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further, that the City of Halifax indicate its unwillingness to waive the restrictive covenant at this time.

Motion passed.

Resolution - Daylight Saving Time

A staff report dated March 25, 1976, was submitted.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Sullivan, that Daylight Saving Time be approved as follows:

Effective at 12:01 a.m. SUNDAY,  
APRIL 25, 1976 until 12:01 a.m.  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1976

Alderman Hanson asked that consideration be given at some later date to extending Daylight Saving Time beyond October 31, 1976, due to the high cost of energy.

The motion was put and passed.

Results of U.S. Dollar Bond Issue - Proposal Call

A staff report dated March 25, 1976, was submitted.

Mr. Smith stated that a recommendation is not being made by Council due to the inability to predict re the market and pointed out that this money is not required immediately but is required by fall.

Mr. Douglas Roberts, representing Bell, Gouinlock & Co. Ltd., addressed Council stating that his Company is pleased to submit a bid. He noted that market conditions change rapidly and suggested that money might be harder to obtain shortly. He stated his Company has obviously given the City of Halifax a high rating.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Sullivan, that the City of Halifax accept the proposal of Bell, Gouinlock & Co. Ltd. for a U.S. dollar issue of \$5,000,000. of debentures at 9.4180% average money cost, as set out more fully in the staff report dated March 25, 1976, and attachments thereto, subject to the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs. Motion passed.

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MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Sullivan, that the Special Borrowing Resolution be approved. Motion passed.

Consideration of Ruling re Demonstrations - City Hall Building and Grand Parade

A memorandum dated March 24, 1976, was submitted by His Worship the Mayor.

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

Traffic Sign on Windsor St. at Connaught Avenue (Alderman Stanbury)

Alderman Stanbury stated that there has been a sign placed on Windsor Street instructing trucks to come down Connaught Avenue. She stated that on Connaught Avenue there is the Canadian Forces housing which has a high density of children as well as homes which also have young families and through this neighbourhood is directed truck traffic.

She stated that trucks come up Windsor Street to the intersection of Connaught Avenue and, as they are not permitted to proceed on Windsor Street, they immediately drive down Connaught Avenue. She advised that approaching Bayers Road there are two confusing signs, the trucks proceed to Chebucto Road and commit a motor vehicle infraction, i.e. a left turn off Chebucto Road to Windsor Street and a left turn on Windsor Street, endeavouring to get to Windsor St.

Alderman Stanbury suggested that all truck traffic be rerouted to Kempt Road, Barrington Street to Howe Avenue.

His Worship stated that the matter would be referred immediately to the Traffic Engineer and Traffic Authority and suggested that staff communicate with Alderman Stanbury any action that may be taken before the next meeting of City Council.

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Insurance Claims (Alderman Meagher)

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Sullivan, that this matter be deferred to the next meeting of Committee of the Whole Council. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned - 12:15 p.m.

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MAYOR EDMUND MORRIS  
CHAIRMAN

G. I. BLENNERHASSETT (MRS.)  
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CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING  
MINUTES

Council Chamber  
City Hall  
Halifax, N. S.  
March 31, 1976  
5:40 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; Deputy Mayor Connolly, Aldermen Downey, Meagher, Sullivan, Stanbury, Walker, Hanson, Moore and Lawrence.

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

The Special Meeting was called to consider the following items:

1. Local 143
2. Budget Discussion
3. Set Tax Rates for 1976

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

4. Statement of Policy re 1977 Current Budget
5. Truck Route - Connaught Avenue between Bayers Road and Windsor Street
6. Appointments

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Local 143

A report from the City Manager dated March 3, 1976, was submitted.

The City Manager referred to previous correspondence forwarded to members of Council re voluntary recognition of certain classifications of employees in Local 143 and recommended that the voluntary recognition take place, as set out in Appendix A and Appendix B attached to the report dated March 3, 1976, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign a voluntary recognition agreement.

Deputy Mayor Connolly requested that Council deal with the setting of the Tax Rates for 1976 as he had a further appointment to keep.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Moore, that Council now deal with budget discussion and the setting of the 1976 Tax Rates. Motion passed.

Budget Discussion

(i) Funds for Police Boys Club

A staff report dated March 30, 1976, was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that the sum of \$2,000. for one month's interim operation of the Halifax Police Boys Club be placed in the 1976 estimates and charged to the Grants Account #289-470.

In response to a question by Alderman Moore as to what will happen if the matter is not resolved in one month's time, the City Manager stated that it is hoped that the City will receive a proposal from the Halifax Police Association and it is anticipated that such proposal will be received on Friday, April 2, 1976.

The motion was put and passed.

(ii) Reduction for Fringe Benefits - Engineering & Works

The Director of Finance advised that the fringe

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benefits account for the Engineering and Works Department could be reduced by \$12,300.

(iii) Addition - Planning Department

The Director of Finance advised that an error in calculation has resulted in the requirement for an additional \$2,940. for the Planning Department budget.

His Worship advised that the City of Halifax is not making any adjustment in the Library grants account as there has been no official notice of a reduction in the Provincial Library grant.

The City Manager advised that the Social Planning budget is being proceeded with as recommended although the Provincial department has not yet approved the budget and final figures cannot be given at this time.

Set Tax Rates for 1976

(i) Total Estimates for 1976

MOVED by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Stanbury, that the estimates for the Civic Year 1976 be fixed at \$80,803,844.00. Motion passed.

(ii) School Board Estimates

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Hanson, that the gross expenditures for the Board of School Commissioners for the Civic Year 1976 be set at \$34,565,412.00.

Deputy Mayor Connolly suggested that the above figures reflect teaching staff establishment cutbacks ordered by the Minister of Education and may well in future have some affect on the education system in the City of Halifax.

The motion was put and passed.



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(iii) Tax Rates - Ratio Between Residential & Business Realty Property

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Downey, that the Ratio be 53.50 between Residential and Business.

Deputy Mayor Connolly stated that, while acknowledging the rationale behind moving the ratio from 45% to 53.50% and, further, if the rate does not move there might be some difficulty in securing additional financing with the Province, members of Council must be mindful that it has been a long established and accepted practice for the residential tax rate to be 45% of the actual rate. He suggested that the Provincial Government is deceiving the taxpayers, particularly of the City of Halifax, when it is suggested that they are prepared to pay 75% of the residential taxpayers' costs for education. He stated that, calculated on a residential assessment base, the Provincial grant to the City of Halifax should be in excess of \$3 million more than what the Provincial Government is prepared to pay to the City of Halifax on a 45% residential tax base. He suggested that shifting the ratio means that the residential tax decrease will not be as great as it could be. He advised that, for the above reasons, he could not support the motion.

The motion was put and passed with Deputy Mayor Connolly and Alderman Moore voting against.

(iv) Section 41(2) to (9) of the Assessment Act

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Lawrence, that the provisions of Section 41(2) to (9) inclusive of the Assessment Act, shall not apply to the City of Halifax, with the result that there shall be no residential occupancy tax in the City of Halifax for the taxation year 1976. Motion passed.

(v) Tax Rate - Business Realty & Residential Realty

MOVED by Alderman Lawrence, seconded by Alderman Sullivan, that the tax rate for the year 1976 be set at 6.9281 per hundred dollars of assessment and that this rate be applied to the full assessed value of property of a business character

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and nature and 50% of the total assessed valuation for business occupancy tax purposes and 53.50% of assessed value of the real property of a residential character or nature but recognizing that the special education sharing grants provided by the Province shall only apply to property of a residential nature thus producing a net residential tax rate of \$2.6371. Motion passed with Deputy Mayor Connolly and Alderman Moore voting against.

(vi) Fire Protection Rate for 1976

MOVED by Alderman Moore, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that the Fire Protection Rate be set at .09 per hundred dollars (\$100.00) of valuation for the year 1976. Motion passed.

Deputy Mayor Connolly retired from the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

Statement of Policy re 1977 Current Budget

A report dated March 31, 1976, re the above subject was submitted by the City Manager.

His Worship stated that this matter was placed on the agenda to indicate to the City Manager, Council's concurrence in her planned course of action so that guidelines will be set down at a mutually early date.

Truck Route - Connaught Avenue between Bayers Road and Windsor Street

His Worship referred to an information item dated March 29, 1976, re the above subject and stated the work will proceed.

Appointments

A memorandum dated March 31, 1976, re the above subject was submitted by His Worship.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Walker that:

- a) Mr. Sam S. Jacobson be appointed to the Public Service Commission for a further term, to expire April 30, 1979;
- b) Mrs. Sidney Johnson and Mr. Douglas Skinner be nominated for membership on the Halifax Housing Authority for further terms, to expire April 30, 1977 and April 30, 1979 respectively.

Motion passed.

Local 143

This matter was discussed earlier in the meeting and deferred until this time.

MOVED by Alderman Moore, seconded by Alderman Lawrence, that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign a voluntary recognition agreement, re classifications listed in Appendix A and Appendix B attached to the City Manager's report dated March 3, 1976, giving effect to the tentatively agreed upon description. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned - 6:10 p.m.

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CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES

Council Chamber  
City Hall  
Halifax, N. S.  
April 15, 1976  
8:00 p.m.

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

Present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Deputy Mayor Connolly, Aldermen Shannon, Downey, Meagher, Stanbury, Walker, Hanson, Moore and Lawrence.

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

LONG SERVICE AWARD -- CONSTABLE BORDEN A. CARTER

His Worship, on behalf of the members of City Council, extended to Constable Borden A. Carter appreciation for his thirty one years' service with the Halifax Police Department and best wishes on his retirement.

Constable Borden Carter expressed his appreciation to His Worship and members of Council.

MINUTES

Minutes of City Council meetings held on March 25 (Regular), March 25 (Special) and March 31, 1976, were approved on Motion of Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Moore.

APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS, ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

At the request of the City Clerk, it was agreed to add:

20(a) - U. S. Dollar Bond Issue - \$5,000,000.00

At the request of Alderman Downey, on behalf of Alderman Sullivan, it was agreed to add:

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20(b) - Halifax Police Boys Club

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

20(c) Helicopter Service for Metro Area

The Order of Business, as amended, was then approved.

DEFERRED ITEMS

Rezoning of Lands of S. Cunard & Co. Limited, northwest  
Corner of Windsor & Young Streets from C-1 Local  
Business to C-2 General Business Zone

A public hearing was held re the above matter on  
March 25, 1976.

The City Clerk advised that Deputy Mayor Connolly and Alderman Meagher were not present at the public hearing and would therefore be ineligible to vote on the matter.

MOVED by Alderman Moore, seconded by Alderman Lawrence, that the application to rezone the property on the northwest corner of Windsor and Young Streets, as shown on Plan No. P200/7258 of Case No. 3266, from C-1 Local Business to C-2 General Business Zone, be approved by City Council, subject to: The owner of the subject land entering into a legal agreement with the City of Halifax which agreement will place the following conditions on the rezoning:

(1) The land, as indicated on the said Plan No. P200/7258, shall be used solely for the purpose of facilitating a used car sales lot.

(2) Should S. Cunard and Company Limited use, or permit to be used, the land as indicated on said Plan No. P200/7258 for any purpose other than a used car sales lot, the company will make no objection to the City of Halifax rezoning the said land from C-2 Zone to C-1 Zone.

(3) The rezoning would apply only for the duration of the lease to be entered into between S. Cunard and Co. Limited and Citadel Motors Limited.

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Alderman Stanbury outlined ten reasons why she felt compelled to vote for the motion.

The motion was put and passed, with Deputy Mayor Connolly and Alderman Meagher abstaining.

PUBLIC HEARING, HEARINGS, ETC.

Appeal of Development Officer's Decision in Refusing a Minor Variance at 5852 Grant Street

A staff report dated April 5, 1976, was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Hanson, that the appeal of the Development Officer's decision be allowed and that a minor variance at 5852 Grant Street be granted. Motion passed.

Appeal of Development Officer's Decision in Refusing a Minor Variance at 2539 Robie Street

A staff report dated April 5, 1976, was submitted.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Stanbury, that the appeal of the Development Officer's decision be allowed and that a minor variance at 2539 Robie Street be granted. Motion passed.

REPORT - FINANCE & EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the Finance and Executive Committee from its meeting held on April 7, 1976, as follows:

Agreement - Wanderers Lawn Bowling

MOVED by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Alderman Hanson, that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, City Council adopt the recommendations contained in the staff report of March 9, 1976, and authorize His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk to sign an agreement provided it conforms to the staff recommendations. Motion passed.

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Proposed Lawn Bowling Green

Mr. Oehman, Director of Recreation, advised that a meeting was held with Provincial Government representatives this morning and it was determined that cost sharing is still available, up to a maximum of \$80,000., over one or two years depending upon the time required to complete the project.

Alderman Meagher suggested that this matter be deferred until the next meeting of Committee of the Whole Council so that it would give representatives time to represent Halifax at the National meeting.

Deputy Mayor Connolly suggested that there should be some agreement that the people at St. Mary's green should be able to use the Wanderers green.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Deputy Mayor Connolly, that this matter be deferred until the next meeting of Committee of the Whole Council and that the executive of St. Mary's Lawn Bowling be invited to attend so that they will understand what is intended to be done.  
Motion passed.

Improved Employee Benefit Package - Group Scheme

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Downey that, as recommended by the Finance & Executive Committee:

1. That approval be given for staff to negotiate with the undermentioned insurance companies for the implementation of a revised scheme of insurance as described under the specifications of the tender call and at the binding quoted prices. The ultimate price will be dependent on the composition of employee groupings that participate in the scheme. In the event that a different grouping occurs than the combinations which were the subject of pricing in the bids, then staff would ensure that the cost calculated by the respective insurance companies, would be consistent with their bids for other combinations and an information report to Council would advise on the matter.



LIFE INSURANCE

Maritime Life Assurance Company

For: Basic Compulsory Coverage \$25,000 per person (City Shared)  
Optional extra to maximum of \$50,000 (Employee Cost)  
Optional retirees coverage 10% reduction p.a. to age 70 Years (Employee Cost)  
Dependent Group Life \$2,000 spouse \$1,000 each child (City Shared)

LONG TERM DISABILITY

Great West Life Assurance Company

For: Basic Compulsory Coverage \$400 per month per person after 120 days  
(The benefit of \$400 must not exceed 85% of the net pay.)

EMPLOYEE AND DEPENDENT ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT

Mutual of Omaha Insurance Company

To maximum of \$100,000 with percentage coverage of spouse and children (Employee Cost)

HOSPITAL & HEALTH INSURANCE

Company offering exact terms tendered at the lowest price

As the appraisal is not complete at date of this report, the named company will be decided shortly.

Benefits are similar to the present Blue Cross plan but with a "benefit card" system for drugs and a \$1 co-payment per prescription (Employee Cost)

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2. That the City shares in the cost of the basic compulsory insurance to the extent of 50%. The basic compulsory insurance is the group life, dependent group life and long term disability coverage.

3. That staff present the scheme with the employee cost implications to each employee group of the City for their endorsement of the scheme and cause a canvass of all employees of groups accepting the scheme in principle for the determination of participants. Groups include the School Board, Transit Corporation, Forum Commission, Library Board, Port Commission, Point Pleasant Park Commission and Visitors Bureau, in addition to regular employee groups of the City.

A target date of July 1st is scheduled for implementation of the scheme.

4. That upon the commencement of the revised scheme, the present coverage with Northern Life Assurance Company be terminated, but that any employees declining the new scheme be covered by the new company for a similar level of insurance as at present with the City sharing to the extent of 50%.

5. That the City Manager be authorized to expend an amount of \$12,500 in 1976 from the City Manager's contingency account in connection with the City's contribution to the said plan.

Motion passed.

#### Herring Cove Road Realignment

MOVED by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Hanson that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, a contract be entered into with Whitman Benn and Associates Ltd. in the amount of \$143,000. to provide horizontal and vertical realignment of the Herring Cove Road from the Armdale Rotary to the City limits in accordance with the terms of reference as provided by the City. Motion passed with Alderman Stanbury voting against.

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Tender - 74-08 & Recall Tender 75-146 - One Dump Truck -  
Incinerator

MOVED by Alderman Lawrence, seconded by Alderman Moore that, as recommended by the Finance & Executive Committee, recalled Tender 75-146 be awarded to Citadel Motors Limited for a 1976 model dump truck - steel body, at the tendered price of \$14,641.00. Motion passed.

Halifax Traffic Management Demonstration Project Budget

Alderman Sullivan entered the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the budget for the Halifax Traffic Management Demonstration Project, for the period April 1, 1976 - March 31, 1977, in the total amount of \$350,000. be approved by City Council. Motion passed.

Cost Sharing with A. & W. Drive-In - Earth Retaining Wall  
- Strawberry Hill

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Shannon that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, City Council authorize His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk to sign an agreement with the A & W Drive-Ins for the cost-sharing as outlined in Appendix "A" of the staff report dated March 31, 1976. Motion passed.

Tender - 76-01 - Three Truck Chassis with Combination Salt &  
Dump Bodies and One-way Plow

Alderman Lawrence pointed out that as the above equipment has a diesel engine, there is a third party warranty involved. Alderman Meagher asked that staff confirm the foregoing statement.

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MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Shannon that, as recommended by the Finance & Executive Committee, a contract be awarded to the low bidder, Haldart International Ltd., 2487 Maynard St., Halifax, N. S. to supply three truck chassis with combination salt and dump bodies and one way plow - 1976 model - in the amount of \$91,212.00; and, further, that \$82,212.00 be transferred from the equipment reserve account to pay for these vehicles. This amount being the purchase price less estimated trade-in value of present units. Motion passed

Non-Union Salaries - 1976

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Finance & Executive Committee, Council authorize a salary increase of 10%, or in cases where a 10% increase would exceed \$2,400 for any one person, the amount of \$2,400, retroactive to January 1, 1976, for all Non-Union employees previously affected by the Labour Relations Board application and maintaining Non-Union status. Motion passed.

Appointment of Planning Consultants - NIP Area

MOVED by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Finance & Executive Committee, Council approve the appointment of H. J. Porter & Associates to assist in the development of a conceptual plan for the NIP area bounded by Cogswell-North Park-Agricola-North and Gottingen Streets, for a fee not to exceed \$15,000. Funds are available in Account Number 810 085 HAG11. Motion passed with Aldermen Downey, Meagher and Stanbury voting against.

REPORT - SAFETY COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the Safety Committee from its meeting held on April 7, 1976, as follows:

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World Environment Day - June 5, 1976

MOVED by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Safety Committee, Council formally recognize the 5th June 1976 as World Environment Day and that City staff be instructed to investigate and report on suitable locations where traffic-free zones could be established for that day. Motion passed.

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REPORT - CITY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the City Planning Committee from its meeting held on April 7, 1976, as follows:

Modification of Lot Frontage & Lot Area - 1576 Larch Street

The above noted item was forwarded to City Council without recommendation.

Aldermen Stanbury and Downey advised that they would not be voting on the item due to a possible conflict of interest.

The City Solicitor said that at the Committee of the Whole meeting, the petitioner requested that the City enter into a proposed agreement and it was questioned whether such an agreement would be valid. Mr. Murphy advised that the City has entered into such agreements in the past and suggested that an agreement in this case would be valid if it were the wish of Council.

Mr. Murphy said staff do not feel that an agreement is required at this time as the limitation on the number of students permitted in the school is governed by Provincial regulations which authorize 15 students for the school in any event.

With respect to the matter of the proposed agreement having a term of five years, Mr. Murphy said to enter into an agreement where the sole issue is a modification of the By-law application would open up a whole new set of problems for the administration.

MOVED by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Alderman Lawrence that the application to modify the lot frontage and lot area requirement of the Zoning Bylaw to permit a day nursery, as shown on Plan No. P200/7283 of Case No. 3279, be refused by City Council.

Discussion ensued on the matter following which the Motion was put and resulted in a tie vote, four voting for the same and four against with two abstaining.

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

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Application for Rezoning from R-2 Zone to C-2 Zone -  
2025 Kline Street - DATE FOR HEARING

MOVED by Alderman Hanson, seconded by Alderman Lawrence that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, a date be set for a public hearing with respect to the application to rezone Civic No. 2025 Kline Street, lands of the Estate of A. Conan Daniel from R-2 Residential General to C-2 Commercial General, as shown on Plan No. P200/7289 and P200/7290 of Case No. 3282.

The City Clerk advised that the public hearing has been scheduled for May 19, 1976 at 8:00 P. M.

The Motion was put and passed.

Modification of Lot Frontage & Lot Area - 1548 Robie Street

The above noted item was forwarded to City Council without recommendation with staff to advise as to whether a curb cut would be permitted.

Alderman Shannon said she has some problems with the item saying she would like to support the applicant but noted that staff have indicated it will require an amendment to the whole by-law saying she is not prepared to approve such an amendment.

Mr. Algee of the Development Department, advised that the amendment is only in relation to the Chartered Accountant office saying that at the present time, such an office is permitted provided the Accountant lives in the dwelling. Mr. Algee said that this is not the case with the present application and that an amendment to the Zoning By-law would be required. Mr. Algee suggested that Council could grant the modification for the additional unit but not for the office.

MOVED by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that the application to modify the lot frontage and lot area requirement of the Zoning Bylaw for 1548 Robie Street, as shown on Plan No. P200/7310 of Case No. 3289, be approved by City Council.

His Worship noted there was a question relating to a curb cut and Mr. Algee advised that the Engineering & Works Department was consulted on the matter saying they confirmed that a 30' curb cut would be required to park three vehicles. He said that while it is only policy of the Department, they are reluctant to grant a 30' curb cut for that purpose saying the maximum they would allow is 20 feet.

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A further short questioning of staff ensued and the Motion was put and passed with Alderman Walker against.

Application for Consolidation - Block "V", 9 Clovis Avenue & Block "Z", 264-266 Herring Cove Road, Lands of Canadian Tire Corporation to Form Block "W"

MOVED by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Hanson that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the application to consolidate Block V, Civic No. 9 Clovis Avenue and Block Z, Civic No. 264-266 Herring Cove Road, Lands of Canadian Tire Corporation to form Block W, as shown on Plan No. P200/7288 of Case No. 3234, be approved by City Council.

Motion passed.

Lot Consolidation - North End Fire Station

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, Council approve the consolidation of Lots X and Y to form Lot Z, Lady Hammond Road, as shown on Plan No. 00-12-21599 of Case No. 3297. Motion passed.

Application for Lot Consolidation - Royal Bank of Canada - 1580 Grafton Street

The City Planning Committee **referred** the above noted matter to the Downtown Committee with the request that the Committee make known its views on the matter prior to tonight's meeting.

A report dated April 15, 1976 was submitted from the Chairman of the Downtown Committee on the matter.

Alderman Shannon advised that the items listed in the report have been discussed with representatives of the Royal Bank.

MOVED by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Downey that the application for lot consolidation to create Lot (Block) R, as shown on Plan No. P200/7292 of Case No. 3285, be approved by City Council.

Motion passed.



Proposed Amendment to the Peninsula Zoning By-law  
Relating to Bachelor Units - DATE FOR HEARING

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Hanson that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, City Council set a date for a public hearing to amend the R-3 Zone (Peninsula Area) as it relates to bachelor unit parking and open space requirements for an inner area; the recommended changes to the Zoning Bylaw as set out in Appendix "A" attached to the staff report dated March 30, 1976.

The City Clerk advised that the public hearing has been scheduled for May 19, 1976 at 8:00 P. M.

Motion passed.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Annual Meeting, Canadian Federation of Mayors & Municipalities -  
Vancouver, B. C., June 15 to 18, 1976

A report dated April 12, 1976, was submitted from His Worship the Mayor relating to the above noted matter.

MOVED by Alderman Lawrence, seconded by Alderman Walker that the following be the City of Halifax delegates to the 39th Annual Conference of the CFMM:

Alderman Terrence Sullivan  
Alderman Graham Downey  
Constance R. Glube, City Manager  
His Worship the Mayor

and that the Federation be so notified.

Motion passed.

QUESTIONS

Question Alderman Lawrence Re: Centennial Rink Payment

Alderman Lawrence referred to the matter of payments by the City to various organizations for minor hockey etc., and while recognizing the item is coming before the next meeting of the Committee of the Whole, questioned whether the payments will be forthcoming. Alderman Lawrence said the difficulty is that some of the arenas, including the Centennial Arena, have been owed this money since November and questioned whether it can not be paid before the budget is approved.

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His Worship suggested the difficulty arises this year as there was a month delay in setting the tax rate and Alderman Lawrence said the arenas are still without payment for four or five months.

His Worship said the monies cannot be paid until the budget is approved and questioned what would happen if Council did not grant the support at some future date. His Worship said the assistance is intended to be helpful to organizations but said they are getting into the practice of paying for the 1975 season with 1976 funds. His Worship noted the item is to be discussed at the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

Alderman Hanson said that another problem is that the organizations in question sometimes do not supply the City with the necessary reports as soon as they should which also causes delays.

Question Alderman Lawrence Re: Water & Sewer Installation

Alderman Lawrence asked if staff could prepare a report as to what is taking place with respect to water and sewer in the Wedgewood, Sherwood, and Governor Park areas. Alderman Lawrence questioned if the news media could be supplied with such a report and perhaps the residents as well.

Question His Worship Re: Bedford & Kearney Lake Interceptors

His Worship asked if staff could also report on the state of the Bedford Highway and Kearney Lake Interceptor sewers as well as on the anticipated expenditures in the area this year by the Public Service Commission.

Question Alderman Sullivan Re: Transit Tickets

Alderman Sullivan said he has received calls from senior citizens advising that the transit tickets were not available in a drug store and questioned why this situation occurred and when they will become available.

The Social Planner said he was not familiar with the Drug Store in question saying staff deliver the tickets on a weekly basis and the stores usually call when they are getting low on supplies.

Alderman Sullivan said he noticed one Drug Store which indicated the tickets were not available and Mr. Crowell said staff will check into the matter saying it may be as a result of increased sales.

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Question Alderman Sullivan Re: Lights, Corner of Young and  
Gottingen Streets

Alderman Sullivan asked if the Works Department could check the traffic lights at the above noted location saying they do not seem to be synchronized properly.

Question His Worship Re: Central Commons

His Worship questioned whether the lighting has been extinguished south east corner of the central commons opposite North Park Street.

Question Alderman Sullivan Re: Crosswalk

Alderman Sullivan asked if the Works Department could give consideration to installing a crosswalk on Devonshire Avenue from Veith to Young Street.

Question Alderman Meagher Re: Possible Zoning Changes

Alderman Meagher advised of a recent meeting of the residents of Ward 4 and asked staff for a report on the possibility of zoning changes in the general area of Quinpool Road, Harvard Street, Chebucto Road, and Robie Street in keeping with the approved policies of the Municipal Development Plan.

Question Alderman Meagher Re: Operation of Street Sweepers

Alderman Meagher said he has observed the painting of street markings taking place on Quinpool Road and questioned when the Street sweepers will be in operation on a regular basis and the Director of Works advised that they have been in operation for the past 2½ weeks. Mr. Calda suggested it will take some time to get the Streets in good shape.

Question Alderman Walker Re: Progress Report - Dunbrack Street  
Interceptor

Alderman Walker asked if he could be supplied with a progress report on the Dunbrack Street interceptor from the Bay Road to the Old Sambro Road to include a possible anticipated completion date.

Question Alderman Walker Re: Proposal, Department of Highways

Alderman Walker said he would like to be supplied with the proposal of the Department of Highways for the area between the Old Sambro Road and the Herring Cove Road.

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Question Alderman Shannon Re: Progress Report - Building  
Inspectors Enforcing the Minimum Standards Ordinance

Alderman Shannon said she would like to receive a progress report with respect to the three Building Inspectors who were hired to enforce the Minimum Standards Ordinance.

Alderman Shannon said that some time ago, the Social Services Department was attempting to work with the Building Inspection Department but said it did not work out due to the shortage of Building Inspectors. Alderman Shannon questioned whether the two departments could now get back together as a result of the additional inspectors.

Question Alderman Shannon Re: Housing Authority and Rental  
Review Legislation

Alderman Shannon referred to a report which was circulated by the City Manager on the matter of the Halifax Housing Authority and the new Rental Review Legislation and questioned what it was that the City Manager was drawing Councils attention to.

His Worship said staff will check into the matter.

Question Alderman Downey Re: Report from Fire Department

Alderman Downey said he would like a report from the Fire Chief on the number of buildings in the City that are boarded up. Alderman Downey said there was recently a fire in a boarded up building in his Ward which he was of the understanding was to have been demolished.

Question Deputy Mayor Connolly Re: Possible Legislation  
Respecting Increased Exemptions for Universities

Deputy Mayor Connolly said he is of the understanding that there has been legislation introduced or proposed which may give Universities further exemptions in future years from Civic taxation and asked if Council could have a staff report on the matter so that Council will know what it is about and what the long term consequences are.

Question Alderman Meagher Re: Second NIP area

Alderman Meagher asked if there is any additional information on the second NIP area.

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The Social Planner advised that an application went forward to the Province for the second area but no confirmation has been received. He said a second area will not be designated until confirmation is received and the City knows there will be funds for the area.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion - Alderman Sullivan Re: Rescission of Action of City Council of March 25, 1976 - Local Improvements

Alderman Sullivan gave notice that at the next regular meeting of City Council to be held on April 29, 1976, he proposes to introduce a Motion that the action of City Council of March 25, 1976 respecting petitions against Local Improvements on Birmingham, Union, Market, Prince, May, Almon, Gottingen, and Bilby Streets, be rescinded.

His Worship noted that tenders have been called for the local improvement projects and have closed and suggested the notice should be accompanied with with a stay of proceedings.

The City Solicitor noted that the awarding of the Contracts and Motion of Rescission will be on the agenda of the next Council meeting saying that both items could be dealt with at the same time.

Further discussion ensued, and it was MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that there be a stay of proceedings with respect to the local improvements in question.

The Motion was put and lost, four voting for the same and six against.

His Worship advised that the Motion of rescission will be considered at the next regular meeting of City Council.

Notice of Motion - Alderman Shannon Re: Municipal Non-Profit Housing Corporation

Alderman Shannon gave notice that at the next regular meeting of City Council to be held on April 29, 1976, she proposes to introduce a Motion that City Council give authority to creating a Municipal Non-profit Housing Corporation.

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ADDED ITEMS

U. S. Bond Issue - \$5,000,000.00 - Resolution

A Formal Resolution entitled "City of Halifax Debenture Exchange Resolution \$5,000,000 - General Purposes Amendment to Resolution dated March 25, 1976 and approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs on March 31, 1976", was submitted.

Following an explanation by the Director of Finance, it was MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Lawrence that the Formal Resolution be approved and His Worship the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign same.

Motion passed.

Halifax Police Boys' Club

The above noted item was added to the agenda at the request of Alderman Sullivan.

Alderman Sullivan noted that since November, the City has been attempting to get different groups together in order to make a proposal for the operation of the Club so that the services can be continued. Alderman Sullivan said that on March 25th., City Council forwarded \$2,000 so the operation could continue for one month but said to date, all options have been exhausted saying that no assistance will be forthcoming from C.M.H.C.

Alderman Sullivan said the situation has been compounded by the resignation of the person who was coordinating the activities at the Club saying that the volunteers are willing to continue, but suggested this is not possible without some expert assistance. Alderman Sullivan advised that the Police Association has a proposal for the take-over of the operation but no final solution is in sight at this time. In referring to a staff report submitted on the matter, Alderman Sullivan said he could not agree with staff that expenditures for the operation are imprudent.

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Lawrence that the City, through the Recreation Department, or other City Departments, provide some expertise so that the parents Committee can keep the Club operating on an interim basis until a final solution can be found.

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The Director of Recreation said the problem which he sees with allocating a full time person to the Club is that this would affect other programs being offered by the Department in the area.

Deputy Mayor Connolly questioned whether some communication between the Social Services and Recreation Departments could not take place in order to determine whether there is someone that could assist with the Club. The Deputy Mayor suggested that what is being sought is someone to co-ordinate the efforts of the volunteers and felt that such a person must exist within the two departments.

Alderman Sullivan suggested that if it were possible to have someone plan a program, it may be that some university students would be willing to assist with the operation.

Deputy Mayor Connolly questioned whether the matter could be dealt with at the Committee of the Whole meeting following a meeting of the Recreation and Social Services Departments, and the Acting City Manager indicated a report could be submitted on the subject at that time. Deputy Mayor Connolly also questioned whether the situation existing at the Club is one which Multi-Services should be reviewing.

Further discussion ensued and it was MOVED by Alderman Hanson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Connolly and the matter be deferred until the next regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council for the purposes of costing and exploring all areas in an attempt to keep the facility operating.

Alderman Moore questioned what the Directors of the Club are doing and Deputy Mayor Connolly suggested that perhaps they should be invited to attend the Committee of the Whole meeting.

Further discussion ensued and the Motion to defer was put and passed with Alderman Sullivan against.

#### Helicopter Service - Metro Area

The above noted item was added at the request of Alderman Walker.

Alderman Walker said he would like to ask staff to make a study and report to Council on the possibility and feasibility of the service of a helicopter for the City of Halifax.

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Alderman Walker suggested there will be questions asked relating to the cost and financing and requested that consideration be given to the cost being shared between the three municipal governments, as well as the Provincial and Federal Governments. Alderman Walker suggested that staff from the Police and Fire Departments could be trained as pilots and also offered the suggestion of a possible landing pad being located on the roof of the present Robie Street station.

Alderman Walker said that many phases of civic activities could be served by having a helicopter in the air the greater part of the time saying it could be used to survey traffic problems, transport personnel to troubled areas, and serve for rescue purposes etc., in the City as well as the County areas.

Alderman Walker also suggested that consideration be given to the matter of having police dogs available to the City.

His Worship advised that the Chief of Police is presently conducting a survey with respect to the matter of helicopter services. With respect to the matter of police dogs, His Worship said the City presently has access to R.C.M.P. dogs but said the Halifax Police Department is not quite sure they fit into the operation at the present time.

His Worship said the Chief of Police will submit a report at an early date.

At the request of His Worship, Council gave its unanimous consent to add the following item:

Recommendation - Municipal Development Plan Committee

His Worship advised that the Municipal Development Plan Committee has requested that Council allow the retention of the two Liaison Workers until December 31, 1976 in place of the staff appointment which has been authorized in the budget.

His Worship said a Planner I was approved in the budget but said the Director of Planning feels the Liaison Workers should continue. His Worship said the cost of retaining the two Workers will be slightly less than hiring the Planner I.



MOVED by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Deputy Mayor Connolly that City Council authorize the retention of the two Liaison Workers until December 31, 1976 and that the Planner I as approved in the budget, not be hired.

Motion passed.

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CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING  
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Council Chamber  
City Hall  
Halifax, N. S.  
April 21, 1976  
8:00 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: Deputy Mayor Connolly, Chairman; Aldermen Shannon, Downey, Sullivan, Walker, and Moore.

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

The meeting was called as a public hearing respecting the following items:

1. Rezoning of Civic No. 247 Herring Cove Road from C-1 Local Business Zone to C-2 General Business Zone, and Lot No. 9 Catamaran Road from R-4 Multiple Dwelling Zone to C-2 General Business Zone; and
2. Rezoning of Civic No. 3 Sylvia Avenue from R-4 Multiple Dwelling Zone to C-1 Local Business Zone.

Public Hearing Re: Rezoning of Civic No. 247 Herring Cove Road from C-1 Local Business Zone to C-2 General Business Zone, and Lot No. 9 Catamaran Road from R-4 Multiple Dwelling Zone to C-2 General Business Zone

A public hearing was held at this time into the above noted matter which was duly advertised.

Mr. Boyd Algee of the Development Department addressed Council and, with the aid of maps, outlined the area in question. Mr. Algee said that staff have recommended against the proposed rezoning due to the intrusion into the residential area along Catamaran Road.

In addition to the intrusion into the residential area, Mr. Algee said there are traffic problems in connection with the use. Mr. Algee said the addition proposed is two storeys in height and will contain offices and a processing area for the metro region.

8:10 P. M. - Alderman Meagher arrives.

Mr. Algee said the loading area will be located on Catamaran Road saying the area is approximately 30' in depth which is used by semi-trailer trucks which usually block off a portion of the Street.

Mr. Algee was then questioned by members of Council with respect to the application.

The Chairman then called for those persons wishing to speak in favour of the application and Mr. Bill Frank, General Manager of Edwards Fine Foods, addressed Council.

Mr. Frank, in referring to the matter of loading and unloading at the site, advised that it is the applicants intention that this operation take place inside the proposed structure and to keep vehicles off Catamaran Road. In referring to the larger tractor/truck type vehicles, Mr. Frank advised that this type of vehicle arrives at the site about once every six weeks and suggested that in the new facility, the present problem would be eliminated.

Mr. Frank suggested the area will be enhanced by the new structure and the removal of the existing residential building. Mr. Frank said the Company presently houses a take-out service at the location as well as offices, warehousing, and a processing area saying that the company wishes to improve its production, warehouse facilities, and office space.

Mr. Frank was then questioned by members of Council.

At the March 11, 1976 meeting of City Council a petition was submitted containing approximately ten signatures opposing the proposed rezonings.

There being no further persons wishing to speak either in favour of or opposed to the application, the Chairman declared the matter to be before Council.

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Walker that the matter be forwarded to the next regular meeting of City Council without recommendation.

Motion passed.

Public Hearing Re: Rezoning of Civic No. 3 Sylvia Avenue from  
R-4 Multiple Dwelling Zone to C-1 Local Business Zone

A public hearing was held at this time into the above noted matter which was duly advertised.

Mr. Boyd Algee of the Development Department, with the aid of a map, outlined the area in question saying the proposed rezoning is of a single family lot located on the corner of Sylvia Avenue and the Herring Cove Road. Mr. Algee advised there is presently a single family dwelling located on the lot and it is proposed that the dwelling be removed and a drug store be located on the site.

Mr. Algee said that staff recommended against the rezoning because of traffic on the Herring Cove and the de-centralization of the commercial area. Mr. Algee said that if the application is granted, it will continue the ribbon type of commercial development along the Herring Cove Road, and also constitutes further intrusion into the residential area saying that most of the properties in the area are apartments and single family dwellings.

Mr. Algee then responded to questions put forth by members of Council.

The Chairman then called for those persons wishing to speak in favour of the application and Mr. B. Outhouse, representing the applicant, addressed Council in support of the application.

Mr. Outhouse advised that the single family dwelling located on the lot is a small house having dimensions of 20' x 30' and is very unsightly. He also said the house is located far too close to the road saying that the survey plan which was before the Committee of the Whole Council shows that the dwelling is located within 5' of the Herring Cove Road boundary. Mr. Outhouse said that staff have requested that the applicant agree to deed 7' of the front of the lot free of charge to the City for street widening purposes and advised the applicant is prepared to do this on the condition that the lot is rezoned. Mr. Outhouse suggested that because of the location of the house on the lot at this time, the City would be required to expropriate the house as a whole if it were desirous of obtaining the 7' strip at the front of the property.

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Mr. Outhouse advised that the proposal is that the single family dwelling will be demolished and the applicant intends to construct a drug store on the site. He said in any event, the applicant is prepared to covenant with the City that the size shown in the application will be the size of the building and that the use will be for retail trade services only.

Mr. Outhouse also suggested that parking will not be a problem and said the applicant is prepared to abide by all the conditions outlined in the staff report if the property is rezoned, and any other conditions which Council may require in this case.

Mr. Outhouse then responded to questions put forth by Council.

There being no further persons wishing to speak in favour of, the Chairman then called for those persons wishing to speak against the proposed rezoning.

Mr. George Davis representing a property owner on Sylvia Avenue, addressed Council and noted the rezoning is from residential to commercial and felt that if the residential character of the area is to be protected, then the rezoning should be refused. Mr. Davis noted that staff have indicated there is presently a large amount of traffic on the corner in question and said if the property is to be rezoned to permit a commercial enterprise, one can expect there will be an increase in the volume of traffic in the area.

Mr. Davis in referring to the intended use said he is prepared to accept that the present owners will proceed in this manner but said there is no assurance that in the future, a business establishment may be located on the lot which is totally incompatible to the area.

Mr. Davis suggested that once there is one successful application to rezone, others will follow and felt that unless Council is prepared to rezone the entire area to commercial, the residential zoning should remain.

Mr. Davis then responded to questions put forth by Council.

Mr. Murray of 488 Herring Cove Road addressed Council in opposition to the proposed rezoning and said that if it is approved, there is no guarantee the lot will be used strictly for a drug store.

There being no further persons wishing to speak opposed to the application, the Chairman declared the matter to be before Council.

MOVED by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that the matter be forwarded to the next regular meeting of City Council without recommendation.

Motion passed.

8:50 P. M. - Meeting adjourned.

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DEPUTY MAYOR DENNIS CONNOLLY  
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Council Chamber  
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Halifax, N. S.  
April 29, 1976  
8:00 P. M.

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

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

Present: Deputy Mayor Dennis Connolly, Chairman; Aldermen Shannon, Sullivan, Stanbury, Hanson, Moore, Meagher, and Downey.

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

MINUTES

Minutes of City Council meetings held on April 15 & 21, 1976, were approved on Motion of Alderman Moore, 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) - Appointment of Insurance Brokers "Property Insurance and General Liability
- 20(b) - Tender 76-11(R) Two 8200 GVW Vans
- 20(c) - Tenders 76-53 and 76-62 Replacement Equipment, Engineering and Works Department,

AND, to delete:

- 16(a) - Motion - Alderman Shannon Re: Municipal Non-Profit Housing Corporation.

At the request of Alderman Shannon, Council agreed to add:

- 20(d) - Jubilee Road.

The agenda, as amended, was then approved.

DEFERRED ITEMS

Rezoning 247 Herring Cove Road from C-1 Local Business Zone to C-2 General Business Zone, and Lot No. 9 Catamaran Road from R-4 Multiple Dwelling Zone to C-2 General Business Zone

A public hearing was held on the above noted matter on April 21, 1976.

The City Clerk advised that Aldermen Stanbury, Hanson, and Lawrence could not vote on the matter as they were not present at the public hearing.

Alderman Moore noted that Alderman Walker, who represents the area in question was not present and MOVED, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that the item be deferred to later in the meeting. Motion passed.

Rezoning 3 Sylvia Avenue from R-4 Multiple Dwelling Zone to C-1 Local Business Zone

A public hearing was held on the above noted item on April 21, 1976.

The City Clerk advised that Aldermen Stanbury, Hanson, and Lawrence did not have a vote as they were not present at the public hearing.

MOVED by Alderman Moore, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that the item be deferred until later in the meeting. Motion passed.

MOTIONS OF RESCISSION

Rescission of Resolution of City Council of March 25, 1976 - Local Improvements

At the last regular meeting of City Council, Alderman Sullivan gave a Notice of Motion with respect to the above noted matter.

8:07 P. M. - Alderman Lawrence arrives.

Alderman Sullivan suggested Council has gone on record as indicating the local improvement policy is not working as it should and noted that at the Committee of the Whole meeting, Council agreed to place the whole policy under review.

Alderman Sullivan suggested the main problem as he understands it is one of liability and felt the information report of March 24, 1976, gives Council a way out of the dilemma. Alderman Sullivan suggested that Council could, if the Motion to rescind is approved, authorize staff to bring forward sidewalk renewal projects from the 1977 program that are not subject to local improvements and at the same time, approve additional maintenance in the amount of \$8,000 to effect repairs to sidewalks identified as hazardous to public safety.

Alderman Sullivan said this would relieve the City of the problem of liability and would ensure that the local improvement program could continue while a better system is devised by Council.

Alderman Sullivan said he is prepared to make the Motion to rescind saying that if it is passed, he proposes to introduce a Motion to authorize staff to bring forward sidewalk renewals from the 1977 program not subject to local improvements and that Council increase the maintenance budget by \$8,000.

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the action of City Council of March 25, 1976 respecting petitions against local improvements on Birmingham, Union, Market, Prince, May, Almon, Gottingen, and Bilby Streets, be rescinded.

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

For:	Aldermen Shannon, Downey, Meagher, Sullivan, and Stanbury	- 5
Against:	Aldermen Hanson, Moore, & Lawrence	- 3

Deputy Mayor Connolly in referring to the other Motion proposed by Alderman Sullivan, said there is an expenditure of money being suggested which will have to come back to Council saying there must be a recommendation from the City Manager before such an expenditure can be made.

Alderman Shannon said she had presented a question relating to the possibility of local improvement charges being applied as liens to the properties until they are sold. Alderman Shannon said this was in the case of Senior Citizens and Widows and questioned whether Council will be receiving a report on the matter.

Deputy Mayor Connolly said the question put forth by Alderman Shannon will be responded to in the report to be submitted by the City Manager relating to the expenditure.

PUBLIC HEARINGS, HEARINGS, ETC.

Appeal of Development Officer's Decision in Refusing a  
Minor Variance - 6040 Jubilee Road

A staff report dated April 12, 1976, was submitted on the above noted matter.

Mr. Peter Thomas of 6040 Jubilee Road, the applicant, addressed Council and read and submitted a brief on the subject a copy of which is in the official file of this meeting. Mr. Thomas requested that favourable consideration be given to the matter.

Mr. Boyd Algee, the Development Officer, addressed Council and put forth the reasons for the Development Officer's decision to refuse the minor variance.

A short discussion ensued on the matter and it was MOVED by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Alderman Moore that the decision of the Development Officer in refusing to grant a minor variance at 6040 Jubilee Road, be upheld.

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

For:	Aldermen Shannon, Downey, Meagher, Sullivan, Hanson, and Moore	- 6
Against:	Aldermen Stanbury and Lawrence	- 2

REPORT - FINANCE & EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the Finance and Executive Committee from its meeting held on April 21, 1976, as follows:

Halifax Police Boys Club

The following is the recommendation of the Finance & Executive Committee:

Council  
April 29, 1976

"That the City through its Recreation Department or other appropriate Departments, make available to the volunteer Committee the expertise that is necessary to carry out an interim program at the Club until such time as a final decision can be reached respecting the future operation of the facility and, that City staff be authorized to carry out a study on the final solution to the problem involving the Police Boys Club, Veith House, and the Ward #5 Resources Council having a completion deadline of June 15, 1976."

A staff report dated April 27, 1976, was submitted on the matter.

Alderman Sullivan referred to the latest staff report and said that while he agrees that efforts should be continued to find a long term solution to the problem, he felt it would be in the best interests of the City that such a solution be found in conjunction with the interim operation of the facility.

Alderman Sullivan said that if the Recreation Department is unable to provide staff, perhaps personnel should be sought from the Physical Education Department at Dalhousie.

Alderman Sullivan referred to the cost-shared grant which can only be used for salaries and questioned whether it could be used for two such persons.

The City Manager indicated that approval of the cost shared grants has not yet been received saying that a report will be submitted at the next meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council. The City Manager in referring to the report to be submitted in June suggested there was not to be a final solution specifically for the Boys Club but that the Social Planning Department was to review the matter and report back on a combined approach on the funding of the facility. The City Manager pointed out that staff do not recommend the City providing services on an interim basis at this time.

Deputy Mayor Connolly said it was his understanding that such services were only to be provided until June 15, 1976 so that a solution to the problem could be found.

8:45 P. M. - Alderman Walker arrives.