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# DARTMOUTH CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

TUES. DEC. 7/93 7:30 PM COUNCIL CHAMBER IN-CAMERA 10:00 PM

# **INVOCATION**

- 1. PUBLIC HEARING
  - i) Application for Development Agreement, 29 Dahlia Street
- 2. **APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE MEETINGS:** Nov. 2, 9, 15, 16, 23, 30/93
- 3. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**
- 5. **DELEGATIONS & HEARINGS OF PROTEST**
- 6. ORIGINAL COMMUNICATION
- 7. PRESENTATIONS
  - i) Freedom Foundation of Nova Scotia, Frank Gibson
  - ii) Operations Review (Presentation and Discussion)
    - Human Resources
    - Engineering
  - iii) The Burnside Business Watch Program, Cst. Dan MacInnes
- 8. **PETITION**
- 9. REPORTS
  - 9.1 **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER** 
    - 9.1.1 Maintenance Agreement with the Nova Scotia Department of Transportation & Communications
- 10. MOTIONS
  - 1. ALDERMAN MAY
    - 1) BE IT RESOLVED that Dartmouth City Council review the Vincent pay scale, to ensure its relevance to the present economy.

 WHEREAS the City of Dartmouth has a Memorandum of Understanding, whereby the City reaffirms its policy of no discrimination on certain grounds;

AND WHEREAS the policy does not prohibit discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Human Rights Advisory Committee review the "Statement of Policy", and report to Council as to the desirability of amending the Memorandum and the "Statement of Policy".

3) WHEREAS Grace White of CanJam Trading Ltd. of Dartmouth was recently honored by the University of Toronto's Faculty of Management Awards for Women Entrepreneurs, in the category of International Competitiveness;

BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Dartmouth formally acknowledge this honour;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Dartmouth confirm its commitment to full opportunity for women entrepreneurs to City purchases of goods and services.

# 11. NOTICES OF MOTION

12. CONCERNS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS OR QUESTIONS

# **IN-CAMERA SESSION 10:00 P.M.**

1. Legal Matters

#### DARTMOUTH CITY COUNCIL

DECEMBER 7, 1993

LOCATION: CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

TIME:

7:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: MAYOR MCCLUSKEY

ALDERMEN PYE, WOODS, GREENOUGH

MAY, LEVANDIER, RODGERS

MACDONALD, THOMPSON

SARTO, WALTON, HETHERINGTON

MEMBERS ABSENT:

ALD. HAWLEY, CUNNINGHAM

MACFARLANE (ILLNESS)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER: L. CORRIGAN

CITY SOLICITOR:

M. MOREASH

ASST. CITY CLERK:

V. CARMICHAEL

DEPARTMENT HEADS & ASSISTANTS

### INVOCATION

Mayor McCluskey opened the meeting with the Invocation.

Ald. Walton presented an application from a Ward 7 resident, Izabella Gutt, for appointment to the Youth Advisory Committee. Council concurred with Ald. Walton's request for her appointment.

Ald. MacDonald requested that the item, Concerns of Council, be moved up on the agenda, to be heard following the public hearing scheduled for this date. A vote of Council was taken, but the necessary majority required was not received to move the item from its place on the agenda. Ald. MacDonald rose again at other points during the meeting, to question the placing of the item, at the end of the agenda and not in compliance with the Procedural By-law, which calls for Inquiries & Answers (Concerns of Council) to be heard at a point nearer to the beginning of Council meetings. Mr. Moreash said that ultimately, this is really a decision for Council to make, as the requirements of any given Council meeting dictate. Ald. Rodgers noted that the item Presentations was moved up to its present spot on the agenda, to accommodate presenters and other interested citizens who may be attending for that specific reason.

# 1.0 PUBLIC HEARING

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# i) APPLICATION FOR DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT, 29 DAHLIA STREET

PUBLIC HEARING: 29 DAHLIA ST.

Council set this date for public hearing of an application for a Development Agreement with the property owner of 29 Dahlia Street, to permit the creation of a second residential dwelling unit at this address.

All members of Council were recorded as being present, except for: ALD. Hawley, Cunningham and MacFarlane.

Reports and documentation, pertinent to the application, have been circulated with the agenda, and a copy of the staff report dated October 18/93, previously circulated, was available at the hearing, on the centre desk, in the Council Chamber. The staff recommendation is in favour of the application and of the approval of Resolution 93-42, which provides for the entering into of the development agreement.

The Planning Dept. presentation was made by Roger Wells. He pointed out that since the R-2 property at 29 Dahlia Street is located on an undersized lot, a Development Agreement is required in order for the owner to proceed with a second dwelling unit. He explained how the application complies with the MPS criteria for compatability of exterior appearance and scale, access to the site and parking, and thirdly, the buffering, landscaping & screening requirements. Subsequent to the neighbrouhood information meeting, and to address concerns raised at that time, a proposed amendment has been drafted for inclusion in the Development Agreement, pertaining to landscaping of the property. The wording of this amendment is contained in the staff report of November 18/93, indicated as Clause 6A. With this amendment, Mr. Wells recommended Council's approval of the Development Agreement and approval of accompanying Resolution 93-42.

The Mayor opened the public hearing, for speakers in favour of the application. The property owner, Mr. John Paul de Verteuil, spoke to Council in support of his request, advising that on this date, he has canvassed the entire neighbourhood for response, and received no opposition to the project he is planning.

The Mayor called twice more for speakers in favour, and then called for any speakers opposed. After calling three times, with no speakers, the public hearing was declared to be closed, on motion of Ald. Thompson and Levandier.

Council then proceeded to approve Resolution 93-42, as recommended

RESOLUTION 93-42

MOTION: To approve Resolution 93-42, as

recommended, authorizing the amended Development Agreement

for 29 Dahlia Street.

Moved:

Ald. Levandier

Second:

Ald. Hetherington

In Favour: All Against: None

Motion Carried

#### 2.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: To approve the minutes of meetings held

on Nov. 2, 9, 15, 16, 23, 30/93, as circulated, with one correction in the final paragraph, page 5 of the Nov. 9th minutes, to read '. . . even if it has to be done illegally', instead of 'legally'.

(Reference a statement made by Ald. Pye.)

Moved: Ald. Sarto

Second: Ald. Hetherington

In Favour: All Against: None

Motion Carried

#### 3.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

With reference to the Residential Parking Permits for designated streets in Ward 3 (page 7, Nov. 9/93 minutes), Ald. May asked about their status, and Mr. Moreash said the by-law should be ready for the Dec. 14th or 21st Council meeting.

Ald. Thompson again requested the information referred to by him at the Nov. 9th meeting (page 11 of minutes), on a uniform rate for burials (item #6 on the page).

Ald. May asked about a communication from the Board of Health, and Ald. Hetherington advised that this is a notification for Council, as required, and in future, it will be stamped For Information Only.

# PRESENTATION REQUEST

Council was informed by the Mayor of a letter received from the Friends of McNab's Island, wishing to make a presentation to Council on alternate sites for the sewage treatment plant, one being the Dartmouth Ocean Terminal site. Ald. Hetherington was not in favour of hearing from them and presented a motion to this effect.

MOTION: That Council not hear a presentation

from the Friends of McNab's Island on alternate sites for the sewage

treatment plant.

Ald. Hetherington Moved:

Second: Ald. Walton

In Favour: All members except

Ald. Pye Against:

Motion Carried

- 5.0 DELEGATIONS & HEARINGS OF PROTEST
- 6.0 ORIGINAL COMMUNICATIONS
- 7.0 PRESENTATIONS
  - i) FREEDOM FOUNDATION OF NOVA SCOTIA

Mr. Joe Gibson, representing the Freedom Foundation of Nova Scotia, presented to Council, an over-size card of thanks from 134 men in recovery from alcohol abuse, who have benefited from the Freedom Foundation home established on Brule Street, this project having been initiated with City assistance, some time ago. Mr. Gibson commended Council's action in approving the funding assistance that was required to get the home started, and noted that 55 of the men in recovery are from Dartmouth. The Mayor accepted the card on Council's behalf and it was circulated in the Council Chamber so that all members could see it. She said Council was pleased to have made this contribution to the lives of the men involved.

# ii) OPERATIONS REVIEW

#### **HUMAN RESOURCES**

The operations review for the Human Resources Dept. was made by Mr. Muzzin. He gave an overview of the services this department provides, and noted that a budget reduction from \$438,100. for 1994/95, to \$379,950. for 1995/96, will result from the Director's planned retirement; the position will not be filled due to restructuring. Also outlined for Council, were the current issues the department will be dealing with, including regionalization, implementation of the Human Resources Information System, contract negotiations, payroll function (assumed by the department in October, 1993), and departmental restructuring.

In response to questions from Ald. Hetherington, additional information was provided by Mr. Muzzin on the Human Resources Information System. Ald. Rodgers had questions about job descriptions, and staff performance appraisals, which he discussed with Mr. Muzzin - also, standards for job specifications.

Ald. May noted that by the end of 1992, 196 people had been hired by the City, and he asked for an Affirmative Action indication, in relation to this number (including students hired by Parks & Rec.). Mr. Muzzin said he should be able to provide the information requested in a report to be completed by January. Ald. May had other questions about the Vincent Scale and its application.

Ald. Pye's questions dealt with regionalization. Mr. Corrigan gave a verbal report on discussions that will be taking place at the CAO's committee, with the assistance of a facilitator, this being one of the issues to receive attention. Asked by Ald. Hetherington about the cost to the City, for a facilitator, Mr. Corrigan said it will amount to about \$2,000. for the City of Dartmouth for the services of the individual selected by the committee. It was noted that referral to the committee came from Metro Authority, and that the total cost involved is to be split among the four municipal units and the Authority. Ald. Hetherington requested background information on the person selected and on why the services were not tendered.

Ald. May provided information on the referral by Metro Authority, when this action was taken.

Ald. MacDonald asked why U.I. deductions are still being made for members of Council; there appeared to be some question as to whether this is still being done or not. Mr. Muzzin agreed to check on the point.

# ENGINEERING & PUBLIC WORKS

The presentation for Engineering & Public Works was made by Mr. Fougere, assisted by Ms. Jeffries. Several other staff members were also present in the gallery and available to answer questions.

Mr. Fougere began with the Mission Statement for his department, and went on to the organizational structure and current programs, divided into Transportation Services and Environmental Health Services. Also presented were budget comparison figures, followed by the section on current issues and the future outlook, and by information on operations improvements.

Ald. May felt that Council should have an idea of the age of some of the City sewer lines, especially in the older sections, where there could be some danger of lines collapsing. Mr. Fougere advised that a paper is being prepared in connection with the Federal Infrastructure Program, and Mr. Corrigan said it is hoped that a report can be brought before Council in the next couple of weeks, listing possible options for consideration, and eight to ten projects for which application could be made under the Program. The uncertainty of Provincial funding assistance and participation still is not resolved.

There was considerable concern about the anticipated increase in CNR sewer easements (from 17% to 25%), and the cost to the City for CN railway crossing maintenance. Ald. Pye felt that a letter should go forward to the Federal

Minister of Transportation, stating concern and objection.

MOTION:

That a letter be sent to the Federal Minister of Transportation, expressing concern with respect to CN property market values, and the cost of maintenance to railway crossings (ie. the cost implications for the City).

Moved: Second: Ald. Pye Ald. May

In Favour: All Against: None

Motion Carried

Questions and items of discussion were as follows:

- 1) Ald. Hetherington asked when the operations review for the Water Utility will come before Council. Mr. Fougere was not certain of the date, but said it would take the better part of an evening.
- 2) Ald. Hetherington again asked about information he requested on vehicles without City markings (including leased vehicles), and Mr. Corrigan said that within a week or so of receiving this information back from the departments, he will make a report back to Council.
- 3) Ald. Hetherington felt that sidewalks in Burnside and the Business Park should have regular plowing during the winter, rather than allowing them to be unattended for half the winter, when ice builds up on them during that time period. Mr. Fougere agreed. Ald. Thompson said he would rather have attention given to sidewalks in the area of our schools and where children are walking, in preference to the Burnside sidewalks.
- 4) The readiness of snow and ice equipment for winter and to make sure it is inspected before winter. Mr. Fougere gave assurance that the necessary inspections have been carried out by November 15th.
- 5) Solid waste infractions, bins and collection units. Mr. Bernard explained some of the enforcement problems presently being faced, under the existing by-law. It is not possible to issue tickets at present until the necessary provision has been drafted by the Solicitor.

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- 6) Ald. Woods asked why a Human Resources
  Officer has been seconded to the Operations
  Centre, to address attendance problems, and
  why this fact was not noted as a concern in
  Mr. Fougere's presentation. Mr. Fougere
  commented on the efforts being made to deal
  with these problems, and agreed with Ald.
  Woods' point about it being an item of concern
  that should have been included.
- 7) Another point raised by Ald. Woods, dealt with the integration of Engineering and Parks & Rec. staff. Mr. Corrigan said this is a restructuring issue, for follow-up discussion. Ald. Woods asked to have the record show that the subject of the merging of staff (Parks & Rec. and Engineering) is an issue to be dealt with in the near future.
- 8) Ald. Sarto asked if leaflets, with information on snow and ice control, are to be sent out to citizens, as they were previously. Mr. Fougere said this is being done again.

During the question and discussion period, several members of Council commended the staff of the Engineering and Public Works Dept. for a 'job well done', and the Mayor asked Mr. Fougere to pass on to staff in the department, this general message of commendation from Council and from her.

# iii) THE BURNSIDE BUSINESS WATCH PROGRAM

In attendance for the next presentation, were Mr. Harry Taggart and Cst. Dan MacInnes; also present in the gallery were Mr. Bert Dickey, A/Police Chief Tipert and Police Chief MacRae.

Mr. Taggart made introductory remarks on the inception of the Burnside Business Watch Program, a 'Crime Watch' Program being implemented through the participation of Park tenants, with the assistance and guidance of Cst. Dan MacInnes.

Mr. Taggart explained what is being done by business owners, in the way of providing office space and facilities for Cst. MacInnes, whose salary for the six-month assignment to the Park, is being paid by the City. The business partners in this Watch Program plan to provide Cst. MacInnes with a vehicle as well, and twelve volunteers are taking part in the security patrols, referred to as the Burnside Phantom Patrol.

Additional details on the entire Burnside operation were provided by Cst. MacInnes, in his part of the presentation. He has done considerable background work in preparation for organizing this security program, including a taped conversation with a convicted criminal involved with break-and-enter crimes in Burnside, in order to determine what measures are required by businesses, to protect themselves. He has also obtained information from the City of Edmonton, on a similar program carried out successfully there, along with liaison established with other industrial parks elsewhere, to learn more about the trend toward civilian patrols for security purposes.

The overall presentation was completed by Mr. Taggart, with a request to Council for a continuation of Cst. MacInnes' services beyond the six-month period of time originally authorized, to assist the business owners further with implementation of the program getting underway.

Ald. Hetherington congratulated Cst. MacInnes and the business partners for the initiative taken in dealing with security and crime prevention in Burnside. He proposed that the Police Commission deal with Mr. Taggart's request at their next meeting on December 16th.

MOTION: To refer the request of the business

partners in Burnside to the Police Commission, for consideration at the

December 16th meeting.

Moved: Ald. Hetherington

Second: Ald. May

In Favour: All Against: None

Motion Carried

Ald. May said the business owners should be talking to engineers and architects, to look at construction and design methods that can be incorporated in the plans for buildings, to deter break-and-enter crimes. He also wanted to have statistics on break-and-enter crimes in other parts of the City as well.

Mayor McCluskey was commended by several members of Council for her action in initiating security measures in the Park originally, and she acknowledged the help and participation of Mr. Dickey and others. A/Chief Tipert and Chief MacRae were also thanked at this time. Basically, the program received the full support and endorsement of Council.

# MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT ITEM

A motion was presented by Ald. Greenough and Thompson for approval of the Maintenance Agreement with the Nova Scotia Dept. of Transportation & Communications, as recommended to Council, but Ald. May had a number of questions about the item, and it was therefore deferred to the Dec. 14th meeting, on motion of Ald. Greenough and Pye.

# 11.0 NOTICES OF MOTION

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

# Ald. Pye

BE IT RESOLVED that Dartmouth City Council establish the following policy for appointment of residents to Boards and Committees:

- 1) the Council shall ensure that appointments reflect the diversity of our community.
- 2) the annual advertisement seeking residents for appointment to Boards and Committees shall be advertised in at least one newspaper on three separate dates.
- 3) the annual advertisement shall be prominently displayed in City Hall, the Library branches, the Museum, the Sportsplex, and all community centres.
- 4) the deadline for receipt of applications by residents shall be seven days prior to the Council meeting at which appointments shall be considered.
- 5) all bodies entitled to appoint residents shall be required to comply with this policy.

# Ald. May

BE IT RESOLVED that the Minister of Justice cause an inquiry to be held into the funding and delivery of policing services in the City of Dartmouth, since the proclamation of the Police Act in 1988.

# Ald. Rodgers

BE IT RESOLVED that the CAO and his management team, develop a management report, by department, which will be prepared for Council at the end of each month. This report should deal with key expense and revenue accounts, comparing them to budget. It should also provide information on driving forces - ie. overtime, sick leave, etc., by department.

(This request has already been made to the Police Services, through the Police Commission and it will be complied with.)

# Ald. Woods

 (a) WHEREAS the Surveying Division in the City of Dartmouth uses, on a regular basis, the information contained in aerial photographs;

AND WHEREAS aerial photography in Dartmouth is conducted on an irregular or haphazard basis - even though aerial photographs serve as an effective surveying tool;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Engineering Dept. be asked to consider the feasibility of an annual or bi-annual aerial survey in Dartmouth and report back to Council, with their recommendations.

(b) WHEREAS the Halifax-Dartmouth municipal structure was the subject of a substantial portion of the recent Metropolitan Economic Summit (Nov. 26-27);

AND WHEREAS the business communities recognize the existing structure as inefficient and in need of change;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Dartmouth City Council demonstrate leadership by asking the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission (MAPC) to reconvene, to deal with Municipal Restructuring;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Dartmouth offer its Water, Fire and Police as initial services for regionalization.

Council went in camera at 10:30 p.m., on motion of Ald. Thompson and Pye (Ald. MacDonald voting against).

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 (legal matter).

Moved:

Ald. Hetherington

Second:

Ald. Thompson

In Favour: All Against:

None

Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 11:25 p.m.

V. Carmichael, Asst. City Clerk.

# DARTMOUTH CITY COUNCIL

DEC. 7/93

# ITEMS:

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LOCATION: CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

TIME: 8:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: MAYOR MCCLUSKEY

ALDERMEN THOMPSON, RODGERS MAY, WOODS, PYE

MACFARLANE, CUNNINGHAM

HAWLEY, GRÉENOUGH WALTON, HETHERINGTON

MEMBERS ABSENT:

ALD. SARTO

(ILLNESS)

MACDONALD LEVANDIER

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER: L. CORRIGAN

CITY SOLICITOR:

S. HOOD

ASST. CITY CLERK:

V. CARMICHAEL

DEPARTMENT HEADS & ASSISTANTS

# PRESENTATION

# RESCUE: DARTMOUTH FERRY

Presentations were made by Mayor McCluskey to one citizen, Mr. Leonard Ellis, and three Ferry Crew members, Larry Gallichon, Angus Keizer, and Don MacKenzie, all of whom assisted in the rescue of a ferry passenger who jumped off the ferry, into the harbour, in a recent incident. Mayor McCluskey expressed appreciation to these four people on behalf of the City, for their action in saving a life.

The Mayor requested that Council delete from the agenda, the item Lease M.T. & T. Cellular Telephone Tower, item 6.1.1, to be replaced with the item Federal-Provincial-Municipal Infrastructure Program. Council concurred with this change, and approved the revised agenda for the meeting, on motion of Ald. Hetherington and Woods.

- 1.0 PETITION
- 2.0 REPORT
- 2.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
- 2.1.1 MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH THE NOVA SCOTIA DEPT. OF

# TRANSPORTATION & COMMUNICATIONS

MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT: ES. 93-44 A report from Mr. Corrigan (R. Fougere, E. Purdy) was before Council on additional streets approved by the Nova Scotia Dept. of Transportation & Communications, for addition to the Maintenance Agreement with the City. Streets included in this Agreement are eligible for cost-sharing on a 50/50 basis for normal maintenance work, and they are also eligible for 50/50 cost-sharing

on capital construction and reconstruction.

It is <u>recommended</u> to Council that Maintenance Agreement No. D-11, between the City of Dartmouth and the N. S. Dept. of Transportation & Communications, be approved and that Resolution 93-44 be approved, authorizing the Mayor and the City Clerk-Treasurer to execute the Agreement.

MOTION: To approve Resolution 93-44 as

recommended, authorizing the signing of Maintenance Agreement No. D-11,

between the N. S. Dept. of Transportation & Communications, and the City of Dartmouth.

Moved: Ald. Hetherington

Second: Ald. Rodgers

Ald. May stated his concerns about streets in Ward 3 that are included in the Provincial designation, in view of the unacceptable volumes of traffic on these residential streets already. It was pointed out, however, by Mr. Purdy and the Solicitor, that the streets referred to by Ald. May have always been given this designation, and are now only being added for cost-sharing; the designation will stand whether the agreement is approved or not. Other members generally felt it is desirable to have the cost-sharing and the streets eligible for capital cost-sharing.

Ald. Rodgers requested that estimates be prepared for Windmill Road, so the possibility of receiving cost-sharing for this street could be pursued as well.

In Favour: All
Against: None

Motion Carried

### 3.0 MOTIONS

# 1. ALD. MAY

In order to be able to get to other items on the agenda, Ald. May was willing to defer his first two motions to the next Council meeting. Council agreed with the deferral, and Ald. May therefore moved on to the presentation of his third motion.

3) MOTION: WHEREAS Grace White of CanJam Trading
Ltd. of Dartmouth was recently honored
by the University of Toronto's Faculty
of Management Awards, for Women Entrepreneurs,
in the category of International Competitiveness;

BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Dartmouth formally acknowledge this honour;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Dartmouth confirm its commitment to full opportunity for women entrepreneurs to City purchases of goods and services.

Moved: Second: Ald. May

Ald. Rodgers

In Favour: All Against:

None Motion Carried

#### 4.0 CONCERNS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS OR QUESTIONS

ALD. HAWLEY

Ald. Hawley thanked the Engineering Dept. for the work that has been done at the Tacoma Drive/Baker St. intersection. He said, however, that street markings or a light are required for traffic coming off the Circumferential at Baker Street. Mr. Purdy said a light is on order for that location.

^LD. HETHERINGTON Ald. Hetherington asked about the lights for Pleasant and Everette Street, and when Mr. Purdy advised that equipment has still not arrived for the installation, Ald. Hetherington asked that a follow-up inquiry be made so the project can be done.

> Ald. Hetherington asked that the T.M.G. compile information on traffic accidents at Commodore, Ron Smith and Burnside Drive (number, description, injuries), with the idea of making a presentation to the Province to have the speed limit reduced at this location.

He also inquired about the City property at Blink Bonnie Tce. & Johnstone Ave., which was to have been sold by now. The Solicitor said that part of the survey work required has been completed, but is still not finalized.

One further concern of Ald. Hetherington was the reinstatement of a driveway at Prince Arthur and Fenwick Street, where sidewalk replacement work was done. He said he was told by a staff member that the driveway was being reinstated, when it has not been, and requested that information like this not be given if it is not accurate.

ALD. WOODS

Ald. Woods tabled a letter received from Mr. Awad of Springhill Road, requesting that it be accepted by Council as a petition, and placed on an agenda for Council's consideration. Council concurred with the request.

ALD. PYE

Ald. Pye asked if a police car was impounded in connection with charges laid by the Natural Resources Dept., against Cst. Ritcey of the City Police Service. Chief MacRae said the vehicle was not impounded, but the revolver seized in this connection has not been returned.

Ald. Pye was concerned that he has not received a report from the Police Chief on the problems at 252 Victoria Road. Chief MacRae said this matter was discussed with the Police Commission, and that he would prefer to talk to Ald. Pye about it privately or in camera.

ALD. WALTON

Ald. Walton made a request on behalf of the South Woodside Home & School, that the T.M.G. look at the feasibility of a flashing amber light at the junction of High Street and Everette Street.

ALD. MACFARLANE

Ald. MacFarlane asked for a Minimum Standards inspection at 3 Harris Road, where there is a derelict vehicle.

With reference to the Prince Albert Road project, Ald. MacFarlane requested a staff report on deficiencies in the work, taking into account that this project was to have been completed by October 28th and was not.

Ald. MacFarlane said he hoped that the Parks & Rec. staff involved in putting together last summer's programs for young people, would make their ideas and recommendations known to the Youth Advisory Committee, for them to consider and act upon.

ALD. MAY

Ald. May asked that a request be taken up with Mr. Rath, concerning the naming of a street in Burnside, in recognition of Mr. Cecil Crichley; this request comes from his wife.

Ald. May asked if Mr. Corrigan and senior staff have been briefed on the anticipated costs of the waste management system. Mr. Corrigan said the CAO's have been briefed, and he will be asking Sheldon Doyle to make a presentation to Council on the subject. Ald. May suggested that it be done in conjunction with the harbour clean-up costs, although it was noted by Mr. Corrigan that these are not certain at this point. Ald. May did not feel it is possible to fund both projects.

Ald. May asked that information the Police Commission will be receiving on the duties and responsibilities of the Commission (as per an item on their agenda), be provided for all members of Council afterwards. Also, he suggested that Council members should attend the Commission meeting, to hear the discussion.

.LD. THOMPSON

Ald. Thompson asked about the status of City land that is to be disposed of, and Mr. Corrigan said that about \$300,000. worth of land has been sold. He agreed to ask Mr. Rath for a report to Council on sales completed and those remaining.

Ald. Thompson said the Stop sign at Virginia/Kelly and Valleyfield Road, needs to be in a more visible spot. Mr. Purdy said a work order has been issued for the relocation of this sign.

ALD. CUNNINGHAM

Ald. Cunningham asked about the status of St. Peter's School at this point. Mr. Corrigan said a report on options and recommendations is being prepared for Council.

The Mayor asked Council how often members should be allowed to rise with additional items of concern. Ald. Greenough felt that the limit should be twice; other members were in agreement.

# 5.0 PRESENTATIONS

# i) OPERATIONS REVIEW

# SPORTSPLEX

The Sportsplex presentation to Council was made by Mr. Bagnell, with Mr. Bob Quigley also attending. Information was provided on the progress of the facility, over the years, since the Sportsplex opened, twelve years ago this month. The operation is on target to meet their budget for this year, and a new long-term plan is in the process of being finalized. A plan will be coming to Council, in January, for upgrading the Sportsplex, with the proposed addition of a wellness centre and a multi-purpose centre, which will provide a fund-raising opportunity, intended to put the facility in a break-even financial position.

Ald. Pye asked about the accommodation of charitable and non-profit groups who may want to use Sportsplex space and facilities. Mr. Bagnell said that unless they can be accommodated in off times, the regular cost-recovery policy is followed, in keeping with efforts in all areas to minimize the amount of City support required. He said there will be opportunities for fund-raising, by organizations, if the multi-purpose addition becomes a reality.

Another question directed to Mr. Bagnell, concerned the rates for seniors wanting to use Sportsplex facilities. He said this matter is being looked at by the Commission's Finance Committee, but noted that there would be a major revenue loss if the rate for seniors were to be set at age 55. Obviously, this loss would have to be offset somewhere else in the operation.

Ald. Thompson commended the Sportsplex staff for the operation they are running, and the Mayor thanked Mr. Bagnell and Mr. Quigley for their presentation.

# POLICE SERVICE

The Police Service presentation was made by Chief MacRae, with A/Deputy Chief Tipert and Dan Walsh attending and available to provide information.

Following the opening Mission Statement and departmental structure information, Chief MacRae spent considerable time outlining to Council the roles and responsibilities of the Dartmouth Police Service, and involvement in such joint initiatives, with other forces, such as the Task Force on Prostitution, this being one of the most successful recently. He noted that important areas such as community relations, are being affected by a lack of funding, but some programs, such as Neighborhood Watch and the Burnside program are being successfully implemented, even so.

Comparison figures were provided to show the ranking of the Dartmouth Police Service (cost and population-wise), with other Maritime cities, and Ald. Hetherington requested the addition of another column to show a cost comparison for the salaries of first class constables in all the municipalities selected for purposes of comparison.

Considerable attention was also given, in the presentation, to issues facing the Chief and the Police Service, including the relationship between the Police Chief, the Police Commission, and the Chiefof Police; and effects and implications for the department, of fiscal restraint; regionalization; and labour/management relations & collective agreements. Ald. May commented on the 'bumping' process, as it relates to civilian employees in the department, suggesting that the process should not apply in this instance

Other issues raised and explained to Council were: corporate culture (some of the effects of an aging staff complement and lack of new recruits); technology changes and the need to keep up with them; the community and the importance of community participation; the law, and the significant changes resulting from the Charter of Rights and Freedoms, the Marshall Inquiry, etc.; and crime itself, with violent crime being up and the state of the economy responsible for increases.

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Chief MacRae said there has been a history of underbudgeting for the Police Service, and this year was no exception. He reviewed the various items of overexpenditure that make up the total anticipated budget over-run for 1993/94.

Ald. May asked about the Marshall Commission recommendations, and how many of them have been addressed by the Police Service. Mr. Corrigan said the Police Commission has been provided with a summary of those implemented, and those that have not, will be addressed. Chief MacRae noted that the establishment of a Police Liaison Committee is underway already.

Chief MacRae and his staff were thanked by the Mayor for their presentation.

# 6.0 REPORTS

# 6.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

### 6.1.1 FEDERAL-PROVINCIAL-MUNICIPAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM

TNFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM Council has been asked to approve an FCM resolution which supports the according of equal status to municipal governments, on the proposed Management Committee (Federal/Provincial/Municipal Infrastructure Program), as full partners, to help ensure that the program achieves its original objectives, as they relate to municipal infrastructure. Mr. Corrigan has indicated, in his report to Council, that staff is completing work on a report to be submitted as soon as regulations for the proposed program are made available.

MOTION: To approve the FCM resolution,

as requested by them.

Moved: Ald. Hetherington

Second: Ald. May In Favour: All

Against: None Motion Carried

Council went in camera at 10:25 p.m., and later reconvened

in open meeting to ratify the action taken.

MOTION: To approve the action taken while

To approve the action taken while meeting in camera on this date.

Moved:

Ald. Hawley

Second:

Ald. Hetherington

In Favour: All Against:

None

Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

V. Carmichael Asst. City Clerk.

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# DARTMOUTH CITY COUNCIL

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TUES., DEC. 21/93 7:30 PM COUNCIL CHAMBER

# CONTINUATION OF COUNCIL AGENDA OF DECEMBER 14, 1993

### 1. **MOTIONS**

# **ALDERMAN MAY**

- BE IT RESOLVED that Dartmouth City Council review the Vincent pay scale, to ensure its relevance to the present economy.
- 2) WHEREAS the City of Dartmouth has a Memorandum of Understanding, whereby the City reaffirms its policy of no discrimination on certain grounds;

AND WHEREAS the policy does not prohibit discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Human Rights Advisory Committee review the "Statement of Policy", and report to Council as to the desirability of amending the Memorandum and the "Statement of Policy".

# **COUNCIL AGENDA OF DECEMBER 21, 1993**

2. PROPOSED PENSION BY-LAW P-408

# 3. PRESENTATIONS

Operations Review (Presentation and Discussion)

- Library
- School Board

### 4. **REPORTS**

### 4.1 **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

4.1.1 Appointments

- Lakes Advisory Board
- Five Star Committee
- Common Committee
- Burnside Waste to Energy Monitoring Committee

# 4.2 **SOLICITOR**

4.2.1 Residential Parking Permits Bylaw

# 4.3 **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

- 4.3.1 Appointment of Auditors
- 4.3.2 Response to Management Letters

# 5. **CONCERNS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS OR QUESTIONS**

LOCATION: CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

TIME:

7:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MAYOR MCCLUSKEY SARTO, THOMPSON

ALDERMEN

CUNNINGHAM, MAY MACFARLANE, WALTON RODGERS, MACDONALD HAWLEY, GREENOUGH WOODS, PYE.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

ALD. LEVANDIER, HETHERINGTON

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER: L. CORRIGAN

CITY SOLICITOR:

S. HOOD

ASST. CITY CLERK:

V. CARMICHAEL

Mayor McCluskey opened the meeting and welcomed members of the Third Dartmouth Pathfinders, present with their leaders.

The agenda was accepted, as circulated, on motion of Ald. May and Sarto.

#### 1.0 MOTIONS

### ALD. MAY

With the agreement of Council, Ald. May deferred his first motion, and proceeded to the second one. Motion #1 is deferred to the next regular Council meeting.

2) MOTION: WHEREAS the City of Dartmouth has a Memorandum of Understanding, whereby the City reaffirms its policy of no discrimination on certain grounds;

AND WHEREAS the policy does not prohibit discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Human Rights Advisory Committee review the "Statement of Policy", and report to Council as to the desirability of amending the Memorandum and the "Statement of Policy".

Ald. May Moved: Ald. Pye Second:

In Favour: All None Against:

Motion Carried

#### 2.0 PROPOSED PENSION BY-LAW P-408

PENSION BY-LAW P-408

Proposed Pension By-law P-408 has been prepared, for the purposes of (1) ensuring compliance with all applicable

provincial and federal legislation; (2) to ensure completeness and correctness of amendments made to the by-laws in recent years; and (3) to maintain the meaning and intent of the existing by-laws.

In the accompanying report to Council from Mr. Corrigan (Gordon Roussel), it has been recommended that By-law P-408 be enacted by Council.

MOTION: That leave be given to introduce the said By-law P-408 and that

it now be read a first time.

Moved: Ald. Sarto Second: Ald. Greenough

Both Mr. Roussel and Mr. Conrad, representing the actuaries, were present for this item and available to answer questions from Council and provide additional information. Mr. Roussel described P-408 as basically a housekeeping by-law, to comply with government requirements, and an organization of amendments, to produce a readable resource document.

Ald. Thompson felt the by-law should have been referred to the Pension Committee for review, and Ald. May also questioned the need for it to be approved at this Council meeting. Mr. Corrigan explained that the deadline for filing the document with Revenue Canada is Dec. 31/93.

Ald. Greenough suggested giving the document approval in principle and at the same time, referring it to a meeting of the Pension Committee, to be held in January.

MOTION: To approve By-law P-408 in principle and to refer it to a January meeting

of the Pension Committee.

Moved: Ald. Greenough

Second: Ald. May

Ald. Thompson said he had questions about a number of sections of the by-law, and he proceeded to ask about the following: Sections 2.12, 2.14, 2.15, 3.01, 3.04, 4.01 (a), 4.08, 5.03. Mr. Roussel and Mr. Conrad responded to these questions and offered explanations as requested.

Ald. Greenough encouraged members of Council to attend the Pension Committee meeting, when it is held, to bring forward any other points they may want to have clarified. Ald. May said the document would have been easier to deal with if it had been accompanied by a more extensive memo, with explanations for the changes it includes, and the implications for the City. The Solicitor pointed out to Council that the by-law could not in fact, be approved in principle without having received three readings in the regular Ald. Greenough therefore withdrew his motion of referral, in order to allow the regular procedure to be followed. Ald. Thompson and May indicated that they were opposed to the referral motion being withdrawn.

The vote was then taken on first reading.

In Favour: All members except

Ald. May Against:

Motion carried

That By-law P-408 be read a MOTION:

second time.

Ald. Greenough Moved:

Ald. Pye Second:

In Favour: All members except Against: Ald. May, Thompson

Motion Carried

Unanimous consent was not given for third reading of the by-law.

> That the By-law be referred to a MOTION: meeting of Council, with Mr. Roussel and Mr. Conrad present, to answer

questions and explain details, as required.

Ald. Greenough Ald. May Moved:

Second:

In Favour: All None Against:

Motion Carried

Mr. Corrigan noted that it may be necessary to convene a Council meeting before Dec. 31st, if compliance with that deadline date cannot be avoided.

#### 3.0 PRESENTATIONS

## OPERATIONS REVIEW

# LIBRARY

Attending for the Library presentation to Council, were Ms. Lewis and Mr. Oxner; other Library staff were present in the gallery also.

Ms. Lewis first presented Council with a fact sheet, containing statistics on the continually increasing number of visitors to the main library and the Woodlawn Branch, on the number of registered borrowers (65% of whom are from Dartmouth), and on the circulation of library materials. The figure for visitors to the main library, per day, is 1,373. Budget information for the year 1993/94 was included in the fact sheet. The Bookmobile circulation figure given was 35,000, described as an outreach service for children and serving day care centres in the City.

Ald. Cunningham asked about the effects of the Monday closing of the library, and Ms. Lewis commented on some of the implications for staff, in having to compress the weekly workload into a smaller time frame.

Ald. Thompson asked if consideration has ever been given by the Library Board, to Penhorn School as an alternate location for the east-end branch library. Ald. Hawley noted that there would be capital costs involved for such a use, and the School Board has not yet turned this building over to the City.

Ms. Lewis went on to the Mission Statement for the Library, and to the operational structure for services. Ald. Greenough asked for information on the staff complement; Ms. Lewis advised that there are 45 full-time staff and 45 part-time staff, some working as few as five hours per weel

Council was informed of the Library issues, in particular, the wages of library employees, 22% below the City in comparable classifications; the new Provincial funding formula, soon to be determined and with possible good or bad results for the Dartmouth service; technology & automation advances and the time required to keep up with these; the Strategic Plan for the Library; and partnership with Dartmouth School Board (combined CD ROM), and with the Halifax County Library (automation system & expertise).

There being no further questions from Council, the Mayor thanked the presenters, and while waiting for the School Board representatives to set up for their presentation, several items from the agenda were dealt with by Council.

# 4.2 SOLICITOR

### 4.2.1 RESIDENTIAL PARKING PERMITS BY-LAW

BY-LAW R-203

Proposed By-law R-203, to provide for residential parking permits to be issued for Fairbanks Street, Pinewood Dr., Lovetts, Street, Sunnyside Ave., Middle Street, Springhill Road, and Parts of Dahlia Street and Courtney Road, was before Council for approval, having been recommended by Mr. Moreash in his accompanying report.

MOTION: That leave be given to introduce

the said By-law R-203 and that it

now be read a first time.

Moved: Ald. Sarto Second: Ald. Woods

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

Motion Carried

MOTION: That By-law R-203 be read

a second time.

Moved: Ald. Woods 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 R-203 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. Woods Second: Ald. May

In Favour: All Against: None

Motion Carried

# 4.3 AUDIT COMMITTEE

#### 4.3.1 APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS

# APPOINTMENT: AUDITORS

The Audit Committee has made a recommendation to Council on the appointment of Doane Raymond as external auditors for the fiscal years 1993/94 and 1994/95. The audit fee will be the same as charged during 1992/93, except for inflationary adjustments, as measured by CPI for the metro area.

MOTION: To adopt the recommendation of the

Audit Committee, on the appointment of Doane Raymond as external auditors for the fiscal years 1993/94 and 1994/95.

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Moved: Ald. May

Second: Ald. Greenough

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

Motion Carried

# 4.3.2 RESPONSE TO MANAGEMENT LETTERS

RESPONSE TO MANAGEMENT LETTERS In a second report to Council from the Audit Committee, it has been recommended that Council concur with proposed actions to be taken in response to management letters issued by Doane Raymond, details of which are contained in the report made to the Committee by Mr. Corrigan.

MOTION: To receive and file the report from the Committee.

Moved: Ald. May

Second: Ald. Greenough

In Favour: All Against: None

Motion Carried

#### SCHOOL BOARD PRESENTATION

At this point in the meeting, the School Board presentation to Council began. Ms. Jane Mackay, Vice-Chairman of the Board, was the main presenter, assisted by Supt. of Schools, Reid Harrison. Several other School Board members were present in the gallery, and Mr. David Gray was available also, to provide information as requested.

Ms. Mackay opened her presentation with statistics on the increasing student enrolment, to the present year, with a total of 10,919 students in City schools. At the same time, there are 68 fewer teachers in the Dartmouth system, and the largest average class size in Nova Scotia. We rank eighth, out of 22, in terms of operating cost per pupil, in this province. As a further comparative figure, Ms. Mackay advised that the per student cost in the City of Halifax is \$631.00 higher than Dartmouth.

She went on to some of the effects, emotional and otherwise, of school closures that have taken place, and stressed to Council, the importance of a community's educational system, in attracting business and development - also, in keeping up with increasing demands for education in today's workplace. A handout was circulated to members of Council, containing information on operating costs per student for Dartmouth, with comparison figures; class size distribution by Board, with comparison figures; and staff-enrolment patterns for the years 1976 to 1992/93 inclusive.

Members had the opportunity to ask questions and receive further details from Supt. Harrison and Mr. Gray, as the overheads were being presented by Ms. Mackay. The final overhead shown to Council, gave a summary of preliminary assumptions for the Board's 1994/95 operating budget, reflecting a projected shortfall of \$2.8 million dollars, or, in terms of teaching positions, 84.8 reductions. Ald. MacFarlane asked if this represents a worst-case scenario, and Ms. Mackay said she hoped so. Supt. Harrison commented on some of the implications, such as increased size of classes and the cutting out of many programs other than those that are basic.

Ald. Cunningham said this reduction in teaching staff would be unthinkable, since education is the heart of any community. Ald. Walton agreed with these comments, and asked if priorities are being assessed, in the light of reductions that may have to be made. Supt. Harrison said a group of staff members are trying to determine priorities. Ald. Walton asked if any approach has been made to the UNSM on this serious matter; Supt. Harrison said that the Nova Scotia School Boards Association, which has become an effective lobby group, is trying to make a case with government, on behalf of local Boards struggling with funding problems.

It was noted by Ms. Mackay that while we may have students in the Dartmouth system with special needs, in larger numbers than other municipalities do, there is no provisions made in provincial funding to compensate the City for these extra requirements placed on our educational system. Funding is based strictly on enrolment figures.

Ald. Rodgers had questions about the salary increases teachers are receiving, under their present collective agreement, which expires July 31/94. Supt. Harrison said they have received 3%, 2% and a 6% COLA increase, over the years of the present contract.

Ald. MacDonald had a number of questions about sections of the Board's strategic planning document, also, about computers purchased for use in schools, their cost (\$133,000.) and installation. He received information, in response, from Mr. Gray and Supt. Harrison.

The School Board presenters were thanked by the Mayor, and prior to adjournment, Ald. May and MacDonald indicated their willingness to assume responsibility for deciding the best-decorated properties during the Christmas season.

Meeting adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

V. Carmichael Asst. City Clerk.

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