

# **HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY**

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## **HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL MINUTES February 2, 1999**

**PRESENT:**

Mayor Walter Fitzgerald  
Deputy Mayor Larry Uteck  
Councillors: Bill Dooks  
Gordon R. Snow  
David Hendsbee  
Ron Cooper  
Harry McInroy  
Jack Greenough  
Condo Sarto  
Bruce Hetherington  
Clint Schofield  
John Cunningham  
Jerry Blumenthal  
Graham L. Downey  
Sheila Fougere  
Russell Walker  
Bill Stone  
Stephen D. Adams  
Barry Barnet  
Bob Harvey  
Peter Kelly  
Reg Rankin  
Jack Mitchell

**STAFF MEMBERS:**

Mr. Ken Meech, Chief Administrative Officer  
Mr. Wayne Anstey, Municipal Solicitor  
Ms. Vi Carmichael, Municipal Clerk  
Ms. Patti Halliday, Assistant Municipal Clerk

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1. **INVOCATION**

The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:00 p.m. Deputy Mayor Uteck, at the Mayor's request, led his colleagues in the recitation of the Invocation.

2. **PROCLAMATIONS**

2.1 **National Citizenship and Heritage Week**

Mayor Fitzgerald proclaimed the week of February 8 - 15, 1999 as National Citizenship and Heritage Week.

2.2 **Better Business Awareness Week**

Mayor Fitzgerald proclaimed the dates of February 8 - 19, 1999 as Better Business Awareness Week.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

On behalf of Council, Councillor Stone acknowledged the resignation of Councillor Ron Hanson, District 17, Purcell's Cove/Armdale, effective January 31, 1999, due to health reasons. Councillor Stone expressed thanks and gratitude to Councillor Hanson and his wife, Sandra, for many years of service. Councillor Hanson was first elected in 1974 and served as Alderman of Ward 8 in the former City of Halifax, as Mayor in 1980, and as a member of the first Council of the Halifax Regional Municipality representing District 17, Purcell's Cove/Armdale, as well as being a valued member of the Chebucto Community Council. In total, Councillor Hanson has served his community for almost 20 years. During this time, he served on many Committees of Council, including the Water Commission, World Trade Centre, Harbour City Homes, Halifax Transit Advisory, Community and Race Relations, Captain William Spry Centre, Halifax School Board, and the Concerns of the Aged.

On behalf of his fellow Councillors, Councillor Stone recognized Councillor Hanson as a friend, colleague and a dedicated Councillor, expressing thanks for a job well done, and extending wishes to him for a speedy recovery. Council, staff and members of the public in the gallery responded with a standing ovation.

**MOVED by Councillors Stone and Walker that Council accept the resignation of Councillor Ron Hanson, District 17, Purcell's Cove/Armdale, effective January 31, 1999. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES - January 26, 1999**

**MOVED by Councillors Hetherington and Greenough that the minutes of January 26, 1999 be approved, as circulated. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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

The following items were added to the agenda:

- 12.1 Presentation - Mexico Trade Mission
- 12.2 Councillor Mitchell - Relocation of Super Mailboxes for Black Point
- 12.3 Land Matter - Sale of 2639 Sackville Drive
- 12.4 Land Matter - Expropriation, 308 Herring Cove Road
- 12.5 Land Matter - Lot "B" McLean Street
- 12.6 Appointment of Acting Mayor
- 12.7 Membership Appointments - Boards/Committees/Commissions
- 12.8 Acknowledgement - 1st Woodlawn Scout Troop

It was agreed to move Item 12.8 Acknowledgement - 1st Woodlawn Scout Troop and Item 12.1 Presentation - Mexico Trade Mission up on the agenda to be dealt with next.

**MOVED by Councillors Hetherington and Greenough that the Order of Business, be approved, as amended. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

12.8 **Acknowledgement - 1st Woodlawn Scout Troop**

Councillor Sarto acknowledged the 1st Woodlawn Scout Troop of Dartmouth, and its Scout Master, Don MacMillan (not present), and introduced Assistant Scout Master, Mary MacMillan, Ms. Bev Levy, Mr. Herb Ripley, and Mr. Russell Blackwell. The Councillor expressed gratitude to Mary and Don MacMillan for their service to the Dartmouth community for over 35 years. Councillor Sarto also congratulated and introduced the following Scouts receiving the Chief Scout award, the highest award in the Scout organization: Sam Neatby, Brandon Smith, Laura Ripley, Ryan Livingstone, Joseph Henkel, and Matthew Blackwell.

In response, Mrs. MacMillan, on behalf of the 1st Woodlawn Scout Troop, presented Councillors Sarto and Hetherington with letters of appreciation.

### 12.1 Presentation - Mexico Trade Mission

Mr. George Jordan, Halifax/Mexico Alliance, and Mr. Stephen Dempsey, Greater Halifax Economic Development Partnership, made a presentation to Council with respect to the upcoming Mexico Trade Mission, providing some information regarding the background of the Mission.

In response to questions from Councillor Kelly, the following points were made:

- C The objective of the original mission was to establish relationships and to facilitate the creation of the Alliance.
- C The Mexico Trade Mission is being led by the Alliance with participation by the Province and HRM.
- C The HRM representatives that will be attending the Mission are: Mayor Fitzgerald (representing HRM), Deputy Mayor Uteck (representing the Greater Halifax Economic Development Partnership), and Councillor Rankin (representing the Alliance). Mr. Carl Yates, Halifax Regional Water Commission, will also be attending.
- C The past trade missions have been funded, almost exclusively, by the participation of the individuals concerned.
- C The cost per person is a function of the airfare, hotels and ground costs, which for the week should be in the range of \$1500.
- C The current goals and objectives of the mission are to establish business-to-business relationships.
- C Assistance in selecting the participants was obtained from the Province of Nova Scotia and the International Trade Centre.
- C Participation of government leaders is invaluable to the mission, which, ultimately, pays dividends to the companies involved.
- C Information obtained through the Mission will be shared with the business community, when possible.

Responding to a question of Councillor Schofield, Mr. Dempsey stated the Alliance was created by individuals in the Municipality who had an interest in establishing business relationships in Mexico. Councillor Schofield suggested this should have been a Provincial initiative, and expressed concern with the number of representatives from the Municipality participating in the Mission, noting the residents do not approve of this cost expenditure.

Mayor Fitzgerald thanked Mr. Jordan and Mr. Dempsey for their presentation.

(Mayor Fitzgerald left the meeting at 6:30 p.m., and Deputy Mayor Uteck assumed the Chair.)

5. **BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES**

6. **MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION - NONE**

7. **MOTION OF RESCISSION**

7.1 **Councillor Walker - Transit Routes No. 8 and 5**

- C Correspondence regarding this matter was received from the following: Esther Ricketts, Charlene Conrad (and a response from Mayor Fitzgerald), and Paul J. Gray.

With the use of overheads, Mr. Brian Taylor, Manager, Metro Transit, explained the rationale for the reductions in service with respect to Routes 5 and 8.

Responding to questions of Councillor Walker, Mr. Taylor and Mr. Brian Smith, Director, Business Operations, made the following points:

- C Ridership counts performed last week on Route 5 in the Fairmount subdivision area had the following results: 1st trip = 4, 2nd trip = 7, last trip = 2. The following morning had results of 5, 7, and 3, respectively. The afternoon had the following passenger drop offs, 1st trip = 0, 2nd trip = 3, last trip = 6. These counts were determined to be consistent with previous counts.
- C Service on Route 6 has been cut on Saturday evenings and Sunday, however, the Route 5 currently does not operate on the weekends either.
- C Due to budget reductions, load counters have been eliminated, and, therefore, the counts were performed by supervisors.
- C Random counts are performed on various days of the week.

Councillor McInroy stated he walked the distance that would now be required for users of the Route 5 to access another bus, and believes the staff recommendation remains reasonable.

Responding to a question of Councillor Stone, Mr. Taylor stated Metro Transit is aware of the topography of the area, but the recommendation to eliminate the service is based on the low ridership figures, and will result in a \$38,700 annual cost savings.

Responding to a question of Councillor Adams, Mr. Taylor stated if these two route reductions are not implemented, another alternative will need to be proposed by Metro Transit.

At this time, Councillor Blumenthal submitted a third petition from residents objecting to the elimination of Bus Route #8 and requesting that Council maintain this service. The Councillor stated the elimination of the proposed portion of service for Route 8 will result in there being no transit service for this area from 8:30 a.m. to approximately 2:30 p.m. Councillor Blumenthal expressed concern with transit fare increases and reduction in service. Mr. Taylor noted there are three stops affected by this reduction. Walking distances to alternate stops are as follows: 210m to Route 17, 350m to Route 9, and 540m to Route 17.

For the record, Councillor Walker stated a recent independent count performed on the Route 5 bus indicated there were 15 passengers picked up in the neighbourhood, 6 picked up on the way to Sears, 2 picked up at Sears, and 4 picked up en route downtown. On the 8:20 a.m. trip, 10 were picked up in the neighbourhood, 4 on the way to Sears, and 4 on the way downtown. In closing, Councillor Walker stated Route 5 cost \$14,000 to operate last year while several other routes were much more costly.

Mr. George McLellan, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, stated if these reductions are not implemented, staff will have to find another area to reduce as an alternative in order to reduce the deficit. In relation to other routes and problems in other areas that need to be examined, staff believes this is the best proposal.

Councillor Blumenthal requested a Recorded Vote.

**MOVED by Councillors Walker and Blumenthal that Council rescind the reduction in service of Routes 5 and 8 as approved by Council on November 17, 1998. MOTION PUT AND PASSED (12 For, 10 Against).**

Members of Council voting **in favour** of the motion: Councillors Dooks, Snow, Cooper, Hetherington, Schofield, Blumenthal, Downey, Fougere, Walker, Stone, Adams, and Kelly.

Members of Council voting **against** the motion: Deputy Mayor Uteck, Councillors Hendsbee, McInroy, Greenough, Sarto, Cunningham, Barnet, Harvey, Rankin and Mitchell.

(Mayor Fitzgerald was absent during the vote.)

Councillor Schofield expressed concern with Routes 52 and 53. A brief discussion ensued and at a later point in the meeting, he served a **Notice of Motion of Rescission** with respect to the motion passed on November 17, 1998 in regards to these routes.

8. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS - NONE

9. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS



**9.1 Petitions**

**9.1.1 Councillor Blumenthal - Bus Route #8**

Earlier in the meeting, Councillor Blumenthal submitted a third petition from residents objecting to the elimination of Bus Route #8 and requesting that Council maintain this service.

**9.1.2 Councillor Sarto - Crosswalks**

Councillor Sarto submitted correspondence from a resident with respect to crosswalk education. The Councillor suggested this correspondence could be taken into consideration by Traffic Services when preparing the forthcoming report to Council regarding crosswalk safety, and requested that it be forwarded to staff.

**9.1.3 Councillor Adams**

Councillor Adams submitted 95 completed surveys of residents of Herring Cove seeking public opinion in relation to the Village of Herring Cove acquiring a sewage treatment plant (89 in favour, 6 against). Councillor Adams requested that these surveys be forwarded to Mr. Maurice Lloyd, Solutions Project, and to the Water Commission.

**9.1.4 Councillor McInroy**

Councillor McInroy submitted a petition from approximately 168 residents in support of traffic signals at the Caldwell Road/Cow Bay Road intersection. The Councillor noted a four-way stop was installed at this intersection in December 1998, and this petition was subsequently circulated.

**10. REPORTS**

**10.1 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL**

**10.1.1 Councillor McInroy - Cole Harbour Heritage Park Designation**

As a follow up to a motion passed by Council on October 6, 1998 urging the Minister of Natural Resources to ensure that the Cole Harbour Heritage Park be formally declared a provincial park, Councillor McInroy stated the Governor in Council so designated these lands in December 1998 and declared the park to be known as the "Cole Harbour - Lawrencetown Coastal Heritage Park System." The Councillor acknowledged the dedicated role played by the Cole Harbour Rural Heritage Society and the Cole Harbour Parks and Trails Association in this process. Councillor McInroy requested Council to

acknowledge and thank the Hon. Kenneth MacAskill, Minister of Natural Resources, for his response to Council's request.

**MOVED by Councillors McInroy and Hendsbee that a letter of thanks be sent to the Minister of Natural Resources acknowledging the positive response to Council's request to formally designate the Cole Harbour Heritage Park as a Provincial Park. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**10.1.2 Councillor McInroy - Tax Bill Format**

Councillor McInroy submitted to the Clerk for staff's consideration, a sample of a tax bill format used in the City of Burnaby, British Columbia. The Councillor suggested there should be some delineation of the amounts required to be raised for certain expenditures that are required by legislation to be contained in the budget on an annual basis, such as the Social Services payment and the mandatory education amount. Councillor McInroy suggested Council should be more accountable in terms of providing the public with more information, and requested that staff review this issue and report back to Council with some alternatives and a recommendation.

**MOVED by Councillors McInroy and Hendsbee that this matter be referred to staff for a report.**

Councillor Hetherington noted approximately 60-70 percent of the public do not see their tax bill as they pay their taxes through their financial institutions, and suggested staff could consider providing this information in another forum, such as Councillor newsletters, water bills, etc.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**10.2 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

**10.2.1 Special Election - District 17**

C A staff report prepared for George McLellan, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, regarding the above, was before Council for consideration.

**MOVED by Councillors Adams and Barnet that Council:**

- 1. Approve the appointment of Vi Carmichael, Municipal Clerk, as Returning Officer to conduct the Special Election in District 17, Purcell's Cove - Armdale, to fill the vacancy on the Halifax Regional Council.**

2. **Permit the Returning Officer to use in this Special Election the list of electors prepared for the 1998 Provincial Election, as provided for in the Municipal Elections Act.**
3. **Set the date of Saturday, March 13, 1999, as Ordinary Polling Day for District 17. Further, set the date of Saturday, March 6, 1999, as the first Advance Poll Day (the second Advance Poll Day will be Tuesday, March 9, 1999, as mandatory under the Municipal Elections Act). MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

#### **10.2.2 Street Name Change - Donald R. Allen, CD**

- C A staff report prepared for Dan English, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, requesting a one week deferral regarding this matter, was before Council for consideration.

**MOVED by Councillors Downey and Greenough that Council approve a deferral of this report until the Regional Council meeting of February 9, 1999. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

#### **10.3 HALIFAX REGIONAL WATER COMMISSION**

##### **10.3.1 Annual Report - Mr. John Dick, Chair**

- C The Second Annual Report of the Halifax Regional Water Commission dated March 31, 1998 was before Council for consideration.

Before presenting the Second Annual Report of the Halifax Regional Water Commission, Mr. John Dick, Chairman, paid tribute to Councillor Ron Hanson, for his thirteen years of dedicated service on the Commission, extending thoughts and prayers to the Councillor and his family. Mr. Dick also expressed thanks to Mayor Fitzgerald, Councillors and staff for their support of the Commission.

With the use of Power Point, Mr. Carl Yates, General Manager, Halifax Regional Water Commission, presented the Second Annual Report, detailing the accomplishments of the past year and the future direction of the Commission.

Councillor Kelly expressed concern with the production cost of the report, and suggested it could have been accomplished in a more cost effective manner. In response to an inquiry of the Councillor regarding the Water Commission's participation in the upcoming Mexico Trade Mission, Mr. Yates explained what the Commission hopes to accomplish in this endeavour.

In response to questions of Councillor Kelly, Mr. Yates explained the status of the Water Commission in becoming Y2K compliant, noting this process is almost complete. Also, a contingency plan is being developed.

With respect to the profit achieved by the Commission, Councillor Kelly inquired if it is possible for HRM to obtain a greater profit ratio. Mr. Yates noted the Commission has numerous capital intensive requirements which are financial priorities. Based on these requirements, Mr. Dick stated if higher dividends were paid, more money would need to be borrowed to finance these capital requirements.

(Mayor Fitzgerald returned to the meeting at 7:40 p.m. and assumed the Chair.)

Responding to a suggestion of Councillor Kelly that the Water Commission should be a line department under HRM, Mr. Ken Meech, Chief Administrative Officer, stated it would take some time to perform a cost-benefit analysis and review of this suggestion, and that would not be a top priority at this time based on other challenges currently being faced by the Municipality. However, at some point, there will be some consideration given to integrating waste water and water.

In response to an inquiry of Councillor Stone, Mr. Yates stated the Commission intends to twin a section of the Pockwock transmission main which will improve the hydraulic capacity of the system, provide a more reliable supply, and allow development to take place in the Birch Cove/Bedford South area. This project is expected to be completed in a period of two to three years.

Councillor Snow complimented the Commission on its Annual Report and inquired about water service to District 2. Mr. Yates responded there is some logic to providing water supply to the Fall River area, but it would be very expensive to provide this service to the Wellington area.

Councillor Adams stated he would like to see a cost benefit and cost recovery analysis of delivering water to Herring Cove, and inquired if there are any Federal and Provincial programs that would provide some cost sharing. The Councillor suggested a meeting with Mr. Maurice Lloyd, Harbour Solutions Project, could be arranged to discuss this further in relation to the Treatment Plant, to see if the process could be expedited.

Councillor Blumenthal congratulated the Water Commission on its report, and inquired about renewing infrastructure. Mr. Yates replied there are two infrastructure programs in place. With regard to the older mains, there is a policy on lead-lined replacement. If there is any sidewalk renewal work or paving occurring, the Commission's section of the lead service up to the street line is replaced at the same time.

Councillor Cooper extended congratulations to the Commission on its report. However, the Councillor expressed concern with a number of residents in the Municipality that are subject to using a poor water supply, and urged the Commission to explore as many avenues as possible to assist in solving this problem. In response to an inquiry of the Councillor regarding the integrated servicing study, Mr. Yates stated it is hoped this will be completed before the end of this fiscal year.

Responding to an inquiry of Councillor Mitchell regarding Prospect Road, Mr. Yates replied when service was extended to the Atlantic Winter Fair property, the pipe was oversized in anticipation of the eventual extension of service to Prospect Road.

Councillor Greenough extended congratulations to the Commission, particularly in the construction of the Dartmouth Water Treatment Plan. In terms of the Commission's profit, the Councillor stated caution needs to be exercised to ensure water rates are not set higher than necessary. Councillor Greenough also supported the idea of this utility being a line department.

Councillor Sarto expressed concern with water pressure on a portion of Mount Edward Road in Dartmouth. Mr. Yates replied this problem cannot be fixed overnight, but the Commission will do everything it can to focus on the areas where it knows a cost effective resolution can be achieved.

Councillor Barnet congratulated all staff of the Water Commission, particularly in the management of the schedule of long term debt and the diligence in obtaining low interest rates.

In closing the discussion, Councillor Hetherington, Vice Chair, Halifax Regional Water Commission, expressed pride in the Annual Report, complimenting the staff and members of the Commission on their excellent work. The Councillor also expressed appreciation to HRM staff for their assistance in coordinating projects between the Commission and HRM.

**MOVED by Councillors Hetherington and Cunningham that the Second Annual Report of the Halifax Regional Water Commission, dated March 31, 1998, be tabled. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Mayor Fitzgerald thanked Mr. Dick, Mr. Yates and all staff of the Water Commission for their excellent work.

**11. MOTIONS**

**11.1 Councillor Harvey**

**MOVED by Councillors Harvey and Hendsbee that Council maintain the supplementary funding levels for education in Halifax and Dartmouth and to increase the total supplementary funding paid to the School Board by a proportionate amount of County/Bedford funding, such proportionate County/Bedford funding to be phased in over ten (10) years.**

Councillor Harvey stated the motion is being put forth in the interest of fairness, equity and unity in the funding of education across HRM, as well as in the interest of the 58,000 students of the public school system. The Councillor stated the supplementary funding is an important service and HRM should be a leader in Nova Scotia in providing an education system in partnership with the School Board and the Province.

Councillor Hendsbee stated supplementary funding for education is appropriate but suggested it is an item that needs to go to the public in the form of a plebiscite.

Councillor Barnet stated if the Province would fulfill its commitments with respect to education, all issues of supplementary funding would be resolved. The Councillor suggested this matter should be referred to budget deliberations as that would be the proper time to debate this issue. Councillor Barnet noted in a recent survey conducted in his District, an overwhelming number of people stated they would not be willing to pay for supplementary funding, but also expressed dissatisfaction with the quality of education. The Councillor stated Council needs to lobby the Provincial Government to solve problem, as it is directly responsible for funding education.

**MOVED by Councillors Barnet and Kelly that the motion on the floor be referred to budget deliberations.**

Councillor Cooper stated he did not think the motion to refer was appropriate as this issue needs to be addressed.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**11.2 Councillor Stone**

**MOVED by Councillors Stone and Hetherington that Administrative Order Number 1 be amended to provide that a vote on a motion arising out of a presentation made at Council or an added item not be voted on by Council until a staff report and recommendation has been received from the Chief Administrative Officer.**

Councillor Stone expressed concern with Council not always looking at the ramifications of an issue in advance of voting. By implementing this amendment to the Administrative Order, the Councillor noted it does not preclude Council from immediately dealing with an issue as this can be done with a two-thirds majority vote.

Speaking against the motion, Councillors Cooper and Hendsbee stated it would impose undue limitations on Council.

Councillor Greenough expressed concern with the motion, stating there are a number of mechanisms built into the current procedure to accomplish this without amending the Administrative Order. Mr. Wayne Anstey, Municipal Solicitor, confirmed that stated Section 3 (2) of the Administrative Order permits Council, by a two-thirds majority vote, to suspend any one or more of the regulations contained within the Order.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**At a later point in the meeting, Councillor Hendsbee served a Notice of Motion of Reconsideration, seconded by Councillor Cooper, with respect to this issue.**

**12. ADDED ITEMS**

**12.1 Presentation - Mexico Trade Mission**

This item was addressed earlier in the meeting (see Page 6).

**12.2 Councillor Mitchell - Relocation of Super Mailboxes for Black Point**

Councillor Mitchell requested Council's support in endorsing the relocation of the super mailboxes for Black Point, and to direct staff to proceed with this.

**MOVED by Councillors Mitchell and Walker that Council endorse the relocation of the super mailboxes for Black Point, and to direct staff to proceed with this in consultation with Canada Post.**

Responding to an inquiry of Councillor Hetherington, Councillor Mitchell stated Canada Post has approved the relocation and will be responsible for the costs. In response to further questions of Council, Councillor Mitchell stated Canada Post needs to work with HRM staff with respect to safety issues in this matter.

Councilor Hendsbee suggested Canada Post should approach the Municipality first before these mailboxes are installed to ensure there are no concerns.

Councillor Sarto requested staff to provide information determining if an annual fee is collected from Canada Post for the use of public lands and who is responsible for snow removal.

Councillor Hetherington stated written approval should be obtained by Canada Post before permission is given to relocate these mailboxes.

Councillor Mitchell clarified he is requesting that Council direct staff to move ahead with this project and to provide Council with a report before the mailboxes are relocated.

**MOVED by Councillor Hetherington that this matter be referred to staff for a report “only” at this time.**

**There was no seconder to this motion.**

Councillor McInroy stated a staff report should not be required to start the process, as there are certain prerequisites that will have to be met before the relocation can occur.

Councillor Hendsbee suggested this issue should have been directed to the Works Department, and should not require a motion of Council to have the process initiated. Mr. Meech suggested the matter should be directed to the Real Estate Division to examine with Canada Post.

Mayor Fitzgerald suggested Council request that staff obtain the documents required by Canada Post and then bring the issue back to Council.

**MOVED by Councillors Mitchell and Walker that Council request staff to obtain the following requirements of Canada Post and then bring the issue back to Council:**

- C A plan or sketch of where the Superboxes may be located.**
- C A letter from the Fire Department stating their approval of the location**
- C A letter from the area Councillor submitting a completed “License to Occupy Municipality Property”**
- C Approval from the Nova Scotia Department of Transportation. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### **12.3 Land Matter - Sale of 2639 Sackville Drive**

- C This matter was discussed during an In Camera Session held prior to the public session.**



**MOVED by Councillors Barnet and Harvey that the recommendation adopted In Camera be ratified by Council. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**12.4 Land Matter - Expropriation, 308 Herring Cove Road**

C This matter was discussed during an In Camera Session held prior to the public session.

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Councillor Rankin declared a Conflict of Interest as he is an Irving franchise owner and withdrew himself from the discussion.

**MOVED by Councillors Adams and Walker that the recommendation adopted In Camera be ratified by Council. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**12.5 Land Matter - Lot "B" McLean Street**

C This matter was discussed during an In Camera Session held prior to the public session.

**MOVED by Councillors Uteck and Sarto that the recommendation adopted In Camera be ratified by Council. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**12.6 Appointment of Acting Mayor**

C This matter was discussed during an In Camera Session held prior to the public session.

**MOVED by Councillors Cunningham and Blumenthal that the recommendation adopted In Camera to appoint Councillor Greenough as Acting Mayor for the period of February 6-14, 1999, be ratified by Council. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Also, it was agreed that when similar situations arise in the future, when both the Mayor and Deputy Mayor are out of town, the immediate past Deputy Mayor will automatically be appointed Acting Mayor.

**12.7 Membership Appointments - Boards/Committees/Commissions**

C This matter was discussed during an In Camera Session held prior to the public session.

**MOVED** by Councillors Uteck and Sarto that the following recommendation adopted In Camera be ratified by Council:

1. Approve the reappointment of Alan Abraham, Eartha Monard, and Ann MacVicar as citizens on the Board of Police Commissioners. Terms to be staggered 1, 2 and 3 years respectively.
2. Approve the reappointment of citizens John Dick, Cheryl Newcombe and Ralph Settle to the Water Commission for a term of one year expiring March, 2000.
3. Confirm the appointment of Councillors Hendsbee, Walker, Barnet, Schofield and Fougere (Member -at-Large) to the Grants Committee. Terms of Reference to be revised to reflect representation.
4. Confirm the appointment of Deputy Mayor Uteck (Member-at-Large) and Councillors Greenough, Kelly, Dooks, and Stone and to the Membership Selection Committee. Terms of reference to be revised to reflect representation.
5. Approve the appointment of Councillor Rankin to fill the unexpired term of Councillor Dooks on the Board of Atlantic Winter Fair (term to expire March, 1999).
6. Approve the appointment of Wendy Levy to the Halifax-Dartmouth Natal Day Steering Committee. This member will fill the remainder of a four year term that will expire November, 2001.
7. Approve the appointment of Allan G. MacLellan and Terry McLaughlin as citizens on the Regional Heritage Advisory Committee. These members will fill the remainder of three year terms expiring November, 2000. **MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**12.8 Acknowledgement - 1st Woodlawn Scout Troop**

This item was addressed earlier in the meeting (see Page 5).

**13. NOTICES OF MOTION**

**13.1 Councillor Hendsbee**

Councillor Hendsbee served a **Notice of Motion of Reconsideration for February 9, 1999**, with respect to Item 11.2 Motion - Councillor Stone - Amendment to Administrative Order Number 1.

**13.2 Councillor Schofield**

Councillor Schofield served a **Notice of Motion of Rescission for February 9, 1999**, with respect to the restoration of transit service on Routes 52 and 53.

**13.3 Councillor Fougere**

Councillor Fougere served the following Notice of Motion:

**TAKE NOTICE** that at the next regular meeting of the Halifax Regional Council to be held on **Tuesday, the 9th day of February 1999**, I propose to place before Council a motion directing staff to include in its Local Improvement Procedure a requirement that residents charged a local improvement charge be notified in writing, immediately following the approval by Council of a local improvement project, approved

- (a) without right of petition; or
- (b) despite a petition against the imposition of such charges

that the project will proceed and that local improvement charges will be imposed.

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOVED by Councillors Blumenthal and Hetherington that the meeting adjourn at 8:55 p.m. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Vi Carmichael  
Municipal Clerk