HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL JUNE 5, 1996

PRESENT: 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
Bill Stone
Ron Hanson
Stephen Adams
Barry Barnet
Bob Harvey
Peter Kelly
Reg Rankin

Jack Mitchell

Absent with regrets Mayor Walter Fitzgerald

STAFF MEMBERS:

Mr. Ken Meech, Chief Administrative Officer

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

Ms. Jane Nauss, Assistant Municipal Clerk

1. HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY 1996/97 PROPOSED CAPITAL BUDGET

Mr. Ron Singer, Director of Finance, addressed Council providing a brief update on recent discussions as they pertain to the 1996/97 Proposed Capital Budget.

Moved by David Hendsbee and Bruce Hetherington to defer discussion on Lucasville Road Water for one day to permit discussions with Water Commission. **Motion put and passed unanimously.**

Parks and Playgrounds

Moved by Bill Dooks and Gordon E. Snow to add #135 (Eastern Shore Playgrounds - \$30,000 and not \$50,000 as noted in the Budget) and #171 (Oyster Pond Park) - \$20,000 - to the Wish List. Further, that \$50,000 be transferred from District 21 - LeBrun Centre (leaving \$25,000) to District 1. **Motion put and passed.**

Museum and Historic Sites

Moved by Larry Uteck and Jerry Blumenthal to defer Museum Repairs - \$425,000 - under Museum and Historic Sites - to 97/98. **Motion Defeated**.

Parks and Playgrounds

Moved by Gordon Snow and David Hendsbee to defer #87 - the Silversides Beach Project (\$18,000) to 1997 and transfer the \$18,000 from #87 to #144 (L.C. Skerry School Playground and move this project forward to this year. **Motion put and passed unanimously.**

Moved by Reg Rankin and Jack Mitchell to add #94 (Morton's Lake Sport Park) - \$94,000 net to the wish list. **Motion put and passed unanimously.**

Moved by Bill Stone and Russell Walker to add #101 (Birch Cove Park) - \$100,000 - to the wish list. **Motion put and passed.**

Moved by Bill Stone and Russell Walker to add "Basketball Pad - Remington Court Playground" - \$32,000 - to the Wish List. **Motion put and passed unanimously.**

Moved by Stephen Adams and John Cunningham to transfer funds from #28 (Graves Oakley Park-Develop - \$124,000) to:

- Under "Buildings" #23 Harrietsford Recreation Centre for septic upgrade under Buildings (this is in addition to \$25,000 allocated) \$35,000
- #28 Graves Oakley Park Complex for lights and upgrading of playground equipment \$13,000
- C Ketch Harbour Playground Equipment \$20,000
- C Sambro School Playground Equipment \$20,000
- © Sambro Recreation Centre \$35,000. **Motion put and passed unanimously.**

Moved by Howard Epstein and Russell Walker to add Tree Planting/Park Improvements \$25,000 to the wish list. **Motion put and passed unanimously.**

Buildings

Moved by Russell Walker and Howard Epstein to remove "Centennial Arena Improvements" - (\$32,000) under "Buildings" - from the wish list. **Motion put and passed unanimously.**

Parks and Playgrounds

Moved by Russell Walker and Bill Stone to defer for one year #32 - Northcliffe Playground Upgrade - \$16,000, therefore; add \$4,000 to Northcliffe Pool; \$6,000 to #206 - to Northcliffe Upper Courts. Thereby leaving \$6,000 left over. **Motion put and passed unanimously.**

Moved by Russell Walker and Bill Stone to postpone #74 - "Clayton Park Junior High Sportfield" - \$73,000 - until 1997/98; and, transfer \$65,000 for a Basketball Court to Clayton Park Junior High School. This frees up \$8,000. **Motion put and passed unanimously**.

Moved by Barry Barnet and Stephen Adams that #39 "Seymour Hankey Field Extension" - \$21,000 - did not indicate cost-sharing of \$10,000 (community landfill compensation) therefore; this frees up \$11,000 for a community playground in the Armcrest Subdivision. **Motion put and passed unanimously**.

Moved by Jack Mitchell and Reg Rankin to take #49 - Hubbards Ballfield - Phase 2 - reduce figure to \$100,000 from \$134,000 - and transfer \$25,000 to East St. Margaret's Ball field and \$9,000 to Beach - Shad Bay. **Motion put and passed unanimously.**

Moved by Jack Mitchell and Clint Schofield to add \$20,000 to #172 Stoney Beach Road Playground for 97/98. **Motion put and passed unanimously.**

Moved by Ron Hanson and Stephen Adams add to wish list #123 - Chain Lake Park - this is a work in progress and should be completed this year. **Motion put and passed unanimously.**

Moved by Graham Downey and Ron Hanson to add #109 - Outdoor Facility Lighting Controls and #110 - Redesign & Redevelopment of North and Central Common to the wish list. **Motion carried**.

Moved by Condo Sarto and Clint Schofield to add #148 - \$33,000 - to the wish list. Main St. Ballfield-Improve Drainage. **Motion put and passed unanimously.**

Moved by Ron Cooper and David Hendsbee to add Rehabilitation of Old School Building as a community centre - \$45,000 - to the wish list (15,000 costshared). **Motion put and passed unanimously.**

Moved by Clint Schofield and David Hendsbee to add Retaining Wall - Beazley Field - \$229,000 (net) to the wish list. **Motion put and passed unanimously**.

Moved by Jerry Blumenthal and Peterk Kelly to add #180 (Fort Needhand - Chain Link Fencing - \$13,000) and #194 (Fort Needham Park - Heighten Fence - \$9,000) to the wish list; further, under Land Acquisition - to remove #1 for this year (Trail - Seaview Lookoff at Lady Hammond Rd - \$200,000). **Motion carried**.

Moved by David Hendsbee and Howard Epstein to add "outdoor facility washrooms" in rural areas - \$20,000 - to the wish list. **Motion put and passed unanimously**.

Moved by Jack Mitchell and Russell Walker to add #179 - West Dover Ballfield Parking - \$15,000 - to the wish list. **Motion put and passed unanimously.**

Regional Operations

Moved by Peter Kelly and Clint Schofield to defer discussions on #9 -" Downtown Parking Area" pending a staff report (costs to demolish, construction of parking lot, will HRM make or lose money, how much in the reserve funds, could these go into general funds and used for other purposes). **Motion Carried.**

Roads and Streets

Barry Barnet - would like to defer #17 - Old Patton Road at Trunk #1 - \$155,000 and add

the following for asphalting - Victory Lane, Coleville Ave., Sherry Lane, Wesley Drive, Janice Drive and Meghan Crescent. Further, would like to repave Lakeview Road (staff estimate \$800,000) and Fennerty Road (staff estimate \$225,000). **There was no motion.**

Moved by Clint Schofield and John Cunningham to put Wyse Road on the wish list. **Motion put and passed unanimously.**

Moved by John Cunningham and Bill Stone to add "Paving - Hyland Road" (\$150,000) and "Paving - Lakeside Terrace" (\$176,000) to the wish list. **Motion carried.**

Moved by David Hendsbee and Ron Cooper to add #61(Cole Harbour Road) - \$271,000; #180 (Ross Road Rte 328) - \$90,000 and #194 (Ross Road Rte 328) - \$19,000 to the wish list. **Motion put and passed unanimously.**

David Hendsbee requested consideration for future Capital Programs, the construction of two short streets - one in North Preston and one in Cherry Brook; extension of Johnson Road to Symonds St. and another Johnson Road in Cherry Brook connected to Lake Major.

Gordon Snow requested staff review #82 (Lochview Road) and #124 (Lakeview Road) as to why they are not being considered for this year's capital budget.

Councillor Sarto requested info as to why Dorothea Drive and Bellevista Drive were left off the list - Kulvinder Dhillon advise the info should be available by tomorrow. Councillor Sarto advised he would like to add these to the wish list after receiving the info.

Moved by Condo Sarto and Clint Schofield to add #70 - Bayswater Road Overlay Paving - \$75,000 - to the wish list. **Motion put and passed unanimously.**