST.
MARGARET'S BAY ROAD FROM R-1 TO R-1A AS NOTED IN THE
ORDER"

MOTION CARRIED

File No. RA-F&S - 05-93-14 - Application by John and Karen
Gilligan to rezone Lot 34 of the Kendalmark Estates Subdivision
in Wellington

It was moved by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Dooks:

"THAT THE APPLICATION BE APPROVED AND THAT A PUBLIC HEARING BE SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 3, 1995 AT 6:00 P.M."

MOTION CARRIED

Copy of Order from the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board re: ARB Recycling

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

"THAT THE ORDER BE RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION OF COUNCIL"

MOTION CARRIED

File No. CDD-EP/CB-05-94-06-A2 - Request by Anahid Investments Limited to change the lot categories of approximately 20 lots in the Heritage Hills CDD area.

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

"THAT THE AMENDING AGREEMENT BE APPROVED AND THAT IT BE CONSIDERED BY COUNCIL AT ITS REGULAR SESSION ON MARCH 7, 1995 AT 7:00 P.M."

MOTION CARRIED

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Changes to Polling District

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

"THAT COUNCIL ADOPT A BY-LAW TO AMEND THE VARIOUS BY-LAWS AFFECTED BY THE CHANGES TO THE MUNICIPAL POLLING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES. FURTHER COUNCIL AMEND BY-LAW NO. 8, THE MISCHIEFS AND NUISANCES BY-LAW SECTION 13, REMOVING THE EXEMPTION FOR DISTRICT #17 AND BY-LAW NO. 63, THE DOG DEFECATION BY-LAW TO INCLUDE DISTRICT #2"

MOTION CARRIED

By-Law No. 51 - The Tax Exemption By-law - Expiration

It was moved by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Hache:

"THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION TO AMEND THE BY-LAW TO EXCLUDE AN EXPIRY DATE AND TO INCLUDE THE REQUIREMENT FOR A YEARLY REVIEW BY COUNCIL AND STAFF"

MOTION CARRIED

Canada Nova Scotia Infrastructure Program - Applications

It was moved by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Hache:

"THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE APPLICATION FOR DISTRICT 8 FOR THE NORTH PRESTON WATER SYSTEM CONTINGENT UPON RECOVERY OF MUNICIPAL COSTS FROM THE USERS"

MOTION CARRIED

It was moved by Councillor Levy, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee:

"THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE APPLICATIONS FOR DISTRICT 9 FOR THE UPGRADING OF TWO EXISTING BALL FIELDS AND EQUIPMENT IN LAWRENCETOWN, FOR UPGRADING THE NATHAN SMITH PARK IN EAST CHEZZETCOOK, FOR CONSTRUCTING A MULTI-PURPOSE PAD AND UPGRADING FOR THE EXISTING BALL FIELD IN GRAND DESSERT AND RENOVATIONS TO THE COMMUNITY CENTRE IN WEST LAWRENCETOWN. FURTHER THE MUNICIPAL COMPONENT BEING RECOVERED UNDER THE 1/6 FUNDING FROM RECREATION AND THE ADDITIONAL FUNDS FROM THE DISTRICT FUND"

MOTION CARRIED

It was moved by Councillor Levy, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee:

"THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE APPLICATIONS FOR DISTRICT 9 FOR THE INSTALLATION OF THREE DRY FIRE HYDRANTS IN EAST CHEZZETCOOK, PORTERS LAKE AND GAETZ BROOK AND THE INSTALLATION OF THREE DRY FIRE HYDRANTS IN WEST PORTER'S LAKE, LAWRENCETOWN AND UPPER LAWRENCETOWN"

MOTION CARRIED

Vehicle Allowance - Mayor's Office

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

"THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE MUNICIPALITY LEASE A VEHICLE TO BE PLACED UNDER THE CONTROL AND SUPERVISION OF THE MAYOR'S OFFICE FOR THE USE OF THE MAYOR OR DRIVER FOR THE MAYOR. IN RETURN, THE VEHICLE ALLOWANCE ESTABLISHED FOR THE MAYOR'S OFFICE (\$5,000) BE ABOLISHED"

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT THE RECORDED RESOLUTION APPROVING THE LEASE OF THE VEHICLE AND ABOLISHING OF THE VEHICLE ALLOWANCE BE APPROVED"

1995/96 Property Tax Exemption

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

"THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE MAXIMUM INCOME REMAIN AT \$13,000 AND THE MAXIMUM EXEMPTION REMAIN AT \$350."

MOTION CARRIED

Third Party Information Requests - Service Fee

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

"THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE FOLLOWING FEES FOR THIRD PARTY INFORMATION REQUESTS:
-INFORMATION MAILED TO THIRD PARTIES, BANKS, ETC. A CHARGE OF \$10.00 PER ACCOUNT AND
-DUPLICATE INFORMATION MAILED TO PROPERTY OWNERS A CHARGE OF \$2.00 PER ACCOUNT WITH DISCRETION BEING USED IN THE CHARGING OF THE \$2.00 FEE IN CONSULTATION WITH THE LOCAL COUNCILLOR"

MOTION CARRIED

Trading Authorization - Sackville Landfill Compensation Trust

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

"THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE TRADING AUTHORIZATION AND FURTHER COUNCIL APPROVE A CHARGE OF 1% ADMINISTRATION FEE"

MOTION CARRIED

Grant Requests

It was moved by Councillor Mitchell, seconded by Councillor Levy:

"THAT THE FOLLOWING GRANT REQUESTS BE APPROVED:
District Capital Grant, District 1, \$1,178.55
District Parkland Grant, District 9, \$10,000.00
District Parkland Grant, District 9, \$3,000.00
General Parkland Grant, District 18, \$1,240.40"

MOTION CARRIED

REDISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE REPORT

Councillor Rankin said the report was provided to update Council with regards to the work being done by the Redistribution Committee.

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

'THAT THE REPORT BE RECEIVED'

MOTION CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION RE: UNSM MEMBERSHIP

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

"THAT HALIFAX COUNTY GIVE NOTICE TO UNSM THAT THE COUNTY WOULD BE REMOVING MEMBERSHIP AT THE END OF THE TERM, MARCH 31, 1995, FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR"

Councillor Bates said Halifax County has been a member of the UNSM for a number of years and now the Municipality may be in the last year it will be in existence. He said without any strong report outlining the reasons why the County is now objecting to this and why the County is taking this step he would not be in support of the County withdrawing from UNSM.

Councillor Rankin said the UNSM did not have any problems with amalgamation namely the process used. He said the Municipality, as we know it, is about to be dissolved and because of such a critical proposal for the UNSM to represent us at this time is crucial. He said and because of the fact that they did not come to our assistance with representation he moved the withdrawal resolution.

Deputy Mayor Cooper said he feels the Municipality has an important part to play in UNSM and the province as a whole. He said he does not feel the Municipality can carry out that role by leaving the UNSM.

Councillor Reid said when the UNSM budget was approved for the 1995/96 it included \$37,000 contribution from Halifax County Municipality. He said if the Municipality had voted against that budget, at that time, he would feel comfortable in supporting leaving that body. However, the Municipality fully supported them in the approval of that budget and he feels that if the Municipality is going to leave a body such as UNSM that there should be the responsibility of giving at least a years notice.

Mayor Ball said the budget was not totally supported by the people that had gone to the UNSM meeting from this Municipality. He said the difficulty he has with supporting UNSM is the fact that the Municipality is spending \$37,000 on membership dues to an organization who have really provided no leadership to this whole process that is going on in the Metropolitan area. He said the president has said that the UNSM can't take a position on amalgamation. He said their concern on Service Exchange is for the Rural areas; however, they also have to represent all the Municipal units. He said he feels personally that Halifax County should be taking a leave of absence for one year.

MOTION CARRIED

13 IN FAVOUR

7 AGAINST

NON-COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS - MUNICIPAL PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Sackville Community Council Nominee

It was moved by Councillor Hache, seconded by Councillor Mitchell:

'THAT ANNE MERRITT BE APPOINTED AS THE REPRESENTATIVE FROM SACKVILLE TO THE MUNICIPAL PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE'

MOTION CARRIED

Cole Harbour/Westphal Community Council Nominee

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

"THAT HAROLD NORTHRUP BE APPOINTED AS THE REPRESENTATIVE FROM COLE HARBOUR/WESTPHAL TO THE MUNICIPAL PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE"

MOTION CARRIED

One Representative From Area Not Served by Community Councils

It was moved by Councillor Naugle, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee:

'THAT HARRY SARSON BE APPOINTED AS THE REPRESENTATIVE FROM AN AREA NOT SERVED BY COMMUNITY COUNCILS'

MOTION CARRIED

MEMORANDUM RE: MEMBERSHIP - COLE HARBOUR PLACE BOARD

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Cooper, seconded by Councillor

Turner:

'THAT TERRANCE CHATHAM BE APPOINTED TO THE COLE HARBOUR PLACE BOARD"

MOTION CARRIED

ALARM SYSTEMS REPORT

Councillor Rankin said if council wishes the municipal solicitor could be directed to prepare an amendment to the Charter which would permit regulation on alarm systems.

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

'THAT THE SOLICITOR BE DIRECTED TO PREPARE AN AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER WITH RESPECT TO THE REGULATING OF ALARM SYSTEMS"

MOTION CARRIED

EARLY RETIREMENT - COUNCILLOR SUTHERLAND

Councillor Sutherland said in 1993 there was a small surplus in the Halifax County pension plan and with threat of amalgamation upon and an attempt to downsize there will be some early retirees. Since then the Municipal Affairs has said on many occasions that she wanted this amalgamation to be very fair in relation to staff. He said he would draw councils attention to what has happened in Glace Bay. He said the point could be made that the county anticipated amalgamation and did their downsizing in advance.

He said the essence of his motion is that where Mr. Hayward made reference to the possibility of some early retirement incentives being to some people where the downsizing took place under amalgamation. He said if the minister is sincere about being fair to early retirees then the essence of his motion would be to include those retirees who left the County of Halifax in 1993. He said he is prepared to move that this council write the minister of Municipal Affairs with a copy to Mr. Hayward requesting that the legislation would provide retroactively to those people who retired in 1993. It would only do so in a case where the benefits would exceed anything that we the county offer. If there was a standard early incentive policy that would exceed benefits the county offered then those people who retired in 1993 would qualify.

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

"THAT A LETTER BE WRITTEN TO THE MINISTER, WITH A COPY TO MR. HAYWARD, REQUESTING THAT THE EARLY RETIREMENT INCENTIVE PROGRAM OFFERED TO QUALIFYING INDIVIDUALS UNDER THE FORTHCOMING AMALGAMATION PROCESS BE OFFERED TO EMPLOYEES OF HALIFAX COUNTY WHO RETIRED UNDER AN EARLY RETIREMENT PROGRAM OFFERED BY HALIFAX COUNTY IN 1993"

Mayor Ball asked if that would be specific to the Municipality.

Councillor Sutherland confirmed this.

Councillor Brill asked if that would include employees of the Rehab Centre.

Mr. Meech said the Rehab Centre employees are a part of that same pension plan so if there was any additional benefit they are county employees like any other employee under the pension plan.

Councillor Brill said some of those people are presently on pre retirement leave so they are not officially retired.

Mr. Meech said it has been his position that the province through community services should be coming up with some additional funds that could be utilized in combination with the county pension plan to provide an early retirement package for those employees. He said one of the difficulties is that this is guided by legislation. We are not in a position to take a pension plan and selectively say we will only offer an early retirement program, for instance, to employees at the Rehab. According to the legislations that guided pension funds you are required to offer to any member of the plan who meets that criteria that has been established. He said Mr. Hayward has been indicating that his intention is to recommend the development of an early retirement package for the new regional municipality so that if there are some people who at the position could access that and that would hopefully provide a part of the attrition or at least a reduction in some of the employee positions.

Councillor Sutherland said if the minister says it should be fair all the way through to include those people who went out in 1993. All we are doing is putting the request in to the minister to look at that in terms of preparing the legislation for amalgamation.

Mayor Ball asked if it was from 1993 forward.

Councillor Sutherland said he is not aware of anyone else leaving on an early retirement package before that time. He said he is speaking specifically to that group that went out in 1993.

Mr. Meech said if this was to be considered they would have to

consider whether the other units in the region also offered an early retirement. They may not be prepared to selectively look at the county situation.

Councillor Sutherland said he is led to believe that a similar motion is coming forward from the City of Halifax.

Councillor Reid said he is uncomfortable with this because he does not know what the costs would be and it may hurt the rest of the people who are in the pension plan if the county has to use a substantial amount of money from what has been put away for those peoples retirement. He would feel uncomfortable with going with this until it was known how it would affect the future of the employees of Halifax County.

Councillor Brill said he feels that it should cover those people who have had early retirement since 1993. He said there are people who have retired from the Rehab Centre who, he feels, have not been fairly treated.

Councillor Sutherland said his feeling is that it would not come from the pension plan but from the cost of doing amalgamation. He said what may come out through amalgamation may be less in some instances.

MOTION CARRIED

MEMORANDUM - CLARIFICATION RE: KENNEL LICENSES

Ms. Dempsey Crossman said the Lois Slaunwhite advises that currently Kennel Licenses are regulated under provincial statute "The Protection of Sheep and Regulation of Dogs". She said this statute is going to be repealed, effective April 1, 1995. She said the Ms. Slaunwhite states that once the statute is repealed the municipality has two options which are to either issue a by-law to deal with kennel licenses or issue each dog in the kennel a licence for \$20.00 each.

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

'THAT THE ISSUE OF KENNEL LICENSES BE REFERRED TO THE DOG BY-LAW COMMITTEE'

MOTION CARRIED

REPORT - JOINT MEETING - SERVICE STANDARDS COMMITTEE AND MUNICIPAL PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

It was moved by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Mitchell:

"THAT THE AMENDMENTS TO THE SUBDIVISION BY-LAW AS REVISED BE APPROVED AND THAT A PUBLIC HEARING BE HELD MARCH 27, 1995 AT 6:00 P.M."

MOTION CARRIED

STAFF REPORT - REQUEST FOR INPUT: LIBRARY FUNDING REVIEW COMMITTEE

It was moved by Councillor Mitchell, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee:

"THAT THE REPORT BE RECEIVED FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL AND FURTHER COUNCIL GO ON RECORD WITH THE POSITION THAT ASSESSMENT BE UTILIZED AS THE METHOD OF CALCULATION FOR LIBRARY FUNDING"

MOTION CARRIED

MEMORANDUM - ACQUISITION OF LAND, EAST DOVER

It was moved by Councillor Mitchell, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee:

'THAT THE REPORT BE RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION"

MOTION CARRIED

UPDATE - G-7 SUMMIT COMMITTEE

Councillor Meade updated council. Council agreed to receive the report for information.

REVISED MEETING DATE - WESTERN REGION COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Council was advised that the first official meeting of the Western Region Community Council was to be on March 9, 1995.

COUNCILLOR FRALICK - AMALGAMATION - SMALL BUSINESS - SCHOOL BOARDS

Councillor Fralick said he would request a letter be written to Mr. McEachern requesting what impact there will be on small business when they amalgamate the 15 municipal school boards unit administrations across the province.

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

"THAT THE LETTER BE WRITTEN TO MR. MCEACHERN"

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT A LETTER BE WRITTEN TO THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND THE PREMIER OF THE PROVINCE STATING THAT THERE IS OVERCROWDING IN TANTALLON ELEMENTARY AND JUNIOR HIGH, SIR JOHN A. AND REQUESTING AN UPGRADING OF THESE SCHOOLS'

MOTION CARRIED

DEPUTY MAYOR COOPER - DOT

Deputy Mayor Cooper said there is really no way of knowing what standards the Department of Transportation is using. He said he would like that the administration set up a process to determine what standards DOT is using right now and the method by which this council/councillors will have input into these roads once the municipality starts paying in April.

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Cooper, seconded by Councillor Naugle:

'THAT THE ADMINISTRATION SET UP A PROCESS TO DETERMINE WHAT STANDARDS THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IS USING AT THE PRESENT TIME AND THE METHOD BY WHICH THIS COUNCIL/COUNCILLORS WILL HAVE INPUT INTO THESE ROADS ONCE THE MUNICIPALITY STARTS PAYING IN APRIL"

MOTION CARRIED

COUNCILLOR FRALICK - SEALS

Councillor Fralick said fishermen would like to see a cull of the seals on Sable Island. He said this would help protect the fish stocks. He said he would like to have a letter written to the Minister of Fisheries Mr. Tobin, Mr. Jim Barkhouse, MLA's for Halifax County and the MP's for Halifax County and a copy to the FCM.

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

'THAT A LETTER BE WRITTEN TO THE MINISTER OF FISHERIES AS OUTLINED"

MOTION CARRIED

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES - COUNCILLOR NAUGLE

Councillor Naugle said he would like to have letters sent to the Minister Department of Transportation and the Minister Department

of Natural Resources with a copy to the Department of the Environment and Dennis Richards MLA in regards to a severe erosion problem on Shore Road in Eastern Passage adjacent to Civic no. 2089 Shore Road. He has spoken to the Department of Transportation at a local level but was told they did not feel it was within their jurisdiction unless a threat to the road. He feels it is.

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

"THAT THE LETTER BE WRITTEN TO THE MINISTER, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE MINISTER, DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AS OUTLINED"

MOTION CARRIED

URGENT AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Meech said council had authorized proceeding with the sale of the larger free standing unit on Hubbards Square property. Subsequent to that, Mr. Hillier had someone inspect the property and found that there was a sinking as a result of some problems with water runoff. He said the county had it's own independent analysis done and identified that there was approximately \$20,000 in repair costs. As a result of that Mr. Hillier indicated he was only prepared to pay \$80,000, as is, for the building.

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

'THAT THE BUILDING BE SOLD FOR THE PRICE OF \$80,000"

MOTION CARRIED

ADDITION OF ITEMS

No items.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Councillor Hendsbee:

"THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED"

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

FEBRUARY 27, 1995

Attending: Councillor Rankin
Councillor Fralick
Councillor Mitchell
Councillor Deveaux
Councillor Hendsbee
Councillor Levy
Councillor Dooks
Councillor Smiley
Councillor Brill
Councillor Hache
Councillor Scratch
Councillor Harvey
Councillor Sutherland
Councillor Turner
Deputy Mayor Cooper
Mayor Ball

Councillor Merrigan arrived at 2:15 p.m.

Mayor Ball called the session to order at 1:00 p.m. Agreement was reached to move the meeting into an in-camera status.

The Mayor advised the Committee of Whole that representatives of Serco Aviation were present to provide additional information, as requested by Council, on our proposed partnership relationship with Serco having focus on the AeroTech Business Park, commercialization of the airport, and private/public partnering generally.

Ed Montgomery, President - Serco Aviation, made a presentation to Council which was followed by an opportunity for Council members to seek further clarification and information on specific issues.

Representatives of Serco Aviation retired from the meeting. At that point, Mayor Ball indicated that a draft memorandum of agreement had been produced, which was then circulated to members of Council. Following which, F. Crooks - Municipal Solicitor and K.R. Meech - Chief Administrative Officer, proceeded to provide the background and explanation on the proposed agreement. It was agreed that the meeting be adjourned and reconvened in an open session.

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

"THAT the memorandum of agreement between Halifax County Municipality and Serco Aviation be approved, with the conditions relative to funding from the Public/Private Partnering Fund."

Motion Carried.

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OF THE
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OF
HALIFAX COUNTY MUNICIPALITY
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COUNCIL SESSION

March 7, 1995

PRESENT WERE: Mayor Ball
Councillor Meade
Councillor Rankin
Councillor Fralick
Councillor Mitchell
Councillor Deveaux
Councillor Hendsbee
Councillor Levy
Councillor Dooks
Councillor Smiley
Councillor Reid
Councillor Naugle
Councillor Merrigan
Councillor Brill
Councillor Snow
Councillor Giffin
Councillor Hache
Councillor Scratch
Councillor Harvey
Councillor Sutherland
Councillor Turner
Councillor McInroy
Deputy Mayor Cooper

ALSO PRESENT: K. R. Meech, Chief Administrative Officer
Nancy Dempsey Crossman, 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. Ms. Dempsey Crossman called roll.

APPOINTMENT OF RECORDING SECRETARY

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

'THAT JULIA HORNCastle BE APPOINTED AS RECORDING SECRETARY'

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

'THAT THE MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING OCTOBER 3, 1994 BE APPROVED'

MOTION CARRIED

It was moved by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Dooks:

'THAT THE MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING NOVEMBER 7, 1994
BE APPROVED"

MOTION CARRIED

It was moved by Councillor Harvey, seconded by Deputy Mayor Cooper:

'THAT THE MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING DECEMBER 12, 1994
BE APPROVED"

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT THE MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING DECEMBER 19, 1994
BE APPROVED"

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 12, 1994 SPECIAL
COUNCIL SESSION BE APPROVED"

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 4, 1994 COMMITTEE OF
THE WHOLE BE APPROVED"

MOTION CARRIED

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

"THAT THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 14, 1994 COMMITTEE OF
THE WHOLE BE APPROVED"

MOTION CARRIED

LETTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE

1. Ms. Dempsey Crossman outlined a letter from the Minister, Department of Fisheries acknowledging receipt of the copy of council's correspondence with regards to educational cutbacks.

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

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

2. Ms. Dempsey Crossman outlined a letter from the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities advising of the outcome of the meeting held with the Minister of Health.

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

'THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

3. Ms. Dempsey Crossman outlined a letter from Verna Colley-Walden, President, Wentworth-Colley Research Bureau soliciting council's support to become a sponsor of the Wentworth-Colley Research reunion.

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

'THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

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

'THAT THE LETTER BE REFERRED TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE"

MOTION CARRIED

4. Ms. Dempsey Crossman outlined a letter from John Holm, MLA, acknowledging receipt of a copy of council's correspondence with regards to educational cutbacks.

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

'THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"

MOTION CARRIED

5. Ms. Dempsey Crossman outlined a letter from the Canadian Red Cross Society requesting that council proclaim March as Red Cross Month.

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

"THAT THE LETTER BE RECEIVED"