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**DARTMOUTH CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA**

**TUES., SEPT 7/93
7:30 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBER
IN-CAMERA
10:00 PM**

PROCLAMATION - INTERNATIONAL LITERACY DAY

INVOCATION

CONTINUATION OF COUNCIL AGENDA OF AUGUST 31, 1993

1. MOTION

1.1

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AND WHEREAS it is too costly and divisive for this situation to continue;

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COUNCIL AGENDA OF SEPTEMBER 7, 1993

- 1. APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE MEETINGS: August 24, & 31, 1993.**
- 2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**
- 3. CONCERNS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS OR QUESTIONS (15 MINUTE MAXIMUM)**
- 4. DELEGATIONS & HEARINGS OF PROTEST**
- 5. ORIGINAL COMMUNICATION**
- 6. PRESENTATIONS**
 - i) Actuarial Valuation - Paul Conrad
 - ii) Aids Walk
 - iii) Youth Advisory Committee - Greg Napean

7. PETITION

8. REPORTS**8.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

- 8.1.1 Contract 93-20, Fenwick Street (Clement St to Prince Arthur Ave) Curb and Sidewalk Construction
- 8.1.2 Contract 93-21, Symonds St (Wyse Road to Chapman St) Concrete Curb, Sidewalk, and Overlay Pavement

9. MOTIONS**9.1 ALD. MAY**

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AND WHEREAS the lot is on the list of surplus City-owned properties up for sale;

AND WHEREAS this lot has sat vacant and there have not been any prospective buyers;

AND WHEREAS there has been a request for this property to be included as part of the existing playground area;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the property at 527 Pleasant Street be allocated to the Dartmouth District School Board for use as additional playground area at South Woodside Elementary School.

10. NOTICES OF MOTION

IN-CAMERA SESSION 10:00 P.M.**1. Personnel Matters**

LOCATION: CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: MAYOR MCCLUSKEY
ALDERMEN THOMPSON, MACFARLANE
CUNNINGHAM, LEVANDIER
MAY, RODGERS, MACDONALD
PYE, WOODS, GREENOUGH
HAWLEY, WALTON, HETHERINGTON

REGRETS: ALD. SARTO

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER: L. CORRIGAN

CITY SOLICITOR: S. HOOD

CITY CLERK-TREASURER: B. SMITH

DEPARTMENT HEADS & ASSISTANTS

INVOCATION

The meeting opened with the Invocation, led by Mayor McCluskey. A minute of silence was observed in memory of former Mayor Eileen Stubbs.

PROCLAMATION - INTERNATIONAL LITERACY DAY

The Mayor then proclaimed Saturday, Sept. 11/93, to be designated as International Literacy Day in Dartmouth, and a Proclamation to this effect was read by her.

The Mayor welcomed to the meeting, Janet & Randy Connors of the AIDS Coalition; she recognized, as well, the achievement of Harold Hatcher, a City employee with twenty years of service, who has recently completed the certificate program in construction management at TUNS. Mr. Hatcher received a presentation from the Mayor in recognition of his accomplishment.

Council agreed to proceed first to the Presentations item, item 6.0

6.0 PRESENTATIONS

ii) AIDS WALK

AIDS WALK

Several people participated in the AIDS Walk presentation; these included:

Judy Milne, a member of the AIDS Walk Steering Committee.

Janet Connors, of the N.S. Persons with AIDS Coalition

Ron Dunphy, a Board member of AIDS Nova Scot A representative of C.A.R.A.S.

The presentation was intended to make Council aware of the various services and programs that are being provided to people living with HIV, and the funding requirements of the organizations carrying out this work. The importance of the AIDS Walk, as a fund-raising event, to help in providing funding, was stressed, and members of Council were encouraged to take part in the Walk, which takes place on September 25th, from Point Pleasant Park, registration beginning at 8:30 a.m. Local MLA's, MP's, Mayors and Councils are being invited to join with the organizers, to help make the project successful.

Council was thanked by Janet Connors for the letter of support sent on the Connors' behalf, from the City, when they were seeking financial assistance from the Province. She also extended thanks to members of Council who offered help individually.

At the conclusion of the presentation, the Mayor commended this fund-raising event to Council and encouraged members who can do so, to participate.

i) ACTUARIAL VALUATION - PAUL CONRAD

ACTUARIAL
VALUATION

Council received, with the agenda for this meeting, copies of the Valuation report of the City Pension Plan, as at December 31/92, prepared by William M. Mercer Ltd. At this time, members were provided with copies of the overheads from the review presented to the Pension Committee, at their recent meeting.

Mr. Paul Conrad highlighted for Council, the main points from the overhead sheets, some of which were:

- 1) a membership decrease from 1,056, to 999.
- 2) an increase in the number of pensioners, from 239 to 275.
- 3) a pension fund increase from 69 million dollars to 77½ million dollars, at the end of 1992.
- 4) the 'smoothing technique' (to allow for market fluctuations) for valuation purposes, which produced the figure for the adjusted value of the fund, 76.8 million dollars.
- 5) the fund has total assets of almost 100 million dollars, and liabilities totalling 97.9 million dollars, with a small surplus of 1.6 million.
- 6) the Current Service Cost is 13.2% of payroll.

Further to a point of comparison made by the Mayor, with respect to average earnings and pensions for female employees, as compared with male employees, Ald. May suggested that in future reports, Council should be made aware of what annuitants are receiving, including surviving spouses. Ald. Hawley asked for information on the increase in average earnings figure, as compared with the figure for the number of employees. Mr. Corrigan said he would provide an explanation as to why there has not been a corresponding decrease for earnings.

There were several references to the plan's unfunded liability of 19 million dollars. Mr. Smith pointed out that as a result of the re-formulated Pension By-law, the City and employees both are now responsible for this commitment, each paying \$900,000. apiece annually. Mr. Conrad noted that at present, we are about 1½million dollars ahead of schedule on the commitment.

Asked to give his assessment of the status of the City Pension Fund, Mr. Conrad said '. . . you are doing fine'. He noted that while the investment performance for 1992 was not particularly good, it compared reasonably well with other pension funds.

When there were no further questions or comments from members of Council, a motion to receive and file the report was adopted.

MOTION: To receive and file the Valuation report, as at Dec. 31/92, as prepared by Wm. M. Mercer Ltd., and presented by Mr. Paul Conrad.

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

iii) YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE - GREG NAPEAN

YOUTH ADVISORY
COMMITTEE

The third presentation to Council was made by Greg Napean, who was present with Elaine Jeffrey of the Healthy Dartmouth Committee.

Proposed in this presentation, was the formation of a Youth Advisory Committee for Dartmouth, to bring a youth perspective to problems and programs for

the City's young people. The stated aim for this proposed Committee, would be: To investigate issues relevant to youth, liaise with the Mayor and other elected officials, and to take action to portray youth in a positive light.

Various details for the composition and initial start-up of the Committee, were outlined in Mr. Napean's presentation, and a tentative timetable for getting procedures underway, was given.

Mr. Corrigan commended the idea of such a Committee being formed, recommending that Council approve the concept in principle and refer the item to staff, to work with Mr. Napean and Ms. Jeffrey, in putting together a co-ordinated package for Council, to be formally presented at a subsequent meeting.

MOTION: To adopt the recommendation, giving approval in principle to the concept and referring it to staff for preparation of a package that will be presented to Council at a later meeting.

Moved: Ald. Greenough

Second: Ald. Thompson

Ald. Pye wanted to make sure that representation on the Committee encompasses young people throughout the City and from various youth organizations, not just from the schools referred to in the presentation. Ald. May said there should be a balance of male and female members appointed and that members should be 18 years of age and under, to qualify. Ald. Hawley suggested 19 years of age and under, with a limitation to young people still in highschool. He was concerned that the Committee have some guidance and control, from responsible sources. Mr. Corrigan suggested the idea of a mentor program, that would match up Committee members with Aldermen.

The general response of Council to the idea of the Youth Advisory Committee was favourable, and members commended the initiative taken by Mr. Napean in proposing it to Council.

In Favour: All

Against: None

Motion Carried

1.0 MOTION1.1 ALD. MAY

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Moved: Ald. May

Second: Ald. Thompson

Ald. May commented on some of the problems that are arising, as a result of competition for development, among the local municipalities. Ald. Levandier considered that metro municipalities are already headed toward regional amalgamation, and proposed that nothing further be done about the motion until after discussions at the upcoming UNSM Conference next week. The existence of a new regional organization, the Greater Halifax Economic Development Alliance, was noted by the Mayor.

Ald. Pye said that before any decision is made, a referral to the Industrial Commission would be in order.

MOTION: To refer Ald. May's motion to the Industrial Commission for their consideration and report to Council.

Moved: Ald. Pye

Second: Ald. MacFarlane

Ald. Hawley was concerned that Dartmouth will give up a major advantage, with our Burnside Park, in any regional combination of assets and approach to development. He said the City should not do anything until amalgamation actually comes about, requiring these kinds of changes.

Mr. Gordon Stanfield, Chairman of the Industrial Commission, made a few brief comments to Council on the offering of incentives by reducing the selling price of industrial land, his opinion not tending to favour this approach.

Ald. Rodgers said he could not see the intent of the motion working without the help and participation of the Province.

The vote was taken on the motion to refer.

In Favour: All members except
Against: Ald. Levandier
Motion Carried

The Mayor said that next week, Council will discuss items from the UNSM meetings.

1.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: To approve the minutes of the Council meetings of August 24th and 31/93, with changes as noted below.

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

Approved with the following changes:

1) August 24th minutes , page 13: motion should read:

'That members meet in camera with the Chief Administrative Officer and senior staff, every second week, on the second and fourth Tuesdays, between 7:00 and 8:00 p.m. Between 8:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m., Council will meet in regular format, breaking at 11:00 p.m. on those evenings.'

Ald. Hetherington confirmed this to be the intent of the motion presented by him on August 24th.

- 2) August 31st minutes: Ald. MacDonald asked to have the following recorded, on page 8:
' Ald. MacDonald asked if Council could expect a report from the Police Commission's private meeting. The Mayor advised that she had called some of the residents, and was prepared to take other calls, if residents were interested.'
- 3) The City Solicitor present was Suzanne Hood and not Mike Moreash, as recorded.

2.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES3.0 CONCERNS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS OR QUESTIONS

ALD. HETHERINGTON Ald. Hetherington described the condition of Everette Street, following the work that was done on it, and asked Mr. Fougere to have someone look at it, to determine what needs to be done to fix it up properly.

Ald. Hetherington requested that the crosswalk guard previously assigned for North Woodside School, be re-assigned now to the location of Clyde & Fenwick Streets, for the protection of Southdale school children.

ALD. WALTON Ald. Walton asked to ^{have} another letter sent, regarding the outside container at 525 Pleasant Street; he said that perhaps the previous letter went to the wrong person, since there has been no action taken.

Ald. Walton requested that next year, Ward 7 be given some priority in the street cleaning program and not left to the end.

ALD. LEVANDIER Ald. Levandier said he has been receiving calls from taxpayers who are upset about the harbour cleanup costs, and the money that has been collected from them toward this project. He questioned whether this project will ever become a reality now. Mr. Corrigan gave assurances that the Harbour Cleanup Board will not be spending money until some decisions have been made as to where the project goes from here. Ald. Levandier asked that Council be kept abreast of what is happening.

ALD. MAY Referring to the letter received from the Minister of Justice, on the subject of the City's collective agreement with the Police Association, Ald. May asked that another letter be sent, making specific reference to sections 104 through 108 of the collective agreement, and whether they are in violation of the Police Act.

Ald. May asked if any part of Park Ave. can be done this year. Mr. Fougere explained why it is preferable to do the entire project as one, when the time comes.

With reference to new staff hirings, Ald. May had questions about Affirmative Action/Employment Equity considerations. Both Mr. Corrigan and Deputy Chief Tipert provided information on the steps being taken to make sure that Affirmative Action policies, in accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding, are followed, and that the policies, plus those for Employment Equity, are built into the hiring process. The hiring of Fire Dept. employees for next year will reflect this.

Ald. May asked that Police and Fire officers who attended and took part in the funeral of former Mayor Eileen Stubbs, be thanked and commended.

ALD. MACDONALD

Ald. MacDonald asked what is happening with the ferry discussions and why the Town of Bedford is not willing to contribute. The Mayor said this item is due to come up at the next Metro Authority meeting.

Ald. MacDonald asked that attention be given, when the time comes, to catch basins along the Slayter Street side of the golf course, that fill up with leaves in the fall. Mr. Fougere said he was aware of this requirement and it will be taken care of after the leaves are down.

The second item pertaining to the golf course, was a problem with water run-off from the course, affecting the property at 63 Thistle Street. Ald. MacDonald requested attention.

Mr. Fougere said he would get back to Ald. MacDonald, regarding his next inquiry, about the roadway at the new subdivision, across from Albro Lake beach, and its improvement.

AI MACFARLANE

Ald. MacFarlane asked about the report that was to have come to Council on the City's financial position. Mr. Corrigan said it is still in the process of being completed by Mr. Smith. Ald. MacFarlane requested that it be included in the next Council agenda.

Ald. MacFarlane began to question points of concern about the Prince Albert Road/Hawthorne Street project, but Mr. Corrigan said it would be preferable to avoid making statements publicly about this item, where a legal liability may be involved. Ald. MacFarlane asked that he and Ald. Cunningham be informed.

ALD. THOMPSON

Ald. Thompson asked about the status of the waste-to-energy plant; the Mayor advised that there is still an intervention to be heard from a group, before the project can go ahead.

Ald. Thompson asked if there have been further negotiations with CountryView, about their lands at Shubie Park. The Mayor said the City cannot afford to buy the land, although there have been discussions with their representatives a couple of times. Ald. Thompson felt that these discussions should still continue; possibly, the land could be purchased over a period of time.

ALD. PYE

Ald. Pye discussed questions he had about the Set Aside program, with Mr. Fougere. A list of these projects and their status was previously provided, but Ald. Pye requested another updated one. Mr. Fougere agreed to provide this information.

- 4.0 DELEGATIONS & HEARINGS OF PROTEST
- 5.0 ORIGINAL COMMUNICATION
- 7.0 PETITION
- 8.0 REPORTS
- 8.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
- 8.1.1 CONTRACT 93-20, FENWICK STREET - CURB & SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION

AWARD TENDER:
CONTRACT 93-20

Report from Mr. Corrigan (H. George, G.M. Boyd) on tenders received, under the Set Aside Program, for Contract 93-20, Fenwick Street (Clement St. to Prince Arthur Ave.), curb & sidewalk construction, with recommendation for awarding of this tender.

MOTION: To approve the awarding of the tender for Contract 93-20, to the lowest bidder, Eastern Stone Cutting Ltd., with a bid price of \$34,916.78, as recommended.
Completion time: 20 workdays.

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

- 8.1.2 CONTRACT 93-21, SYMONDS ST. - CONCRETE CURB, SIDEWALK AND OVERLAY PAVEMENT

AWARD TENDER:
CONTRACT 93-21

Report from Mr. Corrigan (R. Fougere, G.M. Boyd) on tenders received for Contract 93-21, Symonds Street (Wyse Road to Chapman St.), concrete curb, sidewalk and overlay pavement, with recommendation for awarding this tender.

MOTION: To approve the awarding of the tender for Contract 93-21 to the lowest bidder, Ocean Contractors Ltd., with a bid price of \$148,469.99, as recommended.
Completion time: 30 workdays.

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

9.0 MOTIONS9.2 ALD. WALTON

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AND WHEREAS the lot is on the list of surplus City-owned properties up for sale;
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AND WHEREAS there has been a request for this property to be included as part of the existing playground area;
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the property at 527 Pleasant Street be allocated to the Dartmouth District School Board for use as additional playground area at South Woodside Elementary School.

Moved: Ald. Walton
Second: Ald. Hetherington

Ald. Walton provided information on the lot in question, explaining why it is an appropriate use for it to be included as part of the South Woodside playground, considering there has been no interest shown in the property, otherwise, to date.

Mr. Corrigan noted the inclusion of this property in the inventory prepared by Mr. Rath, but Ald. Hetherington did not feel the City could expect to get \$40,000. for the property, whereas the school there needs the extra space; the playground will be used by the whole community and not just by the school children. Ald. Hawley was in favour of letting the School Board have the property until such time as a buyer might show some interest in it. Ald. Cunningham supported the motion, provided the City is not responsible for any betterment costs associated with the playground use.

In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

Ald. May's motion, item 9.1, was deferred to the September 14th meeting.

10.0 NOTICES OF MOTION

Notices of motion, given for the next regular Council meeting, were as follows:

Ald. Hetherington

WHEREAS most property owners, but not all, cut the grass between the sidewalk, or sidewalk reserve, and the curb in front of their properties;

AND WHEREAS the City does not have the resources to do grass-cutting between the sidewalk, or sidewalk reserve, and the curb;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Dartmouth City Charter be amended to allow Council to pass a by-law requiring all property owners to cut the grass between the sidewalk, or sidewalk reserve, and the curb.

Ald. MacFarlane

WHEREAS the Nova Scotia Power Corp. is now a private body corporate in this province;

AND WHEREAS this company should be treated with the rights, responsibilities, and obligations of a corporation operating in municipalities across this province;

BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Dartmouth request that the Government of Nova Scotia introduce legislation which will eliminate the Corporation's tax-exempt status, in the next sitting of the Provincial Legislature.

Ald. Hawley

WHEREAS groups of citizens gather from time to time, to partake in some special occasion, event or activity;

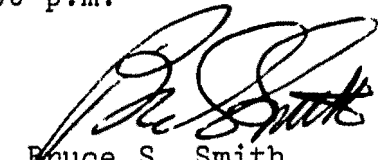
AND WHEREAS some of these groups produce sounds, traffic, and amplified speeches, etc., which sometimes cause discomfort and stress to the immediate community;

AND WHEREAS the City has no by-laws enacted which empower the police to cause these groups to cease and desist;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council direct the Solicitor to draft a by-law that would empower the police to control these groups;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that included in the by-law, would be a requirement for such groups to apply to the City for a license to hold such gatherings.

Council went in camera at 10:05 p.m., on motion of Ald. Levandier and MacFarlane. Adjournment was from the in camera meeting, at 11:05 p.m.



Bruce S. Smith,
City Clerk-Treasurer.

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COUNCIL AGENDA OF SEPTEMBER 14, 1993

2. PRESENTATION

- i) Eastern Front Theatre Company

3. REPORTS

3.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

- 3.1.1 Year-End Financial Projection
3.1.2 Contract 93-22, Mt. Edward Road Ball Hockey &
Basketball Courts
3.1.3 Contract 93-23, Waverley Road, Street
Construction - Barry's Run to Breeze Drive

IN-CAMERA SESSION 10:00 P.M.

1. Land Sale
2. Personnel Matters

LOCATION: CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER

TIME: 8:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: MAYOR MCCLUSKEY
ALDERMEN SARTO, THOMPSON
LEVANDIER, MAY
CUNNINGHAM, RODGERS
MACFARLANE, PYE, WOODS
HAWLEY, GREENOUGH
WALTON, HETHERINGTON

MEMBER ABSENT: ALD. MACDONALD

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER: L. CORRIGAN
CITY SOLICITOR: S. HOOD
ASST. CITY CLERK: V. CARMICHAEL
DEPARTMENT HEADS

MOTION - CROSSWALK GUARDS

Council agreed to have Ald. Hetherington present a motion for the crosswalk guard change, from North Woodside School, to Clyde & Fenwick Street, as requested by him at the Sept. 7th Council meeting.

MOTION: That the crosswalk guard previously on duty at North Woodside School, be moved to the location of Clyde & Fenwick Street, as requested.

Moved: Ald. Hetherington
Second: Ald. Walton
In Favour: All members except
Against: Ald. Cunningham
Motion Carried

Ald. MacFarlane asked the Mayor to clarify the change in Council meeting times for every second Tuesday evening. The Mayor advised citizens present in the gallery, that every second Tuesday, Council meetings will begin at 8:00 p.m. instead of 7:30 p.m.

Ald. Levandier advised that he is unable to attend the Metropolitan Authority meeting of Sept. 15th, and asked for a replacement member to attend in his place.

MOTION: That Ald. Rodgers officially attend the Metro Authority meeting of Sept. 15th, in place of Ald. Levandier.

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

As an item added to the agenda, a verbal report from Mr. Corrogan on the 107 Highway extension, was included, with Council's agreement.

2.0 PRESENTATION

i) EASTERN FRONT THEATRE COMPANY

A presentation was made to Council by a representative of the Eastern Front Theatre Company, who reviewed the progress that has been made by this professional performing organization since appearing before Council ten months ago. Details of their productions (The Occupation of Heather Rose and Flux), and plans for upcoming seasons in the rest of 1993 and in 1994, were provided. Possible use of the Masonic Hall at 51 Ochterloney Street, for rehearsals and as a potential theatre, is being discussed with the Eastern Star Lodge Trustees, and as an indication of Council support for performing arts in the community, it is being requested that the City consider a grant request of \$1,000. for this organization, towards their 1994 season.

Ald. Pye proposed that the request be referred to the Grants Committee.

MOTION: To refer the request from Eastern Front Theatre Company, for a \$1,000. grant from the City, to the Grants Committee for consideration.

Moved: Ald. Pye
Second: Ald. May

Ald. Pye and Sarto pointed out that a grant to this organization would likely have to come from the 1994/95 grants allocation, since the funding available for 1993/94 has already been used. Ald. Hawley said Council has to remember to approve the funds at budget time, if the Grants Committee is expected to meet requests such as this one and others. The vote was taken on the motion to refer.

In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

The Mayor congratulated the Theatre Company representatives on their successes, and wished them good luck for future productions.

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Moved: Ald. May

Second: Ald. Hetherington

Ald. Cunningham asked for any comments the Solicitor might want to make, and Ms. Hood noted that there is presently some archaic wording with respect to the term 'records', that would need clarifying. Members felt that certain records of a sensitive nature (accounts in arrears, Social Services information, etc.) should not be accessible.

A motion of referral to staff and the Solicitor, to draft appropriate amendments, was presented.

MOTION: To refer Ald. May's motion to staff and the Solicitor, to draft appropriate amendments.

Moved: Ald. Cunningham

Second: Ald. Greenough

In Favour: All

Against: None

Motion Carried

Ald. May suggested that wording in the Education Act and in the Halifax County charter, could be looked at as models for drafting amendments.

- 3.0 REPORTS
- 3.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
- 3.1.1 YEAR-END FINANCIAL PROJECTION

YEAR-END
FINANCIAL
PROJECTION

Members of Council have received the report prepared on the City's financial situation and year-end financial projection. Mr. Smith made a presentation to Council in this connection, and copies of the overheads for the presentation, were circulated.

Year-end variance figures for City departments were presented first, totalling \$949,000., the major contributing factors being Police Dept. over-expenditures (\$458,000.) and General Government over-expenditures (\$127,000. for litigations mainly). Details for each department were given by Mr. Smith, and before he proceeded to Revenues, Ald. Pye raised a point about the ferry deficit of one million dollars, and responsibility for this deficit if it is not picked up in a take-over by Metro Authority.

Mr. Corrigan noted that the Public Transportation Advisory Committee has discussed this matter, and has concluded that if the ferry service is not taken over, it will be at great risk of being closed down completely, since the City cannot take on the deficit alone, on top of the deficit already being projected. Mr. Corrigan pointed out that the three-way split proposed by Dartmouth for sharing in the ferry deficit was not adhered to by Metro Authority, and in the Memorandum of Agreement, it was changed to the basis of uniform assessment, which is unacceptable to the City of Halifax.

Ald. Hetherington asked about the recovery of money owed to Dartmouth by other municipalities, and also, the re-claiming of \$500,000. owed to the City for apprehension costs. The Mayor advised that a meeting has been requested to deal with the latter item, but could not be arranged so far.

In presenting the Revenue picture, Mr. Smith explained all of the areas where income has fallen short of budget projections, mainly in those areas where the City receives grants in lieu of taxes from other government levels, and this year, from Nova Scotia Power. In total, revenue receipts are expected to be \$1.3 million less than budget projections, and combined with the City overage, results in a projected deficit of \$2.3 million. Other City agencies and boards will be asked to provide financial commentaries on their own situations, and Mr. Smith suggested that Council representatives could assist in seeking to have this information provided.

Information provided for Council in the remainder of Mr. Smith's presentation, pertained to Transfers to Other Agencies (\$25,235,700. in total), Revenue Trends (which indicate further down-loading from other government levels), and City of Dartmouth Revenues (which further indicate the same thing). He commented on the negative impact of all this lost revenue and on the fact that reductions have occurred after the fact, when the City's budget has been set and the fiscal year half-way in progress. This combination places the City at considerable disadvantage in trying to recoup lost revenues and/or cut expenditures to try and make up for revenue we will not be receiving. Another problem has been created for the City by the fact that the Provincial government has begun to make in-roads into traditional cost-recovery and user fee areas the City counted on, such as the Deed Transfer Tax.

Mr. Smith used an additional overhead to show Council the small portion of the City budget (\$10. million) that is really available for budget cuts, noting the difficulty in taking two million dollars from this small percentage of controllable expenditures. Ald. Levandier asked about savings that could be achieved by shutting down City operations. Mr. Corrigan said that with the essential services that would have to be maintained (Police and Fire), the saving would not be substantial enough to make it worthwhile.

Ald. Levandier said he would like to see recommendations come back from Mr. Corrigan and the department heads, as to how the deficit is to be dealt with, and Ald. Rodgers said his recommendation would be that we sit down with the Province and plan ahead of time for the impact we can expect for the future. He said this would be a preferable pro-active approach to take, rather than having to react after the fact. He referred to article 4.1 of the Police Agreement as a structuring problem that results in over-expenditures for this department. Ald. May saw the overtime costs as being attributable to the amount of court time required of our police officers, caused many times by backlogs in the courts. The Mayor noted that a report on Police Dept. overtime is coming to the Police Commission.

Ald. May said the Province must begin to consult with us and let us know what they are doing, so we do not continue to have these financial difficulties created by decisions of other governments, that we are unable to control. The Mayor said a meeting has been sought with Provincial representatives, as Council requested previously. Ald. Greenough considered such a meeting to be important, so the difficulties of the City are understood, in relation to the continual down-loading

from the Provincial and Federal governments. He said they should not be passing their problems on to municipal government, which has only property tax to rely on for providing services.

A suggestion was made that services should be withheld from those properties where taxation is not being paid or grants-in-lieu of received in an adequate amount. The idea of a pollution tax, that could be applied against polluting facilities such as the Tufts Cove power plant, is being explored further. The Mayor and Mr. Corrigan were not able to provide very much information on this alternative, at present, but they hope to go forward with the tax legislation, as soon as and if it is possible to do so. Ald. Woods and Hawley were in favour of proceeding with such a tax requirement as quickly as legislation could be brought to Council. Ald. Woods described the lost revenue of \$640,000. from Nova Scotia Power, as a 'travesty of justice', considering the pollution problems that people in Tufts Cove have had to put up with all these years. He saw the tax as a good alternative way to get the City's lost revenue back from Nova Scotia Power.

Ald. MacFarlane^{asked} how Council can continue to be responsible to taxpayers, if the present down-loading trend continues, without reconsidering the services we provide. He asked that staff try to identify where any savings can be made before the end of this fiscal year, and the agencies we fund, be asked to do the same. Mr. Smith commented on the need to look beyond this year as well, and start to look at next fiscal year.

At the end of a lengthy Council discussion, a motion to receive and file the report from Mr. Corrigan and Mr. Smith, was adopted.

MOTION: To receive and file the report on the Year-end Financial Projection, dates Sept. 9/93.

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

HALIFAX HARBOUR CLEANUP

By way of a report to Council, Mr. Corrigan advised that the H.H.CI. Board has been unable to meet, as a result of the recent dismissal of three Deputy Ministers, who were Board members. Until they are replaced, no meetings can be held.

HIGHWAY 107 BY-PASS - CONTRACT WITH PROVINCE107 HIGHWAY
EXTENSION

Follow-up action with the Province has been initiated, as a result of a proposal put forward by Ald. Levandier for proceeding with the 107 Highway extension from Highway 118 to Akerley Blvd. A cooperative effort, with the Dept. of Transportation, has been agreed upon to make this project work, and fast-track arrangements for getting the project underway, in order to meet a November 30th completion date, were outlined by Mr. Corrigan. In order to be able to sign the contract documents by tomorrow's date, Mr. Corrigan requested the approval of Council, based on items of understanding as per the letter to the Minister of Transportation, dated Sept. 1/93, and notes prepared by Mr. Fougere.

CONFLICT OF
INTEREST

Ald. Woods declared a conflict of interest on this item, due to the involvement of the company with which he is associated, CBCL. He left his place on Council and did not return until after the item had been completed.

Mr. Corrigan reviewed with Council the main contractual items that have been agreed to between the City and the Province:

- 1) The Dept. of Transportation will call and award the #107 tender. Their staff will inspect the work and manage the contract.
- 2) The Dept. of Transportation will prepare monthly estimates on the work completed and pay the contractor.
- 3) The Dept. of Transportation will bill the City monthly, with their invoice covering construction, engineering, inspection and any other expense costs.
- 4) Payment by the City will be expected on receipt of invoice. Payment for all work completed will be required before the end of 1993.
- 5) On April 1, 1994, the City will send a bill to the province for the cost of all construction work and expenses invoiced by the province during 1993/94.
- 6) The penalty and bonus provision in the contract will be part of the cost of the project.
- 7) The City will call its own tender for the extension of Akerley Blvd.
- 8) Work is to be completed by Nov. 30/93.

Mr. Corrigan felt that the \$150,000. in interest cost will be recouped on the tender, since the asphalt plant

that will be used is only about a mile from the road construction site.

MOTION: That approval be given for the entering into of the contract for the 107 Highway extension, as per the provisions set out in Mayor McCluskey's letter to the Transportation Minister, dated Sept. 1/93, and the notes taken by Mr. Fougere on Sept. 13/93. Mr. Corrigan is authorized to sign the contract so that the project can proceed.

Moved: Ald. Sarto

Second: Ald. Hetherington

Ald. May felt the City should have a covering letter from the Minister of Municipal Affairs, indicating that arrangements for these procedures are legal and in order. Ald. Rodgers suggested repayment schedule provisions that would save the City interest expenses, rather than having the Province using our money for cash flow purposes.

Ald. Levandier was commended by members of Council for coming up with the financing idea, which the Province has agreed to and thereby made it possible for the 107 extension to be completed this fall. Ald. Hetherington said this will finally give us the safer route that we need for Burnside Park.

In Favour: All

Against: None

Motion Carried

3.1.2 CONTRACT 93-22, MOUNT EDWARD RD. BALL HOCKEY & BASKETBALL COURTS

AWARD TENDER:
CONTRACT 93-22

Report from Mr. Corrigan (R. Fougere, G.M. Boyd) on tenders received for Contract 93-22, Mount Edward Road Ball hockey & basketball courts, recommending that the tender be awarded to the lowest bidder.

MOTION: That the tender for Contract 93-22 be awarded to the lowest bidder, Dexter Construction Co. Ltd., with a bid price of \$38,770.00; completion time: 25 workdays.

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

3.1.3 CONTRACT 93-23, WAVERLEY RD, STREET CONSTRUCTION: BARRY'S
RUN TO BREEZE DRIVE

AWARD TENDER:
CONTRACT 93-23

Report from Mr. Corrigan (R. Fougere, G.M. Boyd) on tenders received for Contract 93-23, Waverley Road street construction, Barry's Run to Breeze Drive, recommending that the tender be awarded to the lowest bidder.

MOTION: That the tender for Contract 93-23 be awarded to the lowest bidder, Ocean Contractors Ltd., with a bid price of \$344,978.70, as recommended; completion time: 35 workdays.

Moved: Ald. Greenough
Second: Ald. Sarto

Mr. Fougere was asked to explain why this project came in so much over budget (\$235,000.), and he replied that about one quarter of the roadway had to be excavated completely and reconstructed, work that was not anticipated when the budget estimate was prepared.

Ald. Hetherington felt the additional allocation for this project represents an unequal ward distribution of capital funds, but Ald. Greenough and several other members considered the Waverley Road project should have been designated as a City-wide project in the first place, and not a ward project at all. On this basis, they felt Waverley Road needs to be upgraded as any other arterial street in the City requiring improvement.

In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

At 10:30 p.m., Council went in camera, on motion of Ald. Thompson and Sarto. Adjournment was from the in camera meeting.

V. Carmichael
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Asst. City Clerk.

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**DARTMOUTH CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA**

**TUES., SEPT 21/93
7:30 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBER
IN-CAMERA
10:00 PM**

1. REPORTS

1.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

- 1.1.1 Capital Budget - Highfield/Pinecrest Neighborhood Plan Implementation
- 1.1.2 Contract 93-24, Brookdale Court & Wyse Road Extension - Sidewalk Construction
- 1.1.3 Contract 93-25, Moira Street - Street & Sidewalk Construction - Set Aside Program (to be circulated)
- 1.1.4 Contract 93-26, Farrell Road, Curb & Sidewalk, Victoria Road to Catherine Street - Set Aside Program (to be circulated)
- 1.1.5 Construction of Inglewood Avenue - Russell Lake Area
- 1.1.6 Contract 93-05, Pedestrian Trail - Albro Lake

1.2 SOLICITORS

- 1.2.1 Charter Amendments
- 1.2.2 Amendment of Second Hand Dealers By-law
- 1.2.3 Fire Prevention By-law Amendments
- 1.2.4 Withdrawal from Special Reserve - 3 North Street

2. CONCERNS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS OR QUESTIONS (15 MINUTE MAXIMUM)

IN-CAMERA SESSION 10:00 P.M.

- 1. Land Purchase - 23 & 24 Jackson Road
- 2. Personnel Matter (oral)

LOCATION: CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: MAYOR MCCLUSKEY
ALDERMEN SARTO, THOMPSON
RODGERS, MAY, PYE
WOODS, CUNNINGHAM
MACFARLANE, HAWLEY
GREENOUGH, WALTON
HETHERINGTON

MEMBERS ABSENT: ALD. MACDONALD, LEVANDIER

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER: L. CORRIGAN

CITY SOLICITOR: S. HOOD

ASST. CITY CLERK: V. CARMICHAEL

DEPARTMENT HEADS

Mayor McCluskey opened the meeting and asked Council to observe a moment of reflection on peace, in acknowledgment of United Nations International Day.

With Council's concurrence, item 1.1.7 was added to the agenda for this meeting, being a verbal report from Mr. Corrigan on the hiring of fire officers.

FERRY OPERATION

Ald. Sarto brought to the attention of Council, a communication from Mr. Corrigan on the continuation of the ferry operation as a Regional Transportation System. Ald. Sarto quoted from the communication, which advises that the CAO's of Dartmouth, Halifax, Halifax County & Bedford have worked out a co-operative plan and unanimously agreed on a recommendation for the Metro Authority to consider.

The recommendation, if approved by the Authority and the four Municipal Councils, will ensure the continued operation of the ferry service.

Ald. Sarto thanked Council's representatives on Metro Authority, and Mr. Corrigan, for their efforts to have this matter resolved.

Council agreed to move up on the agenda, item 1.1.5, construction of Inglewood Ave., for which a number of people were in attendance.

1.0 REPORTS

1.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1.1.5 CONSTRUCTION OF INGLEWOOD AVE. - RUSSELL LAKE AREACONSTRUCTION:
INGLEWOOD AVE.

Council has received a report from Mr. Corrigan (R. Fougere) on the proposed construction of Inglewood Ave., by a consortium of business owners along the southerly side of Portland Street. This new street will parallel Portland Street, and join Baker Drive and Eisener Blvd., as shown on the plan provided with the report and other related documentation.

Presentation of the proposal was made by Mr. Fougere. He outlined briefly the negotiation and planning process that has taken place during the past few years, to reach this point where the actual project has reached a conclusion. He then went on to provide details of the project, and informed Council of the Lakes Advisory Board involvement and assessment, as per minutes quoted from their meeting with the consultant and developers, dated Sept. 8/93. The Board has indicated no objection and has requested a lake protection package, subsequently provided by the consultant; copies of the package have been included with the information forwarded to Council.

Benefits to the City, from the project, were noted by Mr. Fougere, and he also pointed out to Council, the concerns of the Parks & Recreation Dept., as stated in the report submitted. The report concludes with five main recommendations.

MOTION: To adopt the five recommendations:

- 1) that City Council approve the exchange of lands between the City and the consortium as indicated on the plan for Inglewood Ave. (It is understood that a public hearing is required before the conveyance of parkland can be completed.)
- 2) that the City permit the contractor for the consortium to enter onto City lands to build Inglewood Ave. to full subdivision standards. (The consortium is to indemnify the City during the construction phase and satisfactory security is to be provided to the City to ensure completion of the work.)
- 3) that in consideration of the expenditures to be incurred by the consortium in the construction of the street, the City waive the local improvement charges normally associated with new street construction.
- 4) that the City and the consortium enter into an agreement between the parties to carry out the above and all other provisions included in the agreement.

- 5) that City Council set October 5th as the date for the public hearing on the intention of Council to convey the parkland.

Moved: Ald. Greenough

Second: Ald. Sarto

Ald. Hetherington felt the first four recommendations should be deferred until after the public hearing.

MOTION: To defer recommendations 1 to 4 until after the public hearing on October 5th.

Moved: Ald. Hetherington

Second: Ald. May

It was noted by the Solicitor that the two small portions of land involved, for purposes of the public hearing and to be conveyed by the City, do not affect the viability of the project, and are therefore somewhat separate from the considerations of the main project.

Mr. Peter Green, Solicitor for the consortium, addressed Council briefly, explaining that his clients are on the edge of the construction season, and there are time constraints involved, if this project is to go forward to the point required, this fall. Mr. Emms, the consultant, also referred to the protection of the lake, and certain construction stages that will have to be reached before winter, if protective measures required for Russell Lake are to be effective.

Members in favour of deferral, Ald. May, Pye & Hetherington, maintained that the public hearing process should precede any construction start, while the majority of Council did not want to see the project delayed and considered that the public hearing process can still take place separately. Reference was made several times to the major traffic problems on Portland Street, in the area of the properties owned by the consortium, ^{members} were glad to see private initiative undertaking street construction that the City cannot afford. The need for alleviation of traffic congestion on Portland Street was recognized and the benefits of this second street commended.

Ald. Rodgers questioned the wording of recommendation #1, with reference to lands shown in yellow on the map, to be conveyed for roadway purposes. He asked that clarification be included in the minutes, to make sure that the approval indicated in recommendation #1 refers to the land shown in yellow only, and that in fact, Council is making no decision at this time on the pink component (City parkland) until after the public hearing on October 5th. This point of clarification was duly noted, and at a later point, it

was requested by Ald. May that the contract with the consortium not be signed until reference to the pink components (City parkland) has been withdrawn, to form a separate clause that would be agreed to later. It is with this provision that the contract will be signed.

After considerable debate, the vote was taken on the motion to defer.

In Favour: Ald. May, Pye, Hetherington
Against: All other members
Motion Defeated

The vote proceeded on the main motion.

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

Ald. Pye was commended by the Mayor, on Council's behalf, for having received a certificate from Henson College, upon completion of a course on municipal government.

1.1.1 CAPITAL BUDGET - HIGHFIELD/PINECREST NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN
IMPLEMENTATION

CAPITAL ITEM:
HIGHFIELD/
PINECREST

Report from Mr. Corrigan (R. Fougere) on a proposed re-allocation of capital funds for the Highfield/Pinecrest Neighborhood project (construction of a new roadway from Brule Street to Primrose Street), so that \$100,000. can be made available for the purchase of 23 & 24 Jackson Road; these two properties are located on the proposed roadway right-of-way. It is therefore recommended that \$100,000. of the \$200,000. allotment in the capital budget, for Highfield/Pinecrest street construction, be allocated to the purchase of the two properties required.

MOTION: To adopt the above-noted recommendation:

That \$100,000. of the \$200,000. allotment in the capital budget, for Highfield/Pinecrest street construction, be allocated to the purchase of 23 & 24 Jackson Road, located on the proposed roadway right-of-way.

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

1.1.2 CONTRACT 93-24, BROOKDALE COURT & WYSE ROAD EXTENSION
SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION

AWARD TENDER:
CONTRACT 93-24

Report from Mr. Corrigan (R. Fougere, G.M. Boyd) on tenders received for Contract 93-24, Brookdale Crescent, Brookdale Court, and Wyse Road Extension (concrete sidewalk construction), recommending the awarding of the tender to the lowest bidder and the allocation of additional funding required from the 1994/95 capital budget allotment for Ward 5.

MOTION: To adopt the recommendations:

- 1) that the tender for Contract 93-24 be awarded to the lowest bidder, Ocean Contractors Ltd., with a bid price of \$59,261.95; completion time: 20 workdays.
- 2) that \$29,000. be taken from the 1994/95 capital budget allotment for Ward 5, to cover the cost of constructing the Wyse Road Extension sidewalk.

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

1.1.3 CONTRACT 93-25, MOIRA STREET - STREET & SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION
SET ASIDE PROGRAM

AWARD TENDER:
CONTRACT 93-25

Report from Mr. Corrigan (R. Fougere, G.M. Boyd) on tenders received for Contract 93-25, Moira Street, curb, sidewalk & paving, under the Set Aside Program, recommending that the tender be awarded to the lowest bidder.

MOTION: To adopt the recommendation:

That the tender for Contract 93-25 be awarded to the lowest bidder, P.J. Concrete Services Ltd., with a bid price of \$69,931.88, as recommended. Completion time: 25 workdays.

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

1.1.4 CONTRACT 93-26, FARRELL ROAD, CURB & SIDEWALK - VICTORIA RD.
TO CATHERINE ST. - SET ASIDE PROGRAM

AWARD TENDER:
CONTRACT 93-26

Report from Mr. Corrigan (R. Fougere, G.M. Boyd) on tenders received for Contract 93-26, Farrell Road (curb and sidewalk), under the Set Aside Program, recommending that the tender be awarded to the lowest bidder.

MOTION: To adopt the recommendation:

That the tender for Contract 93-26 be awarded to the lowest bidder, Recession Concrete & Landscaping, with a bid price of \$32,210.49, as recommended. Completion time: 20 workdays.

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

1.1.6 CONTRACT PR93-05 - PEDESTRIAN TRAIL, ALBRO LAKE

A RD TENDER:
CONTRACT PR93-05

Report from Mr. Corrigan (C. Macomber, W. Stevens, H. George) on tenders received for constructing a boardwalk trail adjacent to Albro Lake, recommending that the tender be awarded to the low bidder, Terra Nova Landscaping.

MOTION: To adopt the recommendation:

That the tender for Contract PR93-05 be awarded to the low bidder, Terra Nova Landscaping, for a total tendered price of \$57,710.45 (GST included).

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

1.1.7 FIRE OFFICERS

A verbal report was given to Council by Mr. Corrigan on advertisements to be placed in local newspapers next week for 8 fire officers, who, if approved in next year's budget, would replace 8 retiring officers in the fire force. Mr. Corrigan explained the process that will subsequently take place in holding information sessions and written exams. It was noted that anyone who has applied for fire officer positions previously, should now re-apply, and the advertisement in the paper will include this requirement.

Ald. May asked that the Fire Chief attend the next Council meeting, to make the presentation he recently gave to the Human Rights Advisory Committee.

1.2 SOLICITORS

1.2.1 CHARTER AMENDMENTS

CHARTER
AMENDMENTS

Proposed amendments to the Dartmouth City Charter and the Sportsplex Commission Act, have been prepared by the Solicitor, for introduction to the House of Assembly. In her accompanying report, the Solicitor has explained each of the amendments in detail and was available to provide further information at this time, if requested. There were no questions from members of Council, and Council proceeded with the approval of Resolution 93-34, authorizing the introduction of the amendments, as presented.

RESOLUTION 93-34

MOTION: To approve Resolution 93-34, authorizing the introduction of amendments to the Dartmouth City Charter and the Sportsplex Commission Act, to the House of Assembly.

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

1.2.2 AMENDMENT TO SECOND HAND DEALERS BY-LAW

BY-LAW J-102

The Solicitor has recommended Council's approval of proposed By-law J-102, which amends the second hand dealers by-law, by providing better clarity to the effect that the licensing by-law also requires a license for the sale of antiques.

MOTION: That leave be given to introduce the said By-law J-102 and that it now be read a first time.

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

MOTION: That By-law J-102 be read
a second time;

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

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

MOTION: That By-law J-102 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. Greenough
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

1.2.3 FIRE PREVENTION BY-LAW AMENDMENTS

BY-LAW F-201

The Solicitor has recommended Council's approval of proposed By-law F-201, amendments to the Fire Prevention By-law of a housekeeping nature. The amendments are explained in the Solicitor's accompanying report to the by-law.

MOTION: That leave be given to introduce
the said By-law F-201 and that it
now be read a first time.

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

MOTION: That By-law F-201 be read
a second time.

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

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

MOTION: That By-law F-201 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. Greenough
Second: Ald. Hetherington
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

1.2.4 WITHDRAWAL FROM SPECIAL RESERVE - 3 NORTH STREET

RESOLUTION 93-33 Council was asked to approve Resolution 93-33, authorizing withdrawal from the Special Reserve Fund of the amount of \$106,500. for the purchase and demolition of 3 North Street.

MOTION: To approve Resolution 93-33, as required for authorization of the withdrawal of \$106,500. from the Special Reserve Fund, for the purchase and demolition of 3 North Street.

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

2.0 CONCERNS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS OR QUESTIONS

ALD. HETHERINGTON Ald. Hetherington raised a point of concern on behalf of a handicapped person living in his ward, who is presently unable to get around due to changes in the Access-a-Bus system. The Mayor asked Ald. Hetherington to call her, to see what can be done to assist this person.

ALD. CUNNINGHAM Ald. Cunningham asked about a recent delay in ferry service (one hour delay caused by a broken steam hose), and requested that some procedures be put in place, whereby the commissionaires on duty can return tokens to people requesting them, who do not want to wait in the terminal. He said the response in this most recent situation was unsatisfactory. The Mayor and Mr. Corrigan agreed to look at a policy for dealing with these circumstances in the future.

Ald. Cunningham inquired about the completion of the Prince Albert Road project, a similar question also being raised later by Ald. MacFarlane. Mr. Fougere

explained the difficult problem now facing the contractor, because of the fact that the level of the excavation is the same as the lake level, and water is coming into the trench; for this reason, the work is having to proceed very slowly.

ALD. PYE

Ald. Pye reported briefly to Council on Dartmouth's resolutions, submitted to the UNSM for consideration at last weekend's conference. Both resolutions (sale of 0.5% beer and triple X videos) were adopted, and a resolution on grants-in-lieu to municipalities, by Nova Scotia Power, was supported by the majority of delegates attending, to be forwarded to the Province. Ald. Pye said he hopes to have a package for Council's information, later, in order to make members aware of what went on at the convention.

ALD. WALTON

Ald. Walton asked if official notification has been received from the School Board, declaring North Woodside and St. Peter's schools as surplus for education purposes. Mr. Corrigan said he has just received notification, and a report will come to Council in due course.

ALD. MACFARLANE

Ald. MacFarlane was concerned about the damage to the fence along the Circumferential Highway, in the area of Harris Road and Jean Ave., allowing young people to cross back and forth over this busy highway, on their way to and from school. He asked that the Transportation Dept. be requested, in immediate strong terms, to make the necessary repairs. The Mayor was willing to call the Minister, if she can get in touch with him, to make this request, in view of the urgency of the matter.

Ald. MacFarlane showed a sketch to Council, from the front of a City brochure, used without the permission of the young man who did the sketch, and with recognition never having been given to his work. The Mayor said she would look into this oversight further.

Ald. MacFarlane also suggested some recognition be given to the Fast Company Running Club. This group runs out of the Sportsplex, and Ald. MacFarlane referred to them as a good example of the healthy city concept which Dartmouth has been promoting.

ALD. WOODS

Ald. Woods asked about having streets added to the Residential Parking By-law, and was informed by the Solicitor on the procedures required. She noted that some time is required to get sketches for attachment to the by-law schedule.

ALD. MAY

Ald. May requested a meeting of T.M.G. within the next couple of weeks, regarding the Thistle Street traffic situatio

Other inquiries made by Ald. May:

- 1) concerned the baskets in the downtown that have buckled and need to be bolted again; Mr. Fougere said they are an on-going maintenance problem, and will have to be fixed at a cost to the City.
- 2) he asked when advertisements will come out for appointments to Boards and Committees; within the next couple of weeks.
- 3) did we write to other municipalities about the amalgamation of police forces? The Mayor noted that the Province has a committee already looking at this amalgamation.
Ald. May said the Premier has indicated that metro municipalities have three months to form one Industrial Commission, or the Province will do it.
- 4) he asked if copies of Council agendas could be put on the front and back doors of City Hall (and in the Library) for public information; also, a list of committee meetings open to the public.
He said it would be helpful as well, if the press ran the agenda every week.

ALD. THOMPSON

Ald. Thompson asked about the Kelly Drive report. Mr. Corrigan said he has written a memo to the Ward 1 Aldermen, advising that the item is going to T.M.G., and will likely be an item in the 1994/95 capital budget. (Item going to the Sept. 27th T.M.G. meeting.)

The second inquiry from Ald. Thompson had to do with the flooding of the Village Gate parking lot, from water diverted through an underground tunnel. Mr. Fougere said this problem will be alleviated, now that approval has been received from Ultramar for an easement that is required.

ALD. HAWLEY

Ald. Hawley referred to a letter from the Army, Navy, Airforce Club on Main Street, re their application for tax reduction on their property. The Mayor noted that if they wish to seek an amendment to the Assessment Act, to be exempted on a basis similar to the Legion, they will have to make their own application.

Council agreed to move up from the in camera agenda, a report on the proposed acquisition of properties at 23 & 24 Jackson Road.

LAND PURCHASE - 23 & 24 JACKSON ROAD

A report from Mr. Corrigan (V. Spencer, Jim Duke) was

before Council on the proposed acquisition of two properties, 23 & 24 Jackson Road, for street construction purposes, as part of the Pinecrest/Highfield Park Neighbourhood Plan. A purchase price of \$86,500. has been negotiated for 23 Jackson Road, and \$105,000., for 24 Jackson Road. Recommendations are made to Council accordingly, based on these negotiations.

MOTION: To adopt the recommendations:

- 1) that Council approve the purchase of 23 Jackson Road, at a purchase price of \$86,500.
- 2) that Council approve the purchase of 24 Jackson Road, at a purchase price of \$105,000.

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

Council went in camera at 9:15 p.m., on motion of Ald. Hetherington and Hawley, and after having reconvened in open meeting, proceeded to ratify action taken at meetings of Sept. 1st. (section 4.1 of collective agreement) and Sept. 14th (land sale, Superior Propane).

MOTION: To ratify action taken by Council at in camera meetings of Sept. 1st (section 4.1, collective agreement) and Sept. 14th (land sale, Superior Propane).

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

V. Carmichael
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Asst. City Clerk.

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**DARTMOUTH CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA**

TUES., SEPT. 28/93

8:00 PM

COUNCIL CHAMBER

PROCLAMATION - WORLD OSTOMY DAY - OCTOBER 2ND, 1993

1. REPORTS

1.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

- 1.1.1 Contract 93-27 - Waverley at Lethbridge Ave
& Thistle Street at Maple Street & Retaining
Walls (to be circulated)
- 1.1.2 Application, Place of Amusement, Harbour Lodge #53
- 1.1.3 Sale of Surplus City Land Abutting 340 Windmill Road
- 1.1.4 Sale of Land 342 & 344 Windmill Road to Elie Ibrahim

1.2 SOLICITOR

- 1.2.1 Surplus Land - Lake Charles Drive

2. CONCERNS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS OR QUESTIONS (15 MINUTE MAXIMUM)

LOCATION: CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
TIME: 8:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: MAYOR MCCLUSKEY
ALDERMEN SARTO, THOMPSON
MACDONALD, PYE, WOODS
MACFARLANE, CUNNINGHAM
MAY, LEVANDIER, HAWLEY
GREENOUGH, WALTON
HETHERINGTON

MEMBER ABSENT: ALD. RODGERS

ACTING CAO: V. SPENCER
CITY SOLICITOR: M. MOREASH
ASST. CITY CLERK: V. CARMICHAEL
ASST. CITY ENGINEER: E. PURDY

PROCLAMATION

At the opening of the meeting, Mayor McCluskey declared October 2, 1993 as World Ostomy Day, reading aloud the Proclamation as issued. One slight correction (employment) was noted by Ald. Walton, in the text.

The Mayor noted that Charter amendments before Council were passed at the September 21st meeting without comment or dissent. Subsequently, a differing opinion was expressed to the press by one of the Council members (regarding a pollution tax), and the Mayor asked that in future, members indicate where they stand on issues, in the Council forum, so discussion can take place there, rather than after the fact.

With Council's permission and at the Mayor's request, item 1.1.5 - By-law respecting the Amalgamation of the Ferry System, was added to the agenda.

The Mayor advised Council of a request from Neptune Theatre for official representation on their Board of Directors, from the City of Dartmouth. Ald. May was asked to consider serving as the City's representative, and agreed to serve.

One other item added to the agenda, was a letter of request from the Five Star Committee, to be included in the City's advertisement of Boards and Committees.

1.0 REPORTS

1.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1.1.1. CONTRACT 93-27 - WAVERLEY & LETHBRIDGE AVE. & THISTLE AT MAPLE ST.
RETAINING WALLS

AWARD TENDER:
CONTRACT 93-27

Report from the Acting CAO, V. Spencer (E. Purdy, R. Fougere) on tenders received for Contract 93-27, retaining walls at two locations (Waverley at Lethbridge Ave. and Thistle Street east of Maple Street), recommending the awarding of the tender to the low bidder, and that the necessary funds required to make up the cost, be provided in the respective ward allocations in the 1994/95 budget, in each instance.

MOTION: To adopt the recommendations:

- 1) that the tender for Contract 93-27 be awarded to the low bidder, Ocean Contractors Ltd., with a bid price of \$180,523.98; completion time: 25 workdays.
- 2) that whereas the tender is over budget, the necessary funds be provided in the respective ward allocations in the 1994/95 capital budget, in each instance (Waverley project and Thistle Street project).

Moved: Ald. Sarto
Second: Ald. Greenough

Ald. Pye and Hetherington were concerned about the tender being over-budget. Ald. Hetherington said tenders should be called early in the spring when the City could expect to receive better prices. Mr. Purdy said there did not appear to be a time factor involved in this instance, and the Mayor noted that variances can be expected when tenders come in, since the budget figures can only be based on estimates.

In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

1.1.2 APPLICATION, PLACE OF AMUSEMENT, HARBOUR LODGE #53

APPLICATION: Council was asked to indicate any objection to a Place
HARBOUR LODGE #53 of Amusement application from Harbour Lodge #53 R.A.O.B.,
2 Wentworth Street.

MOTION: To indicate no objection to the
Harbour Lodge application.

Moved: Ald. Levandier
Second: Ald. Sarto

Ald. Walton questioned the reference to coin operated machines, on the last page of the application, and Ald. Woods wanted to have a full description of what is actually being approved in this application.

MOTION: To refer the application to staff, to request a complete description of what is being requested in this application, for report to Council.

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

1.1.3 SALE OF SURPLUS LAND ABUTTING 340 WINDMILL ROAD

SALE OF LAND: Report from Mr. Corrigan (Tom Rath) on City land at 340 Windmill Road, which is surplus to the City, and being recommended for sale to the abutting property owner, Mrs. Annie C. Murphy.

RESOLUTION 93-16

MOTION: To approve Resolution #93-16, authorizing the sale of surplus City-owned land abutting 340 Windmill Road, to Mrs. Annie C. Murphy, for a total purchase price of \$20,678., based on terms and conditions of the report, dated Sept. 22/93.

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

Ald. May asked if this resolution has come to Council through the Solicitor's office, and was advised that it has.

1.1.4 SALE OF LAND 342 & 344 WINDMILL ROAD TO ELIE IBRAHIM

SALE OF LAND: Report from Mr. Corrigan (Tom Rath) on City land at 342 & 344 Windmill Road, recommended for sale to Mr. Elie Ibrahim, according to terms and conditions set out in the report. The land in question is surplus to current and anticipated future City requirements.

RESOLUTION 93-31

MOTION: To approve Resolution #93-31, authorizing the sale of surplus City-owned land at 342-344 Windmill Road, to Mr. Elie Ibrahim, for a total purchase price of \$6,524., according to terms and conditions of the report, dated September 22/93.

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

1.1.5 BY-LAW - AMALGAMATION OF DARTMOUTH FERRY SYSTEM & METRO
TRANSIT

BY-LAW: FERRY
SYSTEM

Members of Council have received copies of the By-law with respect to the amalgamation of the Dartmouth Ferry System with Metro Transit. The Mayor asked that changes be made in the cost-sharing percentages shown in the by-law, to read: '34% for the City of Halifax, 34% for the City of Dartmouth, 29% for Halifax County, and 3% for the Town of Bedford'. With this notation, Council proceeded to give the by-law three readings.

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

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

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

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

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

MOTION: That the By-law 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. Greenough
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

1.2 SOLICITOR1.2.1 SURPLUS LAND - LAKE CHARLES DRIVE

SURPLUS LAND:
LAKE CHARLES
DRIVE

A report from the City Solicitor was before Council on surplus City land, conveyed for the widening and realignment of Lake Charles Drive, and now no longer required, with a recommendation for conveying these lands to any interested abutters at no cost, except that the abutters would bear the survey costs.

MOTION: To adopt the recommendation:

That Council convey the surplus land on the west side of Lake Charles Drive to any interested abutters, at no cost, with the abutters bearing the survey costs.

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

LETTER - FIVE STAR COMMITTEE

FIVE STAR
COMMITTEE

Circulated to members of Council, were copies of a letter from the Chair for the Five Star Committee, asking to be included with the other City Boards and Committees, when they are advertised this year.

MOTION: To include the Five Star Committee in this year's advertisement for membership on Boards and Committees, as per their request.

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

REAPPOINTMENT TO METRO AUTHORITY

Council was asked to re-appoint Ald. Levandier as one of the City's representatives on Metro Authority, a motion being required to reinstate him after Ald. Rodgers had filled in as the representative during Ald. Levandier's absence from the City. Ald. Rodgers will submit a letter of resignation to complete the required procedure.

MOTION: To re-appoint Ald. Levandier as one of the City's representatives serving on the Metropolitan Authority.

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

2.0 CONCERNS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS OR QUESTIONS

- ALD. CUNNINGHAM Ald. Cunningham asked about the calling of a tender for paving the extension of Prince Albert Road, a project that was to have been done last year, but time ran out to do it. Mr. Purdy to get an answer by tomorrow for Ald. Cunningham.
- ALD. WALTON Ald. Walton had two inquiries: (1) regarding school busing and action that might be initiated by the Mayor, through a letter to the School Board. The Mayor said she has already spoken to members of the Board, and did not feel that a letter would help.
(2) what land does the City own at North Woodside School? Ms. Spencer to provide an answer.
- ALD. HAWLEY Ald. Hawley requested street repairs on Byron Crescent and Ruben Court; request directed to Mr. Purdy.
- ALD. MACFARLANE Concerns and questions: Ald. MacFarlane
- 1) requested a report on progress with the Solid Waste By-law; a request made previously.
 - 2) requested a copy of performance appraisals for senior staff, in the format used.
 - 3) what are the results of the inquiry into allegations that a rooming house is being operated at 19 Erskine Street?
 - 4) what is the status of 32 Murray Hill Drive?
 - 5) when is the next meeting of the T.M.G.? Mr. Purdy advised that it is at 10:00 a.m., September 29th.
 - 6) what is the completion date for Prince Albert Road, October 20th or 28th?
- ALD. MACDONALD Concerns and questions: Ald. MacDonald
- 1) asked if he could attend the meeting on September 30th, when the process for appointments to Boards and Committees is to be reviewed and discussed. The Mayor said she did not see any problem with him attending.

- 2) asked that in future, construction projects, such as those on Moira and Symonds Streets, be carried out before September, when children are walking on the streets to and from school.
- 3) asked that action be taken to deal with the drainage problem at Crichton Park School.
- 4) asked about the advertisement for a Labour Relations Officer, and whether or not this is a contract position.
- 5) asked for a press release on the Ward Boundary Review, scheduled for October 12th.
- 6) asked why it was decided that the City would no longer be responsible for damages caused by water and sewer problems. Mr. Moreash referred to new legislation the Town of Bridgewater requested, with provisions the City is now seeking. In situations where the City is not responsible, through negligence, residents would look to their own insurance coverage for restitution.
- 7) requested information on these claims against the City and the number of them (reference #6 inquiry).

ALD. SARTO

Concerns and questions: Ald. Sarto

- 1) asked that various staff concerned, respond to items of concern raised in a letter from a resident on LaPierre Crescent; the letter was tabled with Ms. Carmichael for attention.
- 2) asked when the Ellenvale drainage brook will be piped, in the section between Spring Ave. and Ellenvale.
- 3) asked about Stop signs for the location at Garnet and Swanton Drive; Mr. Purdy said he is still waiting for delivery of some of the signs.
- 4) asked that crosswalk lines be reinstated on Mount Edward Road at Spring, and at Spring & Ellenvale.

ALD. HETHERINGTON Concerns & questions: Ald. Hetherington

- 1) asked to have the street sign replaced on Scott Street, even if one has to be removed from the Dustan Street end to do it.
- 2) Council was requested to take part in the Bowl-A-Thon for the Liver Foundation, on October 23rd, by making up a team of five Aldermen and seeking pledges.
- 3) asked if things are in place for the snow removal season, and if equipment is ready for winter, so that last year's problems can be avoided.
- 4) requested a number one plowing priority for Chadwick Street, so the person requiring Access-a-Bus service can receive it.
- 5) asked for an information meeting with area residents before any decision is made on North Woodside School. Ms. Spencer advised that both North Woodside and St. Peter's schools are being evaluated by staff, and in due course, information will come to Council and could be available for the purpose referred to by Ald. Hetherington.
- 6) asked about the advertisement for the position of Labour Relations Officer, noting that this position was to have been advertised nationally. The deadline for receiving applications should be extended if national advertisements have to be taken out at this point.
- 7) discussed with Ms. Spencer and Mr. Moreash the recent public hearing advertisement which inadvertently showed an incorrect map. It was noted that the Mail Star advertisement was correct and met the requirement for advertising the public hearing. Ms. Spencer felt the practice of double advertising, in these circumstances, should be reconsidered, citing this as an example of mistakes that can arise.

ALD. THOMPSON Concerns and questions: Ald. Thompson

- 1) asked to have the crosswalk at 51 Spring Ave. repainted.
- 2) what is the status of the street patching work? Asked to have holes filled on Oakwood Ave.

- 3) indicated concern about the increase in marriage license fees, and questioned the need for the increase, if administration costs are already being covered by the present fee.

ALD. MAY

Concerns and questions: Ald. May

- 1) questioned the in camera discussion of a Police Dept. structure item, included for the Sept. 30th Police Commission agenda. The Mayor said this is an item dealing with staff and will be in camera for that reason.
- 2) asked that Mr. Corrigan inform Council if an evaluation of senior staff is required for step increases, and if they (evaluations) have been consistently performed; also, how he would view his reporting responsibility to Council in this connection.
- 3) inquiry about the appointment of Special Constables by Council, when they should be appointed by the Police Chief or the Police Commission. Discussed with Mr. Moreash.
- 4) further to his motion on a unified police force in metro, Ald. May again asked about the letters from the Mayor's office, called for in the motion. The Mayor again advised that the Premier is having a committee formed to deal with this subject, but Ald. May asked that the Mayor follow through with the intent of the motion, with letters.
- 5) people on Tulip Street are complaining about the 'mutilation' of trees on that street, by Parks & Rec. Dept. staff; asked why this is being done and for a check on it.
- 6) questioned the terms of reference for the Five Star Committee, and its areas of responsibility; he said it seems to be doing what the Human Rights Advisory Committee is also doing. Ald. MacFarlane and the Mayor provided some additional information on the origin of this Committee and the work it has undertaken for the City.

ALD. PYE

Concerns and questions: Ald. Pye

- 1) asked when the Windmill Road corridor study will come to a public meeting. Ms. Spencer said there is further work that still has to be done on the final

report; she will check with Mr. Lukan and let Ald. Pye know the status.

- 2) inquired about a letter to the Housing Minister re Ernest Ave.; the Mayor said she delivered the letter to the Minister.
- 3) if there are budget reductions in the anticipated amount of 2.5 million dollars, in Provincial grants to the municipalities, have we been advised where the cuts will be and to what extent. The Mayor said she has not been advised to date.
- 4) asked if the Police Commission will be discussing the pull-back of a Dartmouth police officer from the Prostitution Task Force, and the statements of the Police Chief, on radio, about being fifteen officers short on his force. The Mayor said the Commission will deal with the item.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

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