## DARTMOUTH CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

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\* TUES., MAY 05/92

\* 7:30 PM

\* COUNCIL CHAMBER

\* IN CAMERA SESSION

\* 10:00 PM

### INVOCATION

PROCLAMATION - CANADA HEALTH DAY THEME - "YOUR HEALTH, YOUR HEALTHCARE SYSTEM: PROTECT BOTH!"

- 1. APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE MEETINGS: April 8, 14, 21, 28, 1992.
- 2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES
- 3. LAKE SAFETY PATROL
- 3. CONCERNS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS OR QUESTIONS (15 MINUTE MAXIMUM)
- 4. DELEGATIONS & HEARINGS OF PROTEST
- 5. ORIGINAL COMMUNICATION
- 6. PUBLIC HEARING
- 7. PRESENTATION
  - i) Construction Association of Nova Scotia
- 8. PETITION
  - i) Two lane street at Woodlawn Road between Kelly Drive and Mt. Edward Road
- 9. REPORTS
  - 9.1 <u>CITY ADMINISTRATOR</u> (reports previously circulated)
    - 9.1.1 Task Force on Local Government
    - 9.1.2 Ald. Levandier's/MacFarlane's motion re: Possible Amalgamation of Services

### 10. MOTIONS

- 10.1 <u>ALDERMAN GREENOUGH</u> 10.1.1 1993 Budget - Schedule of meetings
- 11. NOTICES OF MOTION

### IN CAMERA SESSION - 10:00 PM

- 1. B.I.P. Land Acquisition
- 2. Land Waverley Road

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### DARTMOUTH CITY COUNCIL

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS LOCATION:

7:30 P.M. TIME:

MEMBERS PRESENT: DEPUTY MAYOR MCCLUSKEY

SARTO, THOMPSON, RODGERS WOODS, PYE, GREENOUGH ALDERMEN

HAWLEY, WALTON, HETHERINGTON

MEMBERS ABSENT: ALD. MAY, LEVANDIER (REGRETS)

MACFARLANE, CUNNINGHAM (REGRETS)

A/CITY ADMINISTRATOR: T. RATH CITY SOLICITOR: S. HOOD CITY CLERK-TREAS.: B. SMITH DEPARTMENT HEADS & ASSISTANTS

### INVOCATION

Deputy Mayor McCluskey opened the meeting with the Invocation. She welcomed Mr. Johns back to attending the Council meetings.

### PROCLAMATION - CANADA HEALTH DAY

A Proclamation was read by the Deputy Mayor, which proclaims May 12/92 as Canada Health Day in the City of Dartmouth; in recognition, Dartmouth General Hospital will hold a community education forum on that date, and all interested residents are invited to attend.

#### 1.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: To approve the minutes of meetings

held on April 8, 14, 21, and 28th, 1992.

Ald. Sarto Moved: Second: Ald. Thompson

In Favour: All None Against:

Motion Carried

Ald. Hetherington referred to a recent Chamber of Commerce press release, in connection with the Tourist Bureau, suggesting that if the Chamber are so concerned, they should set up a Visitor's Bureau themselves.

#### 2.0 . BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

#### 3.0 LAKE SAFETY PATROL

LAKE SAFETY PATROL

The lake safety patrol item was again before Council, deferred from the April 28th meeting, and the Solicitor circulated a report at this time, urging Council to limit discussion in open meeting to the decision as to whether the patrol service is to be continued for the current year.

A motion was proposed to continue the lake safety patrol operation for this year, and Mr. Rath advised that with the P.E.P. funding now approved, an amount of \$18,000. is available from the tourism promotion budget, which could be reallocated by Council for other purposes.

MOTION: To continue the lake safety patrol

service for a second year, with a reallocation of budget funds, plus the \$15,000. budget item allocated in the Police Dept. estimates.

Moved:

Ald. Greenough

Second:

Ald. Pye

Against:

In Favour: All members except Ald. Hetherington

Motion Carried

#### 3.0 CONCERNS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS OR QUESTIONS

ALD. WALTON

Ald. Walton indicated concerns on behalf of South Woodside residents affected by the electoral boundary changes, in that people residing in South Woodside are to be included in the Eastern Passage/Cole Harbour constituency. He asked that a fax be sent to communicate Council's concern, on behalf of South Woodside residents, to the Law Amendments Committee. Council concurred with Ald. Walton's request.

Ald. Walton's second concern was about truck traffic on residential streets in South Woodside, such as Lyon Street. He asked that Roger Burns of the Irving Oil company be contacted about this problem, since trucks owned by that company are the ones involved.

Ald. Walton requested the attention of the Works Dept. to 'sink' holes on Everette Street.

ALD. THOMPSON

Ald. Thompson said he has received a call about a piece of paving equipment, privately-owned, that has been parked at the end of Lakecrest Drive all winter, and should be moved. Ald. Hawley later asked that a car parked for some time, near the paving machine, be checked out at the same time.

Ald. Thompson asked when the street sweeper will be in Ward 1 areas of Woodlawn. Mr. Fougere said it should be in that area within the next week or so.

ALD. SARTO

Ald. Sarto asked Chief Cole for police patrols on Mount Edward Road (Woodlawn Road to Spring Ave.), where excessive speeding is being complained of by residents.

Ald. Sarto requested that a follow-up be expedited, to deal with the barrier at Carver Street, now that the meeting with Transportation Dept. staff has been held and they have agreed to do a traffic count.

ALD. HAWLEY

Ald. Hawley expressed his appreciation for action taken to deal with the parking problem, on the sidewalk in front of Tim Horton's on Waverley Road. A barrier has been put in place to prevent parking on the sidewalk.

ALD. PYE

Ald. Pye referred to a recent instance where a zoning violation was apparently taking place, but the staff member contacted was not able to give the situation immediate attention, due to the fact that a vehicle was not available for use at the time. He asked to be informed if only one vehicle is available and being shared by Planning, Traffic and City Administration.

ALD. HETHERINGTON Ald. Hetherington thanked the Solicitor for providing a copy of By-law C-300, which deals with the operation of dirt bikes, and said he would like to see this problem addressed, now that information has been received on the City's ability to control the operation of these machines.

> Ald. Hetherington asked that an Unsightly Premises notice be sent to the Province, giving them 30 days to clean up the property they own, next to the Children's Training Centre in south Dartmouth.

Ald. Hetherington inquired about the condition of the Police Dept. motorcycle, severely damaged this week, and was advised by Chief Cole that it is probably a write-off. Mr. Smith provided information on the claim the City will make against the owner of the vehicle involved, and the restitution that should be received, including loss-of-use that can be charged against the owner's insurance as well.

ALD. GREENOUGH

Ald. Greenough said he has received compaints about dog owners who are not cleaning up after their animals on streets and in areas such as Shubie Park. He asked that additional signs be posted and that the attention of the public be directed to the responsibility of pet owners, perhaps through a reminder included in with the water billings.

Ald. Greenough asked that staff consider taking action in the case of a property owner on Fourth Street, who has been building a shed at the front part of his residence, in contravention of the Planning Act.

Ald. Greenough suggested that the Transportation Dept. be approached with a request to begin cleaning up the Circumferential Highway ramps, all along the length of the highway. Members of Council agreed that this request should be made in the strongest possible terms to the Dept.

### FCM CONFERENCE

The Deputy Mayor informed Council that the FCM Conference will be held this year in Montreal, beginning on June 6th. Provision has been made in the budget to send one member of Council, and members interested are asked to submit their names by the next meeting of Council. The member to attend will be selected at that time. Ald. Rodgers requested a report on the expenses of Aldermen for the past year.

The Deputy Mayor advised that a date other than May 11th will have to be looked at for the meeting of Council with the Dartmouth Chamber of Commerce.

- 4.0 DELEGATIONS & HEARINGS OF PROTEST
- 5.0 ORIGINAL COMMUNICATION
- 6.0 PUBLIC HEARING
- 7.0 PRESENTATION
  - i) CONSTRUCTION ASSOCIATION OF NOVA SCOTIA

PRESENTATION: CONSTRUCTION ASSN. OF N.S.

Attending for the next item, a presentation by the Construction Association of Nova Scotia, were: Ms. Carol MacCulloch, Mr. J.L. MacDonald, and Mr. P. Barrett. They provided, for Council's information, folders containing information on calling bids & awarding contracts, and on the bid depository of Nova Scotia.

Mr. MacDonald was the main presenter, and he first explained to Council the membership of the Association and its history, followed by an outline of standard documents and practices, in particular, the Guide to Calling Bids & Awarding Contracts (circulated), and bringing to Council's attention, pages 8 and 9 (sections 4 and 5) of that document. Members later had the opportunity to ask specific questions about details of these two sections

The presentation also dealt with: the Bid Depository of Nova Scotia, Procurement Practices Policy, public relations and relationships in recent years, between the Association and the City.

In the general question and discussion period that followed the presentation, an item of some controversy was the procedure followed in the police station project, which members of Council maintained, was able to save the City about one million dollars. Ald. Rodgers was one member who felt that the City would have received best value through regular tendering processes, an opinion also shared by the Association representatives. Asked if any members of the Construction Association were denied the opportunity to bid on the project, Mr. MacDonald said there were none, to his knowledge. The Association representatives felt, however, that without the usual procedures being followed, it could not be determined for certain that a million dollars had in fact, been saved by the City.

Another subject of discussion was the minority tendering process the City has undertaken with the Black Business Consortium, in recent years. Association representatives tended to feel that there are other preferable long-term solutions, along the lines of education and training programs; they tended to favour this kind of an approach. Ald. Hetherington suggested that the Association look more thoroughly at what the City has attempted to do to help minority companies become established. Mr. MacDonald later indicated to Council that his Association would like to get together with City staff members, to discuss this and other subjects further. He was also willing to return to Council, after the harbour clean-up project has progressed further, to provide information on the participation of local companies in bidding processes associated with the project, and to address any concerns about proper tendering procedures being followed.

At the conclusion of the discussion, Deputy Mayor McCluskey thanked the representatives for their presentation and discussions with Council.

### 8.0 PETITION

i) TWO-LANE STREET - WOODLAWN ROAD BETWEEN KELLY DR. & MOUNT EDWARD ROAD

PETITION: WOODLAWN RD.

A petition has been received from area residents who are requesting that Woodlawn Road, between Kelly Drive and Mount Edward Road, be made into a two-lane street, with turning lanes at all of the intersections, in lieu of the four-lane thoroughfare that now exists.

Ald. Sarto spoke in support of the petition and proposed a motion to comply with the request of the residents.

MOTION: To approve the request of the Woodlawn area residents, for the reduction of Woodlawn Road (from Kelly Drive to Mount Edward Road) from a four-lane to a two-lane street.

Moved: Ald. Sarto Second: Ald. Thompson

Ald. Thompson also shared the safety concerns of the residents, and felt there should be traffic patrols by the Police Dept. on this section of Woodlawn Road. He was in favour of a report from the T.M.G. as well, on corrective measures that can be taken, to deal with the concerns of residents that have been brought to Council.

Mr. Myles Manak of 67 Woodlawn Road, addressed Council briefly, on behalf of the residents present for this item. He made the point that Woodlawn Road is a residential street and not a highway.

In view of the fact that a major upgrading of Woodlawn Road was completed only recently, to improve traffic conditions and traffic flow through the area, several members were in favour of having a T.M.G. report, before taking any action on the petition request.

MOTION: To refer the petition to the T.M.G. and the Engineering Dept. for consideration and a report.

Moved: Ald. Pye Second: Ald. Hawley

Ald. Pye requested information on: the cost of the Woodlawn Road reconstruction and the cost of converting it to a two-lane street; what consultation process took place before the street became an arterial and were the residents overlooked in that consultation process.

Ald. Walton asked why the street was converted to four lanes, and Mr. Fougere advised that, without objection from anyone, it became a four-lane street to handle the volume of traffic it carries. Asked when the T.MG. would meet to deal with the item, Mr. Fougere said a meeting could be called next week. Ald. Woods asked about the possibility of three-way Stop signs, to prevent excessive traffic speeds. The vote was taken on the motion to refer.

In Favour: All
Against: None

Motion Carried

9.0 & Items 9.0 (reports, City Administrator) and 10.0 Motions 10.0 (Ald. Greenough) were all deferred by Council until other, presumably the next, meeting of Council.

### 11.0 NOTICES OF MOTION

The following notice of motion was given for the next regular meeting of Council:

### Ald. May

WHEREAS the earnings and expenses of civil servants in Nova Scotia are published annually in the supplement to the Public Accounts;

AND WHEREAS the recent report of the Select Committee on Education recommended that earnings and expenses of School Board members, School Board employees, Council members and Council employees, be published;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Dartmouth cause to be prepared for public perusal, a report showing the earnings and expenses of Council members and City employees, for the calendar year 1991 and each calendar year thereafter.

Council went in camera at 9:25 p.m., on motion of Ald. Hetherington and Pye. Having reconvened in open meeting, Council ratified the action taken while meeting in camera.

MOTION: To ratify the action taken while meeting in camera on this date (B.I.P land acquisition and land, Waverley Road).

Moved: Ald. Hetherington

Second: Ald. Woods

<u>In Favour</u>: All Against: None

Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Bruce S. Smith, City Clerk-Treasurer.

	ITEMS:
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## DARTMOUTH CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

## CONTINUATION OF COUNCIL AGENDA OF MAY 5/92 (REPORTS PREVIOUSLY CIRCULATED)

### 1. REPORTS

- 1.1 CITY ADMINISTRATOR
  - 1.1.1 Task Force on Local Government
  - 1.1.2 Ald. Levandier's/MacFarlane's motion re: Possible Amalgamation of Services

### 2. MOTIONS

- 2.1 ALDERMAN GREENOUGH
  - 2.1.1 1993 Budget Schedule of meetings

### COUNCIL AGENDA FOR MAY 12/92

- 3. CONCERNS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS OR QUESTIONS (15 MINUTE MAXIMUM)
- 4. REPORTS
  - 4.1 DEPUTY MAYOR
    - 4.1.1 Appointment of one member to attend FCM
  - 4.2 CITY ADMINISTRATOR
    - 4.2.1 Application to Amend Land Use By-law 48 Rodney Road (set date for Public Hearing)

### 4.2 CITY ADMINISTRATOR (CONTINUED)

- 4.2.2 Contract T92-02, Crosswalk Overhead Signs
- 4.2.3 Tender for Fire Pumper
- 4.2.4 Water System Extension Lake Loon Crescent (Montague Road to the end)
- 4.2.5 46 Pinecrest Drive Sale of Land for Housing Development
- 4.2.6 True North Crescent Sale of Land for Housing Development
- 4.2.7 Borrowing Resolution 92-14

### IN CAMERA SESSION - 10:00 PM

- 1. Land Exchange
- 2. Canadian Mental Health Association Lease
- 3. Settlement of Claim

LOCATION: CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: DEPUTY MAYOR MCCLUSKEY

ALDERMEN SARTO, THOMPSON, MAY

CUNNINGHAM, RODGERS PYE, WOODS, HAWLEY GREENOUGH, WALTON

HETHERINGTON

MEMBERS ABSENT: ALD. LEVANDIER, MACFARLANE

CITY ADMINISTRATOR: J. BURKE
CITY SOLICITOR: M. MOREASH
ASST. CITY CLERK: V. CARMICHAEL

DEPARTMENT HEADS & ASSISTANTS

Deputy Mayor McCluskey welcomed to the meeting, the 7th Dartmouth Cub Pack, present with their leaders.

A minute of silence was observed at the opening of the meeting, in memory of the eleven miners who died in the Westray mine disaster, and for the fifteen miners who have still not been found by rescue teams.

Deputy Mayor McCluskey and members of Council offered congratulations to Ald. Rodgers, who has just received his M.B.A. from St. Mary's University.

### 1.0 REPORTS

### 1.1 CITY ADMINISTRATOR

### 1.1.1 TASK FORCE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

TASK FORCE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Members of Council have previously received copies of the Task Force report on Local Government, and the Briefing Book, related to the report. Mr. Burke, who was one of the Task Force members, presented an overview of the report to Council, as the first item on the agenda.

The objective of the Task Force review, the re-structuring of local government, was explained to Council, in terms of the priorities considered, such as the need to realign services, and the need for change in areas of structure and boundaries. The basic principles arrived at are 1) that universal services should be delivered by the Federal and Provincial Governments; local services by Municipal Government; and 2) resources and programs should be available to all municipal units on the same basis. Mr. Burke went on to deal with the proposed realignment of responsibility for services, and with the concept of unitary local government, as proposed for five regions of the Province: Cape Breton, Pictou, Halifax, Colchester and Kings. In other areas, boundary

realignments would be required. Details of the realignment in responsibility for service delivery and finance, were provided by Mr. Burke, as well as a further explanation of the restructuring concept, based on a one-tier form of local government. Council was also informed about the consultation process that is being recommended, and on the implementation recommendations, that include the appointment of implementation commissioners for each of the five regions designated.

Mr. Burke said it is certain that municipal government reform will take place in the province, and it is therefore advisable to be prepared and informed at as early a point as possible. The UNSM and the Province will first have to decide to go ahead with reform, and once that decision is made, consultation and discussion can be expected to begin. It was noted that the elimination of cost-shared programs would be a major accomplishment, as part of the reform process, since it is these programs that are responsible to a large degree for present financial difficulties in a municipality like Dartmouth.

All members of Council had the opportunity to offer comments and points of concern, following the presentation; some of these points were as follows:

- 1) concerns about the role of elected local representatives, and that it could change considerably if members have to represent larger numbers of people and become, in effect, full-time politicians, with political affiliations and party machines behind them.
- 2) concern about the loss of community identity and associated benefits from that spirit of local pride and citizen participation.
- 3) the role of the implementation commissioners and their appointment, was questioned.
- 4) one or two members felt there are potential areas of cooperation in the metro area that should be explored further first, before any move is made to create one local government. Ald. Woods said that staff should be telling Council just what those areas are, and that Council should be provided with comparative cost figures for all of the local municipalities.
- 5) general terms of reference for purposes of further study (as proposed in a motion of Ald. Greenough), were summed up as being: accessibility, accountability, effectiveness, and economies of scale.

- 6) Ald. May felt the City and the School Board should have some joint discussions, in view of the setting of school districts, that will be required in 1993 and the implications for existing ward boundaries.
- 7) Ald. Rodgers favoured an amalgamation of the urban core area and maintaining local Councils. He felt the size of the Council structure should be kept under fifteen members, and that there could be representation problems under the restructuring proposal in the Task Force report.
- 8) some concerns were raised about the consultation process, considering the magnitude of it and the fact that it will have to be provincewide, involving a large number of municipal units.
- 9) Ald. May suggested that literature and information relating to the British experience in the area of municipal reform, should be sought and made available to members of Council. He said the reforms undertaken in Britain have not resulted in economies or been successful in that country.
- 10) members did agree that a pro-active approach should be taken by Council and the City of Dartmouth, on the Task Force report, in view of action the Province and the UNSM could take in the near future.

(Ald. Hetherington left the meeting at a point during the general discussion period.)

Although a motion was presented by Ald. Greenough and Hetherington fairly early in the discussion, the Deputy Mayor allowed members the latitude of expressing their viewpoints and making comment, without adhering strictly to the motion on the floor. The motion presented was as follows:

MOTION: That the Task Force report be referred to the Corporate Planning Committee for study and to develop as well, a plan, with recommendations for carrying out the plan, as to where Council should go from this point.

Moved: Ald. Greenough
Second: Ald. Hetherington
In Favour: All members except
Against: Ald. Pye and Woods
Motion Carried

# 1.1.2 <u>MOTION: ALD. LEVANDIER/MACFARLANE - POSSIBLE AMALGAMATION</u> OF SERVICES

In the absence of Ald. Levandier and MacFarlane, their motion on possible amalgamation of services, was deferred.

MOTION: To defer the motion of Ald.

Levandier/MacFarlane until another meeting of Council.

Moved:

Ald. Thompson

Second:

Ald. Walton

In Favour: Against:

All None

Motion Carried

2.0 MOTIONS

2.1 ALD. GREENOUGH

2.1.1 1993 BUDGET - SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

MOTION: That beg

That beginning in 1993, a draft budget, including detailed expenditures and revenues, by department, be presented to Council, no later than the second week in January, and a schedule of meetings be set which would ensure a complete review of all departments before the final budget is presented to Council.

Moved: Ald. Greenough Second: Ald. Thompson

In presenting his motion, Ald. Greenough explained why he felt there is a need to deal with a budget in totality and not just in terms of recommended budget cuts. He and other members commended this year's budget presentation, however, in terms of information provided on the financial position of the City and the ramifications of specific budget decisions. Ald. May said he preferred a three-year budget document, in order to have a more complete future picture of where the City is going. Ald. Rodgers was concerned that the budget process proposed in the motion will result in a duplication of debate and unnecessarily long budget discussions. This point was discussed at some lenght by Council. The vote was then taken.

In Favour: All members except

Against:

Ald. Rodgers Motion Carried 4.0 REPORTS

4.1 DEPUTY MAYOR

### 4.1.1 APPOINTMENT OF ONE MEMBER TO ATTEND FCM

MEMBER TO ATTEND FCM

Both Ald. Hawley and Rodgers indicated their interest in attending the FCM conference in Montreal, and it was proposed that each receive up to a \$1,000. limit as reimbursement for expenses, allowing both to attend. Ald. May referred to Section 167 of the Charter, and the approval of Council required for Aldermen to be reimbursed for these purposes. A motion was duly presented to approve expenditure and reimbursement.

MOTION: That Ald. Rodgers and Hawley be

authorized to attend the FCM conference in Montreal, and that they each be reimbursed, up to a \$1,000. limit, for expenses required

to attend.

Moved: Ald. Greenough Second: Ald. Cunningham

<u>In Favour</u>: All Against: None

Motion Carried

### 4.2 CITY ADMINISTRATOR

### 4.2.1 APPLICATION TO AMEND LAND USE BY-LAW - 48 RODNEY ROAD

SET DATE: 48 RODNEY RD.

Council was requested to set the date for public hearing of a rezoning application for 48 Rodney Road. The request is to rezone from R-2 Zone to C-2 Zone, to permit the development of a commercial parking lot. The report from Mr. Burke (V.M. Spencer, G. L'Esperance) recommends that June 16/92 be set as the date for public hearing.

MOTION: To set June 16/92 as the date for public hearing of the rezoning application for 48 Rodney Road.

Moved: Ald. Pye

Second: Ald. Thompson

In Favour: All Against: None

Motion Carried

### 4.2.2 CONTRACT T92-02 - CROSSWALK OVERHEAD SIGNS

AWARD TENDER: Report from Mr. Burke (R. Fougere, E. Purdy) on tenders CONTRACT T92-02 received for Contract T92-02, crosswalk overhead signs at

eight locations, <u>recommending</u> that the tender be awarded to the lowest bidder, Portland Electrics Ltd., with a tender price of \$37,500.29; completion time: 45 days following delivery of equipment.

MOTION: To award the tender for Contract

T92-02 (crosswalk overhead signs) to the lowest bidder, Portland Electrics Ltd., as recommended, in the amount of \$37,500.29.

Moved: Ald. Thompson

Second: Ald. Pye

<u>In Favour</u>: All Against: None

Motion Carried

### 4.2.3 TENDER FOR FIRE PUMPER

AWARD TENDER: FIRE PUMPER

Report from Mr. Burke (G. Greene, H. George) on tenders received for a fire pumper, recommending that the tender be awarded to the lowest evaluated bidder, Metalfab, for a total tendered price of \$205,402.00.

MOTION: To award the tender for the fire

pumper to the lowest evaluated bidder, Metalfab, as recommended, in the amount of \$205,402.00.

Moved: Ald. Sarto Second: Ald. Pye

<u>In Favour</u>: All Against: None

Motion Carried

### 4.2.4 WATER SYSTEM EXTENSION - LAKE LOON CRESCENT

WATER SYSTEM EXTENSION

A report from Mr. Burke (R. Fougere, E. Purdy) was considered on an application received from the County of Halifax, regarding extension of water service on Lake Loon Crescent, from Montague Road to the end, approx. 450 feet. The report recommends that the Dartmouth Water Utility pay to the County of Halifax, a single capital payment of \$4,055.00 from the Depreciation Reserve Account, on completion of the installation, and on receipt of a Bill of Sale and cost breakdown, as required for the Utility Plant Ledger, this financial arrangement being subject to approval of the P.U.B.

MOTION: To adopt Mr. Burke's recommendation on the water system extension application for Lake Loon Crescent.

Moved: Second: Ald. Sarto Ald. Thompson

In Favour: All Against:

None Motion Carried

### 4.2.5 46 PINECREST DRIVE - RESOLUTION 92-16

46 PINECREST DR.

RESOLUTION 92-16: Council considered a report from Mr. Burke (Jim Duke) on the property at 46 Pinecrest Drive, purchased by the City for land banking for housing purposes, recommending that Council approve the sale of this property to the Dartmouth Non-Profit Housing Society, at a price of \$30,000. The Society propose to construct two detached housing units on the site, which will be wheelchair accessible. Resolution 92-16 has been prepared by the Solicitor to accomplish this land sale transaction.

> MOTION: To approve the adoption of

> > Resolution 92-16, as recommended.

Moved:

Ald. Pye

Ald. Thompson Second:

In Favour: All Against: None

Motion Carried

#### 4.2.6 TRUE NORTH CRESCENT - RESOLUTION 92-15

TRUE NORTH CRES.

RESOLUTION 92-15: A second land sale recommended to Council for housing purposes, involved Blocks MM-9, MM-10, MM-11, and MM-13 on True North Crescent, Highfield Park, acquired by the City for future housing uses. The report from Mr. Burke (Jim Duke) on these lots, recommends that Lots MM-9 and MM-10, True North Crescent, be sold to True North Housing Co-operative Ltd., for the construction of 12 units of row housing, at a price of \$178,100.00. Resolution 92-15 has been prepared by the Solicitor to accomplish this land transaction.

To approve the adoption of

Resolution 92-15, as recommended.

Moved:

Ald. Woods

Second:

Ald. Sarto

In Favour: All

None Against:

Motion Carried

#### BORROWING RESOLUTION 92-14 4.2.7

BORROWING RESOLUTION 92-14

Report from Mr. Burke (D. McBain, B. Smith) recommending Council's approval of Borrowing Resolution 92-14, prepared in accordance with Section 265 (1) of the City Charter, as amended.

MOTION: To approve Borrowing Resolution

92-14, as recommended.

Moved:

Ald. Thompson

Second:

Ald. Pye

In Favour: All

Against:

None

Motion Carried

#### 4.2.8 TENDER - BURNSIDE LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE CONTRACT PR92-02M

AWARD TENDER:

Report from Mr. Burke (W. Stevens, C. Macomber, H. George) CONTRACT PR92-02M on tenders received for maintaining City-owned landscaped areas in Burnside Industrial Park, recommending that the tender be awarded to the low bidder, Edmonds Landscaping, for a total tendered price of \$83,466.09 (GST included).

MOTION:

To award the tender for Contract

PR92-02M to the lowest bidder,

Edmonds Landscaping Ltd., as recommended, for a total tendered price of \$83,466.09.

Moved:

Ald. Sarto

Second:

Ald. Cunningham

In Favour: All

None Against:

Motion Carried

At 10:15 p.m., Council went in camera, on motion of Ald. Sarto and Thompson. After reconvening in open meeting, the action taken in camera was ratified.

MOTION:

To ratify the action taken while meeting in camera on this date: 1) land exchange; 2) settlement of claim, and 3) Dartmouth Marina.

Moved:

Ald. Hawley

Second:

Ald. Thompson

In Favour: All

None

Against:

Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

V. Carmichael,

Asst. City Clerk.

### ITEMS:

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## DARTMOUTH CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

## CONTINUATION OF COUNCIL AGENDA OF MAY 12/92 (MOTION PREVIOUSLY CIRCULATED)

### 1. MOTION

1.1 Ald. Levandier/MacFarlane
 re: Possible Amalgamation of Services

### COUNCIL AGENDA FOR MAY 19/92

- 2. CONCERNS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS OR QUESTIONS (15 MINUTE MAXIMUM)
- 3. PRESENTATION
  - i) Olympic Bid Committee Chairman, Murray Doehler, and Bill Stone, Deputy Mayor, City of Halifax
- 4. REPORTS
  - 4.1 DEPUTY MAYOR
    - 4.1.1 Appointment Investment Committee
  - 4.2 CITY ADMINISTRATOR
    - 4.2.1 Tender for Janitorial Services

DARTMOUTH CITY COUNCIL

MAY 19, 1992

LOCATION: CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

TIME:

7:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

DEPUTY MAYOR MCCLUSKEY

ALDERMEN

SARTO, THOMPSON, PYE CUNNINGHAM, MACFARLANE LEVANDIER, MAY, HAWLEY GREENOUGH, HETHERINGTON

MEMBERS ABSENT:

ALD. RODGERS, WOODS

WALTON

CITY ADMINISTRATOR:

J. BURKE

CITY COMPTROLLER:

D. MCBAIN

Deputy Mayor McCluskey extended sympathy on Council's behalf, in the death of Mr. Cyril Johnson, Ald. Walton's grandfather; Ald. Walton was absent from the meeting for this reason.

The Deputy Mayor asked for the participation of Council members in the tricycle race at Shearwater on May 26th, at 3:15 p.m.

At a later point in the meeting, Deputy Mayor McCluskey welcomed to the meeting, two members of the 7th Dartmouth Cub Pack, with their leaders, who were not able to attend the May 12th meeting with the rest of their pack.

#### 1.0 MOTION

#### 1.1 ALD. LEVANDIER/MACFARLANE - POSSIBLE AMALGAMATION OF SERVICES

MOTION: To defer this item to another meeting.

Moved: Second: Ald. Greenough Ald. Cunningham

In Favour: All Against: None

Motion Carried

#### 3.0 PRESENTATION

#### i) OLYMPIC BID COMMITTEE

PRESENTATION: OLYMPIC BID COMMITTEE

Present for the next item were: Deputy Mayor Bill Stone and Mr. Murray Doehler from Halifax, and Mr. Graham Gallant of Dartmouth, representing the Olympic Bid Committee, in the process of preparing a bid to host the Pan American Games in 1999. Deputy Mayor Stone brought greetings from the Halifax Council and Mayor Ducharme, who is recovering from surgery.

The presentation to Council, on behalf of the Bid

Committee, was made by Mr. Doehler, the Chairman. He sought the support of Dartmouth City Council in a bid to host the Pan American Games locally in 1999, which is also Halifax's 100th Anniversary Year. He said it is not possible to bid for the Games without the support of the entire metro community, and gave a number of positive reasons why the Games would benefit the area, including a legacy of improved recreational facilities and potential that would remain afterwards.

He explained that the Bid Committee is presently at the pre-bid stage in the process, involving the completion of a feasibility study by the end of this month. In stage two, the bid would be finalized for the acceptance of the Canadian Olympic Assn., after which Canada would bid for the Games at that level. At this pre-bid stage, no funding request is being made to the other local municipalities; only their support and approval in principle is being sought. At the conclusion of Mr. Doehler's presentation, a motion of support was placed before Council.

To give approval in principle, with the proviso that no financial requirements are attached at present.

Moved: Ald. Greenough Second: Ald. MacFarlane

With the exception of Ald. Levandier, most other members of Council were willing to support the motion, but with some reservations about future costs in which the City of Dartmouth could be expected to share, and about the benefits that Dartmouth will receive, considering past experience with other metro events such as the Parade of Sail and the Buskers Festival. It was felt that funding should come from sources other than municipal government. One suggestion made, by Ald. May, was that the District Labour Council be approached to assist financially, since their members stand to gain from the construction work that Games such as this provide in a community.

When the vote was taken, the motion carried.

In Favour: All members except Against:

Ald. Levandier Motion Carried Deputy Mayor Stone thanked Council and Deputy Mayor McCluskey for their support of the Bid Committee, and the representatives left the meeting at this point.

Deputy Mayor McCluskey informed Council that she represented the City at the Miners' Memorial Service in New Glasgow, held this afternoon. She also advised that a letter has been received from Graham Walker, re Bill 203 (Bed Tax legislation), indicating that copies of the letter on the City's behalf, were provided to each member of the Law Amendments Committee.

- 4.0 REPORTS
- 4.1 DEPUTY MAYOR
- 4.1.1 APPOINTMENT INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

APPOINTMENT: INVESTMENT COMMITTEE In a memo to Council, the Deputy Mayor has recommended the appointment of Mr. Roy MacBurnie to serve on the Investment Committee, replacing Mr. Robert Thomson, who retired on March 31/92. Information on Mr. MacBurnie's background and experience has been provided with the recommendation.

MOTION: To approve the appointment of Mr. MacBurnie to the Investment Committee, as recommended.

Moved: Ald. Sarto Second: Ald. Greenough

Council was advised that Mr. Thomson was presented with a gift, on behalf of the City, as an expression of thanks for his service on the Investment Committee. Ald. Hetherington proposed that in future, all retiring members of Boards and Committees, who have served the City in this way, receive letters of thanks, in recognition of their assistance. Members agreed that this should become standard practice, in future.

In Favour: All
Against: None

Motion Carried

- 4.2 CITY ADMINISTRATOR
- 4.2.1 TENDER FOR JANITORIAL SERVICES

VARD TENDER: JÁNITORIAL SERVICES Report from Mr. Burke (R. Fougere, J. D. Murray) on tenders received for janitorial services for City Hall, the Halifax/Dartmouth/Woodside Ferry Terminals, Operations Centre and the Woodlawn Library, recommending

that the contract be awarded to the low tenderer, Modern Building Cleaning Inc., for Quote 1 (normal wage scale), in the amount of \$218,727.00 (with services for the Woodlawn Library being removed).

MOTION:

To adopt the recommendation on the awarding of the tender for janitorial services, for a two-year period, in the amount of \$218,727.00 (Quote 1).

Moved: Ald. Hetherington

Second: Ald. Sarto

Ald. Pye felt that Council should accept the Quote 2 wage rate, which represents a supplement of the minimum wage scale, and he asked that members of Council be circulated with two newspaper clippings, dealing with the PAIE program introduced in Montreal. The program promotes the supplementing of minimum wages, so that people can get off social assistance and receive the remuneration they are worth, for the work they do.

Ald. May also objected to the wage scale being offered to workers within the janitorial contract, and asked why higher salaries are being paid at the Police Headquarters building, where there is an hourly wage difference. He said this is an issue Council will have to discuss at a future meeting. Ald. Hetherington felt it is not in order to supplement the income of workers through the bid process.

Ald. Greenough requested that Mr. Burke look at the possibility of cost savings in this area, at the police station building. The vote was taken on the motion.

In Favour: All members except Against: Ald. May and Pye Motion Carried

Deputy Mayor McCluskey reminded members of the Strategic Planning Workshop at Brightwood on Saturday, May 23rd. from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

#### 2.0 CONCERNS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS OR QUESTIONS

ALD. HETHERINGTON Ald. Hetherington asked that Mr. Burke check on an item of concern he raised previously, that is, a clean-up by the Province of their property (wooded area) next to the North Woodside School.

Ald. Hetherington's second concern was the private water trucks, using the hydrant in Woodside between Tim Horton's and Moirs, and obstructing traffic while they fill their tanks at that location. He asked that the trucks be checked (for license requirements) and that they be required to use some other designated location, other than the one to which he has referred.

ALD. PYE

Ald. Pye said he has been advised by a representative of the Shannon Heights Community Council, that trucks are dumping sludge at the two sewer outfalls capped in the Ferguson's Cove area. He requested that the Environmental Engineer look into this concern.

Ald. Pye noted that the Healthy Dartmouth Committee has not yet fully discussed the incinerator issue, and he asked that they do so at a special Committee meeting.

Ald. Pye requested that Catherine Street not be overlooked in the street painting program.

ALD. HAWLEY

Ald. Hawley passed on a concern by the resident of 62 Gourok Ave., whose property has not been included with others on the street for tree planting. He asked that Mr. Burke give this matter his attention.

ALD. LEVANDIER

Ald. Levandier asked if the Planning Dept. was contacted for information that would be relevant to the proposed school closures in the City. Mr. Burke said he has asked the Planning Director to follow up with school officials, as previously requested by the Alderman at Council. Ald. Levandier asked that Council meet with the School Board, to deal with the school closure issue, and that in the meantime, any proposed closures be held in abeyance.

ALD. MAY

Ald. May had concerns along the same lines, questioning the use of City legal services for School Board purposes, when their course of action may be at variance with City plans and undertakings. It was noted that the School Board is a duly elected body, able to take action on their own initiative. Mr. Burke also pointed out that legal services have been provided in the past and will continue to be provided until Council directs otherwise.

Ald. Hetherington requested that when the regular information leaflets go out to citizens, with a City mailing, they include the names of School Board members this time, as well.

LD. THOMPSON

Ald. Thompson asked that he and Ald. Sarto be advised when the date is set for the Municipal Board hearing of the Spring Ave. daycare appeal of Council's recent decision on that application.

Ald. Thompson requested that the T.M.G. give consideration to a Stop sign, instead of the Yield sign, at the corner of Oakwood Court and Oakwood Ave.

ALD. MAY

Ald. May asked if the Bridge Commission feel the most recent toll increase is sufficient to meet the debt for the bridges; he requested that Deputy Mayor McCluskey raise this point at the next Commission meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

D. McBain, City Comptroller.

### DARTMOUTH CITY COUNCIL

### MAY 19/92

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## DARTMOUTH CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

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\* TUES., MAY 26/92 \*

\* 7:30 PM \*

\* COUNCIL CHAMBER \*

\* IN CAMERA SESSION \*

\* 10:00 PM \*

## CONTINUATION OF COUNCIL AGENDA OF MAY 19/92 (MOTION PREVIOUSLY CIRCULATED)

### 1. MOTION

1.1 Ald. Levandier/MacFarlane
 re: Possible Amalgamation of Services

### COUNCIL AGENDA FOR MAY 26/92

- 2. CONCERNS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS OR QUESTIONS (15 MINUTE MAXIMUM)
- 3. REPORTS
  - 3.1 CITY ADMINISTRATOR
    - 3.1.1 Application, Place of Amusement, Bingo Hall, 245A Waverley Road
    - 3.1.2 Tender for 1992 Pavement Markings
  - 3.2 PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
    - 3.2.1 Appointment Public Transportation Advisory Committee
  - 3.3 HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
    - 3.3.1 Formation of a Museum/Cultural Committee

IN CAMERA SESSION - 10:00 P.M.

1. Property Acquisition

LOCATION: CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: DEPUTY MAYOR MCCLUSKEY

ALDERMEN SARTO, THOMPSON, RODGERS

MACFARLANE, CUNNINGHAM LEVANDIER, MAY, WOODS PYE, HAWLEY, GREENOUGH WALTON, HETHERINGTON

CITY ADMINISTRATOR: J. BURKE
CITY SOLICITOR: M. MOREASH
ASST. CITY CLERK: V. CARMICHAEL

DEPARTMENT HEADS & ASSISTANTS

Deputy Mayor McCluskey asked members of Council to indicate how many are able to meet with the Dartmouth Chamber of Commerce on the suggested date of June 11th, at 5:00 p.m. Ald. Levandier said that any meeting with the Chamber should be held in an open forum or not at all.

The Deputy Mayor reminded Council of Participaction Day on May 27th, and of the Whaler Challenge she is taking part in on Halifax Harbour. The Whaler Race starts at 11:00 a.m. on the 27th.

At this point, Ald. Levandier gave notice of motion for a resolution he proposed to introduce at a later time in the agenda, calling for the School Board to abandon their current school closure process, or have the City withhold \$350,000. from the non-mandatory contribution toward the school system.

The necessary two-thirds majority vote of Council (8) was not given, to have the proposed motion placed before Council on the agenda. Permission was given, however, to hear Mrs. Louise Moores, who had requested time for a short presentation on behalf of concerned parents. Mrs. Moores was heard by Council at the end of the regular agenda, item 3.4.

Council then proceeded to the first item of business, a motion still not dealt with previously from April meetings.

### 1.0 MOTION

### 1.1 ALD. MACFARLANE/LEVANDIER - POSSIBLE AMALGAMATION OF SERVICES

Although notice of motion was originally given by Ald. Levandier, to be seconded by Ald. MacFarlane, it was mutually agreed by the two members that Ald. MacFarlane should present the motion at this time, and he made some introductory remarks on the merit of cooperative initial

as a preamble to the motion, which follows. Two proposed amendments, put forward during debate, have been incorporated into the wording of the motion, as agreed to by Council; these additions have been underlined to distinguish them from the original wording, for which notice was duly given.

MOTION:

WHEREAS the cost of delivering municipal services is becoming increasingly difficult from a financial point of view;

AND WHEREAS the opportunity may exist to deliver better service to the public through regional amalgamation of services;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that through the Mayor's office, talks be initiated with the City of Halifax, Bedford and Halifax County, with a view towards the possible amalgamation of services, such as Police, Fire, Purchasing, Engineering, etc.; and that contact be established with the other municipal Councils, through the Mayor's office, with a view to establishing a committee that would focus on this particular issue, for the benefits that would accrue to all of us.

Moved: Ald. MacFarlane Second: Ald. Levandier

Council did not see the motion in terms of municipal amalgamation, but rather, from the point of view of exploring opportunities for sharing services, in a cost-effective and efficient way. Ald. May felt the best way to make progress would be through a memorandum of understanding that would be placed before each of the local municipal Councils. Mr. Burke was asked to comment and said that while he agreed entirely with the thrust of the motion, the idea of mutual cooperation cannot be achieved by Dartmouth alone, without the interest and support of the other municipal units. Ald. Greenough's amendment, incorporated as part of the motion, was intended to facilitate a direct approach to the Councils and their participation, through a jointly-established committee. There was general support for the motion, in its amended form.

In Favour: All
Against: None

Motion Carried

### 2.0 CONCERNS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS OR QUESTIONS

ALD. HETHERINGTON

Ald. Hetherington requested that Council consider setting the date of June 24th for a neighborhood information meeting, in conjunction with a rezoning application for lands adjacent to Portland Estates Blvd. west. The application, from Portland Lakes Development, is to rezone from C-3 to Townhouse, and the staff work required to process the application will have been completed by that date.

MOTION: To set June 24th as the date for a neighborhood information meeting, for the rezoning application from Portland Lakes Development, as requested.

Moved: Ald. Hetherington

Second: Ald. Walton

In Favour: All Against: None

Motion Carried

₽ D. GREENOUGH

Ald. Greenough presented a petition from residents of Mountbatten Ave., requesting that the City take over the privately-owned portion of that street. He asked to have the petition referred to staff for appropriate analysis and report.

A second petition, bearing 60 names, was presented by Ald. Greenough, on behalf of residents in the Waverley Road area, concerned for the safety of their children crossing at the intersection of Waverley Road & Mountbatten Ave., on their way to and from Michael Wallace School. They are requesting a crosswalk guard at this location, and Ald. Greenough asked to have the petition referred to staff to determine the need for a crosswalk guard at the intersection.

ALD. MACFARLANE

Ald. MacFarlane asked that consideration be given to accessibility problems for handicapped people wanting to get to the farmer's market, at its new location in the Alderney Gate garage. Present parking conditions and distance to the market, are creating accessibility problems, and Ald. MacFarlane asked that staff address these, to see what improvements can be made.

ALD. CUNNINGHAM

Ald. Cunningham had three concerns to bring before Council: (1) the wire from a pole about half-way down Peddars Way and a danger in this location.

(2) a street sign required on Marc's Way at Bow Street.

(3) the policy of charging a fee for use of playing fields on the Dartmouth Commons, and whether this is in contravention of the Commons legislation. The Solicitor said his opinion on this question, at this point, is that the City is entitled to charge the fees, without violation of the Dartmouth Commons Act. He will be looking at the question further, however, and Ald. Cunningham asked to be kept informed of any change in the opinion of the Solicitor, subsequent to this date.

Ald. Cunningham had one further question, about the collection of garbage from apartment units, and was advised by Mr. Burke that the contractor is not obligated to make these collections and has now stopped them.

ALD. SARTO

Ald. Sarto again asked about the status of Carver Street, and Mr. Burke said he would be willing to contact the Deputy Minister of Transportation, to try and expedite some action on this location.

Other items directed to staff by Ald. Sarto, were:

(1) unsightly premises at 47 Spring Ave.

(2) " " 36 Digby Crescent

- (3) three families living at 79 Mount Edward Road, in an R-2 building.
- (4) a sign required at the Mount Edward School grounds, to enforce their regulation of use after-hours.

ALD. WALTON

Concerns raised by Ald. Walton were:

- he requested an update on the left-turning arrow for traffic going into Portland Estates. Mr. Purdy to check on this request.
- (2) speeding on 'Breakheart Hill' by outbound traffic, after the Portland Estate lights; monitoring by the Police Dept. requested.
- (3) refuse not being collected with garbage pick-up specifically, pickets from a fence that were put out for collection by a property owner. Mr. Burke said it may be a good idea to inform the public, through advertisement, water-billing mailing, etc., on just what can be put out by householders, for collection.

ALD. MAY

Ald. May passed to the Deputy Mayor, a letter received from Mr. Myles Baker of 21 Albert Street, concerning the parking of vehicles on Dundas Street and the ticketing of vehicles at this location. A copy of the letter has also gone to the Police Chief.

Ald. May asked to have the Police Dept. monitor speeding traffic on Thistle Street, especially around 3:30 p.m. when commuter traffic picks up and motorists are using the route through to Crichton Ave., to avoid the left-turning restrictions on streets off Maple Street.

Ald. May asked about the Ferry and Water Utility budgets; Mr. Burke said they are nearly ready for Council to consider. Ald. May also inquired about the MPS, suggesting that at least those sections relevant to subdivision regulations, should be brought forward for some decision.

FEDERAL POLICY: SHIPYARD CLOSURE

Ald. May was concerned about Federal Government action that may accelerate the closure of the HDIL shipyard in Dartmouth. Ald. Hetherington said there is a Federal policy aimed at rationalizing the closure of smaller yards, in order to promote and stabilize the operation of the larger shipyards. Ald. May felt that letters of concern should go forward from Council to our Provincial MLA's, expressing concern about this action by the Federal Government, and stating our objection to it. Ald. Greenough later proposed that letters of objection also be sent to Federal members Elmer MacKay and Howard Crosby, bringing this matter to their attention as well. Ald. May said the City's Industrial Commission should take a position and respond to the Federal policy, since it impacts adversely on an industry in Dartmouth.

One other request from Ald. May was for a staff explanation of two items associated with the presentation of the Financial Statements to Council next week: (1) the accrual of vacation pay; and (2) the provision for unresolved assessment appeals. He requested that the staff explanations be provided for Council in writing, when the Statements come before Council.

ALD. PYE

Ald. Pye asked about landscaping reinstatement of a property on Brule Street, where a building was recently demolished, and Ald. Walton requested similar consideration for a property at 527 Portland Street, where the City property concerned is bordering a school yard.

ALD. THOMPSON

Ald. Thompson asked if the drainage problem on Regal Road has been corrected; he inquired originally about this problem back in January.

LD. WOODS

Ald. Woods passed to the Deputy Mayor, a copy of an article from 'USA Today' on community reclaiming of landfill sites, requesting that the Metro. Authority be asked to consider this information.

ALD. THOMPSON

Ald. Thompson's second request was for concrete curb replacement at 61 Kelly Drive, so the owner of this property can get on with reinstating his property, following damage due to a water break at this location.

ALD. GREENOUGH

Ald. Greenough advised that the owner of the property at 14 Fourth Street, has not complied with direction from City staff that the shed at the front of the property is to be re-located. He said this lack of compliance is causing an aggravation in that neighborhood.

ALD. LEVANDIER

Ald. Levandier asked for clarifaction as to whether or not the Irving company is interested in acquiring the Dartmouth HDIL yard.

- 3.0 REPORTS
- 3.1 CITY ADMINISTRATOR
- 3.1.1 APPLICATION, PLACE OF AMUSEMENT, BINGO HALL 245A WAVERLEY RD

APPLICATION: BINGO HALL

Council has been requested to advise the Dept. of Consumer Affairs of any objection to an application for a Place of Amusement license for a bingo hall at 245A Waverley Road. The application is from TCA Bingo. Some concern has been expressed by the Police Dept., in relation to traffic problems there could be at the proposed location.

MOTION: To indicate no objection to the application for a Place of Amusement license for a bingo hall at 245A Waverley Road.

Moved: Ald. Hetherington

Second: Ald. Pye

Ald. Hawley opposed the motion and objected to a bingo operation at the requested location, with the present amount of parking available there, and in consideration of traffic conditions on Waverley Road. Police Chief Cole was asked to comment, and agreed that his department has both parking concerns and concerns about access and egress at this location, in view of traffic volumes on such a heavily-travelled street. Based on a possible utilization of the building by about 200 to 250 people, both traffic and parking are seen as potential problems.

Ald. Hawley questioned the permissible use of the building for a bingo operation, in relation to parking spaces that are available. He noted that adequate spaces could be provided if the other building on the same property were to be torn down, making room for additional parking.

Ald. Greenough was also concerned about the parking provisions and about the traffic problems. He supported a referral to staff for one week, to have the questions of adequate parking and traffic addressed, suggesting that the Dept. of Consumer Affairs be asked to hold off on the issuing of a license until Council has a chance to deal with the item again.

MOTION: To refer the application to staff for one week, to have the questions of parking and traffic addressed before the item comes back to Council.

Moved: Ald. Hawley Second: Ald. Greenough

Ald. Levandier said the best idea would be for the two ward Aldermen to meet with the applicant, to work out some agreement on the parking situation. Ald. Hawley said this was tried already and did not work out satisfactorily. Ald. Pye did not support the motion to refer.

In Favour: All members except

Against: Ald. Pye

Motion Carried

### 3.1.2 TENDER FOR 1992 PAVEMENT MARKINGS

AWARD TENDER: PAVEMENT MARKINGS

Report from Mr. Burke on tenders received for 1992
pavement markings, recommending that the tender
be awarded to the lowest evaluated bidder, Provincial
Pavement Markings, for a total tendered price of \$71,080.45.

MOTION: To award the tender for 1992 pavement markings to the lowest evaluated bidder Provincial Pavement Markings, in the amount of \$71,080.45, as recommended.

Moved: Ald. Thompson
Second: Ald. Hetherington

<u>In Favour</u>: All Against: None

Motion Carried

A point made by Ald. Levandier about painting red arrows on pavement, to designate the location of fire hydrants, was noted by Mr. Burke. The suggestion is too late, however, for purposes of this tender. Ald. Greenough said the weather conditions should be taken into account by the company carrying out the work, to insure the effectiveness of the job.

### 3.2 PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### 3.2.1 APPOINTMENT - PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

APPOINTMENT: TRANS. ADVISORY COMMITTEE It has been recommended to Council by the Chairman of the Public Transportation Advisory Committee, that Mr. Jim Bauld be appointed as a citizen-at-large member, to serve on the Committee, replacing Mrs. Muriel Ross, who has resigned for health reasons.

MOTION: To approve the appointment of Mr. Jim Bauld to the Public

Transportation Advisory Committee, as recommended, replacing Mrs. Muriel Ross, who has resigned from the Committee.

Moved: Ald. Levandier

Second: Ald. Pye

<u>In Favour</u>: All Against: None

Motion Carried

### 3.3 HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### 3.3.1 FORMATION OF A MUSEUM/CULTURAL COMMITTEE

FORMATION:
MUSEUM/CULTURAL
COMMITTEE

The Dartmouth Heritage Advisory Committee has <u>recommended</u> to Council, the formation of a Committee to plan for and establish, by the year 2000, a cultural centre, to include a Museum, in the City of Dartmouth.

MOTION: To approve the recommendation of the Heritage Advisory Committee.

Moved: Ald. Greenough Second: Ald. Hetherington

Ald. Pye asked if the Museum Director, Dr. Field, is in agreement with this recommendation, and Mr. Chapman, who was present for this item, informed Council that Dr. Field is in favour of the project, and provided information on Federal and Provincial funding assistance that could be available for a study and possibly, for construction.

In Favour: All
Against: None

Motion Carried

### 3.4 PRESENTATION - MS. LOUISE MOORES

As previously agreed to by Council, Ms. Louise Moores was permitted to make a short presentation on behalf of parents concerned about proposed school closures in Dartmouth.

She stated her concerns to Council about questions that parents have, that remain unanswered, in connection with the school closures, and placed three main questions before Council, as follows:

- 1) are you in favour or not, of seeing four schools closing and why?
- 2) we as taxpayers have the right to know if our City has done everything in its power to help in this serious and emotional issue.
- 3) (to Mr. Burke) we understand that the second part of the comprehensive audit will be finished in May. Since the City has paid for this audit (\$100,000.), will it be public and where could we go to see it?

Ald. Rodgers and other members indicated to Mrs. Moores and other interested citizens present in the gallery, that the audit report will become a public document, once it has been presented to and dealt with by the School Board. Ald. Rodgers proposed a motion at this point, calling for a joint meeting of Council and the School Board, to deal with the issues and questions the public have raised at meetings held to consider the four school closures. The necessary two-thirds majority vote of Council (8 members) was not received to have the motion added to the agenda and placed on the floor for debate.

Most members of Council stated their positions and opinions on the school closure issue. Basically, members did not want to see any schools closed and felt that the School Board do not want to have to close any schools either. The economic realities of the School Board budget have necessitated either school closures, however, or further program and teacher reductions, to make up the \$350,000. budget amount that has to be cut in some way. Council was sympathetic to the concerns of parents about the school closures, and to the untenable position that School Board members are placed in, as they try to do what is best for the school system with the funds they have available. Several members would have preferred a better reorganization policy for school closure decisions, with more opportunity for public participation; also, more lead-in time to school closure decisions and decisions based on considerations of City planning and projections.

The autonomous position of elected school boards was recognized, in the Council discussion, but members had different opinions on Council's right to any involvement in school closure decisions, taking into account the City's financial contribution toward education, both mandatory and non-mandatory.

Ald. Woods took the position that the inadequacies of our education system should be assuming more importance, since students from our system are at a disadvantage in competing with other countries. Not all members shared this opinion and felt that Dartmouth students are receiving a good education that stands them in good stead when they leave the system. Ald. Woods said our education system has to be changed and that should be the primary thrust and concern of the School Board and educators.

Circulated during the discussion, was a letter from the City Solicitor, prepared for the School Board, on the subject of procedure being followed for the review of schools (ie. for closure). The question of a possible conflict of interest was raised by Ald. May, in the case of the Solicitor acting for both the City and the School Board.

Since there were no motions placed on the floor, associated with the school closure issue, the discussion by Council did not lead to any specific course of action, but it was agreed that the Vice-Chairman of the School Board, present in the gallery, should have the opportunity to address Council.

Ms. Linda Brennan agreed that the Board has a difficult task before it, in dealing with school closures and with decisions that are hard to make. She said the members will do the best they can and will take into account the Council discussion that has taken place this evening.

Council had agreed to continue meeting beyond 11:00 p.m., on motion of Ald. Thompson and Pye. A motion to go in camera was adopted (Ald. Hetherington and Walton), but the report for in camera was deferred for one week, and Council adjourned at 11:05 p.m.

V. Carmichael,
Asst. City Clerk.

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