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Modification of the Lot Frontage and Lot Area Requirements -
Lot No. 8 Birch Street

MOVED by Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Ivany, that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the modification of the lot frontage and lot area requirements permitting the construction of a single family dwelling on Lot 8 Birch Street, as shown on Plans No. P200/4611-12 of Case No. 2439, be approved. Motion passed.

Resubdivision of Lots 7A, 8A and 9A, Saskatoon Avenue,
Hamshaw Subdivision - Kearney Lake

MOVED by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the resubdivision of Lots 7A, 8A and 9A Saskatoon Avenue, to create Lots A and B, as shown on Plan No. P200/4187 of Case No. 2281, be approved and a public hearing waived. Motion passed.

Modification of the Lot Frontage and Lot Area Requirements -
No. 7 Claymore Avenue

MOVED by Alderman Ivany, seconded by Alderman McGuire that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the application for modification of the lot frontage and lot area requirements of the Zoning By-law of Civic No. 7 Claymore Avenue to permit the creation of a second dwelling unit, as shown on Plan No. P200/4635 of Case No. 2452, be approved. Motion passed.

Extension to a Non-conforming Building - 2891 Connaught
Avenue

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the application for an extension to a non-conforming building to permit the construction of a 12 foot x 20 foot one-storey addition to the front of an existing duplex dwelling at Civic No. 2891 Connaught Avenue, as shown on Plans No. P200/4622-23 of Case No. 2443, be approved. Motion passed.

Preliminary Approval - Lots No. 1A-20A inclusive, Thornhill
Drive, Thornhill Park Subdivision

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the application for preliminary approval of Lots No. 1A-20A inclusive, Thornhill Drive, Thornhill Park Subdivision, as shown on Plans No. P200/4465-66 of Case No. 2401, be approved, in principle, with the stipulation that further negotiations be conducted between City Staff and the applicants in an attempt to arrange a satisfactory location for the walkway acceptable to both parties. Motion passed.

MOTIONS

Motion - Alderman Abbott Re: Introduction of Ordinance Number 154, Respecting "Private Sewage Pumps" - First Reading

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Meagher that Ordinance Number 154, Respecting "Private Sewage Pumps" be read and passed a First Time. Motion passed.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Local Improvement Charges

At the suggestion of Alderman Allen, Council agreed to consider this item at an Adjourned meeting of Council to be held next Tuesday at the conclusion of the meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council.

Proposed Park - Maritime Life Property, Dutch Village Road

A Confidential report was submitted from Staff relating to the above matter.

MOVED by Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Allen that:

1. the temporary use of the land owned by the Maritime Life Assurance Company at 2701 Dutch Village Road for recreational purposes be approved subject to indemnification by the City of all third party claims against the owners arising out of such use;
2. the Police Department be requested to keep an eye on the land and trees as part of their normal surveillance duties;
3. a sign be erected on the land requesting the public's co-operation in safeguarding the trees and that such a notice also contain appropriate wording expressing the City's gratitude to Maritime Life Assurance Company for the free use of their land.

Motion passed.

Tenders for Transit Bus Bay Construction

A report was submitted from Staff relating to the opening of tenders for the construction of transit bus bays.

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that Standard Paving Maritime Limited, being the lower tender, be awarded the tender for the construction of Transit Bus Bays, subject to the approval of the DREE Liaison Committee, for a total of \$352,994.40. Motion passed.

Staff was requested to submit a list of the proposed locations of the bus bays to be constructed.

Salary - Supervisor Surveying and Drafting

A report was submitted relating to a correction necessary in the list of Non-Union Salary Proposals, approved by Council on July 7, 1971.

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that the Salary for the Supervisor Surveying and Drafting be as follows:

\$9,810 10,170 10,650 11,130 11,610

Motion passed.

Kline Heights Temporary Water Supply

A report was submitted from Staff relating to the above matter.

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Hogan that:

1. The City of Halifax enter into an agreement with the Harrietsfield Fire Department to supply water to those areas mentioned in Kline Heights at \$5.00 per load, with a maximum cost to any one family of \$65.00 per year;
2. The City agree to pay the Harrietsfield Fire Department \$2.00 extra for every load of water delivered at the above rates.

Alderman LeBlanc felt that the report from Staff did not answer all the questions he raised previously and he requested a further report outlining the reasons for the change from the City's Works or Fire Departments delivering the water to the Harrietsfield Fire Department. He also asked that the report include a summary of the communication and public relations situation with Kline Heights residents relating to this particular matter.

After a short discussion, the motion was put and passed.

QUESTIONS

Question Alderman Hogan Re: Capital Works

Alderman Hogan asked if Staff would prepare a report listing those Capital Projects, approved by City Council earlier this year, which have been started, completed or not yet off the ground. He expressed some concern that many of the projects would not be done this year.

The Director of Finance pointed out that the Minister's approval of the Capital Budget was only received last week, but he said that Staff would prepare such a report for submission to Council.

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Question Alderman Meagher Re: Benches on Commons along
Robie Street

Alderman Meagher asked the Works Department to make every effort possible to place some benches along the Commons side of Robie Street near Cunard Street.

The Director of Engineering and Works advised that some problems have arisen due to the fantastic amounts of money which have had to be expended due to vandalism but he said that his Department would do all it could to place the benches.

Question Alderman McGuire Re: Apparent Conflict - Parking on
Saturdays in Loading Zones and Use of Parking Meters

Alderman McGuire asked Staff to take a look at the apparent conflict which is occurring where persons are required to pay for parking meter use on Saturdays and yet are permitted to park free in loading zones. He said that some loading zones are used on Saturdays and traffic congestion occurs.

Question Alderman Sullivan Re: Advertising Changes in
Street Patterns

Alderman Sullivan asked if it is possible in the future for the Traffic Authority to publicize any changes in road signs or "Do Not Enter" signs before they are erected in the City.

Question Alderman LeBlanc Re: Steps into Grand Parade from
Argyle Street

Alderman LeBlanc asked if any progress has been made in taking down the barricades and Do Not Enter signs on the steps leading to Grand Parade from Argyle Street.

He was advised that the work has been completed.

Question Alderman MacKeen Re: Caution Notice of Playground
Brunswick Street

Alderman MacKeen asked if a notice could be erected warning motorists on Brunswick Street of the playground in the area.

The Director of Engineering and Works advised that such a notice has been prepared and will be erected shortly.

Question Alderman Ivany Re: Condition of Land - Corner
Gottingen Street and Cogswell Street

Alderman Ivany referred to the unsightly state of the land at the corner of Gottingen and Cogswell Streets where two buildings have been demolished and he asked when something will be done to clean it up.

The Director of Engineering and Works advised that the contractor who demolished the buildings did not complete

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the job and after reference to the Legal Department, it is now proposed that the City complete the clearing of the land and bill the contractor accordingly.

Question Alderman Stanbury Re: Stopping Areas for Taxis along
Scotia Square and Quinpool Road

Alderman Stanbury asked Staff to check into the situation where taxis are hardly permitted to stop long enough on Duke Street along by Scotia Square to drop passengers or pick them up before they are hurried along by Police. She said that the same situation exists on Quinpool Road, although trucks are allowed to stop for five minutes.

His Worship the Mayor felt that perhaps a certain location should be found where taxis could drop and pick-up passengers in the areas mentioned.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Notice of Motion - Alderman Sullivan - Supply of Tank Water
to Areas of the City other than Kline Heights

Alderman Sullivan gave notice that at the next regular meeting of City Council, to be held on August 12, 1971, he will move that the City supply tank water trucks where needed in other areas of the City besides Kline Heights.

Notice of Motion - Alderman LeBlanc - Report on Condition
of Streets and Grounds of the City

Alderman LeBlanc gave notice that, at the next regular meeting of City Council, to be held on August 12, 1971 he will move that Mr. George West, Special Projects Engineer, be assigned at once the task of performing a quick and comprehensive report on the condition of the City streets, parks, playgrounds and other City-owned properties and that the report make recommendations as to the quickest method of implementing such improvements without necessary budget increases.

His Worship the Mayor asked the Solicitor to consider whether or not this motion is one which is within the scope of City Council or whether it is properly one which the City Manager should consider and report to the next regular Council meeting.

Notice of Motion - Alderman McGuire - Amendments to Ordinance
Number 149 - Reducing Fees for Certain Classes of Peddlers

Alderman McGuire gave notice that, at the next regular meeting of City Council, to be held on August 12, 1971, he will introduce a motion to amend Ordinance No. 149 to reduce the fee for certain classes of peddlers.

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Notice of Motion - Alderman Ivany - Spin Off Industries

Alderman Ivany gave notice that, at the next regular meeting of City Council, he will move that the following resolution be approved:

WHEREAS the proper development of the port is essential as an initial generator of job opportunities;

AND WHEREAS it is not good enough, although important to do so, to develop the port as purely for containerization and a prime transfer point;

AND WHEREAS Halifax has a unique location;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that research and action be initiated now, either by a committee or Task Force to explore all the possibilities for "Spin Off" industries in the field of warehousing and assembly operations etc. This will require land for industry, a good transportation link to the container piers and most important a regional approach to industrial promotion.

In explaining his reasons for introducing such a notice of motion, Alderman Ivany read the following:

"NOTE There appears to be a reluctance to take on this task. I have introduced the subject to the Board of Trade and also the City Industrial Commission.

It is my view that we are running second to Saint John, New Brunswick for industrial oriented activity.

Saint John has been selected as the site for a massive multi-industry complex based upon the metal working trades. The Plan envisages up to 20,000 new jobs within a 5 to 10 year period. Planning for DREE participation was in an advanced stage and late in 1970 the New Brunswick Multiplex Corporation was incorporated with a competent staff with head office in Saint John.

Halifax should be equalling this activity and before Saint John takes advantage of our slowness be developing the Spin Off industries."

ADDED ITEMS

Proposed Tot Lot - Leiblin Drive

A report was submitted from Staff relating to the above matter.

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman McGuire that City Staff be authorized to finalize negotiations with K.M.C. Ventures, with respect to the leasing of a small parcel of land, immediately to the east and abutting the Rhonda Graves Park on Leiblin Drive, for use as a Tot Lot.
Motion passed.

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Proposed Bond Issue

A report was submitted from Staff relating to the above matter.

MOVED by Alderman MacKeen, seconded by Alderman McGuire that Staff be authorized to proceed with a tender call for bonds up to an amount of \$7,000,000, to be presented to Council for acceptance or rejection on either August 12th at a regular Council meeting or on August 18th at a Special Council meeting. Motion passed.

Project No. 28 - Duc D'Anville Elementary School Extension

A report was submitted from Staff relating to the above matter.

MOVED by Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman MacKeen that City Council award the tender for the construction of an extension to the Duc D'Anville School to V. C. Woodworth (1964) Ltd., being the lowest tender received, in the amount of \$349,212.00, subject to the approval of the DREE Liaison Committee. Motion passed.

1360 Hollis Street

Alderman MacKeen referred to the above house situated on the corner of Hollis and Bishop Streets and said that it is literally a "house of horror". He said that the property is owned by a Mrs. Shirley Fox, but that Mr. Max Fox represents her in all matters pertaining to the house. He dealt at some length with a history of the property and the many violations of the old Ordinance No. 50 and the present Ordinance No. 135. He pointed out that on March 18, 1971 there were 72 violations of Ordinance No. 135. He said that with full occupancy of the building, there would be 20 persons using one bathroom. He asked Staff to take action immediately and investigate the situation.

His Worship the Mayor asked Staff to prepare a full report on the building.

Truck Traffic

Alderman Sullivan referred to a Staff Report dated July 27, 1971 relating to the above matter, which was submitted for the information of City Council. He asked and Staff gave some clarification of the sections of the Motor Vehicle Act which relate to the possibilities of restricting truck traffic. He felt that truck traffic should be restricted on all streets in the City between 12:00 midnight and 7:00 a.m.

His Worship the Mayor was extremely doubtful whether the Minister of Highways would give approval to such a resolution of Council.

The Solicitor felt that such approval would not be forthcoming from the Minister of Highways and was of the opinion that the best approach would be to designate truck

routes which must be used.

Alderman Sullivan asked Staff to contact some other Canadian cities to ascertain the methods used in restricting truck traffic and report back to Council at a later date.

Demolition of Building at the Corner of Macara and Gottingen Streets

Alderman Sullivan referred to an answer he received from Staff to a question he raised at a previous meeting with respect to the above building. He said that he noted the Building Inspector has inspected the building and found it to be structurally sound. He expressed his concern that although the first and second floor windows are boarded up, the third floor windows are broken and wide open. There are two fire escapes which lead from just about three feet above the ground to the third floor and he felt that something must be done so that children will not climb up the fire escapes and into the building. He said that the steps to the building have rotted and are extremely dangerous. He understood that the building is owned by the Children's Aid Society and he asked Staff to ascertain from that Society what it plans to do with the building and to clean up and make safe the present building if it is to be left very long.

His Worship the Mayor said that this situation obviously warrants some further study by Staff and some contact with the Children's Aid Society. He asked Staff to report back to Council after some communication with the Society with respect to the building.

11:00 p.m. Council adjourned until Tuesday afternoon at the conclusion of the meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council.

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ALLAN O'BRIEN
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN

R. H. STODDARD
CITY CLERK

New Concrete Sidewalk

City Initiated on arterial
Major & Collector Streets

City's share = 50% - \$1.11 per lineal footage of lot frontage
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and that staff prepare a designation of what constitutes
pedestrian artery that falls within the City Initiated Group

New Concrete Curb & Gutter (both sides of street)

Catch Basins & Sewer Inlets Included

City's share = 33 1/3% - \$5.73 per lineal footage of lot frontage
Abutter's share = 33 1/3% - \$5.73 per lineal footage of lot frontage
(one side)
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(other side)

New Asphalt Street Paving (both sides)

Petitioned or City Initiated

City's share = 33 1/3% - \$7.28 per lineal footage of lot frontage
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(annexed area)

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City's share = 50% - \$1.63 per lineal footage of lot frontage
Abutter's share = 50% - \$1.63 per lineal footage of lot frontage
and that staff prepare a designation of what
describes a pedestrian artery that falls within the City Initiated
Group;

ADJOURNED CITY COUNCIL MEETING
M I N U T E S

Council Chamber
City Hall
Halifax, N. S.
August 3, 1971
6:45 p.m.

An adjourned Meeting of City Council was held on the above date.

Present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen MacKeen, Stanbury, LeBlanc, McGuire, and Allen.

Also Present: Acting City Manager, City Solicitor, City Clerk, and other Staff members.

LOCAL IMPROVEMENT TAX RATES

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that the following Local Improvement Charges be approved:

New Concrete Sidewalk

City Initiated on Arterial,
Major, & Collector Streets

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Abutter's share = 50% - \$5.11 per lineal footage of lot frontage;
and that Staff prepare a designation of what describes a pedestrian artery that falls within the City initiated Group.

New Concrete Curb & Gutter (both sides of street)

Catch Basins & Storm Sewer included

City's share = 33 1/3% - \$5.73 per lineal footage of lot frontage;
Abutter's Share = 33 1/3% - \$5.73 per lineal footage of lot frontage;
(one side)
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(other side)

New Asphalt Street Paving (both sides)

Petitioned or City Initiated

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New Asphalt Curb (one side)

City Initiated on Arterial,
Major, & Collector Streets

City's share = 50% - \$1.58 per lineal footage of lot frontage;
Abutter's share = 50% - \$1.58 per lineal footage of lot frontage;
and staff prepare a designation of what describes
a pedestrian artery that falls within the City Initiated Group;

New Sodding

Petitioned or City Initiated

Abutter's share = 100% - \$1.00 per lineal footage of lot frontage.

Motion passed with Alderman MacKeen voting against.

HALIFAX CIVIC WORKERS UNION, LOCAL 108, RE: CONTRACT

His Worship the Mayor referred to a letter from Local 108 with respect to labour negotiations and suggested that it be referred to the City's bargaining team.

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that the letter from Halifax Civic Workers Union, Local #108, be received and referred to the City Manager for processing.

Motion passed.

CORRESPONDENCE - CITY OF HALIFAX AND WATER RESOURCES COMMISSION

His Worship the Mayor referred to a letter from the Nova Scotia Water Resources Commission dated July 20, 1971, and a reply by the City of Halifax dated July 27, 1971, regarding Pollution Control. His Worship the Mayor suggested that this correspondence be tabled and become a public document.

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Ivany that the letter from the Nova Scotia Water Resources Commission dated July 20, 1971, and the reply by the City of Halifax dated July 27, 1971, regarding Pollution Control, be tabled.

Motion passed.

Alderman Allen referred to a communication sent by His Worship the Mayor to the Premier on the subject of the Arm Bridge and asked if any reply was received.

His Worship the Mayor replied that no reply has been received but that some of the questions contained in the letter were put to the Premier on Information Radio. His Worship said that he had a file containing what the Premier said in reply if any of the Aldermen wished to see it.

Alderman Allen asked if a follow-up letter could be sent prior to the Council meeting to be held on August 12, 1971, requesting a reply. His Worship the Mayor replied that such a letter would be sent.

6:48 p.m. - Meeting Adjourned

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A Special Meeting of City Council was held on the above date to continue the Public Hearing advertised in connection with the report of the Halifax Regional Community Associates Limited and the Halifax Regional Community.

ALLAN O'BRIEN
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN

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

R. H. STODDARD
CITY CLERK

Present: His Worship the Mayor, Councillors Mackeen, Stanbury, Tynny, LeBlanc, McQuinn and Sullivan.

Also Present: City Manager, City Solicitor, City Clerk and other Staff members.

To continue with the Public Hearing, His Worship the Mayor called for any person wishing to address the Council on the Plunkett Report.

Mr. J. D. Bryden addressed the Council as Chairman of the Civic Affairs Committee of the Halifax Board of Trade and read a supplementary Brief to the one submitted to the meeting held two weeks previously. (A copy of the entire brief is attached to the Official Minutes of this meeting).

The brief concluded as follows:

"In summary, and in order to get on with the job, the Halifax Board of Trade records its qualified approval of the Plunkett Report of March 1, 1971, but would make the following recommendations and observations.

- 1) A decision on Amalgamation of the Metropolitan area may be made now, for implementation in two (2) years, to ensure the Interim Regional Community body can be effective in working toward a definite goal.
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SPECIAL MEETING
CITY COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING
MINUTES

Special Council,
August 11, 1971

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
August 11, 1971
8:05 p.m.

A Special Meeting of City Council was held on the above date to continue the Public Hearing advertised in connection with the report prepared by T. J. Plunkett Associates Limited and entitled "The Halifax-Dartmouth Regional Community".

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, Aldermen MacKeen, Stanbury, Ivany, LeBlanc, McGuire, Meagher and Sullivan.

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Mr. J. Tremills addressed the Council on behalf of the Community Planning Association of Canada (Nova Scotia Branch) and submitted a brief. (A copy of the entire brief is attached to the Official Minutes of this meeting)

The concluding paragraphs of the brief read as follows:

"Since the members of the Council would be elected representatives from the three municipalities there is a risk it will not do its job properly because of parochial allegiances. This risk may be worth taking because it gives, in theory at least, the elected representatives of the people an opportunity to recommend a future form of government for the region.

However, the Board of Directors of the Nova Scotia Division of CPAC feel that the ultimate form of government for this area must include a consolidation of services and planning, and the adoption of the Plunkett Report will only delay the eventual establishment of a viable form of government for this Region.

It is also the opinion of the Board of Directors of CPAC that the Provincial Government should, as elected representatives of the people, accept their responsibility and impose this form of government without delay."

Mr. Jack Dowell addressed the Council as Chairman of a Committee formed to study the Plunkett Proposals by the MOVEMENT for Citizens Voice and Action. Mr. Dowell explained the composition of the MOVE group for members of Council, some of whom were not aware of the organization. Mr. Dowell stated that the complete study of the Plunkett Report has not been finalized and the Committee have not yet reported back to the parent body. As an interim report he advised that the Committee have generally been in agreement with the proposals put forward by Mr. Plunkett and will report back to the MOVE organization at a meeting to be held next Wednesday. He advised that a copy of the completed report will be forwarded to the City at a later date. In reply to a question, Mr. Dowell said that MOVE membership includes some 75 organizations of all types on both sides of the Harbour and in the County.

No other person having indicated a wish to address the Council, the Chairman advised that the Public Hearing is now over.

Alderman McGuire rose to speak on the matter and MOVED that the Council of the City of Halifax endorse the establishment of a Halifax-Dartmouth Regional Community designed to:

(A) Continue the Regional planning process now being carried out by the Metropolitan Area Planning Committee.

(B) Provide an administrative structure for the implementation of plans and projects of a regional nature.

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Further, that we request the Provincial Government to undertake an investigation or direct that an investigation be done to determine the permanent governmental organization required for the Halifax-Dartmouth area.

And that we indicate our openness to a new governmental structure affecting our city provided:

- that it will be based on direct representation by population
- that it will not be a two-tier government
- that the financial interests of the City of Halifax be taken into consideration recognizing that the level of transfer of funds has historically been inadequate
- that property tax be de-emphasized as a revenue source.

Alderman MacKeen said that he would be prepared to second part of the motion as presented and after some discussion, His Worship the Mayor advised that the motion could quite properly be split into two or three parts.

Alderman MacKeen said that he would second the motion from the beginning down to the end of Section (B).

After a lengthy discussion relating to all aspects of the proposed Halifax-Dartmouth Regional Community, the motion was put and passed with Alderman Sullivan voting against.

It was then MOVED by Alderman McGuire that the portion of his motion from the word "Further" to the end be approved. No-one seconded the motion.

Alderman MacKeen said that he would be prepared to second the motion if the following phrase was inserted in the first paragraph "in conjunction with the Regional Community Council".

Alderman McGuire explained why he would not consider that inclusion appropriate.

It was MOVED by Alderman Ivany, seconded by Alderman MacKeen that an Independent Commission must be established by the Province reporting directly to the Council of the Halifax-Dartmouth Regional Community. Such a Commission would be charged with the responsibility to hear experts, professionals and public briefs from interested local governments and citizens, and arrive at a suitable recommendation for regional government for the amalgamated area. Such a Commission would, of course, be able to draw on the considerable expertise of the existing MAPC staff.

9:56 p.m. The Deputy Mayor assumed Chair to permit His Worship the Mayor to address the Council.

His Worship the Mayor expressed his concern about the suggested Independent Commission and felt that it would be a duplication of much of the work presently underway by the Royal Commission set up by the Province. He went on to

suggest an alternative approach to regional government as follows:

Step 1. Seek legislation to rescind the City Charter.

Step 2. Propose to Dartmouth that it seek legislation to rescind its City Charter.

Step 3. Apply to the Public Utilities Board to redraw ward or district boundaries of the single municipality of Halifax County according to population.

Results: 1. One municipal government for all of Halifax County.

2. About 90% of the Councillors would be from the metro area, making the government urban.

3. The Province would pay all police and road maintenance costs including snow removal.

His Worship the Mayor cited as a precedent the Town of Inverness which went out of business and became part of the County.

10:05 p.m. His Worship the Mayor resumed Chair.

It was MOVED in Amendment by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that the Provincial Government be asked to clarify the responsibility of the Royal Commission with respect to making recommendations on the appropriate kind of municipal government for the metropolitan area.

After some discussion and after considering a Point of Order raised, His Worship the Mayor advised that the Amendment is contrary to the motion on the floor and not acceptable.

Further discussion ensued with respect to the studies being carried out by the Royal Commission and the need to study the financial position of such a Regional Community Council.

His Worship the Mayor felt that anyone who felt that unanimity could be achieved amongst the elected municipal people on a Regional type of government is being rather naive.

The City Manager made a suggestion that perhaps the motion could be altered to read that the Regional Community Council seek independent assistance to make appropriate representations to the Royal Commission thus putting the onus entirely in the laps of the Royal Commission.

Alderman Ivany felt that this suggestion was a good one and requested permission to withdraw his motion.

Council agreed that the motion could be withdrawn.

It was MOVED by Alderman Ivany that the Regional Community Council seek independent assistance to make appropriate representations to the Royal Commission.

No-one seconded the motion.

It was MOVED by Alderman McGuire, seconded by Alderman MacKeen that the Provincial Government be requested to undertake an investigation or direct that an investigation be done, in conjunction with the Regional Community Council, to determine the permanent governmental organization required for the Halifax-Dartmouth Area and that the City indicate its openness to a new governmental structure affecting the City provided:

- that it will be based on direct representation by population
- that it will not be a two-tier government
- that the financial interests of the city of Halifax be taken into consideration recognizing that the level of transfer of funds has historically been inadequate
- that property tax be de-emphasized as a revenue source.

After a short discussion, the motion was put and lost.

MOVED by Alderman Ivany, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that an Independent Commission must be established by the Province reporting directly to the Council of the Halifax-Dartmouth Regional Community. Such a Commission would be charged with the responsibility to hear experts, professionals and public briefs from interested local governments and citizens, and arrive at a suitable recommendation for regional government for the amalgamated area. Such a Commission would, of course, be able to draw on the considerable expertise of the existing MAPC staff.

The motion was put and passed, five voting for the same and two against it as follows:

For:	Aldermen MacKeen, Stanbury, Ivany, LeBlanc and Meagher	5
Against:	Aldermen McGuire and Sullivan	2

Expression of Sympathy to Alderman Hogan

Alderman LeBlanc expressed, on behalf of all members of Council, much sympathy to Alderman Hogan and his family on the recent passing of his brother in Moncton, New Brunswick.

10:35 p.m. Council adjourned.

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Community - Plunkett Report 482
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ALLAN O'BRIEN
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN

STATEMENT FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, NOVA SCOTIA DIVISION, CMAA

RE: PROPOSAL FOR A REGIONAL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT BODY
R. H. STODDARD
CITY CLERK

A report outlining the basis for establishing a Halifax-Dartmouth Regional
Planning and Development Body for the Halifax-Dartmouth Region has
been prepared by P. J. Plunkett and Associates.

Essentially, Plunkett has recognized the need for a regional planning
organization. He has proposed that responsibility for the three
municipalities be given the responsibility of:

- (a) continuing the planning process currently
carried out by the Metropolitan Area Planning
Committee;
- (b) provide the means through which regional
projects can be carried out;
- (c) furnishing the means to determine the role of
regional organization committees and their
to the Metropolitan Area.

It is proposed by Plunkett that the Halifax-Dartmouth Regional
Council remain in force for a period of five years,
following which it shall be subject to review.

Since the members of the Council will be representatives of
the three municipalities, there is no doubt that the Council
properly because of parochial interests. It is felt that
taking because it gives, in fact, the voice of the
of the people an important role in the development
for the region.



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STATEMENT FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, NOVA SCOTIA DIVISION, CPAC
RE: PROPOSED REGIONAL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

A report outlining the basis for establishing an interim Regional Planning and Development body for the Halifax-Dartmouth Region has been prepared by T. J. Plunkett and Associates Limited.

Essentially, Plunkett has recognized the need for a permanent regional organization. He has proposed that representatives from the three municipalities be given the responsibility for:

- (a) continuing the planning process now being carried out by the Metropolitan Area Planning Committee;
- (b) provide the means through which certain regional projects can be carried out; and
- (c) furnishing the means to determine the type of regional organization considered best suited to the Metropolitan Area.

It is proposed by Plunkett that the legislation establishing the Council remain in force for a period not exceeding two years, following which it shall be subject to review.

Since the members of the Council would be elected representatives from the three Municipalities there is a risk it will not do its job properly because of parochial allegiances. This risk may be worth taking because it gives, in theory at least, the elected representatives of the people an opportunity to recommend a future form of government for the region.

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However, the Board of Directors of the Nova Scotia Division of CPAC feel that the ultimate form of government for this area must include a consolidation of services and planning, and the adoption of the Plunkett Report will only delay the eventual establishment of a viable form of government for this Region.

It is also the opinion of the Board of Directors of CPAC that the Provincial Government should, as elected representatives of the people, accept their responsibility and impose this form of government without delay.

The Board of Directors,
Nova Scotia Division, CPAC.
August 11, 1971.

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August 11, 1971

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FOLLOW-UP REPORT TO HALIFAX CITY COUNCIL
RE: PLUNKET REPORT - MARCH 1, 1971 ON THE
HALIFAX-DARTMOUTH REGIONAL COMMUNITY

Your Worship, Members of Council

The Halifax Board of Trade, appreciates once again the opportunity to present its views on the Plunkett Report at a second Public Hearing.

Our Civic Affairs Committee has met on several occasions to discuss the Report in some depth.

We endorse our earlier report made at the first Public Hearing, but, by way of a clarification, we would suggest that the Independent Commission recommended to hear briefs, study and report on the best form of regional government could be a part of the proposed Halifax-Dartmouth Regional Community reporting directly to the elected officials. Should their recommendation to the Community Council be accepted, it would then be passed onto the Provincial Government and cabinet for their approval as the Provincial government has the responsibility for the municipalities under the B.N.A. Act. Knowing that the recommendation had the acceptance of the elected local officials would very likely expedite the enabling legislation.

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We endorse the Plunkett recommendation that the Halifax-Dartmouth Regional Community and the MAPC professional support staff be given full responsibility for the promotion and implementation of industrial social and economic planning for the viable development of the region.

In summary, and in order to get on with the 'job', the Halifax Board of Trade records it's qualified approval of the Plunkett Report of March 1, 1971. but would make the following recommendations and observations.

- 1) A decision on Amalgamation of the Metropolitan area must be made now, for implementation in two (2) years, so that the Interim Regional Community body can be effective in working toward a definite goal.
- 2) The Halifax-Dartmouth Regional Community must have a definite limited life of not more than two (2) years.
- 3) An Independent Commission must be established by the Province reporting directly to the Council of the Halifax-Dartmouth Regional Community. Such a Commission would be charged with the responsibility to hear experts.

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professionals and public briefs from interested local governments and citizens, and arrive at a suitable recommendation for regional government for the amalgamated area. Such a Commission would, of course, be able to draw on the considerable expertise of the existing MAPC staff.

We at the Board are of the opinion that the Plunkett Report, with the points above, would be a good first step in recognizing the inherent advantages and the necessity of thinking as one in the Metropolitan region.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

J. D. Bryden,

Chairman - Civic Affairs Committee
Halifax Board of Trade.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

CITY COUNCIL

AUGUST 12, 1971

8:00 p.m.

1. Lord's Prayer
2. Roll Call
3. Minutes: July 28, 29 and August 3, 1971
4. Approval of Order of Business, Additions and Deletions
5. Deferred Items:
 - (a) Recommendations - Tax Concessions and Grants Committee and
Source of Funds
6. Motions of Reconsideration: NONE
7. Motions of Rescission: NONE
8. Public Hearings and Hearings: NONE
9. Petitions and Delegations:
 - (a) Petition - Properties and Residents - Needham Street -
Young Street One-way Traffic
10. Report - Finance and Executive Committee:
 - (a) Lease - Anderson Square - Nova Scotia Rehabilitation Centre
 - (b) Possible Expropriation Settlement - 59 Withrod Drive -
Kline Heights - Part Taking
 - (c) Possible Expropriation Settlement - No. 54-56 Withrod Drive -
Kline Heights - Whole Taking
 - (d) Possible Expropriation Settlement - No. 60 Withrod Drive -
Kline Heights - Whole Taking
 - (e) Priority List of Historic Sites and Landmarks
 - (f) Amendment to Ordinance No. 149, Respecting the "Licensing of
Persons to Carry On Businesses or Trades in the City
of Halifax" - Selling Art and Craft Work -
Victoria Park and Public Gardens
11. Report - Committee on Works:
 - (a) City Improvements - Resurfacing Streets, Reconstructing Sidewalks,
etc. and General Appearance
12. Report - Safety Committee:
 - (a) Left Turn Restrictions - Quinpool Road
13. Report - Board of Health:
 - (a) Social Planning Council
14. Report - Committee of the Whole Council, Boards and Commissions:
 - (a) Ordinance Number 154, Respecting "Private Sewage Pumps"

SECOND READING

15. Report - City Planning

- (a) Modification of Lot Area, Lot Frontage Requirements -
No. 3549-51 Claremont Street
- (b) Modification of the Lot Frontage Requirement -
No. 19 Forest Hill Drive, Rockingham
- (c) Modification of the Lot Frontage Requirement -
No. 45 River Road
- (d) Modification of the Lot Frontage and Lot Area Requirements -
No. 5872 Columbus Street
- (e) Extension to a Non-conforming Building - No. 6676 Micmac Court
- (f) Resubdivision - No. 6066-6074 Lady Hammond Road
- (g) Extension to a Non-conforming Building and Modification of the Lot
Frontage and Lot Area Requirements - No. 3659 Rosemeade
- (h) Extension to a Non-conforming Building - No. 26 Melville Avenue,
Armdale
- (i) Final Approval of Lots 94A-1 and 94A-2 Meadowlark Crescent,
Bridgeview Subdivision
- (j) Modification of the Lot Frontage and Lot Area Requirement -
Lot 51 Melwood Avenue
- (k) Resubdivision - Lots 2 and 3 - Nos. 2550 and 2552 Windsor Street
- (l) Amendments to the Zoning By-law: Part II, Section 14,
Peninsula Area; and Section 13, Mainland Area

DATE FOR HEARING

16. Motions:

- (a) Motion - Alderman Sullivan - Supply of Tank Water to Areas of the
City other than Kline Heights
- (b) Motion - Alderman LeBlanc - Report on Condition of Streets and
Grounds of the City
- (c) Motion - Alderman McGuire - Amendment to Ordinance Number 149,
Reducing Fees for Certain Classes of Peddlers
- (d) Motion - Alderman Ivany - Spin Off Industries

17. Miscellaneous Business:

- (a) Accounts Over \$5000
- (b) Guarantee Halifax Transit Corporation Bonds
- (c) Approval to Purchase Refractory Materials - Incinerator
- (d) Financial Statements - Year Ended December 31, 1970
- (e) Bank Borrowing Resolution - Current Account
- (f) Re-appointment - Civic Historian
- (g) Letter - Miss P. B. Vail Re: Irving Car Wash - Bayers Road and
North Sidewalk

18. QUESTIONS

19. Notice of Motions

20. Added Items

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES

Council Chamber
City Hall
Halifax, N. S.
August 12, 1971
8:04 p.m.

A meeting of the 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; Aldermen Abbott, MacKeen, Stanbury, Hogan, Ivany, LeBlanc, McGuire, Meagher, Allen, and Sullivan.

Also Present: City Manager, City Solicitor, Director of Engineering and Works, City Clerk, and other staff members.

MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting held on July 28, 1971, were approved on Motion of Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc.

Approval of Minutes of July 29, 1971, and August 3, 1971, was deferred pending possible amendment.

APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS, ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

The Council agreed to add the following items to the agenda as submitted by the City Clerk:

- 20(a) - Authority to Sign Collective Agreement - Local 108
- 5(b) - Encroaching Kiosk - 1525 Birmingham Street

At the request of Alderman Ivany, Council agreed to the following addition:

- 20(b) - Natal Day Appreciation

At the request of Alderman Sullivan, Council agreed to the following addition:

- 20(c) - Northwest Arm Bridge

At the request of Alderman Meagher, Council agreed to consider Item 17(b) - "Guarantee Halifax Transit Corporation Bonds" as Item 5(b).

It was agreed that the following items be placed on the agenda of the Committee of the Whole meeting on Wednesday, August 18, 1971, and that a Council meeting be convened following the Committee of the Whole to deal with these matters if necessary:

- (a) Assistance Able Bodied Persons 16 to 49 Years of Age
- (b) Possible Relocation - Historic Building - No. 2309 Brunswick Street (Longard House)
- (c) Tender for Equipment
- (d) Capital Projects - Information Report

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the Order of Business, as amended, be approved.

Motion passed.

DEFERRED ITEMS

Recommendations - Tax Concessions and Grants Committee and Source of Funds

Council agreed to a further two weeks deferral of this item.

Guarantee Halifax Transit Corporation Bonds

A Staff report dated August 11, 1971, was submitted on the above matter.

MOVED by Alderman McGuire, seconded by Alderman Meagher that City Council approve a resolution guaranteeing as to principal and interest \$900,000 in 8¼% and 8½% debentures to be issued by the Halifax Transit Corporation. Motion passed.

A Formal Resolution was submitted giving effect to the foregoing Motion of Council.

MOVED by Alderman McGuire, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the Formal Resolution, as submitted, be approved.

Motion passed.

PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

Petition - Owners and Residents - Needham Street - Young Street one-way Traffic

A petition was submitted from residents and property owners on Needham Street which listed reasons why the City should reconsider a change in the Street pattern making Young Street a one way street with traffic flowing from Barrington to Gottingen Street - East to West.

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Allen that the matter be referred to staff for a report to the Committee of the Whole and that a map of the area be displayed at that time. Motion passed.

REPORT - FINANCE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the Finance and Executive Committee from its meeting held on August 3, 1971 with respect to the following Matters:

Lease - Anderson Square - Nova Scotia Rehabilitation Centre

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the Rehabilitation Council be granted an extension of their present tenancy for a period of one year to expire on May 31, 1972; the terms and conditions of the extension are to follow those of the lease which expired on the 31st., May, 1971. Motion passed