

ment that the area on which the cars have been parked is considered to be a sidewalk area. He questioned why, after 20 years, the policy of the City has apparently changed. He said that the people concerned would be quite prepared to pay a rental for the privilege of parking on the land and he asked for a further report on the matter.

The City Manager said he would take the question under advisement.

Question Alderman Sullivan Re: Publishing in Press of 1971
Financial Statement

Alderman Sullivan asked if it is possible for the City to have the 1971 Financial Statement published in the local press.

The City Manager said that the information will be made available to the local news media, as usual, but that it would be up to the newspaper if they wish to publish it in its entirety. He felt that it would be far too expensive for the City to pay to have it published.

Question Alderman Stanbury Re: Overnight Parking on Certain
Streets

Alderman Stanbury said that there are certain streets in the north end on which people leave their cars overnight for their own convenience and who are not worried about receiving parking tickets, but which cause problems for others when the snow plows are required to drive around them and leave a great deal of snow still on the street. She asked if some more teeth could be put into this legislation.

The City Manager said he would relay the information on to the Police Department.

Question Alderman Stapells Re: 5 Sunset Avenue

Alderman Stapells asked the City Manager to relay a message to the Building Inspector with respect to the above property. He said that Council had voted to have this property demolished. He said that it is not boarded up, the roof has fallen in and children are continuing to play in it. He asked why nothing has been done yet about the demolition.

Question Alderman Stapells Re: Temporary Grading of Roads -
Kline Heights

Alderman Stapells reported on a meeting held with the Kline Heights residents recently and on a matter which was raised concerning the grading of roadways. He said that the Contractor had agreed at the meeting that before work is finished for the week-end on a Friday afternoon, the roadways would be roughly graded to make it easier to drive over, but, he continued, nothing has been done and he is still receiving complaints from residents

who have broken springs, torn off mufflers, etc. when trying to drive to their homes. He contended that it would not take much time for the Contractor to roughly grade the road and he asked Staff to check into the situation.

The City Manager agreed to look into the matter.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Notice of Motion - Alderman Bell - Amendments to Ordinance No. 141

Alderman Bell gave notice that, at the next regular meeting of City Council, to be held on February 17, 1972, he will move that Ordinance No. 141 be amended by adding the words "that I the husband and my wife".

Notice of Motion - Alderman Meagher - Amendments to Ordinance No. 121

Alderman Meagher gave notice that, at the next regular meeting of City Council, to be held on February 17, 1972, he will introduce an amendment to Ordinance No. 121, "The Retail Shop Closing Ordinance". The purpose of the amendment is to effectively define the nature of a barber shop and to bring the hours of closing in line with the hours as set out in the City Charter.

ADDED ITEMS

Tenders for Demolition - Halifax Mental Hospital

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

MOVED by Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that the tender of Able Demolition in the amount of \$39,580.00 be accepted for the demolition of the Old Halifax Mental Hospital.

Alderman Meagher asked Staff to make sure that there is a time limit clause in the Contract with this firm before it is signed.

Alderman Moir asked Staff to keep a close check on the demolition proceedings and to make sure that the Ordinance is adhered to closely. He was concerned that an emergency entrance to the Children's Hospital which runs close to the building be kept clear at all times.

The motion was then put and passed.

Expropriation - 64 Withrod Drive, Kline Heights -

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

MOVED by Alderman Stapells, seconded by Alderman

Connolly that City Council pass a formal resolution of expropriation for the property known as Civic Number 64 Withrod Drive, as shown on Plan No. TT-15-19478, and that a copy of the said resolution and Plan be filed in the Registry of Deeds forthwith. Motion passed.

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

MOVED by Alderman Stapells, seconded by Alderman Connolly that the Formal Expropriation Resolution, Description and Plan, as submitted, be approved. Motion passed.

Unemployment Insurance Commission

Alderman MacKeen said that he had asked certain questions of the Social Planner because he wanted all members of Council to be aware of the facts. He said that the matter was brought before Council a month ago and at that time made certain recommendations which were forwarded to the Minister. He said that the City was assured that the problems would be alleviated in the very near future but it appears that the situation is still critical, no improvements have been made and people are still waiting for their cheques. He elaborated on the plight of some persons who can hardly manage to wait one week to receive their unemployment cheques let alone five weeks and perhaps longer. He pointed out that the extra social assistance that is paid to those persons who are waiting for monies to which they are legally entitled is playing havoc with the Social Assistance Budget.

It was then MOVED by Alderman MacKeen, seconded by Alderman Connolly that this Council go on record and request the Minister that these costs, expended by the City, be paid back to the City of Halifax and that the City of Halifax claim for the costs as determined by the Social Assistance Department and that failing that, the City give consideration to dealing with the matter in a manner similar to that undertaken by other agencies in the City.

Alderman Moir expressed his sympathy for those persons in difficulties but felt that he could not subscribe to the motion as it stands.

Alderman Meagher contended that the matter is disastrous and requires immediate action in an attempt to assist those persons who are becoming desperate. He felt that strong action is required and said he was in favour of the motion.

Some discussion ensued as to whether it is legal or not to withhold unemployment insurance contributions.

Alderman MacKeen again spelled out the problems

that people are having, the hardships which, he considered, border on cruelty.

Alderman Stanbury and Alderman Connolly both spoke in favour of the motion and felt that drastic action must be taken.

After further discussion, the motion was put and passed, with Alderman Moir voting against.

11:00 p.m. Meeting adjourned.

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R. H. STODDARD
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PROPOSED SALARY ADJUSTMENTS

<u>SOCIAL WORKERS:</u>		SCHEDULE "A"				
<u>CLASSIFICATION</u>	<u>MINIMUM</u>	<u>1st STEP</u>	<u>2nd STEP</u>	<u>3rd STEP</u>	<u>4th STEP</u>	<u>MAXIMUM</u>
<u>Social Worker 1</u>						
May 1, 1970	\$ 7,020	7,380	7,740	8,100	8,520	8,940
May 1, 1971	\$ 7,440	7,800	8,160	8,520	9,000	9,480
<u>Social Worker 11</u>						
May 1, 1970	\$ 8,100	8,520	8,940	9,360	9,840	10,320
May 1, 1971	\$ 8,520	9,000	9,480	9,960	10,440	10,920
<u>Social Worker 111</u>						
May 1, 1970	\$ 8,940	9,360	9,840	10,320	10,800	11,280
May 1, 1971	\$ 9,480	9,960	10,440	10,920	11,400	11,880

CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
M I N U T E S

12:19 p.m.
Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
January 28, 1972

A Special 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 Bell, Connolly, Hogan, MacKeen, Moir and Stapells.

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

The City Clerk advised that the meeting was called especially to consider the Finalization of the Capital Budget.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Connolly that City Council adjourn to reconvene as Committee of the Whole Council. Motion passed.

12:21 p.m. Council adjourned to meet as the Committee of the Whole Council.

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The City Manager advised of some additional requests which have been received. He referred to Page 13 of Revision No. 1 and the item Central Commons. He said that an additional \$3,500.00 has been requested for the repaving of the Egg Pond.

The Committee agreed to the inclusion of this amount

Alderman Connolly asked that some consideration be given to including an amount in the Current Budget for improved lighting on the Egg Pond so that it could be used for skating during the winter months at night.

The City Manager said that it is considered to be of benefit to divide the amount of \$17,200.00 for the Jollimore School site improvements between that School and Cunard Jr. High School, which was agreed to.

12:25 p.m. Aldermen Sullivan and Wentzell arrived.

An additional request for \$37,000.00, the City Manager reported, for an additional greenhouse and for the repaving of the road around the Wanderers Grounds. He said that he would recommend the inclusion of this amount for 1973 and review it at that time.

Alderman Connolly referred to the fact that the National Department of Health is interested in recreation and he asked if the City has explored the possibility of recovering some of the Capital Costs of recreation projects from that Federal Department.

The City Manager was of the opinion that the funds available are mainly for programmes but it is a suggestion worth exploring further.

Some discussion ensued with respect to the monies requested for improvements to Horseshoe Island. It was pointed out that the amount of \$72,000.00 requested for 1972 includes an amount of \$50,000.00 for new Bath House facilities and an amount of \$22,000.00 for Improvements and Extension of the Beach Northward.

The Director of Civic Recreation stressed the need for a new bath house.

After considerable discussion, it was MOVED by Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Moir that an expenditure of \$50,000.00 be authorized for 1972 for bath house facilities and an amount of \$22,000.00 for 1973 for Improvements and Extension of the Beach Northward at Horseshoe Island.

In the discussion which followed, the Committee agreed that the amount of \$30,000.00 already included in the Capital Budget for 1974 for Sea Wall improvements at the Beach remain as it stands.

In reply to a question, the City Manager advised that if the construction of bath house facilities can be done for a less amount than \$50,000.00 it will be. It was suggested that an architect prepare plans for this item as a phased operation to be considered by Council.

The motion was then put and passed, with Aldermen Connolly and Stapells voting against.

12:45 p.m. The Committee of the Whole adjourned for a lunch recess.

1:07 p.m. The Committee of the Whole reconvened, the same members being present.

The City Manager said that the Director of Civic Recreation has requested Council approval of the MAPC Report on Recreation, but he felt that this could be considered at a later date in the light of an upcoming meeting to be held next Wednesday at 4:00 p.m. in the Hotel Nova Scotian when members of MAPC will hold a briefing session. He considered that it would be valuable for all members of Council to attend if possible, particularly the newer members.

1:10 p.m. Aldermen Meagher and Stanbury arrive.

Reference was made to Pages 15 and 16 in Revision No. 1 and a general discussion ensued.

It was MOVED by Alderman Stanbury, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that the projects listed on Page 15, Revision No. 1 as being Requests 1973 and Later be held in abeyance and that no action be taken to include them in the Capital Budget until 1973. Motion passed.

Some discussion took place on various other items on Page 15.

The City Manager then directed the Committee's attention to Page 9 of the Pink Pages - Revision No. 2. He said that approval is requested to an addition of \$50,000.00 to the item City's Share Re Oversize Sewers, making a total of \$150,000.00 for 1972.

The Committee approved this addition.

Discussion took place on the item Spryfield and Herring Cove Sewers.

Alderman Connolly suggested that the project should be included in the new DREE Agreement and that the City should wait for the Spryfield Feasibility Study.

Alderman Moir was of the opinion that the amount of \$100,000.00 be raised to \$140,000.00 on the understanding that it be DREE shared.

Alderman Wentzell stressed that some work is urgently required in this area because of the extensive flooding.

After further discussion, it was agreed that an amount of \$150,000.00 for 1972 be included for the item "Spryfield Sewer" on the understanding that the amount is DREE shared.

It was agreed that the item "Fairview Sewer" at \$1,397,000.00 be funded as follows: \$421,000.00 for each of the years 1972 and 1973 totalling \$842,000.00.

The City Manager then said that with the minor changes made today, it would appear that the funding required for 1972 would be approximately \$6.8 Million, for 1973 - \$8.6 Million, for 1974 - \$6.7 Million and for 1975 - \$3.9 Million. He said that the City would be discussing with the City of Dartmouth the possibility of a joint programme on the Harbour Interceptor and Treatment Plant and any sharing that can be arranged will assist in reducing the funding required.

Considerable discussion ensued on the fact of whether or not it is likely that Dartmouth would participate jointly on this project.

In reply to a question, the City Manager said that the tunnels would be larger if the City of Dartmouth agreed to participate and that there is some time yet before a decision is required to be made on the tunnel size.

It was then MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Connolly that the 1972 Capital Budget Expenditures be approved and funding authority for 1972 sought for not more than \$7,000,000.00, plus or minus the items approved at this meeting today and for the years 1973-77 that funding authority be sought for those projects which require a continuation from 1972 and completion in a later year and approve, in principle, the anticipated expenditures and funding beyond that in the amounts and for the purposes shown in the revisions today. Motion passed.

1:45 p.m. Committee of the Whole adjourned and Council reconvened, all members of Council being present.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Hogan that City Council approve the 1972 Capital Budget Expenditures as recommended and approved by the Committee of the Whole Council and seek funding authority for 1972 not more than \$7,000,000.00, plus or minus the items approved in Committee of the Whole today and for the years 1973-77 that Council also seek funding authority for those projects which require a continuation from 1972 and completion in a later year and approve, in principle, the anticipated expenditures and funding beyond that in the amounts and for the purposes shown in the revisions as of today.

Alderman Sullivan spoke of the cost of funding \$7,000,000.00 along with other debt charges to which the City is committed and he contended that the citizens of Halifax cannot afford such a great amount of money. He suggested that the Capital Budget be again reviewed by those members of Council who are concerned in an attempt to reduce it as much as possible.

Alderman Stanbury agreed that another attempt should be made to reduce the Capital Expenditures and she said she was prepared to review it again.

Alderman MacKeen contended that if further cuts are made at this time, the City might end up paying up to \$500,000.00 for a project in a few years time which could effectively be done by an expenditure of \$100,000.00 this year. He felt that the City might be "penny wise and pound foolish" if further reductions are made.

At this time, Alderman Stanbury strongly stated that Wards 5 and 6 need facilities badly and appear to be the Wards that are left out. She contended that residents of Ward 1 are able to provide playground equipment for their children in their own back yards but residents of Wards 5 and 6 are not able to do this.

Alderman Connolly replied by stating that there is nothing in the Capital Budget for Ward 1 and he had agreed that other sections of the City need recreation facilities by voting for their inclusion. He said that although Ward 1 contributes the larger portion of taxes than any other Ward, it does indeed have poorer sections with people on welfare and it has the Container Pier to contend with too.

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Considerable discussion ensued during which time Alderman Stapells stressed the need for recreation facilities in Ward 8.

It was felt by some Aldermen that the Capital Budget has been reduced as much as possible and that the items included are very necessary.

Alderman Meagher said that the Council is going to have to tackle the Current Budget next and if it doesn't proceed fairly quickly it won't have time to get through it before the tax rates are struck.

His Worship the Mayor pointed out that most of the projects contained in the Capital Budget relate to Wards 7, 8, 9 and 10 and if any cuts are made, they will have to be made by deleting projects in these areas.

It was then MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the question be put. Motion passed.

The motion was then put and passed, seven voting for the same and three against it as follows:

For: Aldermen Bell, Connolly, Hogan, MacKeen, Meagher, Moir and Wentzell 7

Against: Aldermen Stanbury, Stapells and Sullivan 3

2:32 p.m. Council adjourned.

HEADLINE

Capital Budget 1972 and 5 Year Forecast

WALTER R. FITZGERALD
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN

R. H. STODDARD
CITY CLERK
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SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL
MEETING

Special Council Meeting
January 31, 1972
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Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N.S.
January 31, 1972
11:00 a.m.

A Special Council meeting 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 Bell, Connolly, Hogan, MacKeen, Meagher, Moir, Stapells, and Wentzell.

Also present: City Manager, City Solicitor, City Clerk, and other staff members.

The City Clerk advised that the meeting had been called for the purpose of:

INTRODUCTION OF THE 1972 CURRENT BUDGET ESTIMATES

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that Council adjourn and reconvene as Committee of the Whole. Motion passed.

11:05 A.M. - Alderman Sullivan arrived.

The City Manager said that the Budget as submitted was a tight one and was based on the levels of service which presently prevailed, some of which he acknowledged were not what they should be. There would, he said, be some disagreement amongst Council members as to where the money should be spent, with suggestions as to where it should be decreased or increased. However, he added, in submitting the estimates he had been mindful of the tremendous increases in tax rates for the past three years, and his objective was to bring expenditure levels under control so that attention could be paid to the matter of tax increases. He said that if the budget were adopted as submitted, it would result in an increase of approximately 6% in taxes for the average home owner, which he felt was more or less in line with what was going on generally within the economy. He indicated there might be a further reduction due to a surplus from last year's budget allocations, in which cases special attention has been paid to insure that money was not spent simply because it remained in the budget. Mr. Henderson mentioned areas like street maintenance and equipment replacement where he felt enough money had not been allocated to do all that was required. He also mentioned a management maintenance system which was required, which would result in savings in public works expenditures, and a system which would allow for an immediate start on a project once DREE money was available for it, without the present time lag.

In conclusion, the City Manager expressed his appreciation to those persons who had submitted their estimates based on what they felt ought to be done, but had shown a willingness to discuss changes because of economic limitations. He also expressed his appreciation for the tremendous work input by Mr. Hyndman's Department during the past month in preparing the Budget. Further information, he said, which had not become available until after the budget had been completed would be introduced during the coming discussions.

During a short discussion which followed it was stated that to take one cent off the tax rate would require eliminating \$125,000 from the budget.

Discussion followed on the schedule to be followed in discussing the various sections of the budget, and it was agreed that the City Manager would draw up a schedule within which the Council would attempt to complete the job. It was also agreed that in order to keep within a schedule, members would have to stick to the specifics in which they were interested, and where there was no disagreement on a figure approve it without spending time in discussion.

It was agreed that for the meeting scheduled the following day, "General Government" items would be discussed.

11:45 A.M. - Committee of the Whole adjourned and Council reconvened, the same members being present.

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MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN

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CITY CLERK

CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
PUBLIC HEARING - TRUCK ROUTES
M I N U T E S

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
February 1, 1972
7:35 p.m.

A Special Meeting of the City Council was held on the above date to hold a Public Hearing with respect to Truck Routes.

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: Aldermen Bell, Connolly, Hogan, MacKeen, Meagher, Moir, Stanbury, Stapells, Sullivan and Wentzell.

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

His Worship the Mayor suggested that before he calls for persons to be heard, Council hear a brief explanation from the Traffic Engineer of the proposed Truck Routes.

The Traffic Engineer displayed a plan showing the proposed Full Time Truck Routes, the Day Time Truck Routes and those to be used temporarily as Full Time Routes. He explained the reasons why it is felt necessary to have such routes and the basic principles which were applied when the routes were drafted, as follows:

1. Necessary for the benefit of the City;
2. to protect the basic principles of R-1 and R-2 zoning;
3. to eliminate excessive wear and tear on residential streets;
4. to avoid noisy intrusion in residential areas; and
5. to minimize truck interference in the interests of safety.

After a short discussion, His Worship the Mayor called for persons who wished to address Council on the matter.

Mr. Reginald Prest submitted and read a brief on behalf of the Board of Trade against the truck routes as proposed and suggested the following changes be made in the proposals:

1. Connaught Avenue and Bayers Road - no left turn is allowed; therefore, the proposal of the City is unworkable in this area.

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2. Main, Lacewood and Titus Streets - this is a bottle-neck.
3. Interconnecting streets between Hollis and Water Streets should be opened, as part of any permanent truck route.
4. Williams Lake Road should be established as a full time truck route.
5. Cornwallis Street from Water Street to North Park Street should be open as a full time truck route.
6. Brunswick Street should be open as a full time truck route.
7. North Street should be open as a full time truck route from Chebucto Road to the Bridge head.
8. Connaught Avenue from Windsor to Quinpool Road should be a full time truck route.
9. Quinpool Road should be a full time truck route.
10. Mumford Road should be a full time truck route.
11. Inglis Street should be a full time truck route.
12. Dutch Village Road from Bayers Road to Titus Street should be a full time truck route.
13. Large trucks proceeding South on Robie Street are unable to negotiate a right turn at the intersection of Robie and Cunard Streets.
14. Oxford Street should be open from Bayers Road to South Street as a full time truck route.
15. South Street should be open from Oxford Street to Robie Street as a full time truck route.
16. Morris Street and University Avenue should be left open as full time truck routes.
17. All of Terminal Road should be a full time truck route and the section of roadways running from Barrington Street to Hollis Street, near the Railway Station should remain open for the use of trucks
18. Bell Road and South Park Street should be left open for a full time truck route.
19. Agricola Street should be a full time truck route.

Mr. Peter O'Brien, resident of Connaught Avenue, spoke against the use of Connaught Avenue as a truck route

and he submitted and played a tape recording of the noise of traffic on that street made this evening. He contended that it is necessary to have a circumferential highway around the City for trucks thus relieving the residential streets in the City from through truck traffic. He was of the understanding that it was for partly this reason that Harbour Drive and the Cogswell Street Interchange were proposed.

Mr. Allan Green addressed Council on behalf of Sanborn Motor Express Company and Jumbo Motor Express Ltd. He said that his clients were not opposed to truck routes per se but felt that before any decisions are made on particular routes much more discussion should take place amongst City Staff and the truckers concerned.

Mr. William B. Strang submitted and read a brief on behalf of the Halifax Homeowners Association. He said that although this plan does show some improvement over others considered, more consideration should be given to the possibility of eliminating through truck traffic from highly residential streets. He recommended that the City petition the Provincial Government for a far greater share of the gasoline and fuel oil tax and that the Traffic Authority should be put in the hands of the Police Department.

Mr. Frank Fryer, resident of South Street, addressed Council on behalf of the Homeowners on South Street. He said that he was amazed to hear the Board of Trade recommending the use of South Street for full time truck traffic and he commented on the difficulties large trucks have in turning at the corner of Oxford and South Streets without going over the curb. He felt that much more consideration is necessary before decisions are made.

Mr. George Piercey addressed Council on behalf of the Halifax-Hants County Truckers Association which comprises some 30 companies, also Roy Judge Co. Ltd. with some contact with Ben's Limited and Simpsons. He said that his clients are not opposed to a truck route system, but they feel that they should be involved in the discussions with City Staff and be given an opportunity to present their views for consideration. He expressed great concern that his clients and others were not consulted before the draft proposals were drawn up.

Mr. William Allen addressed Council on behalf of himself and his neighbour and expressed agreement with the principles applied by the Traffic Engineer when the truck routes were drawn up. He felt that it is necessary for the large multi-wheeled trucks to be removed from residential streets particularly those of R-1 and R-2 density.

Mr. Jack Davidson addressed Council on behalf of Eastern Transport, Thompsons Transfer and Maritime-Ontario Freight Lines Ltd. He said that his clients main concern was that they were not consulted before the proposed truck

routes were drawn for presentation. He stressed the fact that the implementation of the routes proposed could drastically affect the economy of the trucking industry as mentioned in the Board of Trade brief. He commended the reading of a study by Malcolm Bates relating to Truck Movements in Montreal, Toronto and Vancouver and a study of Wilbur Smith and Associates entitled "Motor Trucks and the Metropolis". He was of the opinion that the presentation of proposed truck routes at this time is premature and needs further study with some input from the trucking industry.

Mr. Peter Green addressed Council on behalf of Smith Transport, Canadian Pacific and Mahar's Transfer. He stressed the need for some ground rules to be drawn up before any actual routes are decided upon. He spoke of the concern one of his clients has that he would have to move his Depot since it is not on a truck route. He felt that there is much confusion as to who would be required to use the truck routes and the effect such routes would have on firms making service calls and deliveries. He contended that before anything further is done on the matter, ground rules must be drawn so that the trucking industry would know to whom the routes apply.

Mr. Fred Tummings addressed Council on behalf of Twin Cities Co-operative Dairy. He spoke of the additional distance to be driven by milk trucks entering the City via the Bedford Highway at night proceeding to the Plant on Windsor Street, since Windsor Street is not proposed for truck traffic at night.

The Traffic Engineer, in reply to a question, advised that the trucks could proceed on Robie Street, turn right on Cunard Street and right again on to Windsor Street to the Plant.

Some discussion ensued on this point.

Mr. Ralph Toner addressed Council on behalf of C. L. Dauphinee Ltd. He stressed how vital the truck transportation business is to the economy of the City of Halifax and submitted and read a brief in this regard. He was in agreement that much more discussion and study is required of the proposals before they are implemented and he felt that the citizens should be made aware of the possible increased costs that would occur if a decision is made without further study being done.

Mr. Hoyt addressed Council on behalf of his Company and pointed out that any increased mileage would result in increased costs to the citizens. He expressed his concern about the truck routes as proposed.

Mr. O. A. Hubley addressed Council on behalf of Atlantic Concrete Limited and pointed out the need for his trucks to travel to all parts of the City on jobs and he contended that it would impose a great hardship on the many trucking firms if truck routes, as proposed, were implemented.

Public Hearing,
Truck Routes,
February 1, 1972

Mr. George Hampton of Forest Hill Drive addressed Council on his own behalf and said that he would have to go out of business if he was not permitted to proceed by the most direct routes in the City. He spoke of the difficulties now encountered when travelling from Herring Cove Road to the Kearney Lake Area during the hours from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. when trucks are not permitted around the Armdale Rotary but routed along Quinpool Road.

No other persons indicated a wish to speak.

Alderman Connolly spoke on behalf of a number of citizens who had called him and who are sufficiently interested in the matter by being prepared to gather together a petition against the use of certain residential streets for through truck traffic.

His Worship the Mayor pointed out that it was his understanding that general delivery trucks would not be required to keep to the proposed truck routes but that they were mainly for trucks passing through or going directly out of or in to the City. He felt that there is a great deal of confusion to be sorted out and could see the need for some ground rules to be laid down.

It was MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman MacKeen that the matter be referred to the Committee of the Whole Council without recommendation.

Alderman Moir spoke to his motion and said that there is a need for considerable discussion in an attempt to eliminate some of the confusion and he felt that during the next few days members of Council will have an opportunity to recap their thoughts before any final decision is made.

The motion was put and passed.

10:00 p.m. Meeting adjourned.

WALTER R. FITZGERALD
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN

R. H. STODDARD
CITY CLERK
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CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES

Record
Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N.S.
February 17, 1972
8:00 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 Connolly, Bell, Hogan, MacKeen, Meagher, Moir, Stanbury, Stapells, Sullivan, and Wentzell.

Also present; City Manager, Acting City Solicitor, City Clerk, and other staff members.

MINUTES

Minutes of January 27, 28, 31 and February 1, 1972 were approved on motion of Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Connolly.

APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS, ADDITIONS & DELETIONS

Council agreed to the City Clerk's request to move Item 10 (j) Barrington Developments Limited down to 14 (b) on the agenda.

Council agreed to the addition of:

20 (a) - Contracts - Kline Heights

20 (b) - Sewer Problem - Herring Cove and Purcell's Cove Roads

MOVED by Alderman MacKeen, seconded by Alderman Moir that the agenda, as amended, be approved.

PUBLIC HEARINGS & HEARINGS

HEARING RE: APPEAL - REFUSAL OF BUILDING INSPECTOR TO ISSUE PERMITS FOR BILLBOARDS - BARRINGTON STREET

A letter dated January 28th, 1972 was sent to City Council by E.L. Ruddy Co. Limited appealing the decision of the Building Inspector to refuse their application for the erection of two (2) double-faced, illuminated billboards at 3643 Barrington Street between Vestry and Glebe Streets and also two (2) double faced boards at 3487 Barrington Street between Rector and Duffus.

Mr. G.C. Findlay, General Manager (Maritimes) of Ruddy Co. addressed the Council. He said one of the reasons

given by the Building Inspector for his refusal was that the signs would detract from the appearance of the area. Mr. Findlay circulated photos of the area and suggested that to the contrary, the signs would enhance the general appearance. Another reason given for refusal, he said, was that the signs would distract the motorist's attention; Mr. Findlay said that the time required to digest the contents of a sign was sub-fractional and he knew of no statistics which put the blame for accidents on signs in the area. With regard to the Building Inspector's statement that the signs would create a "nuisance", Mr. Findlay said that in his opinion, they provided a service.

Mr. Jefferson spoke next, stating that in his opinion no matter how bad an area might look, he did not think that the erection of billboards could do anything but detract further from the appearance. Furthermore, he said, across from the proposed location of the signs, there was a row of mainly single family dwellings, and finally, he was of the opinion that the number of billboards should be restricted throughout the City and in the present case there was a danger of this particular artery becoming one continuous line of such signs.

Alderman Sullivan said he was familiar with the area and received many calls about its appearance because of abandoned automobiles, etc. and he felt that the erection of billboards on land which would then be kept in good order would definitely improve the area. He referred to several other locations throughout the City where the erection of billboards had had such an affect on the area.

Alderman MacKeen asked what procedure would be required if the boards were erected and the City at a later date wished to have them removed. Mr. Jefferson said he was not sure of the City's position in this regard under the new regulations, but felt sure that in any event a time limit could be placed on any permit issued.

After further discussion it was MOVED by Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Wentzell that the Appeal of E.L. Ruddy Co. Ltd against the decision of the Building Inspector refusing permission to erect two double-faced illuminated billboards at 3643 Barrington Street between Vestry and Glebe Streets, and also two double-faced boards at 3487 Barrington Street between Rector and Duffus, be allowed. Motion passed with Aldermen Bell, MacKeen, and Stanbury against.

HEARING RE: APPEAL - REFUSAL OF THE DEVELOPMENT OFFICER TO GRANT PERMIT FOR SECOND DWELLING - 2430 JOHN STREET

An Appeal was received from Mr. Raymond Dunlop against the decision of the Development Officer to approve an application for a minor variance to permit a second dwelling to be erected at 2430 John Street.

Alderman Meagher said that the applicant originally intended to move a dwelling from Cunard Street and locate it to an existing dwelling at 2430 John Street, but that he now intended to build a new addition to the house in question, and therefore wished to withdraw the original application and submit new plans.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Sullivan, that the request of the applicant to withdraw his appeal be granted and the matter be sent back to the City Planning Committee for future communication from the applicant. Motion passed.

HEARING RE: APPEAL - REFUSAL OF THE DEVELOPMENT OFFICER TO ISSUE PERMIT FOR EXTENSION TO 6476 SEAFORTH STREET

An appeal was received under date of February 7, 1972 from Mr. Henry J. Cox against the refusal of the Development Officer to issue a permit for a minor variance to modify the front yard requirements at the subject address to permit an extension to the front of the property.

Alderman Connolly said he looked at the house in question and could see no reason for refusing the request which in effect would only close in an existing front porch.

The Building Inspector said it would have an adverse effect on the house to the east, but the occupant of that house, Mr. Chris Spurdakes of 6470 Seaforth had submitted a letter stating that he had no objection to Mr. Cox's application.

After a short discussion, it was MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that the appeal of Mr. Henry J. Cox against the refusal of the Development Officer to issue a permit for a minor variance to modify the front yard requirements of his house at 6476 Seaforth Street, be allowed. Motion passed.

HEARING RE: APPEALS - REFUSAL OF THE DEVELOPMENT OFFICER TO ISSUE A PERMIT TO PERMIT EXTENSION AND CONVERSION OF A SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING TO A DUPLEX - 18 FLINT STREET

The appeal of the applicant, Mr. W.E. Young against the Development Officer's refusal to permit a minor variance at #18 Flint Street, was made on January 12, 1972; however, at a meeting on January 27, 1972, a motion was passed which gave Mr. Young the approval he was seeking. There was therefore question raised as to why the appeal was being proceeded with.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the applicant himself had been responsible for some of the confusion because he had submitted at least three different proposals to Council; however, he felt that unless the confusion could be cleared away tonight, the matter should go back to staff for clarification.

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MOVED by Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Hogan, that the matter be sent back to staff for clarification as to exactly what was before Council for consideration with regard to No. 18 Flint Street.

Motion passed, seven voting for the same, and three against, as follows:

For - Aldermen Bell, Hogan, Meagher, Moir,
Stanbury, Sullivan, and Wentzell 7

Against - Aldermen Connolly, MacKeen, Stapells.. 3

PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

Brief - Halifax Home Owners Association:

Alderman Stanbury presented a brief to Council as President of the Halifax Home Owners Association, which set forth a list of suggestions for Council's consideration concerning expenditures and possible avenues of revenue which would allow the present property tax to be held. Copies of the brief had been distributed to members of Council.

MOVED by Alderman Stanbury, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that the Brief of the Halifax Home Owners Association be tabled by City Council.

Alderman Stanbury said that she would be presenting Legislation pertaining to the suggestions outlined in the Brief.

Deputy Mayor Moir said he would agree with the motion as long as it was understood that such approval did not indicate one hundred percent approval of the suggestions outlined in the brief, since there were some suggestions that he could not go along with.

The Chairman said that such was the case and that the motion tonight merely tabled the brief and that the items in it would have to each be considered by Council before any action could be taken on them.

Alderman Stanbury said that the members of the Association did not expect any answer from Council tonight on their brief, but said that since the brief came from the homeowners, and tax payers, of the City, the views expressed therein were well worth reckoning with.

The motion to table was put and passed.

REPORT - FINANCE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the Finance and Executive Committee from its meeting held on February 9, 1972 with respect to the following matters:

Proposed Legislation - Halifax-Dartmouth Regional Authority - Ferry Service - McNab's and Lawlor's Islands

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Wentzell that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the request from the Halifax-Dartmouth Regional Authority to amend their Act to permit the Authority to establish, license, and regulate a ferry or ferries to and from Halifax and/or Dartmouth and McNab's Island and/or Lawlor's Island, be approved. Motion passed.

Possible Acquisition - 11 Idlwyld Road - Kline Heights (Part Taking)

MOVED by Alderman Stapells, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the land designated as Lot #144B on Plan No. TT-15-19468 and containing 677 square feet, be purchased by the City of Halifax and that the sum of \$608.75 be paid to the owner as compensation in full for all claims arising from this acquisition, funds to be made available from Account No. 54-33. Motion passed.

Possible Acquisition - 5 Idlwyld Road - Kline Heights (Part Taking)

MOVED by Alderman Stapells, seconded by Alderman Bell that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the land designated as Lot #147B on Plan No. TT-15-19462 and containing 79 square feet, be purchased by the City of Halifax and that the sum of \$127.25 be paid to the owner as compensation in full for all claims arising from this acquisition, funds to be made available from Account No. 54-33. Motion passed.

Possible Acquisition - 10 Marriott Street - Kline Heights (Part Taking)

MOVED by Alderman Stapells, seconded by Alderman Hogan, that as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the land designated as Lot #110B on Plan No. TT-14-19132 and containing 229 square feet, be purchased by the City of Halifax and that the sum of \$477.25 be paid to the owners as compensation in full for all claims arising from the acquisition, funds to be made available from Account No. 54-33. Motion passed.

Possible Acquisition - 15 Marriott Street - Kline Heights (Part Taking)

MOVED by Alderman Stapells, seconded by Alderman Connolly that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the land designated as Lot No. 96B on Plan No. TT-14-19119 and containing 273 square feet, be

purchased by the City of Halifax and that the sum of \$88.25 be paid to the owner as compensation in full and for all claims arising from the acquisition, funds to be made available from Account No. 54-33. Motion passed.

Possible Acquisition - 20 Marriott Street - Kline Heights (Part Taking)

MOVED by Alderman Stapells, seconded by Alderman MacKeen that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the land shown as Lot #118B on Plan No. TT-14-19127 and containing 212 square feet, be purchased by the City of Halifax and that the sum of \$678.00 be paid to the owner as compensation in full for all claims arising from this acquisition, funds to be made available from Account No. 54-33. Motion passed

Sale of Land for Proposed Federal Building

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee:

1. - The City indicate its willingness to sell approximately 61,600 square feet of land to the Federal Government at a price of \$12.50 per square foot with title to pass to the Crown when firm assurance has been given that the project will proceed.
2. - The agreement to sell will be conditional upon approval by the City of the final plans of the building. In suggesting this condition, it is recognized that the Federal Government desires and should have reasonable flexibility in designing and building on the particular site. The City's main cause of concern would be that the plans conform with the concept of the development scheme and that the overall density of development be limited to an F.S.I. of 4.5.

Alderman MacKeen expressed concern that the City was proceeding too quickly with this matter, stating that it was only two weeks ago they approved the zoning of the land, at which time they were assured that the rezoning did not commit the City to anything with regard to the proposed Federal building. He said the Federal Government had not even presented any plans outlining what they intended to erect on the site.

MOVED by Alderman MacKeen, seconded by Alderman Stapells, that the matter be deferred until the Council has a better idea of what the Federal Government proposes to build on the site.

The motion to defer was put and lost, three voting for the same, and seven against, as follows:

For	- Aldermen Hogan, MacKeen, Stapells.....	3
Against	- Aldermen Bell, Connolly, Meagher, Moir, Stanbury, Sullivan, Wentzell	7

Alderman Stapells said he was a member of the Down Town Committee, which Committee had expressed some doubt about the suitability of the proposed location, and he also understood that staff was not unanimous in its approval.

The Deputy Mayor said he was satisfied that the wording of the second part of the motion to the effect that the agreement was conditional upon approval by the City of the final plans, gave the City adequate protection as to what kind of building would be put on the site; however after some discussion on this point, he MOVED, seconded by Alderman Wentzell that the motion be amended so that Part 2 would read:

2. That the agreement to sell will be conditional upon approval within eighteen months by the City of the Preliminary and Final Plans of the building. In suggesting this condition, it is recognized that the Federal Government desires and should have reasonable flexibility in designing and building on the particular site. The City's main cause of concern would be that the plans conform with the concept of the development scheme and that the overall density of development be limited to an F.S.I. of 4.5.

Alderman Sullivan said he opposed any action on the part of the City that might jeopardize the building being located here, and thus lose the chance of the much needed employment and stimulus it would give to the Spring Garden business centre.

The motion to amend was put and passed seven voting for the same and three against it, as follows:

For - Aldermen Bell, Hogan, MacKeen, Meagher,
Moir, Stapells, and Wentzell 7

Against - Aldermen Connolly, Stanbury, Sullivan... 3

The motion as amended was put and passed with Alderman Connolly against.

Proposed Hotel - Scotia Square - Stage IV

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Hogan that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, Council approve the set of preliminary drawings submitted to the City for the proposed hotel for Scotia Square and give notice to Halifax Developments Ltd. that this phase may proceed subject to the detailed plans and specifications meeting the building by-law. Motion passed.