# HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL MINUTES DECEMBER 3, 1996

PRESENT:

Mayor Walter Fitzgerald

Deputy Mayor Jack Greenough

Councillors:

Bill Dooks

Gordon R. Snow David Hendsbee Ron Cooper

Harry McInroy Condo Sarto

Bruce Hetherington Clint Schofield John Cunningham

Jerry Blumenthal Graham L. Downey

Larry Uteck Howard Epstein Russell Walker Ron Hanson Stephen Adams Barry Barnet Bob Harvey

Peter Kelly Reg Rankin Jack Mitchell

ABSENT: Councillor Bill Stone

**STAFF MEMBERS:** 

Mr. Ken Meech, Chief Administrative Officer

Mr. Wayne Anstey, Municipal Solicitor Ms. Vi Carmichael, Municipal Clerk

Ms. Jane Nauss, Assistant Municipal Clerk

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### 1. **INVOCATION**

Mayor Fitzgerald called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with an Invocation.

#### 2. **PROCLAMATIONS** - None

Mayor Fitzgerald read an announcement regarding the Ringing of Bells and a Moment of Silence on December 6, 1996 - 9:04 a.m. in memory of the Halifax Explosion. It was suggested that flags be lowered at half mast and Mayor Fitzgerald advised he would take this aspect into consideration.

## 3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** - November 19 and 26, 1996

Councillor Kelly requested that the November 19, 1996 minutes - page 7 - second last paragraph - be amended by deleting "although there may be exceptions."

MOVED by Councillors Schofield and Kelly to approve the minutes of November 19 (as amended) and 26, 1996. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

# 4. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

The Clerk advised there were five items to be added to the agenda:

- Request by the Halifax County Pension Advisory Task Force for an Early Retirement Program (ERIP) (Mr. Edward Mason, Chair) to appear before Council regarding item 11.3.4
- 2. Request by Armoyan Group Limited to have a representative address Council regarding item 11.2.1
- 3. Recommendation from Solid Waste/Resource Advisory Committee for Committee of the Whole Meeting December 18, 1996
- 4. In Camera Item Land Matter Bayers Lake Business Park
- 5. In Camera Item Land Matter Land Acquisition Residual Disposal Facility and Front-End Processing Facility

MOVED by Councillors Hetherington and Mitchell to approve the Order of Business, as amended. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- 5. **BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES**
- 6. <u>MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION</u> None
- 7. **MOTIONS OF RESCISSION** None
- 8. **CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS**
- 8.1 <u>Harbour City Homes (deferred from Oct. 15/96)</u>
- A Supplementary Report prepared by Ms. Valerie Spencer, Commissioner, Policy and Planning, was before Council for discussion.

## **MOVED** by Councillors Walker and Schofield that:

- a. Council no longer appoint directors to the board of directors of the City of Halifax Non Profit Housing Society, also known as Harbour City Homes, and give such notice to the board of directors so that they can go about their business of amending their Society by-laws, accordingly, to meet board recruitment needs; and
- b. Council not include Harbour City Homes in future budgets; and
- c. Council indicate it will consider providing future financial assistance to the Dartmouth and Halifax Non-Profit Housing groups through the methods permitted by the HRM Act (e.g. grant applications, sale of land at less than market value to nonprofit groups) and based upon consideration of their business plans.

In speaking to the Motion, Councillor Downey stated he could not support the Motion. He expressed particular concern with the fact that many of the premises involved were heritage properties. Further, he suggested that if the municipality cannot afford a four year grant, then perhaps a two year grant would be feasible.

Councillor Walker advised that the Board met with Harbour City Homes and the Board

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agrees with staff's recommendation as noted in the above Motion.

Councillor Hendsbee suggested that the municipality should not be in the business of social / public housing.

Councillor Schofield stated the Province has advised they can offer the same service at less cost. He stressed there will be no cut in service should the above-noted recommendation be approved by Council.

Councillor Hetherington advised that Dartmouth Non-Profit can assist Harbour City Homes with the transition.

Councillor Epstein offered the following comments: Harbour City Homes has had continuing financial difficulties; the Board agrees with the recommendation of staff; the Board wishes to be independent. Although it may be difficult for Harbour City Homes at first, and they may have to approach Council in the future for a grant, Council should support the Motion on the floor.

Councillor Adams suggested a transition period whereby the Board would ease into independence, however, Councillor Walker advised the Board must go through the Grants Committee in accordance with the Act.

Councillor Downey reiterated his suggestion of a two year loan and that he could not support the staff report as written.

#### MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

#### 8.2 **10 Eaton Avenue (deferred from Oct. 15/96**

C A memorandum dated September 17, 1996, prepared for Mr. George McLellan, Commissioner of Regional Operations, was re-distributed to Council.

This matter had been deferred from the September 24, 1996 Council Session pending a report from Community Services regarding non-profit housing.

MOVED by Councillor Hetherington and Deputy Mayor Greenough that Council set January 21, 1997 as a date for a public hearing concerning HRM's intention to enter into a purchase and sale agreement with the Dartmouth Non-Profit Housing Society for the sale of 10 Eaton Avenue for \$25,000 plus GST and any additional

taxes or adjustments that may be applicable in addition to other terms and conditions as outlined in the staff report.

Councillor Schofield suggested that possible proceeds from the sale of the property be distributed properly and advised that Council would be receiving information on Heritage Co-op in Dartmouth - they are experiencing financial problems. Councillor Rankin concurred with Councillor Schofield's comments.

#### MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- 9. **PUBLIC HEARINGS None**
- 10. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS
- 10.1 <u>Correspondence</u>
- 10.1.1 <u>Letter regarding Parking Lot Old Grace Maternity Hospital Site Hugh Pullen, President, Peninsula South Community Association</u>
- Correspondence from the Peninsula South Community Association, dated November 20, 1996, was before Council for discussion.

The Association was requesting HRM re-acquire title to the former Grace Maternity Hospital providing there is no educational structure in place by October 1, 2001; HRM should tax any commercial operation which may be established on the site; actual demolition costs and amortization schedule should be determined; and, the October 1, 1996 Motion of Council should be clarified.

MOVED by Councillors Adams and Walker to table the correspondence. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- 10.1.2 <u>Letter from the National Presidents of the Kinsmen & Kinette Club of</u>
  Canada Requesting Message of Support
- Correspondence from the Kinsmen & Kinettes was before Council for discussion.

The National Kinsmen & Kinette Clubs of Canada was seeking a "Message of Support" from Halifax Regional Municipality through the placing of an advertisement in the 77th Anniversary Issue of KIN Magazine.

MOVED by Councillors Kelly and Rankin to refer this request for a Message of Support to staff to determine available funding. Further, that this be brought back to Council for the December 17, 1996 Council Session. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- 11. **REPORTS**
- 11.1 <u>MEMBERS OF COUNCIL</u>
- 11.1.1 <u>Derelict Homes and Properties Councillor Blumenthal</u>
- C A memorandum from Councillor Blumenthal dated November 25, 1996 was before Council for discussion.

Councillor Blumenthal was requesting that Council consider ways of dealing with abandoned and derelict homes/properties in an efficient and timely manner.

MOVED by Councillors Blumenthal and Dooks that this matter be referred to staff for a report detailing the procedure and process involved in dealing with abandoned and derelict homes/properties.

In speaking to the Motion, Councillor Dooks requested staff look at this issue on a regional basis. Also, Councillor Hendsbee, as Chair of the Dangerous and Unsightly Premises Committee, stated that unsightly and dangerous properties should be dealt with by each Community Council and that the legal implications of this concept is being reviewed.

## MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

At this point in the meeting, Councillor Mitchell acknowledged Mr. Buck Giffin, former Councillor of Halifax County Municipality, who was present in the gallery.

- 11.1.2 <u>FX International Councillor Blumenthal Request for Deferral to January 7/97</u>
- C A memorandum from Councillor Blumenthal dated November 25, 1996 was before Council for discussion.

Councillor Blumenthal was requesting this matter be deferred until January 21, 1997

pending receipt of information and all agreed.

#### 11.2 **SOLID WASTE/RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

## 11.2.1 Community Investment: Site A

A memorandum from Councillor Reg Rankin, Chair, SWRAC, dated November 28, 1996 was before Council for discussion.

MOVED by Councillors Rankin and Mitchell that should Site A proceed to receive an RDF and/or FEP Facility, Council direct staff to develop a general plan leading to the timely implementation of the concept attached to the staff report; and supported with a commitment from Council to the following assignment of financial resources: \$400,000 per year for 10 years dedicated to the concept implementation; and

That a planning process be initiated and brought forward.

Councillor Rankin introduced Mr. Reg MacAusland, Chair, Community Monitoring Committee and Mr. Don Wright, to Council.

In speaking to the Motion, Councillor Rankin advised this is a recommendation of SWRAC. Further, he noted that a Community Centre would enhance land value particularly if the interchange goes through. Council was reminded this proposal is predicated on Site A being approved by the Province.

Councillor Mitchell requested Council support of the Motion as this area (covering Districts 22 and 23) was growing with approximately 40,000 residents.

Councillor Epstein expressed concern that Council was being asked to commit \$400,000 per year for ten years without a staff report. Further, he noted this recommendation of SWRAC was not a unanimous recommendation (there were two dissenting votes).

It was noted this type of request should be discussed during budget deliberations in consultation with Recreation staff and not discussed as part of a host community compensation plan.

No vote was taken on the Motion. Another Motion was put on the floor.

MOVED by Councillors Epstein and Hetherington to refer this matter to staff for a report to be brought back to Council for the January 28, 1997 Council Session.

Councillor Mitchell requested a Recorded Vote on the Motion.

Councillor Cooper specifically requested staff look at the aspect of continuing with community involvement in the process and to evaluate the potential for growth in this area, and that these aspects be included in the staff report.

#### MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Those who voted in favour of the Motion - 16 Those who voted against the Motion - 7

Those who voted in favour of the Motion included Deputy Mayor Greenough and Mayor Fitzgerald; Councillors Hendsbee, Cooper, McInroy, Sarto, Hetherington, Schofield, Cunningham, Blumenthal, Downey, Uteck, Epstein, Walker, Barnet, and Harvey.

Those who voted against the Motion included Councillors Dooks, Snow, Hanson, Adams, Kelly, Rankin and Mitchell.

Councillor Stone was absent from the meeting.

Councillor Barnet requested that both Regional Operations and Community Services be involved in the staff report.

#### 11.3 **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

# 11.3.1 Regional Council Meeting Schedule - January - December, 1997

A memorandum prepared for Mr. Larry Corrigan, Commissioner, Corporate Services, was before Council for discussion.

Mr. Corrigan provided a Regional Council Meeting Schedule for the period January to December, 1997. Staff was recommending that Council adopt the Schedule, attached to the staff report as Appendix 'A'.

MOVED by Councillors Walker and Kelly to change the wording "workshop" to "Committee of the Whole." MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

A brief discussion ensued on the commencement time of Regional Council meetings and the suggested summer break. It was decided to maintain the commencement time of 6:00 p.m.

MOVED by Councillors Schofield and Hetherington to adopt the 1997 Halifax Regional Council Meeting Schedule (Appendix A).

No vote was taken on the Motion on the floor. Another Motion was put on the floor.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Greenough and Councillor Schofield to adopt the Halifax Regional Council Meeting Schedule (Appendix A), in principle.

Mayor Fitzgerald advised he would be distributing documentation pertaining to In Camera meetings outlining the types of issues which require In Camera discussions.

With respect to summer break, Mayor Fitzgerald invited any suggestions from Council to be forwarded to the Chief Administrative Officer.

#### MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- 11.3.2 Cost-Sharing, Left Hand Turn Lanes, Hammonds Plains Road
- A memorandum prepared for Mr. George McLellan, Commissioner of Regional Operations, was before Council for discussion.

MOVED by Councillors Hetherington and Sarto that Council confirm that no further by-laws be proposed to recover costs associated with the Kingswood Subdivision; and

that Council not propose any by-laws to recover costs associated with the installation of the left turn lane at Nottingham Drive but rather urge the Department of Transportation and Public Works to provide cost sharing for this project.

Council agreed to let Mr. David Miller, representing the Armoyan Group, address Council on this matter.

Mr. Miller expressed concern with staff's recommendation noting that the Armoyan's (developer) had been forced to install the left hand turning lane at the time of the development. Now, abutting land owners and future developments are benefitting from the infrastructure paid for by the Armoyans. Mr. Miller requested Council consider a levy on new development to provide compensation.

Councillor Rankin suggested the developer test his proposal at a public hearing.

MOVED by Councillors Rankin and Mitchell that the ability to charge adjacent land owners to compensate the developer for the installation of the left hand turning lanes in Hammonds Plains Road, be tested through a public hearing.

A lengthy discussion ensued. Mr. George McLellan, Commissioner, Regional Operations, addressed Council noting it is difficult to deal with this issue as it is uncertain that Council can determine who contributes to the project when it has no money involved. He suggested a policy should be put in place for future occurrences of this nature.

Mr. McLellan made reference to the former Halifax County Municipality passing final approval of a by-law to impose a local improvement tax on property owners surrounding Kingswood Development to pay for this left hand turn (this by-law did not receive Second Reading due to public opposition).

Deputy Mayor Greenough enquired if Council has the jurisdiction to deal with this matter. Once the road was constructed it became a public road; this Council cannot prevent the public from using a public road.

Councillor Cooper stated the fact that there is no cost sharing agreement with any party. Therefore, he believes Council should not pay nor apply an area rate. The Province has forced the developer to install left hand turns and now HRM is being forced to become involved. In this case, however, HRM bears no responsibility. With respect to the safety issue, however, Council needs to accept responsibility for an adequate road system.

#### **MOTION DEFEATED.**

A vote was then taken on the Main Motion.

#### MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Council recessed at 8:50 p.m. and resumed discussions at 9:00 p.m.

# 11.3.3 <u>Governance Report for Halifax Regional Retirement Committee</u> (request for deferral until January)

A Supplementary Report, prepared for Mr. Larry Corrigan, Commissioner of Corporate Services, was before Council for discussion.

Staff was recommending that a report entitled "Recommendation to the Halifax Regional Council regarding a Pension Plan Governance Structure for Halifax Regional Municipality" be presented to Council at a later date to allow staff to consider input received from various HRM pension and retirement committees as well as input received from the bargaining agent representing employees in HRM sponsored pension plans.

MOVED by Councillor Epstein and Deputy Mayor Greenough to defer this matter.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- 11.3.4 Request by the Halifax County Pension Advisory Task Force for an Early Retirement Incentive Program (ERIP) (Supplementary Report)
- C A memorandum prepared for Mr. Larry Corrigan, Commissioner of Corporate Services, was before Council for discussion.

Staff was recommending that the August 1, 1996 request by the Halifax County Pension Advisory Task Force for an Early Retirement Incentive Program (ERIP) for employees of the former Halifax County Municipality not be approved.

Council agreed to permit Mr. Edward Mason, Chair, Halifax County Pension Advisory Task Force, address Council.

Reading from a prepared text (distributed to Council), Mr. Mason suggested there were inaccuracies in the staff report. Ms. Karen Henderson from William M. Mercer Ltd., responded to questions from Council noting that an ERIP was a deliberate choice on the part of the Committee.

Mayor Fitzgerald enquired if staff could review the situation at the Rehabilitation Centre (twenty-eight could retire and the facility will be closing within three to five years) and report back to Council.

MOVED by Councillors McInroy and Hetherington to refer this matter back to staff to review the situation at the Rehabilitation Centre and report back to Council for the January 28, 1997 Council Session.

Mr. Garth Hazel, a member of the Task Force, responded to questions from Council.

Councillor Dooks left the meeting at this point in time.

Councillor Cooper enquired if Council should approach the Province requesting alternate training for the Rehabilitation staff as the needs of the employees are important.

Councillor Epstein went on record as opposing the Motion on the floor. Further, he suggested a generalized ERIP for all HRM.

Mr. Ken Meech advised he would enquire as to when staff could report on a generalized

ERIP for all HRM and that he should know by December 17, 1996.

#### MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

# 11.3.5 <u>Experience Adjustment Costs - Pensions (Supplementary Report)</u>

A memorandum prepared for Mr. Larry Corrigan, Commissioner of Corporate Services, was before Council for discussion.

Staff was recommending that all experience gains and losses created by the HRM Employment Adjustment Program, flow through the respective pension plans, and that no additional contribution by the Municipality is required.

MOVED by Councillors Epstein and Blumenthal to defer this matter to the January 28, 1997 Council Session. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

- 11.3.6 Alexandra Centre and Kidston Glass Lands Brunswick St, Halifax Proposal for Amendment to the MPS (District 12)
- C A memorandum prepared for Mr. Dan English, Commissioner of Community Services, was before Council for discussion.

#### **MOVED by Councillors Downey and Uteck that Council authorize:**

- a) the initiation of an amendment to the Peninsula North Secondary Planning Strategy (Section XI of the Municipal Development Plan for Halifax) to allow for the placement of a comprehensive development district zone on the Kidston Glass and Alexandra Centre Lands, in anticipation of a second proposal call in the spring of 1997 for the development of these lands; and
- b) the referral of the issue of the amendment to the Peninsula North Secondary Planning Strategy to the Halifax Planning Advisory Committee and to staff for review, public consultation and advice.

#### MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### 11.3.7 **Cost Sharing Lacewood Drive**

C A memorandum prepared for Mr. Dan English, Commissioner of Community

Services, was before Council for discussion.

Staff was recommending that Council pay \$93,266.72 including GST to Clayton Developments Ltd. for cost sharing for parkland frontage on Lacewood Drive.

MOVED by Councillors Walker and Hetherington that Council pay \$93,266.72 including GST to Clayton Developments Ltd. for cost sharing for parkland frontage on Lacewood Drive.

Councillor Barnet expressed concern regarding deficiting the Cost Sharing Oversized Streets account.

#### MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

#### 11.3.8 **New Year's Eve - ASN/ATV**

C A memorandum prepared for Mr. Dan English, Commissioner of Community Services, was before Council for discussion.

# MOVED by Deputy Mayor Greenough and Councillor Hetherington that Council:

- a) renew the contract between the Halifax Regional Municipality and the Atlantic Television System (ATV/ASN) for another three years in order to continue with a co-operative partnership for the promotion and staging of the Halifax Regional Municipality's Grant Parade New Year's Eve Event;
- b) confirm that ATV/ASN will have exclusive television and radio broadcasting rights to the Grand Parade New Year's Eve Event for December 31, 1997; December 31, 1998 and December 31, 1999;
- c) approve the conditions between the Halifax Regional Municipality and the Atlantic Television System (ATV/ASN) found in the attachments to the staff report.

#### MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### 11.3.9 <u>Halifax and Dartmouth Natal Day Celebration</u>

A memorandum prepared for Mr. Dan English, Commissioner of Community Services, was before Council for discussion.

#### **MOVED by Councillors Blumenthal and Schofield that Council:**

- a) reaffirm that the first Monday in August of each year is officially Halifax and Dartmouth Natal Days as one of several Halifax Regional Municipality Civic Celebrations;
- b) direct staff to undertake a process to create one committee whose structure will allow for equal representation from the communities of Dartmouth and Halifax, as well as representation from Halifax Regional Council; and
- c) direct the committee to plan, organize, implement and evaluate a 1997 Halifax and Dartmouth Natal Day Celebration.

It was noted by several Councillors that the Halifax County and Bedford areas had not been referenced in this report. In response, Mr. Andrew Cox, Festivals and Events, advised that the mandate of this report originated from an earlier Council direction dealing strictly with Halifax and Dartmouth; further, there is no intention of leaving the Halifax County and Bedford areas out of Natal Day festivities.

A brief discussion ensued on whether one Natal event for the entire Region should be held or each community maintaining their own festivities.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Greenough and Councillor Barnet that the terminology for Natal Day celebrations be referred to staff. MOTION DEFEATED.

A vote was then taken on the main Motion.

#### MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

# 11.3.10 <u>Disposal of Municipally-Owned Land</u>

C A memorandum prepared for Mr. George McLellan, Commissioner of Regional Operations, was before Council for discussion.

Staff was recommending that Halifax Regional Council approve the sale of the vacant parcel of municipally-owned land located on the westerly side of Windmill Road identified as the "Old Bedford Road" right-of-way to Newfoundland Capital Corporation Limited for the sum of \$24,000 (twenty four thousand dollars) plus GST and any additional taxes and adjustments and other terms and conditions as outlined in the staff report; and

that Council authorize staff to set a date for a public hearing for consideration of Halifax Regional Municipality Administrative Order Number SC2 concerning the closure of "Old Bedford Road" right-of-way on the westerly side of Windmill Road.

Councillor Kelly expressed concern in that a public hearing should be held first and then the

matter can be brought back to Council.

#### **MOVED by Councillors Kelly and Barnet that:**

Council authorize staff to set a date for a public hearing for consideration of Halifax Regional Municipality Administrative Order Number SC2 concerning the closure of "Old Bedford Road" right-of-way on the westerly side of Windmill Road; and that

this matter be brought back to Council to consider approving the sale of the vacant parcel of municipally-owned land located on the westerly side of Windmill Road identified as the "Old Bedford Road" right-of-way to Newfoundland Capital Corporation Limited for the sum of \$24,000 (twenty four thousand dollars) plus GST and any additional taxes and adjustments and other terms and conditions as outlined in the staff report.

Councillor Barnet enquired if staff had looked at the fact that the motel is encroaching on this property; and if a second evaluation of the property could be undertaken.

Mr. Austin French, Superintendent, Real Estate Services, advised it is the intention of the purchaser to consolidate the property with land they already own and construct an office complex.

Deputy Mayor Greenough stated if the developer does not go ahead in a specified time frame, this property should revert back to HRM. He suggested this should be included in the Agreement of Purchase and Sale.

Councillor Schofield offered that the Department of National Defense may be declaring land surplus in the area and suggested staff look into this.

#### MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- 11.3.11 <u>Tender No. 96-398 Collection and Transportation of Refuse Halifax</u>
  <u>Area</u>
- C A memorandum prepared for Mr. George McLellan, Commissioner of Regional Operations, was before Council for discussion.

MOVED by Councillors Hendsbee and Mitchell that Council approve the award of Tender No. 96-398 Collection and Transportation of Refuse - Halifax Area to Browning Ferris Industries Ltd. at the prices as outlined in the staff report. The contract period is fifteen months.

In speaking to the Motion, Councillor Adams expressed concern with the fact that staff knew there would be only one response to the tender call.

#### MOTION CARRIED.

# 11.3.12 <u>Information Technology Management (Desktop)</u>

C A memorandum prepared for Mr. Larry Corrigan, Commissioner of Corporate Services, was before Council for discussion.

### **MOVED by Deputy Mayor Greenough and Councillor Cooper:**

- 1) a five-year management contract be awarded to GE Capital for the acquisition and maintenance of HRM's information technology, subject to(2) below;
- 2) staff be authorized to negotiate detailed terms of this contractual arrangement, based on the Request for Proposals; and that
- 3) support services (HelpDesk and network support) continue to be provided by HRM staff.

Mr. Larry Corrigan, Commissioner, Corporate Services, addressed Council noting this is a new direction as to how HRM will be handling its information technology.

Deputy Mayor Greenough assumed the Chair.

Mr. Corrigan further stated that staff are proposing one agreement where HRM is constantly leasing.

Councillor Hanson left the meeting at this point in time.

As a result of this proposal, it is anticipated a \$1.5 million saving will be realized over a five year period on the assumption staff is constantly refreshing technology. Five members of staff will be affected, however, it is anticipated they will still be located within the Information Technology field.

Mayor Fitzgerald assumed the Chair.

It was noted that training is a separate component and not part of this proposal. This proposal strictly deals with acquisition and maintenance.

Councillor Kelly expressed concern that an across the board needs analysis had not been carried out. In response, Mr. Corrigan advised this is the responsibility of each Department within HRM.

A brief discussion ensued on the services to be provided by G.E. Capital.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Greenough and Councillor Sarto to go beyond 11:00 p.m. to extend the meeting by 20 minutes. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

A vote on the main Motion took place.

#### MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- 12. **MOTIONS**
- 13. **ADDED ITEMS**
- 13.1 <u>Land Matter Bayers Lake Business Park</u>

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Greenough and Councillor Hendsbee that the recommendation adopted in Camera, be ratified by Council. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

13.2 <u>Land Matter - Land Acquisition - Residual Disposal Facility and Front-End Processing Facility</u>

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Greenough and Councillor Rankin, that the recommendation adopted In Camera, be ratified by Council. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- 13.3 Committee of the Whole Meeting December 18, 1996
- C A memorandum from Councillor Reg Rankin, Chair, Solid Waste/Resource Advisory Committee, was before Council for discussion.

MOVED by Councillors Barnet and Hendsbee that a Committee of the Whole meeting be held on Wednesday, December, 18, 1996 @ 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

# 14. **NOTICES OF MOTION**

#### 14.1 Councillor Hendsbee

Councillor Hendsbee served the following Notice of Motion for December 17, 1996:

WHEREAS in the past week, two of HRM's Community Councils; namely the Marine Drive, Valley & Canal (on November 27, 1996) and Northwest (on November 28/96) approved motions whereby they support the siting of a tire recycling plant within their respective geographical territories; and

WHEREAS the establishment of such a facility would add additional industrial development opportunities for the HRM area; as well as further assist our municipality with the goal to divert tires from the waste stream;

BE IT RESOLVED that the HRM be supportive of Tire Recycling Atlantic Canada Company (TRACC) in consideration of the siting of its tire recycling facility within the metro region as long as it meets and/or exceeds all Provincial Environmental Regulations, Municipal Land Use Zoning By-Laws and Development Agreement requirements.

## 15. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED by Councillors Hendsbee and Deputy Mayor Greenough that Council move In Camera at 10:05 p.m. to deal with a legal matter. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Adjournment was from the In Camera Session.

Vi Carmichael Municipal Clerk