

DARTMOUTH CITY COUNCIL

DECEMBER 4/90.

LOCATION: CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
TIME: 7:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: MAYOR SAVAGE  
ALDERMEN SARTO, THOMPSON  
BILLARD, MACFARLANE  
CONNORS, LEVANDIER  
MCCLUSKEY, PYE, WOODS  
HAWLEY, GREENOUGH  
WALTON, HETHERINGTON  
MEMBER ABSENT: ALD. RODGERS  
ACTING CITY ADMINISTRATOR: R. FOUGERE  
CITY SOLICITOR: S. HOOD  
DEPUTY CITY CLERK: G. BRADY  
DEPARTMENT HEADS & ASSISTANTS

INVOCATION

Mayor Savage opened the meeting with the Invocation, followed by a minute of silence in memory of Don Bayer, the former City Planning Director, and in memory of the victims of the Montreal massacre, which occurred one year ago. The Mayor then announced the establishment of a scholarship fund to enable a female Dartmouth student to attend the engineering school of her choice. Administration of the fund will be chaired by Mr. Jacques of Jacques, Whitford, with representation also from CBCL. Ald. Woods will be the liaison Alderman from Council.

1.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: To approve the minutes of Council meetings of Nov. 6, 13, 20, and 27th.

Moved: Ald. Sarto  
Second: Ald. Greenough  
In Favour: All  
Against: None  
Motion Carried

2.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

3.0 PRESENTATIONS

i) 73RD ANNIVERSARY OF HALIFAX EXPLOSION

HFX. EXPLOSION

A presentation was given by Mr. Gosley on the impact of the Halifax Explosion on north-end Dartmouth, this year being the 73rd anniversary of the explosion. Of the 1,500 people killed, 40 were killed outright in Dartmouth, and 50 more people later died from injuries they received. An Indian village located in the north end of Dartmouth was completely demolished, and Mr. Gosley also referred

to the homes, schools and businesses that were destroyed in the north end. He showed a series of slides to illustrate the extent of the damage and the magnitude of the overall devastation in north-end Dartmouth. In conclusion, he noted that the Dartmouth Heritage Museum has a very good exhibit and a video record of the explosion and aftermath.

Ald. Woods felt that some thought should start to be given to the 75th anniversary of the explosion, in two years time, so the City can prepare for an appropriate commemoration. It was suggested that the Heritage Advisory Committee and the Museum Board would be appropriate bodies to look at commemorative suggestions, and a motion of referral was presented.

MOTION: To refer the request for commemorative ideas and suggestions to the Heritage Advisory Committee and the Museum Board for their consideration, and report back to Council.

Moved: Ald. McCluskey  
Second: Ald. Hetherington  
In Favour: All  
Against: None  
Motion Carried

Ald. Connors commended to Council, a recently-published book on the explosion, entitled 'The Shattered City', now in a paperback edition.

ii) SITING CRITERIA FOR NEW REGIONAL LANDFILL

SITING CRITERIA: The second presentation to Council was given by Mr. Gerry  
REGIONAL LANDFILL Isenor of Porter Dillon Ltd. and Ms. Anne Muecke of the firm, Griffiths Muecke Associates. This presentation dealt with the new landfill site and the siting process & siting criteria for it.

Mr. Isenor first reviewed the waste management strategies developed by the Solid Waste Management Advisory Committee, and outlined the landfill requirements associated with each. He then proceeded to the nine principles on which the new landfill siting process will be based, followed by the criteria identification and groupings. A slide presentation was given, indicating the criteria breakdown, and illustrating how each criteria grouping will be analyzed according to the headings of 'Avoidance', 'Minimization', and 'Desirable'. Information on the timing schedule for this phase of the landfill siting process, and the schedule of meetings at which the draft siting criteria are to be reviewed, was provided by Ms. Muecke. She concluded her

part of the presentation with a summary of the landfill siting activities, from the end of January, 1991, up to June of 1994, the time set for commissioning of the landfill site. It was pointed out that this will be a tight schedule throughout, in order to have the site commissioned in time for the closing of the present landfill site.

Mr. Isenor requested that comments from members of Council be forwarded to the Metropolitan Authority either directly or through City representatives, by January 15/91.

Questions and points raised by members at this time were as follows:

- 1) when will decisions be made on the siting of other components, such as incineration. It was pointed out that the pathway for other sites will pretty well have to coincide with the landfill siting so that the total waste management program can become operational at one time.
- 2) it was suggested that provision should be included in the criteria to avoid locating a landfill site in proximity to any industrial or commercial park, since this would be counter-productive to the park development. Ald. Connors requested inclusion of this provision in the Avoidance category. Also requested in the same category was the inclusion of municipal parks, provincial and federal parks already having been so designated under Avoidance (Social).
- 3) are there any outer boundary limits for site location. Mr. Isenor noted that the closer the landfill site, the more economic it will be. At present, however, no outer limits have been set.
- 4) will sludge from the sewage treatment facility be disposed of at the landfill site? Mr. Isenor advised that sludge is not included in the terms of reference for this landfill facility.
- 5) will solid waste be accepted from areas outside the metropolitan area? Mr. Isenor said the siting criteria are being developed, based on the use of the metropolitan municipalities only. It was agreed that the City's representatives on the Authority should reinforce this point about exclusive metro use, as a stated policy of the Authority.

Other questions to Mr. Isenor pertained to: the disposal of commercial hazardous waste; the operation of the mobile PCB incinerator; the cost of the public participation & education process; concerns of rural people who may live in an area selected for the landfill site; drinking water contamination from leachate and provision of an alternate water source in that situation; disposal of existing assets when the present landfill facility is closed. Further to this last question, Ald. Connors asked for further information on the disposal of buildings at the present site, at the time of site closing.

When there were no further members wanting to be heard or to ask questions, the Mayor thanked Mr. Isenor and Ms. Muecke for their attendance and presentation.

Council agreed to deal next with item 9.2.1, for which School Board representatives and the Supt. of Schools were present.

9.2 DARTMOUTH DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

9.2.1 GENERAL INFORMATION RE SCHOOL BOARD

INFORMATION

REPORT: SCHOOL BD.

A general information report from the Dartmouth District School Board has been circulated to members of Council. Mr. Harrison, the Supt. of Schools, highlighted the main items from this report for Council, and was available to take questions from members. He was asked about the status of the Board's budget for 1991, about the new funding formula for education, and about the implications of the GST in relation to services provided to the school system by the City, bus operators, etc. Ald. Connors asked to receive further information on the GST question. The main concern expressed was that budget parameters are being followed in preparing for the 1991 School Board budget, in anticipation of difficult financial decisions Council will have to make at a later time.

MOTION: To receive and file the School Board report of Nov. 15/90 for information.

Moved: Ald. Greenough  
Second: Ald. Thompson  
In Favour: All  
Against: None  
Motion Carried

4.0 CONCERNS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS OR QUESTIONS

The fifteen-minute time period set aside for concerns and questions from members of Council, followed.

ALD. HETHERINGTON Ald. Hetherington directed a request to the Engineering Dept. in connection with the number of street lights out of operation throughout the City; he said about ten to fifteen percent of them are not operating at present.

Ald. Hetherington indicated his concern about the operation of video arcades through Atlantic Lottery, and he requested information on the ownership of the machines; how will they be paid for; who will pay for support of the groups that assist people with gambling problems; who is behind it all?

Ald. Hetherington asked for a response from Mr. Muzzin, the City Legal Dept., and from the Fire Dept., as to the possible violation of the collective agreement with City firefighters, as a result of manpower changes outlined in a memo from the Fire Chief to Platoon Chiefs, dated Nov. 27/90. He was particularly concerned about the situation at #2 Fire Station, as a result of these changes.

ALD. HAWLEY

Ald. Hawley objected to the Chamber of Commerce reference, in their recent invitation, to the 'Alderney Gate Library'. He asked that the Mayor correct this mistake for the Chamber, pointing out to them that the name is in fact, the 'Dartmouth Regional Library'.

ALD. MCCLUSKEY

Ald. McCluskey noted that the truck signs requested have not yet been put up on Woodland Ave. Mr. Fougere to check on this item again.

Ald. McCluskey requested that the Solicitor review our present by-laws, to see if there is any provision for controlling the raising and keeping of pigeons.

ALD. CONNORS

Ald. Connors extended the thanks of residents living on Dahlia, Tulip and Rose Streets, for the control of traffic recently introduced through left-turn restrictions on those streets.

Ald. Connors asked for assurance that staff are actively pursuing a course of action with CN, toward the resolution of problems with the sounding of train whistles in the downtown area. The Solicitor reported on the latest communication received from CN in this connection, and on the signs that will have to be posted in Dartmouth prior to the next step CN will take. Ald. Connors asked to be advised within the next week of further progress.

Ald. Connors read a letter he has received from Class 803 of Bicentennial Jr. High, requesting another crosswalk on Nantucket Ave., near the Dartmouth Shopping Centre. He asked to have this request looked at further so he can reply to the letter.

ALD. THOMPSON

Ald. Thompson asked about the status of the bill for RCMP services; the Mayor will take this inquiry under advisement.

Ald. Thompson also asked for information on the twinning of the water line from Gordon Ave. Mr. Purdy advised that the design is just about completed, and plans have been submitted to the Transportation and Environment Departments, as required. Tenders should be out fairly soon for the project.

ALD. PYE

Ald. Pye asked if the City will have a contest for best-decorated properties this Christmas season. The Mayor asked Ald. Pye to take responsibility for the contest, as he has in recent years.

5.0

DELEGATIONS & HEARINGS OF PROTEST

6.0

ORIGINAL COMMUNICATIONS

i)

REPRESENTATION BY POPULATIONREPRESENTATION  
BY POPULATION

Members have received copies of a letter from the Leader of the Provincial New Democratic Party, on the subject of representation by population and the suggested need for electoral redistribution; the original letter from Ms. McDonough has been directed to the Provincial Attorney General.

MOTION: To receive and file the letter received on the subject of representation by population, dated Nov. 15/90.

Moved: Ald. Greenough  
Second: Ald. Levandier  
In Favour: All  
Against: None  
Motion Carried

ii)

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ANNUAL DINNER

CHAMBER DINNER

Members have received invitations to a dinner with the Dartmouth Chamber of Commerce on January 17th, at which time civic matters will be jointly discussed. Ald. Levandier stated his objection to the exclusion of press from this dinner-meeting.

iii) STATUS REPORT 1990 - DARTMOUTH ASSESSMENT REGIONSTATUS REPORT:  
ASSESSMENT

Members agreed to defer for one week, the status report 1990, Dartmouth Assessment Region, received from the Dept. of Municipal Affairs, for discussion at the meeting of Dec. 11th. A motion to defer was adopted.

MOTION: To defer for one week, the item on 1990 assessment, as per the status report received from the Dept. of Municipal Affairs.

Moved: Ald. Hetherington  
Second: Ald. Levandier  
In Favour: All  
Against: None  
Motion Carried

9.0 REPORTS9.1 CITY ADMINISTRATOR9.1.1 CHANGE OF YEAR-END - TAX DUE DATES (SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT)CHANGE OF YEAR  
END: TAX DUE DATE

As directed at the Nov. 27th Council meeting, additional information has been provided by Mr. Burke (B. Smith, L. Corrigan) on the effect of changing tax due dates recommended in the schedule for changing over to a new fiscal year, as per the amendment proposed at the Nov. 27th meeting, that is, to change the third installment date in the transition year, from Dec. 6/91, to Feb. 1/92. Having received this additional information, which indicates an estimation of lost interest in the amount of \$347,000., Council proceeded to the vote on the amendment, which had been moved by Ald. Connors, seconded by Ald. MacFarlane.

In Favour: None  
Against: All  
Motion Defeated

The vote was then taken on the original motion to adopt the recommendations from the report of Nov. 13/90 on tax billings, as moved by Ald. MacFarlane and seconded by Ald. Greenough. This motion was still outstanding from the Nov. 27th meeting, as in the case of the amendment.

In Favour: All  
Against: None  
Motion Carried

7.0 PUBLIC HEARINGS

8.0 PETITIONSi) TIPPING FEES

## TIPPING FEES

A petition has been received from Halifax County Condominium Corp. #15, regarding the charge to them for garbage removal to the landfill site, and since there was some uncertainty as to the position recently taken on this matter by the Metropolitan Authority, Council felt it should be deferred for one week, to have further information provided by Mr. Burke, on the position of the Authority.

MOTION: To defer for one week, a decision on the petition received re garbage collection from condo owners, to have the present position of the Metropolitan Authority clarified by Mr. Burke.

Moved: Ald. McCluskey  
Second: Ald. Levandier  
In Favour: All  
Against: None  
Motion Carried

ii) WATERFOWL - LITTLE ALBRO LAKEWATERFOWL:  
L. ALBRO LAKE

The second petition before Council was from residents who live in the vicinity of Little Albro Lake and object to the feeding of waterfowl on the shores of this lake. They have requested that Council amend By-law W-200, to include Little Albro Lake, along with Lake Banook, which is the one lake presently covered under the by-law.

MOTION: That the City Solicitor be asked to comply with the request for an amendment to By-law W-200, so that it will include Little Albro Lake in the restriction against the feeding of waterfowl.

Moved: Ald. McCluskey  
Second: Ald. Thompson  
In Favour: All  
Against: None  
Motion Carried



9.3 WYSE ROAD BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT COMMITTEE9.3.1 1990 ANCHOR PROJECTS - WYSE ROADWYSE ROAD ANCHOR  
PROJECTS: 1990

The Wyse Road Business Improvement District Committee has requested the approval of Council for the following anchor projects in their 1990 Mainstreet Program: Sidewalk (Inventory, design - \$24,000.); Parking lot (inventory and design - \$10,000.); and Mini park on Albro Lake Road - \$17,500.)

MOTION: To approve the anchor projects requested by the Wyse Road Business Improvement District Committee, in the total amount of \$52,100.

Moved: Ald. Pye  
Second: Ald. Hetherington  
In Favour: All  
Against: None  
Motion Carried

9.4 SOLICITORS9.4.1 TAX DEFERRAL BY-LAW - INCREASE IN TAXABLE INCOMEBY-LAW T-301:  
TAX DEFERRAL

In keeping with a recommendation of the Finance & Program Review Committee, to increase the limit of taxable income to the figure of \$20,000. for tax deferral purposes, the Solicitor has prepared By-law T-301 to accomplish this change in the Tax Deferral By-law. The new by-law was presented for Council's approval at this time.

MOTION: That leave be given to introduce the said By-law T-301 and that it now be read a first time.

Moved: Ald. Hetherington  
Second: Ald. Greenough  
In Favour: All  
Against: None  
Motion Carried

MOTION: That By-law T-301 be read a second time.

Moved: Ald. Hetherington  
Second: Ald. Sarto

Some reservations were expressed about the increase in the limit of taxable income for deferral purposes, but in general, members were willing to accept this additional means of assistance for people who have difficulty with their tax payments and apply to have them deferred. Ald. Hetherington requested that the increase be well publicized for the information of senior citizens. The vote was taken on second reading.

In Favour: All  
Against: None  
Motion Carried

Unanimous consent was given by Council for third reading of the by-law.

MOTION: That By-law T-301 be read a third time and that the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign and seal the said by-law on behalf of the City.

Moved: Ald. Hetherington  
Second: Ald. Pye  
In Favour: All  
Against: None  
Motion Carried

10.0 MOTIONS

10.1 ALD. RODGERS

10.1.1 FUNDING - HARBOUR CLEANUP

In Ald. Rodgers' absence, his motion on funding for the harbour cleanup was deferred for one week.

10.2 ALD. MCCLUSKEY

10.2.1 OUT OF PROVINCE EXPENSES - ELECTED OFFICIALS

MOTION:

WHEREAS elected officials have occasion from time to time, to travel outside the Province;

AND WHEREAS the City Charter states that expenses will be paid for them upon instructions of Council;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that any time an elected official plans to travel outside the Province, at the expense of the City, that Council be asked to approve the expense.

Moved: Ald. McCluskey  
Second: Ald. Thompson

Members opposed to the motion did not feel it would be practical or reasonable to expect that Council's authorization would be given for every travel expenditure involving members of Council, taking into account that a specific budget item, covering travel, is dealt with and approved at budgettime. Ald. Hawley suggested, however, that a regular reporting of who is going where and for what purpose, would be a good idea; also, that members who travel on the City's behalf, should give brief summary reports back to Council after their return. A number of other members agreed with both suggestions.

Members also tended to feel that the Mayor should be exempted from the requirements of the motion, and an amendment to this effect was presented.

AMENDMENT: That the Mayor be exempted from the requirements of the motion.

Moved: Ald. Hetherington  
Second: Ald. Pye

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane was asked to chair the meeting briefly so that Mayor Savage could address Council on the subject of the motion (amendment). He noted, for the information of Council, that the item for travel and conference attendance, has been carefully overseen by him and has not been over-expended, thereby clarifying a point raised in debate. The vote was taken on the amendment.

In Favour: All members except  
Against: Ald. Hawley  
Amendment Carried

The vote was taken on the motion.

In Favour: A minority of members  
Against: Majority of Council  
Motion Defeated

Ald. Hawley presented a new motion, relative to the suggestions he made during debate.

MOTION: That Council be notified in advance of any and all anticipated trips by members, and that following their return, Council receive information in summary form from those members who were out of the City; this information to be circulated with regular Council agendas.

Moved: Ald. Hawley  
Second: Ald. Hetherington  
In Favour: All  
Against: None  
Motion Carried

11.0 NOTICES OF MOTION

The following notices of motion were given for the next regular meeting of Council:

Ald. Woods

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AND WHEREAS incineration will form a fundamental portion of this process;

AND WHEREAS the Mechanical Engineering Division of the Technical University of Nova Scotia possesses the Rand D skills to assist in solving the technical issues involved in the safe and efficient combustion of garbage;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Metropolitan Authority open a meaningful dialogue with TUNS, with a view of exploring a possible TUNS involvement in such a precedent-setting project.

Ald. Billard

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BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Dartmouth Water Commission become pro-active in its effort to encourage conservation, and that effort include, but not be limited to, distribution of water saver inserts to all water clients.

At 10:55 p.m., Council went in camera, on motion of Ald. Hetherington and Thompson. Before adjournment, a motion was presented by Ald. Greenough and Thompson, to have an inside parking space designated for the use of the Recording Secretary. Ald. Connors said he would be willing to give up his parking allocation for this purpose, since he normally parks in his office building. The motion was adopted by Council.

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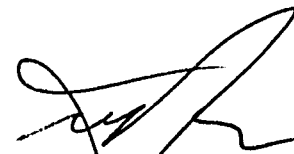
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Council adjourned at 11:00 p.m. Ratification was not required from in camera, since the item concerned was for information only.



G. D. Brady,  
Deputy City Clerk.

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LOCATION: CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
TIME: 7:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: MAYOR SAVAGE  
ALDERMEN SARTO, THOMPSON  
BILLARD, MACFARLANE  
CONNORS, LEVANDIER  
RODGERS, MCCLUSKEY  
PYE, WOODS, HAWLEY  
GREENOUGH, WALTON  
HETHERINGTON

CITY ADMINISTRATOR: J. BURKE  
CITY SOLICITOR: M. MOREASH  
DEPUTY CITY CLERK: G. BRADY  
DEPARTMENT HEADS & ASSISTANTS

1.0 PRESENTATION

i) POLICE - GOVERNOR GENERAL - HONOUR AWARDS

The Mayor began the meeting with the presentation of Exemplary Service Medals to members of the City police force. Receiving medals were the following:

Police Chief Trider:	40 Year Silver Double Bar
Insp. F. Wright:	30 Year Silver Single Bar
Sgt. J. Murray:	20 Year Service Medal
Cst. J. Bowes:	20 Year Service Medal
R. Cullen:	20 Year Service Medal
G. Clarke:	20 Year Service Medal
B. McCarthy:	20 Year Service Medal

Educational awards were presented to the following police officers:

Cpl. S. Brownlow  
Cst. D. J. Trider  
J. Clarke  
D. Publicover  
B. Bonang  
P. Burdock  
W. F. Moore

Mayor Savage acknowledged the quality of policing the City has and the efforts of our police officers in upgrading and continuing to improve their education, as members of the police force.

2.0 PUBLIC HEARING

i) APPLICATION TO AMEND DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT - 3 BRUCE ST.

PUBLIC HEARING:  
3 BRUCE STREET

This meeting of Council constituted the public hearing



for an application to amend the Development Agreement for 3 Bruce Street, by deleting two clauses: one, requiring fencing along Bruce Street, and the second, prohibiting driveway access to Bruce Street. Local residents have petitioned for the removal of these two requirements.

All members of Council were present for the hearing, with the exception of Ald. Connors, who did not arrive until a later point in this Council meeting.

Presentation for the Planning Dept. was made by Mr. L'Esperance. He explained the request for an amendment to the Development Agreement in the two areas noted, as received by way of a petition from areas residents, presented through Ald. Sarto. He advised that the Planning Dept. recommends in favour of the amendment by approving Resolution 90-40, to accomplish it. There were no questions to Mr. L'Esperance from members of Council.

The Mayor opened the public hearing and called three times for any speakers in favour of the amendment. There were no speakers in favour, so he then called for representation from anyone opposed. After calling three times for speakers opposed, and hearing none, he declared the public hearing to be closed.

MOTION: To close the public hearing  
for amendment to the Development  
Agreement for 3 Bruce Street.

Moved: Ald. Sarto  
Second: Ald. Thompson  
In Favour: All  
Against: None  
Motion Carried

RESOLUTION  
90-40

A second motion was adopted, to approve Resolution 90-40.

MOTION: To approve Resolution 90-40,  
which amends the Development  
Agreement for 3 Bruce Street.

Moved: Ald. Sarto  
Second: Ald. Hetherington  
In Favour: All  
Against: None  
Motion Carried

3.0 CONCERNS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS OR QUESTIONS

The fifteen-minute time period set aside for concerns and questions from members of Council, followed.

ALD. MCCLUSKEY

Ald. McCluskey asked that the owners of Alderney Gate be contacted about some means of alerting pedestrians on the sidewalk, at the end of the complex, that cars are exiting from the parking garage at that point, so the pedestrians are alerted to this fact.

ALD. BILLARD

Ald. Billard asked if an additional member could be appointed to the Commons Committee at this time, in view of the altered appointment process that took place for the 1990/91 terms of office, and the fact that an application was received from a citizen who is still interested in serving on the Committee. The Mayor referred the inquiry to the Solicitor, to see if there is any way such an appointment could be considered.

Ald. Billard was concerned about the parking of cars on the triangular piece of land at the top of Nantucket Ave., and asked that an estimate for improvements to the land, be made available at capital budget time, for discussion. If the land were properly improved, it would then be possible to enforce no parking restrictions. Mr. Burke noted that the capital budget has been completed, but agreed that a cost estimate could be provided for some discussion, as requested.

ALD. WALTON

Ald. Walton was concerned that citizens are not aware of the fifteen-month change-over to a new fiscal year, and he felt the change-over should be publicized at this time. Mr. Burke explained why staff do not want to go ahead with publicity before Christmas, considering it would be preferable and have a better impact, early in the new year. Members tended to agree with a date such as Dec. 28th or an early new year date, as being more effective.

Ald. Walton asked about a possible saving to the City on return envelopes for water billings, if these were not sent out to customers who regularly pay directly at City Hall or through their bank. Mr. Smith agreed to take a look at this suggestion for possible cost saving to the City.

ALD. SARTO

Ald. Sarto requested a monitoring by the Police Dept., at peak traffic hours, of the crosswalk at the intersection of Portland Street and Bel Ayr Ave., where people have difficulty in crossing safely from the bus stop.

Ald. Sarto asked to have Elizabeth Street added to the list of streets on which flooding problems occur during periods of heavy rain, such as we had on Dec. 8th. Mr. Fougere was asked to prepare a list of those streets and to include Elizabeth; Ald. Sarto to provide civic numbers where flooding occurred.

Ald. Sarto asked that staff consider adding to our present inventory of sump pumps (now 15), so there are more of them available during flooding emergencies.

ALD. PYE

Ald. Pye requested that members of Council have information to him on the best decorated homes in their wards, by Dec. 23rd, when the committee will make its tour of the city.

ALD. HETHERINGTON

Further to the point raised by Ald. Billard about parking on Commons land, on Nantucket Ave., Ald. Hetherington asked where cars parked on Hare Lane and on the former tourist bureau property will go if parking is prohibited.

In connection with questions he raised at the Dec. 4th meeting, about staffing of the #2 Fire Station, Ald. Hetherington asked for additional information as to: how many days the station has been empty, and (2) how many calls were received, within their jurisdiction, during last week and this week.

ALD. MACFARLANE

Ald. MacFarlane noted that a new type of ice control mixture, with a reduced amount of salt, is being used in Toronto, and he asked if it could be looked at for possible use on Dartmouth streets. The Mayor said it could be looked at, but the alternative looked at by Engineering Dept. previously was very much more expensive.

Ald. MacFarlane requested a status report on the work being done on the Celtic Drive drainage problems.

Ald. MacFarlane asked about any possible way of soliciting cost-saving suggestions from the public; the Mayor said it might be a good idea to have a suggestion box for this purpose outside the office of the Clerk-Treasurer's Dept.

ALD. WOODS

Ald. Woods proposed that apartment buildings also be included for best decorated awards, and the Mayor asked that the committee responsible, consider including these buildings as well, as requested.

4.0 ORIGINAL COMMUNICATIONSi) STATUS REPORT 1990, DARTMOUTH ASSESSMENT REGIONSTATUS REPORT:  
ASSESSMENT

Information reports have been forwarded to members of Council on the status of the 1990 Dartmouth assessment; this item was deferred from the Dec. 4th Council meeting for discussion.

Ald. McCluskey expressed to Council, the various concerns she has about the lack of responsibility for assessment services generally in the Dartmouth region, and about the lack of training and experience that assessors have generally, the impact of which is being felt by the City through the cost of assessment appeals. She felt that some effort should be made to try and take over our own assessment functions, and she proposed a motion along these lines, which Ald. Rodgers was prepared to second. The Mayor felt it would be preferable if Ald. McCluskey gave a notice of motion to this effect, in view of the subject matter and what she is proposing. Notice of motion was subsequently given as follows:

NOTICE OF MOTION:  
ALD. MCCLUSKEYAld. McCluskey - Notice of Motion

WHEREAS the City of Dartmouth is presently and has been experiencing, problems with the accuracy of the assessment roll;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City look at the option of taking over the assessment function and the (1) legislative impact it would have; (2) as well as the financial impact.

The Mayor explained in detail what has been done to date, to address the frustrations and continuing concerns associated with the assessment situation in the Dartmouth region. Mr. Burke commented on a report he has circulated to Council, clarifying his point about the suggested repatriation of the assessment regions as a province-wide effort, or failing that, a metropolitan effort. The cities of Halifax and Dartmouth appear to be the two regions most adversely affected by assessment appeals, but not the County of Halifax; information was not available on the Town of Bedford. Ald. Greenough asked if it might be worthwhile forming a committee of Council to meet with the Provincial Cabinet, as one more City approach that could be tried.

This item will receive further consideration when it comes back to Council in the form of Ald. McCluskey's motion.

(Ald. Connors was present from this point in the meeting.)

5.0 PETITION

i) TIPPING FEES

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Another item deferred from the Dec. 4th meeting, for information, was the petition from Halifax County Condo Corp. #15, objecting to the cost of garbage removal to the landfill site, as reflected in the tipping fees charged to the company collecting the garbage from these condo owners.

Mr. Burke advised Council, by way of additional information, that the Metropolitan Authority has not dealt with this issue again, and is not likely to until the City of Halifax has completed its user-pay concept study for garbage collection; this item will probably not be back on an Authority agenda until the new year at least. Council was further advised that the tipping fee would not be required of condo owners if they were part of municipal garbage collection service, an added cost of approx. \$30,000. to the City, based on the number of condo units in Dartmouth at present. The implications of commercial and apartment building collections, with the additional cost represented, were also pointed out by Mr. Burke.

Several members who spoke during the discussion, felt that the owners of condo units are now being forced to pay twice for what is a service normally expected through the payment of municipal taxes. Ald. Connors pointed out that Council has already taken a position on this issue, back in May of this year, has reinforced that position since then, and has asked its representatives on the Metropolitan Authority to present that position on Council's behalf. He felt the intent of Council should be clearly stated to the Authority, and a solution should be requested from the Authority as soon as possible. Ald. Pye wanted to have co-op housing units included in any decision that may be made in favour of condo units.

In response to questions from the Mayor, Council indicated that members do not wish to have apartment units included in any provision for condo owners, and, if there is no resolution of the problem on a metropolitan basis, Council would still want the matter to come back for further consideration at the local level. The Mayor said he would accept the guidance of Council, and communicate these wishes to the Authority. Ald. Levandier was also willing to abide by Council's direction, as set out in the motion of May 1/90, and reinforced at the meeting of Oct. 2/90.

6.0 MOTION6.1 ALD. RODGERS6.1.1 FUNDING - HARBOUR CLEANUP

Ald. Rodgers requested permission to defer his motion on funding for the harbour cleanup, until he receives further information he requires. Council agreed.

7.0 REPORTS7.1 MAYOR7.1.1 CITY OF TORONTO - ROYAL COMMISSION ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMENREQUEST FOR  
ROYAL COMMISSION

Mayor Savage has received a letter from the City of Toronto, asking for support from municipalities in their request to the Federal Government, for the establishment of a Royal Commission on violence against women.

MOTION: To support the City of Toronto request for the establishment of a Royal Commission on violence against women, and to communicate that support from the City of Dartmouth.

Moved: Ald. Levandier  
Second: Ald. Sarto  
In Favour: All  
Against: None  
Motion Carried

7.2 CITY ADMINISTRATOR7.2.1 1991 CHANGE - METERED PARKING RATES (SUPPLEMENTARY)CHANGE IN PARKING  
METER RATES

As requested at the November 27th meeting of Council, additional information has been provided in connection with the proposed increase in parking meter rates for 1991; also, the several downtown groups requested, have indicated their response to the increase being proposed. Council therefore proceeded to approve the two recommendations from the report previously before Council, dated Nov. 13/90.

MOTION: To adopt the recommendations on a parking meter rate increase for 1991, as follows:

- a) approve parking meter rates effective for January 1991 at the rate of 75¢ per hr.
- b) approve the purchase of new timing mechanisms for 348 units, convert all meters to 25¢ and \$1.00 coins only receptacles, and the purchase of 81 new coin security system units, at a total price not to exceed \$85,000. in favor of J. J. MacKay Canada Ltd.

Moved: Ald. Greenough  
Second: Ald. Sarto  
In Favour: All members except  
Against: Ald. Levandier  
Motion Carried

#### 7.2.2 TENDER, MUNICIPAL INSURANCE

AWARD TENDER:  
 MUNICIPAL  
 INSURANCE

Report from Mr. Burke (B. Smith) on tenders received (from Pat King Insurance and Johnson & Higgins Willis Faber) for City insurance requirements. Acceptance of the Johnson & Higgins tender, in the amount of \$306,439., has been recommended.

MOTION: To award the tender for municipal insurance to the firm of Johnson & Higgins, in the amount of \$306,439., as recommended.

Moved: Ald. Hetherington  
Second: Ald. Walton  
In Favour: All  
Against: None  
Motion Carried

Questions from members of Council about City insurance provisions and coverage under the tender recommended, were addressed by Mr. Smith. Ald. Sarto, Greenough and Pye indicated that they wished to receive information referred to by Mr. Smith on insurance claims involving the City.

#### 7.2.3

#### WATER SYSTEM EXTENSIONS

WATER SYSTEM  
 EXTENSIONS

Council considered a report from Mr. Burke (R. Fougere, E. Purdy) on requested water service extensions into City and County areas. It has been recommended that approval be given for the extension of water service for: Willowdale Subdivision Phase 2; Forest Hills Phase 11A; Keystone Village Phase VII; Albro Lake lands; and Millbrook Reserve (Cole Harbour), subject to technical approval of design drawings.

MOTION: To approve the five water system extensions, as recommended.

Moved: Ald. Sarto  
Second: Ald. Thompson

Ald. Hetherington stated his concerns about County lands being opened up for further development if a ten-inch water line is installed on Caldwell Road to service the Millbrook Indian Reserve lands. Additional demands for lateral extensions off a new main trunk line could then be expected. Ald. Hetherington also noted that the County still has to determine its development boundaries in this area, and he favoured a deferral of any decision on the extension to Millbrook until this determination has taken place and the City of Dartmouth has been so advised. He proposed an amendment to this effect, seconded by Ald. Walton, but the amendment was subsequently withdrawn.

Ald. Pye said the water extension requests should have first gone to the Water Utility Committee, for recommendation to Council. He moved referral for this purpose.

MOTION: To refer the water extension requests to the Water Utility Committee for their consideration and recommendation.

Moved: Ald. Pye  
Second: Ald. McCluskey  
In Favour: Six members  
Against: Seven members  
Motion Defeated

(Ald. Woods had left the meeting by this point.)

Because of the urgency of the Millbrook extension, an alternate amendment was suggested, whereby the Phase 1 line would be included, with whatever water supply is necessary to provide this service (six-inch pipe was first specified, but this wording was replaced with the words '. . . with whatever water supply is necessary for Phase 1). In this revised form, the amendment to the main motion was again presented by Ald. Hetherington, seconded by Ald. Thompson.

AMENDMENT: To include in the list approved, the extension to the Millbrook Reserve, to be serviced with whatever water supply is necessary for Phase 1.

Moved: Ald. Hetherington  
Second: Ald. Thompson  
In Favour: Five members  
Against: Eight members  
Amendment Defeated



The vote was then taken on the motion as originally moved by Ald. Sarto and Thompson, recorded at the top of page 9 of these minutes.

In Favour: Eight members  
Against: Five members  
Motion Carried

NOTICE OF  
RECONSIDERATION

Notice of reconsideration was then given by Ald. Hetherington, seconded by Ald. Pye.

7.2.4.

LEASE OF LAND TO SIDHU INVESTMENTS LTD: 704 & 706 WINDMILL RD.

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704 & 706 WIND-  
MILL ROAD

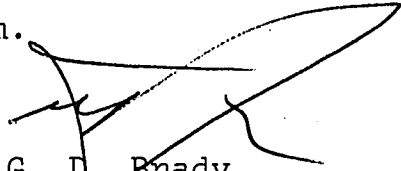
Report from Mr. Burke (T. Rath) on City property at 704 & 706 Windmill Road, being leased to Sidhu Investments Ltd., recommending that Council approve inclusion in the lease agreement of permission to erect a business identification sign for Meineke Discount Mufflers & Brakes, a request for this lease provision having been received from Sidhu Investments Ltd.

MOTION: To approve the lease provision requested by Sidhu Investments Ltd., for inclusion in their lease agreement with the City for 704 and 706 Windmill Road.

Moved: Ald. Thompson  
Second: Ald. McCluskey  
In Favour: All  
Against: None  
Motion Carried

Before adjournment, the Mayor informed Council of the invitation extended by Deputy Mayor MacFarlane to his home on Dec. 23rd at 1:00 p.m. for chowder.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 p.m.



G. D. Brady,  
Deputy City Clerk.

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