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of the 1967 Capital Budget, whether Council could request an amendment to the budget.

The Acting City Manager replied that this could most likely be done. In reply to a further question, he stated that at the time of discussion of the current budget, there was some money available in the Prefab Account which could be used in 1967 for purposes such as this.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Ahern that, the Minister of Municipal Affairs be requested to consider the inclusion of \$90,000.00 as an Amendment to the 1967 Capital Budget of the City of Halifax for the purpose of replacing the buildings presently located on the Central Common. Motion passed.

At this time, Alderman Matheson commended the Recreation Commission, the staff and those who took part in the recent programme entitled "Winter Highlights" with an Ice Revue which was held in the Forum.

REPORT - TOWN PLANNING BOARD

Council considered the report of the meeting of the Town Planning Board held on April 4, 1967 with respect to the following:

Alteration to a Subdivision - Lot 1 Gottingen Street and
Lots 51-54 Kencrest Avenue

MOVED by Alderman Ivany, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, an alteration to a subdivision - Lot 1 Gottingen Street and Lots 51-54 Kencrest Avenue, as shown on Plan No. P200/2209-00-10-16929 to combine five (5) lots into one, be approved and the public hearing waived. Motion passed.

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Modification of Front and Side Yard Requirements -
6107 Willow Street

MOVED by Alderman A. M. Butler, seconded by Alderman Moir that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, the application to modify the front and side yard requirements of the property No. 6107 Willow Street for the purpose of converting a single family dwelling into a duplex, be rejected. Motion passed.

MOTIONS

Alderman Sullivan Re: Council Meeting with Union Representatives
- Drop in Employment

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, this Council meet with a member or members of the Marine Workers Union, Freight Handlers Union, Longshoremen's Union and any other Organizations, to discuss decrease in employment with a view to obtaining Governmental help to alleviate this drop in employment.

Alderman Sullivan then submitted and read the following brief:

Recent news report stated 390 ocean going freighters have been serviced in the St. Lawrence Gulf and lower river ports this winter, as against four ships in the 1957-1958 season. Nova Scotian stevedores in the port of Halifax experienced a 40% drop in their earnings in our three month winter shipping season this year according to Jack Campbell, President of Halifax Longshoremen's Association. The question has been asked "Is this Confederation?"

Three freighters recently swung at anchor in Halifax's wide, deep harbour, a stone's throw from deserted quays in our Port. The excuse it would cost more for them to follow the logical course of sending their cargo from Montreal to Halifax by rail and loading it here than keep the vessels inactive in the harbour at a reported cost of \$3,000.00 a day.

The newly amalgamated City's joint council in Saint John, N.B. recently sent telegrams concerning delay in delivery of grain to that port to Transport Minister Pickersgill, Trade Minister Winters and their local member.

Saint John Drydock Company have secured lucrative contracts to build the navy's two new support ships.

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A local official has been quoted as saying marine slip work force struggled through a horrible slack period during January. Dosco officials have said the total labour force in the local yards is 999 as compared with 1243 last year. An official of the United Steelworkers of America in Trenton, Nova Scotia, had forwarded a telegram to the Prime Minister in an effort to stop moving heavy forging machines from the Trenton Works to a plant in the Toronto area.

Montreal officials have criticized National Harbours Board for lack of dock-crane facilities in Montreal to load and unload containers.

Cunard Steamship Co. founded here in 1840 closed its passenger office March 30, 1967.

During a recent Centennial Lecture at Dalhousie University, Toronto University College principal Douglas LePan is quoted as saying, "Confederation is in real danger", and he also said, "it should be of national concern that the economic growth of the Maritimes gets in step with the more affluent provinces.

I understand a study of waterfront land for industrial uses in the Halifax Harbour-Bedford Basin area is being made by Murray V. Jones and Associates Ltd. of Toronto. This is to be completed by August 31. I only hope they will include in their study the 11,000 acres of watershed land which should be available for development. It has been said by a Minister of the Government that this land is "Halifax's greatest asset".

Alderman Sullivan further suggested that the Unions be contacted and asked to select a representative to attend the meeting as well as inviting the Halifax Members of Parliament and the Members of the Legislature.

It was also suggested that the Halifax-Dartmouth & District Trades & Labour Council attend the meeting and that the Labour Council be asked to contact the appropriate Unions to select representatives.

At the suggestion of His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Sullivan, Meagher and Fitzgerald were appointed a committee to work out the details for such a meeting. Alderman Sullivan to act as Chairman.

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The mover and seconder agreed to amend the motion to include an invitation to the Halifax Members of Parliament and the Nova Scotia Legislature as well as representatives from the Halifax-Dartmouth & District Trades & Labour Council.

The motion, as amended, was put and passed.

It was also agreed that His Worship the Mayor request the Secretary of the Nova Scotia Federation of Labour to supply enough copies of its brief to the Province, for circulation to Council members.

Alderman Ahern Re: Revival of Grievance Committee

Alderman Ahern said he wished to withdraw his motion until later in the year, when he would then give a further Notice of Motion.

Accounts over \$1,000.00

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, in accordance with Section 159(1)(m) of the City Charter, the following account be approved:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Works Dept. Coastal Asphalt Products Ltd.	Snow Plow parts	\$1,005.02

Motion passed.

Letter - Canadian Federation of Mayors and Municipalities Re: Resolutions for Conference, July 23-27, 1967

A letter was submitted from the above Organization requesting that any resolutions of Council to be submitted to the Conference should be approved and in the hands of the Resolutions Committee no later than June 15, 1967.

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Alderman Meagher suggested that certain problems the City has encountered should be the subject of a resolution to be submitted to the Conference.

His Worship the Mayor stated that there has been some discussion in the press in Central Canada and Ottawa that there should be a Federal Department of Urban Affairs. He felt that some broadening of the legislation under the National Housing Act or otherwise, should be useful to the City of Halifax which, could be patterned after some American legislation that allows for demonstration grants in particular for experiments in urban renewal schemes in cities. There have been some states in the United States with problems similar to Halifax which have received a large amount of federal government aid to do the things needed in this city. He also felt this might be a more fruitful source of assistance than the Province of Nova Scotia.

Alderman Meagher suggested that federal financial assistance should be forthcoming to assist in the restoration of historic buildings. He felt this is a problem which is unique in this City and that some resolution might be prepared and approved by Council for submission to the Conference.

Alderman Moir felt that the suggestion of His Worship the Mayor in connection with the establishment of a Department of Urban Affairs is one of the greatest needs in the country today. He suggested that His Worship the Mayor could give some consideration to a resolution that the federal government establish such a department and that he use terminology that will be acceptable with the British-North America Act.

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It was then agreed that any member of Council could bring forward a resolution during the next six weeks for consideration and endorsement.

Speaking about the matter of historic buildings, His Worship the Mayor stated that the City might, in Centennial Year, get the Mayors' Federation to give a National stamp of approval to some broadening of the legislation for assistance on these matters and that might have some impact on Ottawa that just Quebec City and Halifax seek such financial aid. He did not think the legislation is broad enough to serve the city's needs and to relate the restoration of historic buildings with urban renewal as it is faced on Harbour Drive.

Alderman Meagher pointed out that there are two buildings in this City which were the residences of two Fathers of Confederation. He suggested that, if these buildings were in the United States, they would not only be purchased by the federal government, but refurbished. He also suggested that if these buildings are not restored, in fifteen years they will be beyond repair.

Alderman Ivany stated that there are a lot of homes in the City and across the country that are reaching a state of decay and deterioration which will be a major problem. He felt, that under the National Housing Act, there should be some means whereby an overall study could be made.

His Worship the Mayor referred Alderman Ivany to a speech by Prime Minister Pearson when he indicated the need for some broadening of the National Housing Act to permit cities to do certain things they have not been able to do to date. Some of the points mentioned by Mr. Pearson come close to the

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needs of this City.

Alderman Moir contended that if a copy of this speech had been at hand, resolutions could have been prepared as a result.

It was agreed that a copy of the speech be obtained.

Amended Expropriation Resolution - Block Bounded by Barrington,
Duke, Argyle & Buckingham Streets

The following Resolution was submitted:

WHEREAS the City Council of the City of Halifax did on the 30th day of March, A. D., 1967, pass a resolution pursuant to the provisions of the Halifax City Charter, 1963, and amendments thereto, expropriating certain lands in the City of Halifax comprising the block bounded by Barrington Street, Duke Street, Argyle Street and Buckingham Street, and any and all estates or interests in the said lands, for redevelopment purposes;

AND WHEREAS the property known as Civic Number 1888-1894 Barrington Street was included in the lands so expropriated and described in the said resolution but was not included in the list of properties, the assessed owners and compensation to be paid therefor;

AND WHEREAS the plan of expropriation filed with the said Resolution of Expropriation at the Registry of Deeds, at Halifax, Nova Scotia, on the 31st day of March, A.D., 1967, shows the property 1888-1894 Barrington Street as being owned by Harry Gordon and Vivian Gordon;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Halifax that, pursuant to the provisions of Section 418 of the Halifax City Charter, 1963, the resolution of the City Council filed at the Office of the Registrar of Deeds in Halifax, Nova Scotia, on the 31st day of March, A. D., 1967, in Book 2165, page 920, with respect to the expropriation of the lands in the City of Halifax comprising the block bounded by Barrington Street, Duke Street, Argyle Street and Buckingham Street, be amended by adding thereto under the heading of "Lands to be Expropriated - Assessed Owners - Compensation" the following:

"1888-1894 Barrington Street Harry Gordon and \$53,000.00"
Vivian Gordon

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Connolly that, the Resolution be approved. Motion passed.

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Letter - Department of Highways Re: Signalization Armdale Rotary

A letter was submitted from the Department of Highways dated April 4, 1967, as follows:

Mr. R. H. Stoddard,
City Clerk,
City of Halifax,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:

The Honourable Stephen T. Pyke, Minister of Highways, has directed that I reply to your letter of March 20, 1967 regarding the Armdale Rotary.

To go back a short time, the proposal of the "Quinpool Causeway" was turned down by the City and the City was then asked by the Minister of Highways for an alternate proposal. On January 20, 1967 a meeting was held in the Minister's office attended by the Minister, the Mayor of Halifax, the County Warden, and Staff from each Branch to consider the proposal of the Development Department of the City of Halifax. This proposal was to eliminate the Rotary and substitute two intersections controlled by traffic lights. The cost of this proposal was estimated at from Four Hundred to Six Hundred Thousand Dollars. Our Traffic Department had studied this proposal and their calculations indicated that the two-intersection scheme was workable for a short time but within a year or so it would be intolerable due to traffic increases.

The suggestion was then made by the Department that in view of the City's suggestion for traffic lights and the large cost of converting the Rotary into two intersections for a result that was at best debatable, it might be better to ascertain what effect traffic lights might have on the existing Rotary at a fraction of the cost. The City agreed to study this proposal.

The City Council resolution of March 16, 1967 reads, "THAT if the Province of Nova Scotia wishes to pursue the temporary remedy to signalize the Armdale Rotary on a trial basis, the City will not object, but recommends, etc.,". This wording would seem to infer that the Province is on its own in regard to signals on the Rotary. We hope that this is not so, as we have always regarded the problem as a joint problem and that any attempts for a solution would be a joint effort with the City.

May we be re-assured that the City will co-operate with the Department in an immediate manual test of signal lights on the Rotary.

Yours very truly,
(Sgd) G. C. Hault.

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His Worship the Mayor suggested that Council should indicate to the Department of Highways that the Traffic Authority, with the Chief of Police, will co-operate with the Department of Highways and that the City will render every assistance available on the assumption that this is the scheme of the Department of Highways that they are responsible for designing the test and financing it.

Alderman Matheson said he did not believe this was the intent of the Deputy Minister of Highways. He felt what the Deputy Minister is saying is that improvements to the Rotary must be a joint project because half of it is in the City of Halifax. He felt that not many Council members were enthusiastic about the proposed remedy, although Council had gone on record as favouring Mr. Chang's suggestions which had all been turned down by the Department. He also felt that Council has to go along with the request of the Department on the usual basis and he so moved.

Some discussion took place with respect to the matter of the City paying half of the cost involved and it was felt this should not be stated in the motion.

His Worship the Mayor referred to the words "usual basis" and stated that, that is something the City has to break with the Province. The Province sold the City on some of the developments of the entrances into the City on a 50-50 sharing of the costs within the City boundaries and it paid 100% of the cost in the county. The longer the City carries on this tradition with the Province the longer it will be before the City could get it to pay 100% of the cost of the interchange

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that some day will be built at the Rotary.

It was then MOVED by Alderman Matheson, seconded by Alderman Moir that, the City co-operate with the Department of Highways in an immediate manual test of signal lights on the Armdale Rotary. Motion passed.

Report - Beautification Committee

A report was submitted from the Beautification Committee advising that it had met with the Board of Trade Committee.

MOVED by Alderman Ivany, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, the City Beautification Committee, remain as such, but act in concert with the Board of Trade Committee to avoid duplication of effort. Motion passed.

Report - Re: Assistance, Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Flint, Africville

A report was submitted from Staff relating to a grant of \$1,500.00 to the above named.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Fitzgerald that:

1. An amount of \$1,500.00 be made payable to Mr. & Mrs. Ernest (Bernice) Flint; such an amount to be paid in lieu of furniture allowance and rental assistance.
2. The service of the Legal Department of the City be made available to Mr. & Mrs. Flint with regard to their mortgage commitment.
3. Assistance in moving Mr. & Mrs. Flint's furniture from Africville to their new residence, be given.

Motion passed.

9:25 p.m. Council adjourned for a short recess.

9:40 p.m. Council reconvened. The same members present except Alderman Abbott.

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Question - Alderman Connolly Re: Acquisition of Properties
East Side of Barrington-Cornwallis to North Streets

Convent. Alderman Connolly stated that representations had been made to him with respect to the City purchasing properties on the east side of Barrington Street from Cornwallis to North Streets. He asked if the City proposes to acquire these properties.

Brunswick. The Development Officer replied that this area has been approved as a redevelopment area but Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation had not agreed to cost sharing when the Agreement was made. The only properties that are acquired are those that are offered to the City by the owners.

Alderman Connolly then asked what would happen if the owner has an opportunity to sell his property to a commercial enterprise for redevelopment.

The Development Officer replied that if the property owner has an opportunity to sell, undoubtedly he will but, on the other hand, if he sold it and the purchaser intended to demolish it and rebuild, the matter would be decided by Council.

Alderman Connolly stated that a lot of people would like to have an answer if the City is going to acquire their properties in such areas.

His Worship the Mayor advised that very shortly Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation will present plans to Council for housing development in the Brunswick-Barrington Streets area.

Following this presentation Council should have some decision about subsequent phases of development or plans for that area.

Alderman Connolly advised that the City has been

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acquiring properties on Brunswick Street north of St. Patrick's Convent. He asked if more properties are acquired would it be possible for the owners to remain until they are ready for demolition.

The Development Officer replied in the affirmative and advised that the next phase of redevelopment is both sides of Brunswick Street north of the Convent.

His Worship the Mayor advised that plans are underway in Ottawa at the present time for this area and will be submitted to Council next week.

Question - Alderman Connolly Re: Priority Housing Accommodation -
Uniacke Square

Alderman Connolly asked if it is normal routine that a family dispossessed of their homes would have a priority for accommodation in Uniacke Square.

The Development Officer replied that there was an instruction from the partnership to the Housing Authority that people from the Uniacke Square area would have a priority for new housing in Uniacke Square even if in some instances they went into a public housing project while new housing was being built.

Question - Alderman Doyle Re: Allen Property, Gottingen Street

Alderman Connolly, on behalf of Alderman Doyle, asked if the Allen Property on Gottingen Street could be used for housing or some other development.

His Worship the Mayor replied that Staff had been directed to look into possible uses and report.

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Question - Alderman Ahern Re: Additional Members Housing Authority

Alderman Ahern asked if Council would request the Federal Government to approve an increase in the membership of the Housing Authority by adding the Aldermen from Wards 5 and 6.

His Worship the Mayor replied that members of the Housing Authority have to be approved by all three bodies concerned.

Question - Alderman Ahern Re: West Street Fire Station

Alderman Ahern asked what could be done to revoke all plans for the West Street Fire Station.

His Worship the Mayor replied that the Alderman has a right to give a Notice of Rescission but Council would want to take into account how far the plans are advanced.

The Fire Chief advised that preliminary sketches have been prepared.

Question - Alderman Matheson Re: Patching of Streets

Alderman Matheson asked if the street patching programme has been started.

The Acting Director of Works replied in the negative and stated that it would not be started before May 1st or 2nd due to weather and temperature conditions, but potholes are being filled temporarily.

Question - Alderman Matheson Re: Paving Vernon Street

Alderman Matheson asked if Vernon Street will be paved this year, to which the Acting Director of Works replied that it is proposed.

Question - Alderman Fitzgerald Re: Tax Relief - Widows

Alderman Fitzgerald asked if any information was

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forthcoming with respect to tax relief for widows.

Alderman Ahern replied that he had received information from the City of Dartmouth and the County of Halifax on this subject and would be making a full report to the next meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee.

Question - Alderman Ivany Re: Implementation Committee

Alderman Ivany asked for information on the progress being made by the Implementation Committee with respect to certain administration changes approved by City Council.

His Worship the Mayor replied that the Committee will be meeting again to consider the remaining recommendations. Some aspects are going on under the Director of Finance as several of the recommendations pertained to financial procedures and some are being carried out by the Training Officer. There are several Ordinances that have to be prepared by the Legal Department.

Question - Alderman Sullivan Re: Demolition Marden-Wild Property

Alderman Sullivan asked when the above property would be demolished.

The Development Officer replied that the contract may already be awarded but he would have to consult the record for a definite answer.

Question - Alderman Moir Re: Sweeping Streets

Alderman Moir asked if the City sweepers would be put into operation on a twenty-four hour basis since most of the snow and ice has disappeared.

Question - Alderman Moir Re: Spring Garden South Redevelopment

Alderman Moir asked if there is any proposal to

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redevelop the Spring Garden Road area.

The Development Officer replied that after consultation with proposed developers he had come to the conclusion that there would be no proposal submitted.

Question - Alderman Sullivan Re: Recreation Facilities North
End of Robie Street

Alderman Sullivan asked if there would be any recreation facilities provided for the above area.

Alderman H. W. Butler replied that he would refer the matter to the Recreation Commission.

National Award - Design - Apartment Building

His Worship the Mayor advised Council that the design of the Embassy Tower Apartment Building had won a National Award, for which he felt the City could well be proud.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Notice of Motion - Alderman Fitzgerald Re: Stockpiling of Fill

Alderman Fitzgerald gave notice that, at the next regular meeting of City Council, he will move that the City of Halifax seek legislation that will give the City the necessary means to regulate and control the stockpiling of fill within the boundaries of the City of Halifax.

Letter - Mayor O'Brien Re: Bridge Construction

The following letter was submitted from His Worship the Mayor addressed to Members of City Council, dated April 11, 1967:-

Gentlemen:

On April 4th, I attended a meeting of the Bridge Commission, at which the City's Resolution in relation to approaches to the Arm Bridge were discussed. The street widening on Robie Street, Inglis Street and University Avenue,

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which City Staff indicated to the Bridge Commission a year ago would be a requirement in the way of bridge approaches, is included in the plans for the North West Arm Bridge at \$800,000, chargeable to the Bridge Commission.

I argued that a new highway over the railway cut from the south end of Robie Street to the railway terminal would be required as soon as there was sufficient traffic on the Arm Bridge to make Robie Street inadequate. When I indicated that the City was anxious to get a commitment from the Bridge Commission on this matter, the Chairman of the Bridge Commission, Dr. MacKay, said, "What makes you think the Bridge Commission will not assume this responsibility, when it may be required as a link between a south Harbour crossing and the Arm Bridge?"

From his question, I assume that it is possible that as and when required, this piece of road construction, estimated by Dr. MacKay, presumably on advice, to cost \$7,000,000, will, in fact, at some date be accepted as a responsibility of the Bridge Commission.

The final determination of this matter should perhaps await the outcome of further discussions which the City is to have with the Province and with the Bridge Commission about the responsibilities of the City, the Department of Highways and the Bridge Commission for highway construction within the City.

The Bridge Commission has not made a final commitment to have the Arm Bridge built to open at the same time as the Narrows Bridge, in spite of a resolution last year favouring simultaneous construction. The present position is that the Bridge Commission would seek the Order-in-Council from the Province authorizing the planning of the Arm Bridge, that Mr. Pratley be authorized to seek approval from the Navigable Waters Authority in Ottawa for the crossing and that any further design activity be delayed until approximately July, when the contract for the superstructure on the Narrows Bridge would be let and some assessment of the total financial situation of the Bridge Commission could be made.

Alderman Matheson stated that he understood the resolution of City Council supporting the Narrows Bridge and undertaking the City's share of any deficits was conditional upon the construction of the North West Arm Bridge, and also that this resolution was acceptable to the Bridge Commission. He further stated he understood the situation to be that, Council approved its involvement in the Narrows Bridge, including location, on the understanding the two bridges would

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be built simultaneously. He said he was deeply concerned with information in the press which indicates the powers that be do not consider the Arm Bridge to be an urgent matter. He referred to the annual report of the Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission in which a paragraph states, "the Province of Nova Scotia has been requested by the Commission to enact enabling legislation to permit the creation and issue of thirty-five million dollars in bonds and debentures", which would provide funds for the simultaneous construction of the Narrows Bridge and the North West Arm Bridge. He referred to a further paragraph from the annual report which states, "however, in view of the rapid and continued increases in the cost of construction, until such time as the cost of the Narrows Bridge is finally determined, the Commission has no definite assurance that even thirty-five million dollars will be adequate".

His Worship the Mayor said that legislation now called for thirty-seven million dollars.

Alderman Matheson went on to say that the Chairman of the Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission has gone on record as suggesting that planning of the North West Arm Bridge would be delayed until July or later until it is known how much the Narrows Bridge would cost, then a local commentator, Mr. Edmund Morris, commenting on the tenders for the superstructure of the Narrows Bridge and the fact the tender accepted was 10% higher than the estimate, indicated if this trend continued the Narrows Bridge would exhaust the funds available for the two bridges. The implication being that the North West Arm Bridge will not be built, and he thought that Mr. Morris had good reason for

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suggesting this might be the case. Although Mr. Morris is no authority on the matter, His Worship the Mayor reported to Council that the Bridge Commission has applied to the Provincial Government to pass an Order-in-Council authorizing the planning of the North West Arm Bridge. He also advised that the Bridge Commission has adopted a motion seeking the Order-in-Council.

Alderman Matheson stated that what really alarmed him is the statement made by the Attorney General of Nova Scotia at a meeting held in Halifax County, and as reported in the press said that the Arm Bridge was inevitable but, it could only be built when there was sufficient traffic to contribute substantially to its operation. Alderman Matheson thought this was a very alarming statement coming from a senior member of the Government of the Province in the present circumstance. He stated that this leads one to believe that Attorney General Donahoe is speaking for the Cabinet of the Province of Nova Scotia since it is a rigid rule that Ministers do not go around making statements unless they have the support of their colleagues, and if this report is not true, then it should be refuted by his colleagues or the Premier. He said he thought Council should take a strong stand and insist that the planning of the Arm Bridge should be proceeded with without any further delay.

MOVED by Alderman Matheson, seconded by Alderman Ahern that, His Worship the Mayor write to the Premier of Nova Scotia and the Chairman of the Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission advising that the City Council of the City of Halifax insists that the planning for the North West Arm Bridge be proceeded

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with immediately and that the necessary Order-in-Council be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

Report - City Solicitor Re: Proclamation of Poll Tax Sections,
1963 City Charter

A report was submitted from Staff relating to the Proclamation of Sections 248, 249, 250, 251 and 252 of the 1963 City Charter and the Repeal of Sections 366, 366A, 366B, 366C, 367, 367A, 367B and 368 of the 1931 City Charter.

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Matheson that, His Worship the Mayor request the Governor in Council to proclaim Sections 248, 249, 250, 251 and 252 of the 1963 Charter and the repeal of Sections 366, 366A, 366B, 366C, 367, 367A, 367B and 368 of the 1931 Charter. Motion passed.

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Matheson that any future poll tax surplus be treated in the same manner as any other surplus tax account. Motion passed.

Letter - National Harbours Board Re: Grant

The following letter was submitted from the National Harbours Board, Ottawa, dated March 29, 1967:-

Mr. R. H. Stoddard,
City Clerk,
City Hall,
Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Ralph:

Please convey to His Worship and the Council Members my thanks for their kind expression of appreciation. My acknowledgement was delayed until the official Order-in-Council was received. It was delivered to me today and a copy is attached which you will no doubt pass on to the City Manager.

The authorizing Order also includes provision to make interim payments at the date taxes are normally due. That provision should substantially reduce interest costs to the City.

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Would you please advise His Worship that instructions have been issued to the National Harbours Board Secretary to undertake interim payments as soon as the necessary paper work is completed. The audit of the 1966 Halifax grant is now in process. It will be the end of April before it is completed. Under those circumstances I have issued instructions to make an interim payment because of the large amount of the grant.

May I also observe that my contributions to the grants campaign along with those of Mayors of other cities and M.P's was greatly enhanced by the valued assistance of the staff of the Mayors Federation over the many years the actions occurred. In recent months the Federation's Executive-Director, Mr. Henry Lawless and his assistant, Mr. Dennis Paproski, was particularly outstanding. Membership in the Federation has certainly yielded substantial dividends for the City.

With best wishes, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd) J. E. Lloyd, C.A
Member.

Received for the purpose of information.

Report - City Solicitor Re: Short-Term Borrowing

MOVED by Alderman Ivany, seconded by Alderman Moir, that under the authority of Section 213 of the Halifax City Charter, 1963, the City Treasurer be authorized to borrow, from time to time, with the approval of the City Manager, in anticipation of the collection of taxes, money required by the City, and in respect to such borrowings, sign notes substantially in the following form:

"For good and valuable consideration received, the City of Halifax promises to pay to.....
.....
at Halifax, Nova Scotia, on theday of
....., A.D., 19.. the sum of.....
Dollars (\$) of lawful money of Canada with
interest thereon at the rate of per centum
per annum.

Dated at Halifax, N.S., this day of
A.D., 19....

.....
City Treasurer of the City of
Halifax "

Motion passed.

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Letter - Premier Re: Beautification Programme

A letter was submitted from Premier Stanfield suggesting:-

1. Province-wide clean-up May 1 - 6, 1967.
2. Downtown Painting project to which the Province will contribute two-thirds of the design cost.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Connolly that clean-up week be set for May 1 - 6 as requested by the Premier.

MOVED an amendment Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman A. M. Butler that, clean-up week be set for the third week in May.

The amendment was put and passed, with Aldermen Fitzgerald and Sullivan voting against.

The amended motion was put and passed with Aldermen Fitzgerald and Sullivan voting against.

MOVED by Alderman Matheson, seconded by Alderman A. M. Butler that, the City of Halifax participate in the downtown painting project programme; two-thirds of the cost to be borne by the Province and one-third by the City. Motion passed.

City Beautification Programme

A report was submitted from Staff making suggestions as to ways in which the City Administration could support and participate in the City's beautification.

MOVED by Alderman Ivany, seconded by Alderman H. W. Butler:

1. that His Worship the Mayor publicly declare support and

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participation to coincide with the start of the beautification programme,

2. that an appropriate pamphlet be published outlining the nature of property improvements which might be undertaken without serious effect on assessment for taxation purposes.

Motion passed.

Lease of Properties Redevelopment Areas

MOVED by Alderman Matheson, seconded by Alderman Black that the City Manager be authorized to lease properties in the Redevelopment areas on behalf of the City of Halifax. Motion passed.

10:20 p.m. Meeting adjourned.

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After the meeting was called to order, the members of Council attending, led by the City Clerk, recited the Lord's Prayer.

ALLAN O'BRIEN,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Present: His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Matheson, A. M. Butler, Meagher, Ahern,

and H. W. Butler.

Also present: City Manager, Deputy City Manager, City Clerk, Development Officer and other Staff.

R. H. STODDARD,
CITY CLERK.

Plans were specially called to attention. Plans, prepared by Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation of the Creighton Street and Brunswick Street areas, were presented for consideration. Housing Projects.

4:35 p.m. Council adjourned to meet at 7:30 p.m. on the whole.

Alderman Matheson stated that it was his intention that Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation should prepare a model of the schemes on Creighton Street and Brunswick Street which would give Council members a general idea of the units which would fit in with the general scheme. A small model displayed was not sufficient to give a general idea that no further consideration should be given to the matter. A scale model is presented which shows the general idea of the

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Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
April 20, 1967,
4:35 p.m.

A meeting of City Council was held on the above date.

After the meeting was called to order, the members of Council attending, led by the City Clerk, joined in reciting the Lord's Prayer.

Present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman and Aldermen Moir, Matheson, A. M. Butler, Meagher, Ahern, Doyle, Sullivan and H. W. Butler.

Also present: City Manager, Deputy City Solicitor, City Clerk, Development Officer and other Staff members.

The meeting was specially called to consider the preliminary plans, prepared by Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation, of the Creighton Street and Brunswick Street Subsidized Rental Housing Projects.

4:36 p.m. Council adjourned to meet as Committee of the Whole.

Alderman Matheson stated that it was his understanding that Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation were to prepare a model of the schemes on Creighton Street and Brunswick Street which would give Council members a better idea of how the proposed units would fit in with the general area, and he felt that the small model displayed was not sufficient to do this. He suggested that no further consideration should be given to the plans until a scale model is presented which shows the appearance of the

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units and their compatibility with the other buildings in the areas. He felt that it was not sufficient to provide just shelter and warmth for people, but that the whole man should be considered who will be affected by his environment and the appearance and layout of the project.

In reply to Alderman Matheson's question respecting the model, Mr. P. J. Osborne, Branch Manager of Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation, stated that upon receipt of the request from the City, the matter of the model was discussed with the Corporation officials and it was decided that a model of the type requested would be far too expensive and the model presented today is the one that has been used as a working model in the preparation of the scheme.

4:40 p.m. Alderman Black arrives.

His Worship the Mayor suggested that the Committee hear the explanation of the preliminary plans displayed from Mr. Michael Pine of Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation before any further discussion is held.

It was agreed to hear Mr. Pine.

4:45 p.m. Alderman Ivany arrives.

Mr. Pine gave a resume of some of the problems encountered with respect to the planning of the schemes and explained the preliminary drawings that were displayed.

Alderman Moir asked if it would be possible to reconsider, at a later time, the exterior appearance of the units. He felt that it was the outer appearance of the housing units that disturbed some members of Council and suggested different types of shingles be used.

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4:50 p.m. Alderman Fitzgerald arrives.

Mr. Pine replied that it would be possible to reconsider the finishing of the exterior of the units with other materials at a later time, but it would mean, when calling for tenders, asking for estimates for the different types of exterior materials. He went on to say that the units were designed in this manner to keep the cost to a minimum.

During the discussion which followed, Alderman Ahern expressed his distaste for the proposed units and suggested that small apartment buildings containing four or five units would be much more suitable for the area. He stated that he was concerned that these projects would come to look like the Uniacke Square Project which, in his opinion, is terrible.

His Worship the Mayor stated that, at a meeting of the Housing and Social Planning Committee on April 19, 1967, when the members of that Committee were given an opportunity to view the preliminary plans, two recommendations were made and he asked the City Clerk to read them.

The City Clerk read as follows:

1. We recommend to City Council that it request Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation to review the appearance of the proposed units in an effort to vary the appearance more substantially from existing public housing in Halifax City.
2. We suggest that in the design of any further units consideration be given to making the units larger so as to contain more bedrooms.

Alderman Black disagreed with Alderman Ahern and stated that he felt the units were attractive and also stated that, in his opinion, the City has nothing to be ashamed of in the Uniacke

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Square project. He felt that Council could not expect palaces to be built, but that the cost has to be kept within reason. It was then MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Moir that the preliminary plans of the Brunswick Street and Creighton Street Public Housing Projects be approved.

Alderman Fitzgerald stated that he was present at the Housing and Social Planning meeting when these plans were discussed and he felt that there was considerable interest given to them by some of the members of the Committee who live in the general area of the proposed projects. He further stated that the feeling was one of acceptance and a step in the right direction.

Alderman Moir expressed his approval of the schemes shown and again referred to the outside appearance, which he felt was the main area of concern and suggested that discussions be held with officials of Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation when the projects are under way to decide upon the exterior finish of the units.

His Worship the Mayor suggested that City Staff should take a look at the preliminary plans closely and make their comments to Council in the near future. He felt this was necessary since Staff had not had an opportunity to study the plans before this meeting.

It was suggested that the motion should be amended to reflect the suggestion that Staff study the plans.

After further discussion, it was MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Moir that the preliminary plans of the