

Council,  
March 1, 1973

Motion - Alderman Stanbury Re: Establishment of a Public  
Relation's Department within the Police Department

MOVED by Alderman Stanbury, seconded by Alderman  
Sullivan that the Chief of Police be requested to form  
a Public Relations Department to deal with the young people  
of the City and that he bring back a report with a  
recommendation for a Public Relations Officer to the Safety  
Committee.

Alderman Stanbury spoke to her motion outlining  
the need for such a Department within the Police Department  
structure.

Some discussion took place as to whether or not  
the motion should be dealt with at this time or referred  
to the next meeting of the Safety Committee.

His Worship the Mayor could see no reason why  
the motion should not be dealt with at this time.

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

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Appointment - Director of Finance

A report was submitted from the City Manager  
requesting Council's confirmation and formal approval to  
the appointment of Mr. Bernard G. Smith, C.A., of  
Waverley, N. S. as Director of Finance for the City of  
Halifax, effective early in April.

Alderman Sullivan questioned why someone from  
within the City Administration was not recommended for the  
position or at the least someone from the local area. He  
also questioned the qualifications of Mr. Smith.

It was decided that a short meeting should be  
held in camera, to inform the Alderman of Mr. Smith's  
qualifications and background.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman  
Sullivan that Council adjourn for short time to discuss  
the matter in camera. Motion passed.

10:12 p.m. Council adjourned for short in camera  
meeting.

10:37 p.m. Council reconvened, the same members  
being present.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman  
Connolly that City Council confirm the appointment of Mr.  
Bernard G. Smith, C.A. as Director of Finance, effective  
early in April, 1973. Motion passed with Alderman  
Sullivan voting against.

Appointments - Review Board Re: Area Rates

His Worship the Mayor nominated Aldermen Bell and Moir to the Review Board re "Area Rates" and he said that both Aldermen have agreed to serve on this Board which could involve a great deal of time and effort.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Wentzell that, as nominated by His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Bell and Moir be appointed to the Review Board re "Area Rates". Motion passed.

QUESTIONS

Question Alderman Wentzell Re: Water Problems and Drainage - Hilden Heights Drive

Alderman Wentzell referred to a copy of a letter he had received, directed to the developers of the Hilden Heights area requesting that they take action to alleviate the run-off and drainage problems caused by their development within seven days. He noted that the seven days are up and asked what action will now be taken.

The Director of Engineering and Works advised that an inspection will be undertaken tomorrow and if the work has not been done, City forces will move in and attempt to rectify the situation, the cost of the work to be charged to the developer.

Alderman Wentzell asked if he could inform the residents of the street that something will be done within the next few days and the Director of Engineering and Works replied in the affirmative.

Question Alderman Sullivan Re: Snow Plowing Areas, Equipment and Map

Alderman Sullivan referred to a question he had asked at a previous Council meeting with respect to a request for a copy of the latest schedule of snow plowing, number of pieces of equipment serving each area and a map. He asked again if such information is available and if so, could he have a copy.

The Director of Engineering and Works advised that a report was supplied to all members of Council at the last Council meeting outlining the routes and level of service.

Alderman Sullivan said that he hadn't seen this report and asked that one be forwarded to him.

Question Alderman Stapells Re: Fire Department Examinations

Alderman Stapells asked for a report from the Fire Chief with respect to recent examinations for Captains

and Lieutenants for which, it appears, 29 persons sat and 29 persons failed.

Question Alderman Stanbury Re: Removal of Snow Banks at Intersections

Alderman Stanbury asked if it is possible to have some of the high snow banks at corners of streets removed. She said that children are using them as slides into the street and they are blocking the view of traffic. She referred specifically to Jubilee Road and Connaught Avenue.

The Director of Engineering and Works said that a committee composed of Transit, Traffic, Police and Fire personnel continually review the situations which are hazardous and which are reported to it. He said a report was presented to Council some years ago indicating the cost entailed in the removal of snow banks at all intersections.

Several other questions were then asked on snow plowing, removal and pot-hole repairs.

Question Alderman Moir Re: Uniforms for School Crossing Guards

Alderman Moir referred to a letter he had received from a concerned citizen and he asked if there is any information available with respect to a report that the school crossing guards will no longer be issued with uniforms and if this is so, he asked what the reasons are for making this change.

His Worship the Mayor suggested that the matter be placed on the Order of Business for the next Safety Committee when it can be discussed at some length.

Question Alderman Connolly Re: Snow Plowing - Corner Tower Road and Inqlis Street

Alderman Connolly referred to a situation at the above location, where snow is plowed from the street on to the sidewalk, making it extremely difficult for the owners of the property to adequately clear the sidewalks and he asked if this matter could be looked at.

His Worship the Mayor said that he also wished to raise the matter of plowing snow on to boulevards and he suggested that it be discussed at the next meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council.

Question Alderman Bell Re: Piling of Snow at Shopping Centres

Alderman Bell referred to the huge piles of snow on the shopping centre parking lots, some of which are very close to sidewalks and streets. He said that during

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a mild spell they begin to melt and water runs across the sidewalk and the street and then freezes causing hazardous situations.

The City Solicitor said that this situation is covered in the City Charter and that Staff will look into it further.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion - Alderman Sullivan Re: Development Plan

Alderman Sullivan gave notice that at the next regular meeting of City Council, to be held on March 15, 1973, he will move the following motion:

WHEREAS a Municipal Development Plan is now being produced for the City of Halifax;

AND WHEREAS much study has been and will be devoted to producing a final Plan;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Municipal Development Plan should provide for the implementation of Section 33(2)B of the Planning Act which gives the Council power by resolution to approve any specific development which would not otherwise be permitted by the By-law;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Development Plan should provide for the implementation of Section 33(2)C of the Planning Act which gives the Council power to issue Development Permits where the Municipal Development Plan has established comprehensive development districts.

Notice of Motion - Alderman Stapells - Flashing Yellow Lights

Alderman Stapells indicated that he would like to give a Notice of Motion with respect to the use of Flashing Yellow Lights on delivery vehicles but he was not sure of the number of the Ordinance to which an amendment should be made.

He was advised that this matter is presently being studied and instead of giving a notice, the Alderman asked for a progress report from Staff on the item.

ADDED ITEMS

Halifax Natal Day

MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Meagher that Wednesday, July 18th, 1973, be set aside for the celebration of Halifax Natal Day.

His Worship the Mayor suggested that more discussion

take place on this item and that it be referred to the Committee of the Whole.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Moir that the matter be referred to the next meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council. Motion passed.

Representation by City Solicitor to Legislature - Bill to Exempt Spryfield Lions Club Rink from Taxation

The City Solicitor advised that a Bill has been presented to the House as a Private Members Bill which, if passed, will exempt the Spryfield Lions Club Rink from taxation and he asked if Council wished him to take any action as a matter of principle.

Alderman Wentzell could not understand why the North End Rink was not included also.

Alderman Moir felt that the City should oppose this because it is a decision that City Council should make rather than anyone else.

His Worship the Mayor felt that the matter should be pursued as a matter of principle and the Bill opposed by the City.

10:55 p.m. Council adjourned.

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WALTER R. FITZGERALD  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN

R. H. STODDARD  
CITY CLERK

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL  
JOINT MEETING OF HERITAGE TRUST,  
LANDMARKS COMMISSION, AND MEMBERS  
OF CITY COUNCIL

M I N U T E S

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Council Chamber  
City Hall  
Halifax, N. S.  
March 5, 1973  
7:30 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, MacKeen, Meagher, Moir, Stanbury, Stapells, Sullivan, and Wentzell.

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

The City Clerk advised that the meeting was called to consider recommendations from the Heritage Trust and Landmarks Commission concerning the Historic Buildings in the City of Halifax.

7:35 P. M. - Council adjourned to meet as the Committee of the Whole Council.

The following representatives from the Heritage Trust and Landmarks Commission presented briefs as well as slide presentation of several of the historic buildings in Halifax:

Speakers in the order of their appearance:

Mr. Evan Petley-Jones - President of the Heritage Trust  
Mr. Douglas R. Price - Heritage Trust  
Mrs. Maud Rosinski - Heritage Trust  
Mr. Ian McKee - Heritage Trust  
Mr. Bob Street - Halifax Landmarks Commission  
Mr. Gilbert Hutton - Halifax Landmarks Commission  
Mr. Louis W. Collins - Chairman, Halifax Landmarks Commission

Recommendations as presented by Heritage Trust and the Halifax Landmarks Commission, are as follows:

1. THAT the proposed downtown area for restoration be considered by the City of Halifax
2. THAT the City of Halifax appeal to the Provincial Government for their support in preserving these buildings
3. THAT both the City of Halifax and the Province of Nova Scotia jointly approach the Federal Government for aid.
4. THAT the City of Halifax purchase various buildings to preserve area.

The speakers were then questioned by members of Council.

Alderman Moir asked Mr. Street how he proposed to preserve buildings without driving a lot of people out of the City because of increased taxation. Mr. Street replied that if the Granville Street buildings were put to their optimum use, they would provide the same kind of revenue as other buildings.

Mr. Street also suggested the City of Halifax has a unique attraction for Federal Government aid as it can be compared with the history of the french speaking people, and said Halifax is the only remaining City which will be entitled to the same financial assistance as Quebec. Mr. Street felt that once the City has the funds, Council must determine how much of the area can be maintained, and suggested that inventory be taken on the Granville Street buildings and other vital streets concerned.

The City Manager asked how the rental rates will be affected in these buildings if the City cannot attract people to rent office space, to which Mr. Street replied that many people would rather obtain office space in this area because it is more accessible and attractive to customers, and also felt that if the City obtained 50% Federal aid, the return invested would be worthwhile.

The City Manager replied that 50% assistance from the Federal Government can only be used as an assumption.

Mr. Street suggested that the City must go to higher levels of government as the preservation and restoration of buildings could not be done by present property owners in the area, nor would it be feasible under City of Halifax financing.

Alderman Stapells said that the one-half square mile area in question is the prime area in the City of Halifax, and in referring to the proposals, noted that Council must consider the View Plane Regulations and Developers who wish to build high rise structures in the downtown area.

Mr. Street replied that by preserving the area in question, the City could still provide office space requirements for the next twenty years.

Mr. McKee added that the present owners of property in this area are not restoring their buildings because of proposed developments, and felt that developers should not dictate what the downtown will look like.

Alderman Stapells stated that City Council also does not wish developers to dictate which buildings go where.

Alderman Moir felt that City Council would have to make a decision as to which buildings should be preserved and those that are not necessary to keep for historic purposes. Alderman Moir suggested that Council go over the downtown area with members of Heritage Trust and the Landmarks Commission, and categorize which buildings should be preserved, following which, approaches could be made to the Provincial Government for support in applying for Federal aid.



The City Manager mentioned that if the City were to purchase certain buildings in order to ensure that they be preserved, this would also influence developers as to where to build.

Alderman Connolly felt that by doing this, the City would be indicating to developers that a particular area cannot be developed. Alderman Connolly questioned why the City should try to acquire these buildings, and noted there are other priorities which must not be sacrificed in order to purchase and preserve buildings.

The City Manager suggested that perhaps members of Heritage Trust might put up say \$5,000 each to purchase these buildings in the downtown area as an experiment.

Mr. Street replied that since Heritage Trust is composed of voluntary workers, it is difficult to provide monies for such an experiment.

Mrs. Rosinski stated that present owners of these buildings are waiting for the City to decide what is going to happen to their properties, and said that once this decision is made, they can go ahead and restore or sell their properties.

Alderman Hogan felt that the program as presented tonight should be presented to the Provincial Government in an attempt in securing financial assistance.

His Worship the Mayor agreed that the City could consider saving a portion of the Downtown area, but felt that in determining how much to preserve, it would be necessary to have meetings with the Provincial and Federal Governments.

Alderman Stanbury felt that if the Province of Quebec qualifies for funds for the City of Quebec, so should the City of Halifax be able to receive federal aid for the purposes of restoration.

Alderman Sullivan questioned if the City becomes involved in this matter, what the comparison of tax revenue received from the restored buildings would be compared to nine and ten storey developments.

After further discussion on the implications of the proposals, it was MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that the Committee of the Whole Council report progress to Council and that the matter be referred to the Committee of the Whole Council for further consideration of the specific recommendations and for further discussion with the interested parties and the inclusion of the report on the View Planes as soon as it is available for the overall consideration so that Council may consider a concerted effort towards the fruition of the desires.

Motion passed.

10:00 P. M. - Council reconvened with the same members being present.

It was MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that the matter be referred to the Committee of the Whole Council for further consideration of the specific recommendations and for further discussion with the interested parties and the inclusion of the report on View Planes as soon as it is available for the overall consideration so that Council may consider a concerted effort towards the fruition of the desires.

Motion passed.

10:05 P. M. - Meeting adjourned.

HEADLINES

Joint Meeting of Heritage Trust, Landmarks Commission,  
and City Council Re: Historic Buildings .....

MAYOR WALTER R. FITZGERALD  
CHAIRMAN

R. H. STODDARD  
CITY CLERK

CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES

Council Chamber  
City Hall  
Halifax, N. S.  
March 15, 1973  
8:00 P. M.

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

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

Present: Deputy Mayor MacKeen, Chairman; Aldermen Stanbury, Stapells, Hogan, Connolly, Sullivan, Meagher, Bell, Wentzell, and Meagher.

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

MINUTES

Minutes of City Council meetings held on February 26, 28, and March 1 and 5, 1973, were approved on Motion of Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Sullivan.

APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS, ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

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

20(a) - Attitude of Staff member of the Halifax Housing Authority

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

17(c) - Purchase of Cemetery Lots and Burial Expenses

17(e) - Water Street (Court House Area) Improvements

At the request of Alderman Wentzell, it was agreed to add:

9(c) - Water Problem - Woodcrest Avenue

It was MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Hogan that the Order of Business, as amended, be approved.

Motion passed.

PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

Petition & Letters Re: Proposed Sidewalk Construction

The City Clerk advised that a petition and a number of letters objecting to proposed sidewalk construction, sodding, and tree planting have been received and which have been distributed to members of City Council.

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Hogan that the petition and letters received, be referred to staff for a report. Motion passed.

Petition Re: Proposed Construction of Road in Area of Spry Avenue, Clovis Street, Joyce Avenue, Spencer Avenue, etc.

A petition dated February 23, 1973, was submitted which was signed by approximately 33 residents objecting to the proposed road adjacent to or in the immediate area of Spry Avenue, Clovis Street, Joyce Avenue, Spencer Avenue, Snair Street, Circle Drive, Arnold Drive, and the Herring Cove Road.

Alderman Wentzell said the residents are objecting to the alignment of Joyce Avenue from Dunbrack Street to the Herring Cove Road. It was then MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that the matter be referred to staff and that a meeting of staff, Alderman Wentzell, and possibly His Worship be held with the residents for the purpose of explaining the matter.

Alderman Wentzell also referred to the Transportation which is being carried out for this area and expressed the hope that this study could be in the hands of staff prior to the meeting with the residents.

The Motion was put and passed.

Petition - Water Problem - Woodcrest Avenue

This item was added to the agenda at the request of Alderman Wentzell so that a representative of the area could address Council on the problem.

Mr. Quigley on behalf of the residents, addressed Council and said the water problems started last December. He said it is difficult to contact the developer who is responsible for the supplying of water, and advised that on two occasions, the system has been prepared through the efforts of Alderman Wentzell.

He said a Committee of the residents was established and which met with staff and said the Committee has advised Alderman Wentzell that the residents are not prepared to take over the system as a Co-operative. Mr. Quigley requested that Council force the developer to maintain the system properly or that another body be appointed to do so. He said the developer was given the right to develop the land on the condition that he maintain the water system, but said he does not now wish to maintain it.

Alderman Wentzell suggested the problem has reached the point where something must be done to correct it and said that from talking to the developer on two occasions, it is evident he is not interested in the system.

It was MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that the matter be referred to staff for a report. Motion passed.

REPORT - FINANCE & EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

City Council considered the report of the Finance and Executive Committee from its meeting held on March 9 & 13, 1973 as follows:

Amendments to By-Laws - Seaview Credit Union

MOVED by Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Hogan that the following amendments be approved by City Council to the Supplemental By-laws of the Seaview Credit Union:

Section I - Subsection (i) to now read:

- 1 (i) Membership in the Seaview Credit Union shall be open to:
- a) Citizens of Halifax who are acceptable to the Board of Directors;
  - b) In order that the Seaview Credit Union may serve its original purpose of assisting low income people, the Board of Directors shall ensure that no more than 20% of the Membership have an income in excess of \$10,000 per annum

Section 3 to now read:

The Board of Directors shall consist of nine members, one of whom shall be a representative of the City of Halifax and one of whom shall be a representative of the Department of Public Welfare, Province of Nova Scotia.

Section 5 to now read:

The Credit Committee shall consist of five members.

Section 7 to now read:

The Supervisory Committee shall consist of five members.

Motion passed.

Revised Cost and Contract Communication System - Police Building

The City Manager suggested that as a result of a recent meeting with Alderman Stapells, the Alderman's questions have now been answered on the matter.

Alderman Hogan referred to the type of communication now being used by Officers on the Beat, and asked what will be done with this equipment.

The City Manager replied that the equipment is presently being leased.

It was MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Hogan that City Council approve the Cost Summary of March 7, 1973, and establish a new budgetary figure of \$2,976,000.00 for the new police headquarters, and that contracts be awarded to Dictaphone Corporation in the amount of \$20,253.20 for contract A-4 Logger of the communication system, and to Office Specialties Limited for contract A-7 Records System of the communication contract in the amount of \$18,872.50.

Motion passed.

A Formal Borrowing Resolution in the amount of \$126,000 was submitted giving effect to the foregoing Motion of Council.

Moved by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Hogan that the Formal Resolution be approved. Motion passed.

Date for Natal Day - July 18, 1973

MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Meagher that in 1973, Halifax Natal Day be celebrated on Wednesday, July 18th.

Alderman Connolly referred to a number of calls which he received which were against Natal Day being held on a Wednesday rather than on say a Friday or a Monday, and said he would have to vote against the Motion as it is not satisfactory from a business point of view.

Alderman Wentzell said that from the Natal Day's Committee point of view and from a participation point of view, Wednesday was by far the best day.

The Motion was then put and passed with Aldermen Bell and Connolly voting against.

REPORT - COMMITTEE ON WORKS

City Council considered the report from the Committee on Works from its meeting held on March 13, 1973 as follows:

Kempt Road Diversion (Peerless Vulcanizing Ltd.) DATE FOR HEARING

MOVED by Alderman Stapells, seconded by Alderman Hogan that:

1. Council approve in principle the alignment of streets as shown on scheme 6 (preliminary Plan #TT-18-20305);
2. Staff be instructed to prepare surveyed plans in accordance with the scheme; and
3. Council set a date for a public hearing for the laying down of street lines accordingly

In reply to a question, the City Clerk advised that the Public Hearing date is scheduled for April 18, 1973.

Motion passed.

Encroachment Canopy - 2439 Agricola Street

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Moir that an encroaching canopy 2' into the street allowance of Agricola Street and extending 24' along the front face of Civic No. 2439 Agricola Street amounting to a total encroachment of 48 Square Feet as shown on Plan No. 1061, at an annual rental fee of \$12.00, be approved by City Council.

Motion passed.

Upgrading Streets and Sidewalks

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that:

1. Streets - Appendices "A" (Provincial Cost Sharing Streets 1973 & 1974) and "B" (Major and Residential Streets 1973 & 1974) as attached to the staff report of February 28, 1973, be approved subject to the suggested changes made by members of Council at the March 13th meeting of the Committee on Works, those being reversing the priorities of Auburn Ave. and Arvida Ave. in that Auburn Ave. is scheduled for work in 1973 and Arvida Ave. in 1974; the foregoing is subject to the Province of Nova Scotia's approval of Appendix "A".

2. Sidewalks - The sidewalk repair program, as outlined by Staff at the March 13th. meeting of the Committee on Works, be approved as follows:

"That Local Improvement Notices be sent to the abutters of sidewalks (approximately 40% of the sidewalks originally proposed for repairs as outlined in Appendix "C" attached to the Staff report of March 13, 1973) advising them that unless a protest is lodged with the City, it is intended to re-concrete sidewalks in the area, and if the abutters do not wish the sidewalks re-concreted, they will be advised that due to the hazards involved, it will be necessary to asphalt cap the sidewalks."

After a short discussion and questioning of the Director of Works on the matter, the Motion was put and passed with Alderman Stapells against.

REPORT - SAFETY COMMITTEE

There were no recommendations submitted for the action of Council from the last meeting of the Safety Committee. Administrative Order & Rules & Regulations, Fire Department

Alderman Connolly referred to the proposed Rules and Regulations, and Administrative Order pertaining to the Fire Department which was on the agenda of the last meeting of the Safety Committee, and asked what the outcome of this matter was.

The Chairman advised that the item was deferred for a period of two weeks.

Alderman Meagher suggested the proposed Administrative Order and Rules and Regulations was a matter which should not be presented for action at a time when labour negotiations are taking place.

Alderman Meagher also felt there should be formal discussions with the Fire Chief before the Committee deals with the matter.

It was then MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that the proposed Administrative Order Number 17 and the Rules and Regulations pertaining to the Fire Department be deferred until a settlement is reached in the labour negotiations with the Fire Department. Motion passed.

REPORT - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL, BOARDS & COMMISSIONS  
Amendment to Ordinance #147 respecting "Dogs" Second Reading  
MOVED by Alderman Stanbury, seconded by Alderman  
Connolly that the following amendment to Ordinance No. 147,  
Respecting the Licensing of Dogs, be read and passed a Second  
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."

Alderman Connolly referred to the last meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council and said the matter of people allowing their dogs run at large and defecate on other persons property was discussed at that time. He said the City Solicitor was to look into the matter with a view to preparing legislation on the matter, and asked if the City Solicitor has work underway on this.

The City Manager advised that Council will be receiving a report on the item.

Alderman Moir referred to costs as contained in the proposed Amendment and felt this charge is sufficient. Alderman Moir said that the matter of receiving a summons and appearing before the Magistrate, which is in addition to the charge to the pound keeper, should now be done away with.

Further discussion ensued after which the Motion was put and passed with Alderman Moir voting against.



Amendment to Ordinance No. 143, respecting "Mobile Home Parks"  
SECOND READING

MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Connolly that the following Amendment to Ordinance Number 143, respecting "Mobile Home Parks", be read and passed a Second 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.

REPORT - CITY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the City Planning Committee from its meeting held on March 7, 1973, as follows:

Rezoning - Herring Cove Road at Spry Avenue from R-2 Residential Zone to C-2 Commercial Zone

MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Stapells that:

- (1) The Planning Committee indicate its approval in principle to the proposed community/shopping centre and the rezoning required therefore, and
- (2) Any further action on this proposal by Council be deferred until the details referred to in the staff report of February 27, 1973 on the matter have been resolved, and that a special meeting be held with the residents in the area to discuss the whole network of roads in the Spryfield area.

Motion passed.

Rezoning - Keating Road, Crown Drive, St. Margaret's Bay Road, Balcome Drive From C-1 Zone to R-1 and R-2 Zones

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Stapells that:

- (1) Area "2" comprising land on the south side of the St. Margaret's Bay Road, between the newly approved Keddy Inn, Chocolate Lake, and an existing R-1 Residential Zone, be rezoned from C-1 Local Business to R-1 Residential with the exception of the Texaco and Irving Service Stations, and the existing commercial use in between the Service Stations, which is to remain C-1 Local Business. Motion passed.

The rezoning of Area "1" comprising land on the north side of the St. Margaret's Bay Road between Keating Road, Crown Drive, and an existing R-4 Zone, was sent to City Council without recommendation.

MOVED by Alderman Stapells, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that Area "1" comprising land on the north side of the St. Margaret's Bay Road between Keating Road, Crown Drive, and an existing R-4 Zone, be rezoned from C-1 Local Business to R-2 Residential with the exception of the Shell Service Station, the Armdale Grocery Store, and Peter's Lunch which is to remain as C-1 Local Business Zone.

It was MOVED in Amendment by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Connolly that the area on Crown Drive from Keating Road to the St. Margaret's Bay Road, and the area from Keating Road to Douglas Drive on the St. Margaret's Bay Road to the depth of one lot, be left as C-1 Local Business Zone.

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

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

The Motion, as Amended, was then put and passed with Aldermen Stapells and Wentzell voting against.

Alderman Stapells gave notice of Reconsideration with respect to the foregoing Motion of Council.

Extension to a Non-Conforming Building and Modification of the Lot Area Requirement - 125 School Avenue

MOVED by Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Hogan that the extension to a non-conforming building and modification of the lot area requirement permitting the construction of a 2' x 14' extension at the front and an attached garage 15' x 24' at the west side of Civic No. 125 School Avenue as shown on Plan No. P200/5632 of Case No. 2840, be approved. Motion passed.

Application for Resubdivision - Lands of Food City Limited, Neptune Enterprises Limited and Foord Construction Limited, Simpson's Lane

MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the application for resubdivision to create Lots Bx, AY and to add Lot C to the lands of Maritime Assessories Limited as shown on Plan No. P200/5626 of Case No. 2817, be granted approval by City Council.

Motion passed.

Rezoning - R-2 Residential Zone to C-2 General Business Zone -  
2631-33 Dutch Village Road, 7160-64 Clinton Avenue  
(Lots 10-13, 16 Proctor Estate) DATE FOR HEARING

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MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that a date be set for a Public Hearing into the Rezoning of Civic Nos. 2631-33 Dutch Village Road and Civic Nos. 7164-70 Clinton Avenue (Lots 10-13, 16 Proctor Estate) from R-2 Residential to C-2 General Business, and that the persons living in the designated area as outlined in the staff report, be notified of the date of the Public Hearing. Motion passed.

In reply to a question, the City Clerk advised that the Public Hearing is scheduled for April 4, 1973.

Application for Tentative Approval of Cresthaven Park Subdivision -  
Off Bedford Highway

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MOVED by Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Wentzell that City Council agree to grant Tentative Approval of the Cresthaven Park Subdivision, to be developed in a similar layout as suggested by City Staff, Case No. 2813, at such time when the applicant has:

- (a) Submitted documental approval by the Public Service Commission of the quantity and quality of the well water determined on the site to service the proposed subdivision;
- (b) Submitted a letter of approval by the Public Service Commission for the engineering designs of the water service system to be constructed;
- (c) Submitted and received approval of the engineering design drawings (in accordance with the standards and specifications of the City of Halifax) for the storm and sanitary sewer systems to service the proposed subdivision; and likewise the engineering design drawings of the roadways to be constructed in development of the subdivision;
- (d) Submitted the Joint Certificate of Approval from the Nova Scotia Water Resources Commission and Department of Health;
- (e) Submitted a revised survey plan with a revised layout that is satisfactory to staff and Council with respect to public open space that is to be provided.

Motion passed.

Resubdivision of Lots owned by V & G Investments - Rhuland  
Street and Victoria Road

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MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Bell that the resubdivision (Lot consolidation) of lands owned by V. & G. Investments (forming new Lot D) fronting on Rhuland Street and Victoria Road as shown on Plan No. P200/5653 of Case No. 2841, be approved by City Council. Motion passed.

Rezoning - R-2 Residential Zone to C-1 Local Business Zone -  
284-86 Herring Cove Road

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MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Hogan that the rezoning of Civic Nos. 284-86 Herring Cove Road from R-2 Residential to C-1 Local Business, as shown on Plan No. P200/5503 of Case No. 2804, be Refused and that Staff be requested to make a thorough study of the present zoning along the Herring Cove Road with recommendations for possible changes. Motion passed.

Rezoning - C-1 Local Business Zone to C-2 General Business Zone -  
5680-90 Duffus Street

Alderman Moir advised that the applicant has requested this item be referred back to the Committee of the Whole and MOVED, seconded by Alderman Connolly that the matter of the rezoning from C-1 Local Business Zone to C-2 General Business Zone, 5680-90 Duffus Street, be referred to the next regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council.

Motion passed with Alderman Meagher against.

Resubdivision - Lots 15A to 20A Connaught Park Subdivision -  
Claremont Street

The recommendation from the Committee read as follows:

"That the application for resubdivision creating new Lots 15A to 20A, Connaught Park Subdivision, Claremont Street, as shown on Plan No. P200/5626 of Case No. 2559, be deferred by City Council until:

- (1) Proper Engineering drawings showing proposed grade and services are submitted by the developer;
- (2) The developer agrees to the construction of all primary and secondary services on Claremont Street and Regent Road from Maxwell Avenue to Windsor Street; and
- (3) A surveyed plot plan is presented to the City incorporating the existing land holdings plus additional lands that may be added due to partial street closures; the above recommendation is dependant upon condition No. 1."

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that the matter be referred to staff for a report. Motion passed.

Proposed Renovation Project - Granville-Hollis Streets -  
Downtown Moratorium Area.

It was agreed that Council would deal with the recommendations one by one.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Connolly that Council approve the issue of a building permit for restoration and renovation of the building shown as HW2 on Sketch No. 1062 dated February 20, 1973.

Motion passed with Alderman Sullivan against.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Connolly that Council approve the issue of a building permit for restoration and renovation of the building shown as HW3 on Sketch No. 1062 dated February 20, 1973.

Motion passed with Alderman Sullivan against.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Connolly that Council approve the issue of a building permit for restoration and renovation of the building shown as HW4 on Sketch No. 1062 dated February 20, 1973.

Motion passed with Alderman Sullivan against.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Stapells that Council approve the issue of a building permit for restoration and renovation of the building shown as HW5 on Sketch No. 1062 dated February 20, 1973.

Motion passed with Alderman Sullivan against.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Wentzell that Council approve the issue of a building permit for restoration and renovation of the building shown as HW6 on Sketch No. 1062 dated February 20, 1973.

Motion passed with Alderman Sullivan against.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Hogan that Council approve the issue of a building permit for restoration and renovation of the building shown as GW6 on Sketch No. 1062 dated February 20, 1973.

Motion passed with Aldermen Meagher & Sullivan against.

Amendments - Zoning By-law Re: Commercial Uses in R-3 Zones -  
DATE FOR HEARING

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Meagher that a date be set for a Public Hearing to consider amending the Zoning By-Law by deleting the controls in the R-3 Zone restricting commercial outlets in large apartments to high density residential areas. Motion passed.

In reply to a question, the City Clerk advised that the Public Hearing is scheduled for April 4, 1973.

View Plane Regulations - DATE FOR HEARING

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Wentzell that a date be set for a Public Hearing, as recommended in the Staff report of February 20, 1973 as follows:

1. That this draft be modified to cover, for purposes of a Public Hearing, the view planes involving the George's Island, Harbour Mouth, and Duke-Harbour Triangles only;
2. That action regarding amending the zoning by-law with respect to the remaining three triangular planes be deferred pending the outcome of the action taken with respect to the former triangular view planes.

Motion passed.

In reply to a question, the City Clerk advised the Public Hearing is scheduled for April 18, 1973.

MOTIONS

Motion - Alderman Sullivan Re: Development Plan

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that:

"WHEREAS a Municipal Development Plan is now being produced for the City of Halifax and Whereas much study has been and will be devoted to producing a final Plan,

THEREFORE be it Resolved the Municipal Development Plan should provide for the implementation of Section 33(2) B, of the Planning Act which gives the Council power by Resolution to approve any specific development which would not otherwise be permitted by the By-law, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Development Plan should provide for the implementation of Section 33(2) C, of the Planning Act which gives the Council power to issue Development Permits where the Municipal Development Plan has established comprehensive development districts."

It was suggested that approval of the Motion should be deferred as the members did not have a copy of it prior to the meeting, but it was advised by the City Solicitor that the Motion parallels the power the City now has under Section 538 of the City Charter and suggested there was no reason for not dealing with the Motion this evening.

The Motion was then put and passed.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Tender - 73-07, 20 Cu. Yd./20,000 lb. Capacity Refuse Packer and Diesel Chassis

MOVED by Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Connolly that Mack Maritime Distributors Ltd., be awarded the tender for the supply of one (1) 1973 Diesel Truck Chassis, Tilt Cab with 20 cu. yd. and 20,000 lb. Refuse Packer Body at a price of \$29,871.00. Motion passed.

Garbage Regulations

Alderman Hogan said that residents should be given the choice to use either plastic garbage bags or the cans and spoke opposing the placing of a type of City seal on the bags. Alderman Hogan also felt the bags should be distributed through private outlets. Alderman Sullivan concurred with the suggestions made by Alderman Hogan.

Alderman Stapells referred to a letter received from Cabot Atlantic Limited which has been circulated to members of Council and said this letter poses some points which he would like to consider.

The City Manager advised that staff intend to contact Cabot Atlantic Limited as well as others who express any interest and concern before bringing further recommendations to Council on implementation.

MOVED by Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Stapells

that:

1. Staff investigate further and report on the appropriate ways and means for the distribution and sale of regulation 2 mill bags by June, 1973, with a view to the new system (if approved by Council) being introduced by September, 1973;
2. The ratio of the volumes of garbage put out in cans versus bags be further investigated early in 1974 after which Council can consider the question of requiring the elimination of garbage cans at the curb.

Motion passed.

Restoration and Development - Waterfront Historic Buildings

Alderman Moir suggested there should be an explanation from staff with respect to the moratorium on building in the Granville Street area which expires on March 15th, as to what the ending of the moratorium period means to the City.

It was advised by the Chairman that this item is not on the agenda for discussion.

Alderman Moir noted that the item could be added with the consent of Council.

The Chairman advised that as Alderman Moir had been of the opinion that the item "Restoration and Development - Waterfront Historic Buildings" did in fact deal with the moratorium area, he would entertain such a Motion.

MOVED by Alderman Moir that an item be added to the agenda Re: The Granville Street Moratorium Area.

There was no seconder to the Motion.

Mr. Churchill of the Real Estate Department then, with the aid of maps, outlined the proposal to members of Council.

Alderman Moir said the restoration project is a great step forward for the City of Halifax and said there are many citizens which should be congratulated for their efforts in enabling this project to come about. Alderman Moir also congratulated the Developer of the project for their efforts in this matter.

It was then MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Wentzell that:

1. That approval of the Agreement between Historic Properties Limited and the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design or any approval or agreement to be given or entered into by the City is not an endorsement of any agreement between Historic Properties Limited and its tenants which are not known to and approved by City Council;

2. The City approve the submissions of September 15, 1972 (as supplemented by copies of correspondence of June 2nd and 6th, 1972 between the lending institutions), and February 26, 1973, by Historic Properties Limited as being acceptable under the terms of the Agreement to Lease of February 25, 1972;
3. That the City agree to assist Historic Properties in their negotiations with the Department of National Defence to obtain temporary conditional access provided that:
  - a) the Department of National Defence will agree to convey a portion of its lands to permit changes in the alignment of the service road so as to allow
    - (i) two-way traffic along most of the frontage of their property, and
    - (ii) access off such realigned service road to the restoration area;
  - b) arrangements for temporary access will involve a written agreement between Historic Properties Limited, Department of National Defence, and the City which would make clear the exact physical nature and location of the access, the duration of its existence, and the powers of the City and the Department of National Defence to require or approve the physical design, location and duration of it;
  - c) there be no cost to the City in respect of a temporary access;
  - d) such access shall be off the service road sufficiently far north so that there is no interference with traffic movement on Upper Water Street; and
  - e) in the event that the efforts and arrangements set forth above do not yield the looked for results, the company's requests that the occupancies be changed from those now proposed to other occupancies, should be allowed, subject to the normal obtaining of occupancy permits and without any liability on the part of the City for any consequences of such occupancy changes.
4. Staff proceed to finalize negotiations of a restoration Agreement and a Lease, both subject to approval of the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development, Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation, and City Council.

Motion passed.

QUESTIONS

Question Alderman Stanbury Re: Sprinkler System in Senior Citizen's High Rise Building at Convoy Place

Alderman Stanbury questioned whether there will be a sprinkler system installed in the Senior Citizen's High Rise building which is to be built at Convoy Place. The Alderman advised that she has received a number of inquiries regarding this matter.



Questions (Cont'd)

The City Manager advised that it is not a requirement under the National Building Code but said there are many other fire protective devices being built into this building. He advised that the City has had communications with CMHC requesting them to look into this matter as this particular building is to be occupied by senior citizens.

Question Alderman Stapells Re: Radio System, Recreation Department

Alderman Stapells referred to the February, 1973 report on Administrative Activities which states that specifications have been prepared for radio systems designed for the Works, Fire, Transit, and Recreation Departments, and requested that he be advised at a later date as to why the Recreation Department requires a radio system.

The City Manager advised this is a matter of substituting an owned system for a leased system, but said he would report on the matter at a later date.

Question Alderman Sullivan Re: Proposed Regulations Fire Dept.

Alderman Sullivan referred to a letter which was received from the International Association of Fire Fighters, Local #268 requesting liaison with respect to the proposed Regulations of the Fire Department, and asked if this has been replied to.

The City Manager said the Department asked for an opportunity to make a presentation to Council when this matter is considered, but noted that Council at tonight's meeting tabled the matter until negotiations are finalized. The City Manager said the matter can again be taken up at that time and advised that he was waiting to see the way in which Council wished to deal with the item before replying to the letter.

Question Alderman Wentzell Re: Drainage Problem, Hilden Drive

Alderman Wentzell referred to drainage problems on Hilden Drive which are affecting property values and where there is a particular flooding problem which has been neglected for some 6 months. Alderman Wentzell referred to letters dated February 9 and 21, 1973 and March 12, 1973 which were sent to the developer advising that the necessary work must be carried out or legal action would be taken. Alderman Wentzell advised that these problems are still existing. Alderman Wentzell then asked why no legal action has been taken and why it is that the residents are now to be advised that this work will now be changed to them as opposed to the developer.

Alderman Wentzell also referred to the developer of this particular development, Kidstone Estates Ltd., and advised the Company has not carried out any work on this site for some 4 - 6 weeks. He said he has been presented with many questions as to the financial capabilities of the company and said he would like this matter completely checked by staff. He said there are many problems existing in this area and requested the matter be placed on the agenda of the next Committee of the Whole agenda, to which Council agreed.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Amendment - Ordinance No. 138

Alderman Connolly gave notice that at the next regular meeting of City Council, he will introduce a Motion to Amend Ordinance No. 138 by increasing the fees for the issuance of Tax Certificates. Alderman Connolly advised this increase will permit the City to recover the costs incurred from the provisions of this service.

ADDED ITEMS

Attitude of Staff member of the Halifax Housing Authority

Alderman Stanbury advised that she has circulated a letter to members of Council advising of the problems she encountered in attempting to receive information from the Housing Authority. Alderman Stanbury said she wished to bring it to the attention of City Council the attitude of one member of the staff of the Authority, a Mr. McAllister.

The Alderman said that all members of City staff have always been very helpful but said such was not the case with this particular gentleman, and suggested that his actions are not those of a public relations personnel. Alderman Stanbury then proceeded to outline the way in which she was received when attempting to secure information from the Authority.

Deputy Mayor MacKeen referred to the passing of the Housing Authority Budget some two months ago, and said Council delayed passing the budget because of certain attitudes and lack of communication between Council and the Authority.

The Deputy Mayor requested that the City Manager or the City's representative on the Housing Authority to inform members of Council why an Alderman was treated as reported, and what the Authority is prepared to do in terms of action on this matter.

Alderman Wentzell advised that he was received in a similar manner as Alderman Stanbury when questioning policy on the entrance of some citizens in the Spryfield Area to the Carson Street Housing Project.

The City Manager advised he would not attempt to answer the question tonight but will answer it at a later date.

Deputy Mayor MacKeen said he would also like some assurance from the Halifax Housing Authority that when an Alderman calls the staff of the Housing Authority, they will be treated courteously as will all persons dealing with the Authority.

10:15 P. M. - Meeting adjourned.

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DEPUTY MAYOR H. DAVID MacKEEN  
CHAIRMAN

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CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING  
MINUTES

Council Chamber  
City Hall  
Halifax, N. S.  
March 21, 1973  
5:35 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 Moir, Stapells, Stanbury, Sullivan, Wentzell, Connolly, Bell, and Deputy Mayor MacKeen.

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

The City Clerk advised that the meeting was called as a Public Hearing to consider:

1. Closure of Gray Street
2. Closure of Elevator Court
3. Closure of a Portion of Gerrish Street, and
4. Closure of a Portion of Barrington Street.

A Public Hearing was held at this time into the Closure of the above noted streets or portions of streets.

The Director of Works and Mr. Dave Fox of the Engineering and Works Department, with the aid of maps, outlined the streets and portions of streets to be closed and gave the reasons therefor.

After a short questioning of staff on the proposal, His Worship called for those persons wishing to speak against the street closures.

There being no persons wishing to speak against the matter, His Worship called for those persons wishing to speak in favour of the closures.

There being no persons wishing to speak in favour, His Worship declared the matter to be before Council.

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

5:45 p.m. - Meeting adjourned.

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MAYOR WALTER R. FITZGERALD  
CHAIRMAN

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CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES

Council Chamber  
City Hall  
Halifax, N. S.  
March 29, 1973  
8:00 P. M.

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

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

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

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

MINUTES

Minutes of City Council meetings held on March 15 & 21, 1973 were approved on Motion of Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Stanbury.

APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS, ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

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

- 20(a) - Lint Nuisance, Safeway Cleaners - 2041 Gottingen Street.
- 20(b) - Report & Financial Statement - Halifax Forum Commission, December 31, 1972.
- 20(c) - North West Arm & Dunbrack Feasability Studies and Spryfield Sewer Study.

At the request of His Worship, it was agreed to add:

- 20(d) - Resignation - Boxing Commission.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that the agenda, as amended, be approved. Motion passed

DEFERRED ITEMS

Street Closures

A Public Hearing was held on March 21, 1973 into the matter of the Closure of, or portions of, the following streets

1. Closure of Gray Street
2. Closure of Elevator Court
3. Closure of a Portion of Gerrish Street, and
4. Closure of a Portion of Barrington Street.