

CITY COUNCIL - PUBLIC HEARING
PROPOSED QUINPOOL ROAD DEVELOPMENT
M I N U T E S

Record

Council Chambers
City Hall
Halifax, N. S.
January 16, 1973
8:00 p.m.

A Public Hearing was held at this time to hear presentations from interested persons re the proposed major development on Quinpool Road.

Present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen Bell, Connolly, Hogan, MacKeen, Meagher, Moir, Stanbury, Stapells, Sullivan and Wentzell.

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

At the request of the Chairman, the City Manager opened the meeting by stating that before Council for consideration is an application for a development permit on a site in excess of five acres, such application being made pursuant to Section 538A of the City Charter. He advised that the site for the proposed development is bounded on the south side by Quinpool Road, on the west side by Monastery Lane, on the east side by St. Patrick's High School and on the north side by the properties that front on the south side of Allen Street.

He stated that the development as proposed contains three 30-storey apartment buildings of 448 apartments each; a 17-storey office building containing 216,000 rentable square feet; a 9-storey hotel containing 220 rooms, one dining room, one banquet hall, one coffee shop, two cocktail lounges, meeting rooms and related hotel shops and services; a 3-storey shopping mall with 180,000 square feet of ground floor retail space and 80,000 square feet of second and third floor commercial space, including two theatres, health club, medical office; and three levels of parking and loading facilities for 2300 cars, service roads and a service station.

He suggested that the development could have some significant effects on parts of Halifax; the increases in office and retail space could have either of two possible effects, accelerate more major development down Quinpool Road, or draw business away from the outlets already there. If acceleration were the end result, this could hinder the redevelopment of the downtown area and foster a commercial inroad into the Municipal Development Plan's residential area. If the proposed development became the focal point of shopping on Quinpool Road, the other areas could deteriorate.

He advised that City Staff have met with the developer in an effort to scale down the proposal, with a view to minimizing its impact on Quinpool Road and on the Central Business District. As a result, the developer has indicated

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARINGS
MINUTES

Council Chamber
City Hall
Halifax, N. S.
February 21, 1973
8:10 P. M.

A Special 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; Aldermen Bell, Stapells, Stanbury, Meagher, Hogan, Moir, Sullivan, and Wentzell.

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

The City Clerk advised that the meeting was called as a Public Hearing with respect to the following items:

1. Rezoning - 1617-99 & 1618-96 Vernon Street from R-2 Residential Zone to R-1 Residential Zone;
2. Rezoning - 2100-02 Oxford Street from R-2 Residential to C-2 General Business Zone;
3. Rezoning - 44-46 Melwood Avenue from R-1 Residential to R-2 Residential Zone; and
4. Rezoning - Lot "X" Coburg Road from R-3 Zone to C-4 and 1531 Oxford Street from R-2 Zone to C-4 Zone.

Public Hearing - Rezoning 1617-99 & 1618-96 Vernon Street from R-2 Residential Zone to R-1 Residential Zone

A Public Hearing was held at this time into the above noted matter.

Mr. Dave Keefe of the Development Department, with the aid of maps, outlined the rezoning application and answered questions from members of Council.

His Worship then asked for those persons wishing to speak in favour of the rezoning.

Mr. Ian MacKeigan, Solicitor for the applicants, addressed Council and advised that of the 25 buildings in the area in question, all supported the application for rezoning with the exception of four. He said that of the four whose names do not appear on the petition, two could not be contacted, with the other two being St. Andrew's Church Manse and the Moir House which is occupied by the Canadian Association for the Mentally Retarded. Mr. MacKeigan requested that favourable consideration be given to approving the rezoning application.

Mr. George Caines representing the Canadian Association for the Mentally Retarded addressed the Council and advised that the Association has purchased a house in the area in question, and said it was purchased as a home in a residential neighbourhood and not as an institution and it is for that reason, the Association does not oppose the application. Mr. Caines did point out that if the application is approved, their dwelling will become a nonconforming use and suggested that possibly it should be excluded from the rezoning, but said he would leave it to the discretion of Council.

There being no further persons wishing to speak in favour of the rezoning, His Worship called for those wishing to oppose the application.

There being no persons wishing to oppose the rezoning, His Worship declared the matter before Council.

It was MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Bell that the matter be sent to the next regular meeting of City Council without recommendation. Motion passed.

8:25 p. m. - Alderman Connolly arrives.
Public Hearing - Rezoning - 2100-02 Oxford Street from R-2 Residential to C-2 General Business Zone

A Public Hearing was held at this time into the above noted matter.

Mr. Dave Keefe of the Development Department, with the aid of maps, outlined the rezoning application and answered questions from members of Council.

His Worship then called for those persons wishing to speak in favour of the rezoning.

Mr. R. Cregan Solicitor for the applicants, Cleveland Industries, addressed Council and outlined the type of business carried on by the applicants. Mr. Cregan said the rezoning is being requested so that an existing storage building can be demolished and a new one built. He said this storage building no longer meets the needs of the Company and is also in a deteriorated state. Mr. Cregan advised the new building will be of one storey in height and will be constructed to look as much like a home as possible.

Mr. Cregan advised that the Company has been in business at this location for 20 years and said it is not asking Council to change the character of the neighbourhood, but is asking for permission to improve the site. He suggested the rezoning will not increase the commercial activity on Oxford Street, but will just make what exists more pleasant.

Mr. Cregan was then questioned by members of Council.

There being no further persons wishing to speak in favour of the rezoning, His Worship called for those wishing to oppose it.

Mr. George Sutherland addressed the Council representing Mr. & Mrs. Gerald O'Neill of 6415 Oak Street, Mr. & Mrs. Frank O'Neill of 6411 Oak Street, and Mr. & Mrs. John Touchie of 6421 Oak Street who are all opposed to the rezoning. Mr. Sutherland advised that his clients object to the excess amount of traffic due to the commercial outlet which is particularly bothersome in the summertime. He said that problems occur in that driveways are blocked and also referred to the excessive noise which is produced. He said his clients are not opposed to the existing nonconforming use but are opposed to a rezoning as they are concerned about the increase use which will result. Mr. Sutherland concluded by pointing out that this is spot rezoning and is an intrusion into a residential neighbourhood.

Mrs. Eileen Silvester of Oxford Street spoke in opposition to the rezoning and felt that such a business should not be located in a residential neighbourhood.

Mr. Silvester also addressed Council opposing the rezoning and referred to the matter of trucks which are loading and unloading material at this location, as well as to the amount of noise which is created by the operation of the business.

Mrs. Barbara Jollimore of 2077 Kline Street also addressed Council opposed to the rezoning due to the traffic problems which will result.

Mrs. Isaac of 2094 Oxford Street addressed Council opposed to the rezoning.

Mr. John Touchie of 6421 Oak Street spoke against the rezoning and suggested that if the application is approved, some degree of growth will take place. Mr. Touchie then requested that the application be refused.

Mr. Donald Laviolette of 2094 Oxford Street, in making an observation, said that in the summer the parking area of Cleveland Industries is filled with boats etc., and said that customers must park on the street. He said that in addition to that, the former McKenzie building has been taken over by a transfer company who use the street for parking. Mr. Laviolette suggested that this is an unsafe condition for the children in the area.

Mr. M. Warrington also in making an observation, said that he has visited the area in question a number of times and suggested that the business does not create a great amount of traffic. Mr. Warrington suggested that whether the application is approved or not, the present noise will still exist and felt the owners should be able to upgrade their facilities.

Alderman Meagher advised that he had received a number of calls opposed to the rezoning and requested that the following names be recorded as being against the application:

Mr. & Mrs. Hennesey
Mr. & Mrs. Thornhill
The Chaisson family
The Mullinger family
Mr. Pierce

Elizabeth Mullinger
Mr. & Mrs. O'Neill
Donald Laviolette
Mrs. Isaac
Mrs. Jollimore.

There being no further persons wishing to speak opposing the rezoning, His Worship declared the matter before Council.

It was MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Stapells, that the matter be sent to the next regular meeting of City Council without recommendation. Motion passed.

Public Hearing - Rezoning - 44-46 Melwood Avenue from R-1 Residential to R-2 Residential Zone

A Public Hearing was held at this time into the above noted matter.

Mr. Dave Keefe of the Development Department, with the aid of maps, outlined the rezoning application and answered questions raised by members of Council.

In reply to a question with respect to sewers, Mr. Dodge of City staff advised that a letter has been sent to Mr. Silverman stating that the application for sewers and primary and secondary services would be acceptable to the City provided that a joint certificate is received from the Department of Health and the Water Resources Commission. He said that the Engineering Department feels that the pumping station in the area has been upgraded sufficiently to handle the sanitary flows within the area. With respect to storm sewers, Mr. Dodge advised that the Developer will be required to dig dry wells which will also have to be to the satisfaction of the Department of Health and the Water Resources Commission.

His Worship then called for those persons wishing to speak in favour of the application.

Mr. Silverman representing the developer addressed Council and explained the design and construction of the proposed dwellings. He said that if the rezoning is approved and upon completion of the design drawings, tenders will be called for construction of the dwellings. Mr. Silverman further explained the proposal and requested that favourable consideration be given to the application.

Mr. Silverman was then questioned by members of Council.

There being no further persons wishing to speak in favour of the rezoning, His Worship asked for those wishing to oppose it.

Mr. Dexter of Melwood Avenue addressed Council opposing the rezoning. Mr. Dexter said that the sewer pipe in this area is the 8" size and suggested that the problem lies with the pipe size and not with the pumping station. Mr. Dexter also referred to the proposed density of 29 persons per acre and suggested that this is too high as he felt, it should be 23 persons per acre. Mr. Dexter also referred to the dry wells which must be constructed by the developer, and said that these will be of no use as this area consists basically of sedimentary rock.

Mr. Dexter concluded by opposing the rezoning and suggested that if it is approved, there is nothing to stop other near by lands from being rezoned as well.

Mr. Fred Brodie of 55 Melwood Avenue addressed Council opposing the rezoning due to the existing sewer problems which will be aggravated by the proposed development and the affect it may have on Chocolate Lake.

Mr. Larry Fox of Fenwood Road addressed Council and in referring to the proposed development, noted that these are to be rented units and suggested that rented property is not generally looked after as well as privately owned property. He also suggested that once the area is rezoned, any type of development can be placed there as long as it meets the zoning. Mr. Fox also expressed concern of this type of zoning expanding to near by areas if this particular application is approved.

Mr. Joseph Kerekes of 23 Crescent Avenue advised that he purchased property in this area as it was zoned R-1, and said he would be against any change in the zoning.

Mr. Giffin of Fenwood Road addressed Council opposing the rezoning application from R-1 to R-2 Residential.

Mr. W. D. Fowlie, Chairman of the West Armdale Homeowners Association addressed Council expressing opposition to the proposed rezoning. Mr. Fowlie referred to the present sewage system which is inefficient and expressed concern of the consequences if the dry well system does not work which the developer will be required to install. Mr. Fowlie said it has been the experience of the Homeowners Association that rented property has failed to conform to the standards maintained throughout the neighbourhood, and requested that Council not approve the application.

Mr. R. Thomas of 51 Melwood Avenue spoke against any encroachment into the R-1 zoning and also referred to the affect which further development have upon Chocolate Lake. Mr. Thomas requested that Council not approve the application.

Mr. Gordon Beanlands of 53 Melwood Avenue addressed Council and advised that he moved to this area as it was zoned R-1 Residential and requested that Council give serious consideration to opposing the application.

Mr. Geoffrey Harvey of 18 Edgehill Road advising that he has also purchased property in the area as it was zoned R-1 and said he opposes the application for the same reasons as mentioned by the previous speakers. Mr. Harvey also submitted a letter of objection dated February 21, 1973.

Mr. George Caires of 38 Fenwood Road addressed Council in opposition to the rezoning. Mr. Caires referred to the advertisement which was circulated to the affected property owners and said that there is a mistake in that it did not refer to the entire parcel of land as displayed at tonight's meeting.

Mr. Holland of 36 Fenwood Road addressed Council opposed to the proposed development and said his main concern was preventing further pollution of Chocolake Lake.

Mr. Leiper of 44 Fenwood Road addressed Council saying that he is opposed to the rezoning application but would not be against developing the area in question in compliance with the existing R-1 zoning.

Carolyn Lock of 43 Fenwood Road expressed concern with respect to the Chocolate Lake Area and felt it was a mistake to allow further development of land in the area without considering the ultimate cost of recreation.

The City Clerk advised of a letter of objection received from Mr. Ernest L. Moffat of 40 Fenwood Road, Halifax.

There being no further persons wishing to speak against the proposed rezoning, His Worship declared the matter before Council.

It was MOVED by Alderman Stapells, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the matter be sent to City Council without recommendation. Motion passed.

10:30 p. m. - Council adjourned for a short recess.

10:35 p. m. - Council reconvened with the same members being present.

Public Hearing - Rezoning - Lot "X" Coburg Road from R-3 Zone to C-4 and 1531 Oxford Street from R-2 Zone to C-4 Zone.

A Public Hearing was held at this time into the above noted matter.

Mr. Boyd Algee of the Development Department, with the aid of maps, outlined the rezoning proposal and answered questions raised by members of Council.

In reply to a question with respect to conditional rezoning, the Acting City Solicitor advised that the Planning Act does not provide for conditional rezonings but said the City has in the past, had agreements which state that if the land is not used for the purpose for which it was rezoned, the land reverts back to its original zoning.

His Worship then called for those persons wishing to speak in favour of the application.

Mr. Brian Flemming representing the Developer, addressed Council with respect to the application and pointed out that the apartment building is not an issue at this time as it can presently be built without a change in the zoning. Mr. Flemming in referring to the Professional Building, advised there are to be no stores such as a drug store, and said the proposal is only a renewal of the existing use.

Mr. Flemming suggested the present building could remain as a nonconforming use and be attached to the proposed apartment building. He further advised that the intention is not to make the proposed tower into an office building, but said it is to be an apartment building. Mr. Flemming also referred to the question of a sprinkler system which was raised at a previous meeting, and advised that such a system will be installed in the apartment tower.

In reply to a question as to whether there are any offices planned for the apartment building and whether there is to be any residential use in the Professional Building, Mr. Flemming replied in the negative. Mr. Flemming also advised that the three storey Professional Building has been modified slightly in that it is now to be 3½ storeys.

Reference was also made to 1531 Oxford Street, and it was advised by Mr. Flemming that this lot will be at ground level and will be grassed over.

Mr. George Balcolm addressed Council in favour of the proposed project but in referring to the type of parking proposed, felt there should be some provision for future street widening.

His Worship advised that very few of streets in the residential districts, with the exception of those designated, are slated for additional widening and pointed out that in this case, the development must be placed 20 feet back from the road which would permit minor widening if required in the future.

There being no further persons wishing to speak in favour of the rezoning, His Worship asked for those wishing to speak against the application.

Dr. A. Sinclair of 6422 Jubilee Road addressed Council opposing the rezoning. Dr. Sinclair referred to the south end of the City where buildings from 2 to 3½ storeys were constructed and noted that these led to the erection of the large apartment buildings, and expressed fear that the reasoning that these old buildings are not aesthetically pleasing, will spread to the section of the City where he lives. Dr. Sinclair also referred to the statement made that if the rezoning is not approved, the apartment will be joined to the present Professional Building, and questioned how this could be done unless plans for the apartment were changed.

Mr. Clive Schaefer, Vice-President of the Halifax Homeowners Association addressed Council in opposition to the proposed Rezoning and read and submitted a brief from the Association dated February 21, 1973 which outlined the reasons for the Association's opposition to the rezoning. Mr. Schaefer was then questioned by members of Council with respect to the submitted brief.

There being no further persons wishing to oppose the rezoning, His Worship declared the matter to be before Council.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman
Stapells that the matter be sent to the next regular meeting of
City Council without recommendation. Motion passed.

11:45 P. M. - Meeting adjourned.

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MAYOR WALTER R. FITZGERALD
CHAIRMAN

R. H. STODDARD
CITY CLERK

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES

Council Chamber
City Hall
Halifax, N. S.
February 26, 1973
4:30 p. m.

A Special 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; Aldermen Bell, Connolly, Hogan, Stanbury, Moir, Meagher, Sullivan, Stapells, and Wentzell.

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

The City Clerk advised that the meeting was called especially to consider the following:

1. Total Estimates for 1973
2. School Board Estimates
3. Tax Rates - Ratio between Residential and Business Realty Property
4. Tax Rate for 1973 - Business Realty and Residential Realty
5. Fire Protection Rate for 1973
6. Interest on Taxes for 1973

It was MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that City Council adjourn to meet as Committee of the Whole Council. Motion passed.

4:40 p. m. - City Council adjourned to meet as the Committee of the Whole Council.

The Committee then turned to the document entitled "Proposed Annual Estimates - 1973".

Snow & Ice Control - Page #74

The City Manager advised that the Committee agreed to review this account just prior to the finalization of the budget discussions, and advised to date, staff estimate that \$275,000 has been spent this year and said the city is now about one-half way through the snow clearing season. The City Manager recommended that an amount of \$50,000 be reduced from his Original recommendation of \$610,000.

It was then MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Moir that the City Manager's recommendation of \$610,000 representing "Snow and Ice Control", be reduced by an amount of \$50,000. Motion passed.

The "Snow and Ice Control" budget was then approved as amended.

Joint & Special Expenditures - Page #140

The City Manager advised that the figures on this page should read \$917,091 plus the two MAPC operations in which the City's share is \$21,114 making a total of \$938,205 or \$6,105 more than the original submission. The City Manager advised that a further submission is being made to the Provincial Government in the hope that it will assume greater responsibility of the Court House and County Correctional costs.

Alderman Moir advised that for 1973, the actual expenditures for the Court House are less than in 1972, but said that one of the problems is that the Commission has had to absorb the 1971 and 1972 deficit because of the lack of provincial Government acceptance of the 35% of the gross costs which totalled \$191,000.

Alderman Moir said that for 1973, the Commission put in a figure representing the contribution of the Provincial Government representing 35% of the total as well as the removing of many costs which the Commission does not feel are management costs. He said this has been done on purpose so that the necessary funds will not be available, to the Registry of Deeds for instance, to continue its operation which will result in a meeting between the Attorney General's Department and the Court House Commission.

Alderman Moir further advised that such meeting has been deferred to the Chairman of the Court House Commission, the two Mayors, and the Warden of the County.

Alderman Connolly noted that the Court House is used about 75% by the Province and said the city is in a position of subsidizing floor space used by them as well as other costs. Alderman Connolly said the City is paying for costs which are not costs of the City of Halifax. He also noted that the formula being used was introduced in 1948 and said that when the new Court House was being considered, this should have been changed.

It was then MOVED by Alderman Connolly that the Joint Estimates be reduced from \$938,205 as recommended by the City Manager to \$600,000.

His Worship said he would like to accept the Motion but under law, advised that the City is obligated to pay the monies, and therefore, could not accept the Motion. His Worship also pointed out that the City will now be taking steps to make changes for 1974.

Alderman Hogan pointed out that when it comes to cost sharing, the city must pay 60% but when it comes to representation, it is only entitled to 1/3%.

It was MOVED by Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that the Joint & Special Expenditures be approved at \$938,205.00 as recommended by the City Manager.

Motion passed with Aldermen Bell, Connolly, and Sullivan voting against.

Halifax Forum Commission - Page #126

A new sheet was submitted which was numbered 126-R, which revealed the total deficit to be \$130,304 rather than \$124,325 as shown on the previous sheet.

The City Manager then outlined the budget for the benefit of members of the Committee.

Alderman Connolly also spoke with respect to the budget after which, the Committee agreed with the Halifax Forum Commission deficit in the amount of \$130,304.00 as recommended.

Halifax Transit Corporation - Page #146

The City Manager advised that the budget estimate as submitted was based on some adjustment in Transit fares, but noted that Council previously indicated they did not want the Commission to institute the rates until Council gave further consideration to the matter. The City Manager said his adjustment was in the order of \$110,000 which was a net figure. He said there is also an item in the amount of \$42,000 which is a capital item which must be included, and advised that if Council was desirous of holding fares for 1973, an amount of \$150,000 would have to be provided.

Mr. T. R. G. McKim, General Manager of the Transit Corporation then addressed the Committee and explained the proposed change in the fare structure saying that there would be no more 20¢ rides for adults and that they would now be required to pay a 25¢ fare. He also advised there is to be a like 25% increase in children's tickets saying that it is customary for the children's ride to be one-half the adult fare. Mr. McKim advised that the Commission has announced that this increase will become effective on Tuesday, March 6th unless some action is taken by Council which would indicate a change in the budgetary situation.

His Worship suggested he would not be against granting the extra monies for 1973 in an attempt to get the citizens to use Transit. He said the citizens could be given one last opportunity to make Transit a viable operation and suggested it would also take some imagination on the part of the Commission in attempting to regain its ridership. His Worship suggested it may be possible to end the year with a surplus and suggested that service is the key to the issue.

It was MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that the budget of the Halifax Transit Commission be increased by an amount of \$150,000 for 1973.

Alderman Connolly referred to the special rate for Senior Citizens and said it is the understanding of many that the special rate is only available to those who receive the supplement. Alderman Connolly noted that many senior citizens will not accept the supplement as they consider it as a form of welfare, and felt that if there is to be a special rate, it should be given to all senior citizens whether they receive the supplement or not.

Considerable debate followed on the matter after which, the Motion was put and lost, two voting for the same and seven voting against it as follows:

For: Aldermen Hogan and Moir - 2
Against: Aldermen Bell, Connolly, Meagher, Stanbury,
Stapells, Sullivan, and Wentzell - 7

Alderman Moir then suggested a Motion be put approving a budget figure which would permit the Commission to charge 25¢ for adult fares and 10¢ for children's fares which would do away with all tickets.

His Worship suggested this may be encroaching on the policies of the Commission and said Transit has put forth what they feel is best for the Corporation.

Mr. McKim advised that a Motion such as suggested by Alderman Moir would require an expenditure of \$25,000.

It was MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that the City Manager's adjustment be reduced by an amount of \$25,000 and the subsidy of the Halifax Transit Corporation be increased by \$25,000 for 1973.

Alderman Moir said that in making the Motion, he was desirous that these monies be used to reduce children's fares to 10¢ and said if this is not possible, hoped the Commission would attempt to maintain the existing fare for children. He said that if the Commission is unable to do either, it appears that they will have an extra \$25,000 in their budget.

After further discussion, the Motion was put and passed with Alderman Connolly against.

The Halifax Transit Corporation budget was then approved as amended.

Miscellaneous Revenue from Rental Property - Page #4

The City Manager advised that an amount of \$36,240 can be added to the revenue side of this budget making a total of \$242,260 to which the Committee agreed.

The budget was then approved as amended.

Reference was then made to the School Board estimates, the Business Realty and Residential Realty tax rates, the Fire Protection Rate, and the interest on 1973 taxes, and it was agreed that these items be dealt with when City Council reconvenes on Wednesday, February 28, 1973.

Alderman Connolly at this time, made reference to the Salary increases granted to non-union employees for 1973 in the amount of 6.5%, and said it has come to his attention that these increases were calculated on the high side of the scale resulting in some members of staff receiving as much as 7 to 7.5% instead of 6.5%. He said the calculations were made on the upper side of the bracket instead of on what the person is presently earning.

The City Manager then briefly explained the way in which the calculation is made and said that what Alderman Connolly is saying is correct.

The City Manager said the application of the general policy which was approved by Council, was done in the same manner as has been done in previous years. He said the total effect is somewhat above 6.5% and said he could report as to the exact amount. He said staff applied the principle approved by Council and said there is no way of treating all people exactly on a 6.5% basis without completely reworking the complete pay plan.

Further discussion ensued and it was agreed that the City Manager would report to Council on the matter.

Equalization Grants and City Tax Rate

Alderman Stapells referred to monies in the form of equalization grants which will be received by the Provincial Government from the Federal Government. He said that in an interview, Mr. Turner the Minister of Finance of the Federal Government indicated that the provinces could take a hard look at giving the hard pressed tax payers in the municipalities some relief by granting these funds.

It was then MOVED by Alderman Stapells, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that the following Resolution be approved:

"While the Mayor and Council of the City of Halifax will confirm their belief in responsible administration by announcing the 1973 tax rates no later than midnight Wednesday, February 28, 1973, the Council requests the Provincial Government of Nova Scotia to pass an "Order in Council" allowing the City of Halifax to postpone the setting of the 1973 tax rates to allow time for the Provincial Government to announce the disbursement of the "Equalization Funds" made available from the Federal Government in its 1973 budget."

Some discussion ensued with respect to the time extension on setting the tax rate, and the City Manager said that in no way should it go beyond the end of the month in terms of getting the City's bills out, and said actually, it should not go beyond three weeks otherwise, legal problems may result, to which the Committee agreed.

The Motion was put and passed.

It was MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that today's meeting be adjourned until 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 28, 1973.

Motion passed.

6:07 p.m. - Meeting adjourned.

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MAYOR WALTER R. FITZGERALD
CHAIRMAN

R. H. STODDARD
CITY CLERK

SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
CURRENT BUDGET
MINUTES

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.
February 28, 1973
4:15 p.m.

A Special Meeting of the Committee of the Whole was held on the above date.

Present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen Bell, Connolly, Hogan, Meagher, Moir, Stanbury, Stapells, Sullivan and Wentzell.

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

His Worship advised that the meeting was called especially to consider the following items:

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His Worship advised that he had sent a letter to the Provincial Government which contained the resolution approved and passed by Council, delivered by hand on Tuesday, February 27, 1973, and there has been no acknowledgement of the request to date. He suggested that the Committee proceed with setting the tax rate.

The City Clerk read the aforementioned letter as follows:

" 27 February 1973

Honourable Gerald A. Regan, Q.C.
Premier of Nova Scotia
Province House
Granville Street
Halifax, Nova Scotia

Honourable Sir:

The Committee of the Whole Council of the City of Halifax further considered the 1973 Current Budget at a meeting held on Monday, February 26, 1973.

The Committee approved the following resolution:

'While the Mayor and Council of the City of Halifax will confirm their belief in responsible administration by announcing the 1973 tax rates no later than midnight Wednesday, February 28, 1973, the Council requests the Provincial Government of Nova Scotia to pass an "Order in Council" allowing the City of Halifax to postpone the setting of the 1973 tax rates to allow time for the Provincial Government to announce the disbursement of the "Equalization Funds" made available by the Federal Government in its 1973 budget.'

I have been asked to suggest that the time extension be limited to three weeks. May the City have a reply as soon as convenient.

Yours respectfully,

R. H. STODDARD
CITY CLERK "

It was agreed that the Committee proceed to set the Tax Rate for 1973.

Total Estimates for 1973

The City Manager advised that the final figure for total estimates for 1973 is \$54,854,339.00.

It was agreed that the total estimates for 1973 be approved in the amount of \$54,854,339.00.

School Board Estimates

The City Manager advised that the final figure for School Board Estimates for 1973 is \$22,813,810.00, this being 41.6% of the total estimates.

It was agreed that the School Board Estimates for 1973 be approved in the amount of \$22,813,810.00.

Tax Rates - Ratio between Residential and Business Realty Property

The City Manager advised that the ratio be 45% which is the minimum permitted under the terms of the City Charter.

It was agreed that the ratio between residential and business realty property be 45%.

Tax Rate for 1973 - Business Realty and Residential Realty

The City Manager advised that the tax rate for business realty and business occupancy is \$5.6174 and for residential realty is \$2.5278, an increase of 4.65% in each category.

It was agreed that the tax rate for business realty and business occupancy for 1973 be \$5.6174 and for residential realty be \$2.5278.

Fire Protection Rate for 1973

The City Manager advised that the fire protection rate for 1973 be \$0.07.

It was agreed that the fire protection rate for 1973 be \$0.07.

Interest on Taxes for 1973

It was agreed that the interest rate to be charged on all overdue taxes be 9% per annum for 1973.

Alderman Connolly stated that there were two items which he wished to discuss before the Committee reconvened to Council, the items being (1) Personnel Department budget and (2) the 6.5% salary increase.

His Worship suggested that if it was agreeable to discuss the Personnel Department budget he felt it should be done in private.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Stanbury, that the meeting adjourn for an in-camera discussion.

The City Manager stated that he thought he had had more time to report on the 6.5% salary increase and proceeded to report in general terms on the salary scale system.

His Worship suggested, and it was agreed, that a further report be submitted at a later date by the City Manager.

The Committee adjourned in-camera at 4:30 p.m.

The Committee reconvened at 5:30 p.m., the same members being present.

Employee Relations - Page 32

It was agreed that the Employee Relations budget be approved as presented, in the amount of \$103,715.00, with Alderman Connolly and Sullivan against.

Surplus

The City Manager stated that although final audited statements are not presently available, he felt that the \$700,000.00 allocation as surplus from last year would be reasonable and safe. Bearing in mind the impact should surpluses not be earned this year and the fact that surplus funds can be converted and used as working capital, he recommended that for this year an additional \$150,000.00 be appropriated out of last year's surplus which would allow an increase in the working capital of approximately \$550,000.00.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Stanbury, that an additional \$150,000.00 be applied to the tax rate for 1973. Motion passed unanimously.

5:35 p.m. The Committee agreed to adjourn and reconvene as Council to permit final calculations to be made with respect to the proposed Tax Rates.

5:50 p.m. City Council reconvened, the same members being present.

ESTIMATES CIVIC YEAR 1973

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Stapells that, as recommended by the Committee of the Whole Council, the estimates for the Civic Year 1973 be fixed at \$54,854,339.00. Motion passed.

RESOLUTION - SCHOOL BOARD ESTIMATES 1973

MOVED by Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Wentzell that, as recommended by the Committee of the Whole Council, the gross expenditures for the Board of School Commissioners for the Civic Year 1973 be set at \$22,813,810.00. Motion passed.

RATIO TAX RATE 1973 - RESIDENTIAL AND BUSINESS

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that, as recommended by the Committee of the Whole Council, the Ratio be 45% between Residential and Business which is the minimum permitted under the City Charter. Motion passed.

TAX RATES 1973

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Committee of the Whole Council, the tax rate for the year 1973 be set at \$5.5938 per hundred dollars of assessment and that this rate be applied to the full assessed value of property of a business character and nature and 50% of the total assessed valuation for business occupancy tax purposes and 45% of the assessed value of real property of a residential character or nature. The latter calculation contained in the motion having an effect of \$2.5172 per hundred dollars for residential tax assessment. Motion passed.

FIRE PROTECTION RATE 1973

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Connolly that, as recommended by the Committee of the Whole Council, the Fire Protection Rate be set at seven cents (\$0.07) per hundred dollars (\$100.00) of valuation for the year 1973. Motion passed.

INTEREST ON TAXES 1973

MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Committee of the Whole Council, the interest rate to be charged on all overdue taxes shall be nine percent (9%) per annum. Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor expressed his thanks to all members of Council for all the hard work they had done over the past few weeks and, on behalf of all members of Council, thanked the City Manager and Staff for their assistance.

6:00 p.m. Council adjourned.

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MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN

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CITY CLERK

CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES

Council Chamber
City Hall
Halifax, N. S.
March 1, 1973
8:05 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; Aldermen Sullivan, Connolly, Stanbury, Stapells, Moir, Meagher, Bell, Wentzell, and Deputy Mayor MacKeen.

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

MINUTES

Minutes of City Council meetings held on February 15, and 21, 1973, were approved on Motion of Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Connolly.

APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS, ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

At the request of the City Clerk, Council agreed to add:

20(a) - Date for Halifax Natal Day

At the request of the City Clerk, Council agreed to delete the following:

15(b) - Resubdivision (Lot Consolidation) Lands of the Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission & Lands of Automobiles Renault of Canada Limited, Lady Hammond Road and MacKintosh Street

17(b) - Report - Forum Commission Re: "New Complex". It was pointed out that this item is covered under 10(b) on the agenda.

The Order of Business was then approved, as amended.

DEFERRED ITEMS

Rezoning - 2176-80 Robie Street from R-2 Multiple Dwelling Zone to C-2 General Business Zone

The City Manager advised that further discussions are to take place with the Solicitor for the applicant, and requested this item be deferred to the next regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole at which time a report will be submitted.

It was then MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Bell that the matter be deferred to the next Regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council. Motion passed.

Rezoning - 1617-99 & 1618-96 Vernon Street from R-2 Residential
Zone to R-1 Residential Zone

Alderman Sullivan expressed concern about the area in question and suggested that the people living there were aware of the zoning which existed at the time they purchased their homes, and said they seemed quite satisfied at that time. Alderman Sullivan noted there were no applications for rezoning until the Retarded Children's Association purchased a home in the area, and suggested this is what prompted the application. He said that if the rezoning is approved, it will make this building as well as other R-2 buildings in the area nonconforming, and said he would have to oppose the application.

Alderman Moir advised that the home now owned by the Retarded Children's Association was purchased from him and therefore, would not take part in the discussions.

Alderman Stanbury suggested the residents of the area are not concerned with the property in question but fear that if it is not made R-1, there will be an expansion of this type of use which would tend to change the area from what it has been. Alderman Stanbury suggested the residents only wish to keep the area as is or to upgrade it.

Alderman Hogan also suggested the application for rezoning was prompted as a result of the Association purchasing property in the area and said he would have to vote against the application.

Alderman Meagher referred to questions raised by the Association at the Public Hearing on the matter as to what would happen to their home if the application was approved and felt that more information should be received on the matter. It was then MOVED by Alderman Meagher that the matter be referred to the next meeting of the City Planning Committee for further information and a report from staff with a recommendation concerning the property now being used by the Retarded Children's Association.

There was no seconder to this Motion.

The City Manager suggested the decision which Council should entertain is whether or not it will accede to the application for rezoning, and said if the area is rezoned, certain buildings will become nonconforming and will have to comply with the law.

Alderman Meagher suggested that the building owned by the Retarded Children's Association is an institutional building, but it was advised that an institutional building is a legitimate use in an R-2 Zone but is not permitted in an R-1 area.

After further discussion, it was MOVED by Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that the application for rezoning of Civic Nos. 1617-1699 and 1618-1696 Vernon Street from R-2 Residential to R-1 Residential, as shown in Case No. 2754, be refused by City Council.

Motion passed with Aldermen Meagher and Stanbury against, and Aldermen Connolly and MacKeen abstaining as they were not present at the public hearing on the matter.

Rezoning - 2100-02 Oxford Street from R-2 Residential Zone to
C-2 General Business Zone

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Bell that the rezoning of Civic Nos. 2100-02 Oxford Street from R-2 Residential to C-2 General Business, as shown on Plan Nos. P200/5444-4 of Case No. 2774, be refused by City Council.

Alderman Meagher suggested it is the concern of the neighbourhood that if the owner of the building in question does vacate in the future, a different type of C-2 use may locate there and suggested it is not an ideal situation for a C-2 area to be located in the middle of a residential area.

The Motion was then put and passed with Alderman Stanbury voting against and Alderman MacKeen abstaining as he was not present at the Public Hearing on the matter.
Rezoning - 44-46 Melwood Avenue from R-1 Residential Zone to
R-2 Residential Zone

It was MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that the rezoning of Civic Nos. 44-46 Melwood Avenue from R-1 Residential to R-2 Residential as shown on Plan Nos. P200/5134-5139 of Case No. 2663, be approved by City Council subject to:

the developer purchasing and constructing an additional 20-foot strip of land which is to be consolidated with the existing right-of-way for access to Melwood Avenue.

Alderman Stanbury made reference to a petition which was submitted at tonight's meeting containing names of residents in the area who are in favour of the application, and questioned whether the signatures were authentic or written by the same person.

With the agreement of Council, Mr. Silverman advised that the petition was circulated by two people and said the signatures are those of the individuals themselves who signed after being shown a copy of the proposed plan and an explanation with respect to the project.

Alderman Hogan suggested this application is the result of another case of a developer purchasing land in an R-1 Zone with no intention of using it under the present regulations. He noted there has never been an application for construction of an R-1 use for this particular piece of property. Alderman Hogan also made reference to property nearby in this area which is presently R-1, and suggested if the present application is approved, the owner of the other property will also seek a rezoning.

Alderman Stapells referred to the already inadequate sewer system in the area and said that in theory it is fine, but said it does not work. Alderman Stapells also said that the properties in the immediate area are R-1 and suggested that of those which are zoned R-2, many are used as R-1 single family dwellings.

The City Clerk advised that Deputy Mayor MacKeen could not vote on the matter as he was absent from the public hearing.

Alderman Stapells also advised that he has spoken with some of the persons whose names appear on the most recent petition, and said they were not aware that there are to be ten dwelling units on this land. Alderman Stapells said that as the representative and property owner in the area, he would have to vote against the motion.

Alderman Connolly said the developer proposes to build ten units within five buildings and suggested it would be much nicer to have five buildings which would permit some green and open space, than to have ten separate buildings constructed on the lot. Alderman Connolly also noted there are many dwellings in this area which are used as R-2 at the present time.

Alderman Connolly also made reference to the suggestion that if this application is approved, the owner of adjoining lands in the area would also seek a rezoning, and said it is the decision of Council as to whether or not such an application would be approved.

The Motion was then put and lost, three voting for the same and six voting against it as follows:

For: Aldermen Bell, Connolly, and Sullivan - 3
Against: Aldermen Hogan, Meagher, Moir, Stanbury, Stapells,
and Wentzell. - 6

Rezoning - Lot "X" Coburg Road from R-3 Zone to C-4 Zone and
1531 Oxford Street from R-2 Zone to C-4 Zone

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman
Bell that:

1. the application for rezoning of Lot "X" Coburg Road from R-3 Multiple Dwelling Zone to C-4 Professional Zone and Civic No. 1531 Oxford Street from R-2 General Residential Zone to C-4 Professional Zone as shown in Case No. 2806 on Plan Nos. P200/5513-5523, be approved by City Council subject to the building being constructed in conformance with the plans submitted and in accordance with the Zoning By-law; and
2. the alteration to a subdivision combining Lot "X" Coburg Road with Civic No. 1531 Oxford Street as shown in Case No. 2806 on Plan No. P200/5524, be approved by City Council subject to the removal of one of the two buildings contained on these lots.

The Motion was put and passed, seven voting for the same and two voting against with Deputy Mayor MacKeen abstaining as follows:

For: Aldermen Bell, Connolly, Hogan, Meagher, Stapells,
Sullivan, and Wentzell - 7
Against: Aldermen Moir, and Stanbury - 2

Deputy Mayor MacKeen abstained from voting as he was not present at the public hearing on the matter.

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

MOVED By Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Bell that the Formal Resolution, as submitted, be approved. Motion passed. Deputy Mayor MacKeen abstained from voting.

Rezoning - Keating Road, Crown Drive, Bay Road, and Balcom Drive, from C-1 Zone to R-1 and R-2 Zones

The City Clerk advised that a letter has been received from the West Armdale Homeowners Association requesting that their petition be returned and that the application be withdrawn.

His Worship advised that the City Solicitor has ruled that if there is no formal Motion put forward by Council, the petitioners have the right to ask for this to be withdrawn.

Alderman Stapells advised he was not aware of the letter asking for the withdrawal and said he would like to speak to the residents as to the reasons therefore.

It was then MOVED by Alderman Stapells, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the matter be deferred to the next regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council at which time further information will be presented with respect to the letter from the Homeowners Association.

Motion passed.

PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

Petition - Ward 10 Association Re: "Dogs Running at Large"

A petition dated February 18, 1973, was submitted from the Ward 10 Association with respect to the above noted matter which requested an increase in the amount of fines levied against delinquent dog owners, and uniform enforcement of the Ordinance by the creation of a radio-linked, 24-hour, 7 day per week dog patrol.

Alderman Hogan suggested that the petition be received and filed, and referred to staff for a report.

At the suggestion of the City Manager, it was agreed that the petition received from the Ward 10 Association be discussed in conjunction with item 16(a) on the agenda which is: "Motion - Alderman Stanbury Re: Amendment to Ordinance Number 147 Respecting Dogs".

REPORT - FINANCE & EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Offer Volvo (Canada) Limited

The City Clerk advised that at the January 29th meeting of City Council, the offer made by Volva was rejected at which time Alderman Stapells gave notice of reconsideration.

The City Clerk advised that the Motion of Reconsideration is presently before Council.

It was MOVED by Alderman Stapells, seconded by Alderman Bell that the Motion of Council of January 29, 1973, be reconsidered.

Alderman Stapells said the City and Volvo entered into a five year tax agreement with an option to renew for a further five years. He said Volvo made a technical error in that they neglected to renew the agreement after five years but felt the City would be hurt very badly if it does not accept the offer made by the Company. Alderman Stapells said the City was prepared to give a ten year agreement and said this problem has evolved as a result of a technicality.

The Motion was then put and resulted in a tie vote, five voting for the same and five voting against it as follows:

For: Aldermen Meagher, Moir, Stanbury, Stapells, and
Wentzell - 5
Against: Aldermen Bell, Connolly, Hogan, MacKeen, & Sullivan - 5

His Worship cast his vote in favour of the Motion and declared same passed.

Deputy Mayor MacKeen referred to the recent setting of the 1973 Tax Rate and spoke opposing the acceptance of the offer made by Volvo. He said the company did make a mistake and noted that the City offered a compromise which was rejected by the company.

Alderman Connolly said he is opposed to tax incentives for businesses operating in the City and said he knew of no homeowners who received a concession on taxes. Alderman Connolly suggested there are a number of firms in the City which are losing money but said they are required to pay full taxes. Alderman Connolly suggested the company in question is making money and are paying Federal taxes but refuse to pay their fair share of city taxes. Alderman Connolly said it is unfair to the City tax payers and felt they should not be required to subsidize foreign industry.

Considerable discussion ensued on the matter and it was advised by the City Clerk that the following Motion is presently before Council:

"that the City accept the offer made by Volvo (Canada) Limited as outlined in the City Manager's memorandum of December 20, 1972."

The City Manager stated that the memorandum to which the Motion refers, dealt with an offer that would terminate on January 31, 1973, and indeed the City was advised that it was terminated. He said there are communications from the Solicitor for Volvo indicating that if Council was prepared to reconsider the stand it took, and litigation was avoided, the offer would remain open. The City Manager said this is the basis upon which the vote is presently being taken on the Motion.

The Motion was then put and resulted in a tie vote, five voting for the same and five voting against it as follows:

For: Aldermen Meagher, Moir, Stanbury, Stapells, and Wentzell - 5
Against: Aldermen Bell, Connolly, Hogan, MacKeen, & Sullivan - 5

The Chairman cast his vote in favour of the Motion and declared same passed.

Draft Agreement between City of Halifax, Halifax Forum Commission, and Centennial Management Associates Limited

Alderman Connolly submitted the following resolution for filing which was passed by the Halifax Forum Commission on February 23, 1973:

"Whereas the Halifax Forum Commission on the 19th day of July, 1971, recommended to City Council that Centennial Properties proposal be accepted and Whereas 19 months have now elapsed without any positive action being taken on this recommendation, be it Resolved that City Council consider this matter immediately with a view to either accepting or rejecting the recommendation of the Halifax Forum Commission no later than March 2, 1973."

Alderman Connolly also read a letter dated February 27, 1973 from Centennial Management Associates Limited advising of their withdrawal with respect to a new Forum Complex as a result of being unable to reach an agreement with staff as to the form and content of such an agreement.

Alderman Connolly said that the Commission is distressed that the proposed feasibility study and agreement has fallen through, but in fairness to the developer, pointed out that it is his feeling that as it has taken this long for a formal agreement to be reached to allow him to spend his own money, he is concerned as to how long it will take him to implement the proposal. Alderman Connolly said he would like some direction from Council as to whether the Forum Commission should pursue the possibility of a new Forum complex, and in which direction it should be headed.

Alderman Moir felt it was desirable for the Forum lands to remain within the control of the City, and suggested that if a new complex is to be developed, a plan should be prepared on which tenders could be called. He suggested there should be an economic feasibility study and Council could then decide on the type of complex it desires.

Alderman Sullivan expressed the fear that the City would now lose this development to another City, and also requested some direction from Council be given to the Forum Commission with respect to the matter.

His Worship said the request of Aldermen Connolly and Sullivan was a legitimate one which staff will take note of, and said this item will be placed on the agenda of a future meeting. His Worship also advised that he would write the company involved advising of Council's regrets that it is not going to proceed, but that Council understands the circumstances.

Council,
March 1, 1973

REPORT - BOARD OF HEALTH

Council considered the report of the Board of Health from its meeting held on February 21, 1973 with respect to the following matter:

Amendment to Garbage Regulations and System of Purchase, Distribution and Resale of 2 Mill Plastic Bags

The recommendation of the Board reads as follows:

It is recommended that the following be approved in principle:

1. That the Board of Health approve an amendment to the Regulations relating to the Collection and Disposal of Garbage and Refuse to limit the type of container that will be accepted for refuse collection to 2 mill plastic disposable bags and approve compactor bags, such amendment to become effective on completion of (2), and
2. That City Council authorize staff to set up a system for the purchase, distribution, and resale of 2 mill plastic bags to be reported to Council before June 1, 1973 with target implementation date of August 1, 1973.

MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Stapells that the recommendation of the Board of Health be approved.

Alderman Hogan was of the opinion that citizens should be permitted to use garbage cans if they wish.

Alderman Meagher reported that many citizens have expressed some concern over the proposed changes in the Regulations to him.

Some discussion ensued and Alderman Moir said that he could not accept the recommendation at this time. He regretted that he could not join in the discussion in the Board of Health and suggested that the matter receive a full discussion at the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

It was then MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the matter be referred to the next meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council for a full discussion. Motion passed.

10:00 p.m. Alderman Hogan retires.

REPORT - CITY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the City Planning Committee from its meeting held on February 21, with respect to the following matters:

Modification of Lot Area - Civic No. 6524 Almon Street

MOVED by Alderman Stanbury, seconded by Alderman Stapells that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the application for modification of the lot area requirement at Civic No. 6524 Almon Street, as shown on Plans No. P200/5592 and P200/5596-5604 of Case No. 2829, be approved. Motion passed.

Resubdivision - Lands of the Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission, Memorial Drive at Robie Street

MOVED by Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Connolly that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the application for resubdivision to create Lot 2A, as shown on Plan No. P200/5556 of Case No. 2821 be granted approval by City Council, subject to the land required to facilitate the new street alignment at the intersection of Memorial Drive and Robie Street being deeded to the City of Halifax. Motion passed.

Preliminary Approval - Property Civic No. 10 Rocky Hill Drive, Corner of Rocky Hill Drive and Tremont Drive

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Bell that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the application for preliminary approval to subdivide the property known as Civic No. 10 Rocky Hill Drive, as shown on Plan No. P200/5499 of Case No. 2801, be approved. Motion passed.

Resubdivision (Lot Consolidation) Henry Charlton Sub-division, Craigmore Drive

MOVED by Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the application for resubdivision (lot consolidation) in order to combine Lots No. 5 and 5A, as shown on Plan No. P200/5528 of Case No. 2771, be granted approval. Motion passed.

Subdivision of Lot No. 110, Northeast Corner of Central Avenue and Hillcrest Street

MOVED by Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the application for final approval of Lots No. 110-A and 110-B, as shown on Plan No. P200/5605 of Case No. 2831, be granted approval. Motion passed.

MOTIONS

Motion - Alderman Stanbury Re: Amendment to Ordinance No. 147, Respecting "Dogs"

MOVED by Alderman Stanbury, seconded by Alderman Stapells that the following Amendment to Ordinance No. 147 Respecting "Dogs" be read and passed a First Time:

BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Halifax, that Ordinance Number 147, respecting licensing of dogs, as approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs on the 25th day of May, A.D., 1971, is hereby amended as follows:

Section 15 of said Ordinance is repealed and the following substituted therefore:

"15 The owner of any dog which has been impounded, upon proving his ownership thereof, may redeem the dog from the pound, upon payment of the following:

(1) the registration and license fee to the City Collector if the dog is not registered and licensed; and

(2) two dollars per day to the pound keeper for each day, or part thereof, that the dog has been held in the pound; and

(3) a charge of five dollars to the pound keeper for the first impounding of the dog; for the second impounding of the dog within the calendar year a charge of ten dollars for the pound keeper; for the third and subsequent impounding of the dog within the calendar year a charge of twenty dollars for the pound keeper."

Motion passed.

Motion - Alderman Wentzell Re: Amendment to Ordinance
Number 143, respecting "Mobile Home Parks"

MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Stapells that the following Amendment to Ordinance Number 143, Respecting "Mobile Home Parks" be read and passed a First Time:

BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Halifax that Section 5, Subsection 1, of Ordinance Number 143 Respecting Mobile Home Parks, approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs on the 24th day of September, 1971, is repealed and the following substituted therefore:

"5.(1) The fee for a license issued under this Ordinance shall be \$15 a month for each mobile home occupying a space in the mobile home park."

In addition, Subsection (5) of Section 5 is added as follows:

"5.(5) The repeal and enactment of Subsection (1) of Section 5 shall come into force on and not before the first day of July, A.D., 1973."

Motion passed.