3. That wells in the area be periodically checked to ensure that they are up to health standards.

Councillor MacDonald also advised Council that at the next meeting of the Metropolitan Authority, the Landfill Site will be discussed. In response to the Deputy Warden's third request (above) he advised that wells within one-half mile of the Landfill Site were all tested last year and were fine. He also advised that the Board of Health tests them every six months.

# DELEGATES, ANNUAL CONFERENCE-UNION OF NOVA SCOTIA MUNICIPALITIES

Mr. Kelly advised Council that the Annual Conference of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities was to be held the week of September 11th. He advised that it would be necessary for Council to appoint its five Delegates and five Alternates.

It was moved by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Wiseman:

"THAT the Warden choose the five Delegates and five Alternates to attend the Annual UNSM Conference and that there be a five-minute recess in which to do so." Motion Carried.

# APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY REPRESENTATIVE - HALIFAX PORT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Mr. Kelly outlined to Council, the following memo:

"The Municipality has been requested to approve the appointment of a Halifax County representative on the Halifax Port Development Authority.

Warden MacKenzie has received letters and resumes from three individuals indicating an interest in an appointment to the Halifax Port Development Authority. Attached for Council's information are the letters and resumes from these individuals.

This item was reviewed by the Policy Committee at their July 29, 1983 meeting, at which time an additional nomination was recommended to Council for consideration. It was further understood that additional candidates may be nominated by Council.

The Policy Committee submit the following persons as candidates for an appointment to the Halifax Port Development Authority:

- Peter Holmes; 1.
- 2. Don MacLeod;
- 3. George Richards;
- 4. Ira Settle."

It was moved by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Snow:

"THAT the four above names be nominated for appointment to the Halifax Development Port Authority and further that an election be held." Motion Carried.

Councillor Gaetz spoke at length in support of the nomination of Mr. Ira Settle, former Warden of the Municipality of the County of Halifax.

Councillor MacKay spoke on behalf of Mr. Don MacLeod, referring often to his impressive resume.

Councillor MacDonald spoke on behalf of Mr. George Richards, also referring to his resume.

Councillor Deveaux spoke on behalf of Mr. Peter Holmes bringing up many points in Mr. Holmes' resume.

(Please refer to the attached resumes for detailed information, if required).

Council briefly discussed the voting procedure to be followed and agreed to proceed as usual dropping the name with the lowest votes and voting again on the remaining names until one is elected by majority of votes.

Mr. Kelly distributed ballots to Council and subsequently collected them in the Ballot Box. Councillors MacDonald, Deveaux, Gaetz, and MacKay were asked to come forward to oversee the counting of the ballots.

The results	were	as	follows:
Holmes	- 2		
MacLeod	- 2		
Richards	- 7		
Settle	- 7		

Council agreed to hold a further election between Mr. Richards and Mr. Settle.

Ballots were again distributed and collected in the Ballot Box. Councillors MacDonald and Gaetz remained to oversee the counting of the Ballots.

The results were as follows: Richards - 10 Settle - 8

Therefore, Mr. George Richards was elected as the Municipality's representative on the Halifax Port Development Authority.

At this point in the Council Session Deputy Warden Margeson assumed the role of Chairman in order that Warden MacKenzie could retire temporarily to chose the representatives of the UNSM Annual Conference.

# PRESTON FIBERGLASS - COUNCILLOR MACKAY

This item had been added to this evenings agenda by Councillor MacKay.

A report from Lorne Denny, Industrial Promotions Officer, was circulated to all Councillors, regarding a request to lease the formerly approved Unican Building to the Preston Fiberglass Company, sponsored by the East Preston Lions Club.

Mr. Lorne Denny, who was present for the discussion of this item, also requested that Council approve reduced \$175,000 loan for the construction of a building with lease to Preston Fiberglass Company Limited with financing to be a ten-year mortgage or a reducing loan to the Halifax County Industrial Commission.

The Report provided the following information supporting the above request:

"The Municipality of the County of Halifax approved a mortgage of \$220,000 to Unican Video Electronics and a \$50,000 mortgage to Preston Fiberglass Company Limited on or about August, 1982.

The Department of Development, Province of Nova Scotia, supported the Musquodoboit land and building with a grant of \$75,000. Seven acres were deeded to HCIC for building development and three acres were allotted to DOT for road construction.

The Government of Canada Division of Employment and Immigration supported the project with a \$179,000 NEED Program. Two-thirds of site preparation and road construction has been completed.

The Halifax County Industrial Commission have negotiated with G. & M. Construction for reduced costs to \$165,000 from the \$220,000 cost of the Unican Building. Assistance from Federal and Provincial Governments and minor changes to the interior of the building resulted in this \$55,000 reduction and further cuts are being negotiated. The Commission will complete parking areas, landscaping and installation of poles and power lines.

The Preston Fiberglass Company lease at Burnside expires on September 30, 1983. The company required larger than existing facilities and have requested County participation.

The Building Permit was issued by the Building Inspection Department this year to G. & M. Construction. The building is in storage and could be made ready for occupancy by September 30, 1983, upon approval of this request to Council."

Mr. Denny recommended approval of the request.

Attached to the Report was a table of the rental rate and mortgage reductions for 7,000 sq. ft. at a cost of \$175,000.

Mr. Denny advised that should the County wish to charge interest on the outstanding monthly balance the debt would be retired in 8 years or less. In the event that Preston Fiberglass does not survive, the building could be leased to another tenant and probably at a higher rate. The mortgage would be paid at the end of the 9th year and at a profit of \$24,684.

Also attached was a letter from Preston Fiberglass which advised: "The forecast for the company's next two years looks promising and, depending upon a Board decision, Preston Fiberglass would like the opportunity, in the future, to purchase the building at a cost equal to the outstanding principal payments."

Councillors DeRoche and McInroy indicated their opposition to selling the building to Preston Fiberglass for the cost of the outstanding principal payments, at some time in the future. However, Mr. Denny indicated that this provision was not included in his suggested motion which was also attached to the Report.

With regard to the reduction in costs of \$55,000, mentioned in the Report, Mr. Denny provided Council with the following reasons for this reduction:

- 1. 1,000 sq. ft. of second floor removed.
- 2. light requirement reduced from 75 candle light to 50 candle light due to the nature of the business.
- 3. loading dock not required (drive in only).
- 4. no loading dock reduces footing depth from 8' to 4' and amount of concrete for foundation.
- removal of hill and levelling under Provincial and NEED Program. This included culverts and drainage system, gravel materials were used for road bed.
- 6. removal of washrooms on second floor.
- 7. removal of make up air handling system and replaced with centrifugal force high speed air removal fans.
- turn building to north south and to front on new road. Less complicated parking and driveway.

Mr. Denny also indicated that the Municipality would be supplying the following for \$10,000:

- 1. Electrical transformer and power lines to new building.
- 2. Gravel for driveway and parking area.
- 3. Bank reinforcement and planting of trees to prevent erosion.
- 4. Cost of three street lights.
- 5. Rip wrap on side embankment.

Subsequent to further discussion of this project and the LEAP (Local Employment Assistance Program) in general, under which this project had been approved by the Provincial Government,

It was moved by Councillor MacKay, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

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"THAT approval is hereby granted to Halifax County Industrial Commission for: (1) Construction of a 7,000 sq. ft. building at Musquodoboit Harbour, (2) Awarding of a contract to G. & M. Construction, (3) a \$175,000 prime interest loan, reducing monthly and, (4) Granting a yearly lease to Preston Fiberglass Company Limited." Motion Carried.

Councillors Larsen and Poirier were opposed to the motion based on the Municipality's financial risk in involvement with this project.

At this point in the meeting Warden MacKenzie resumed his role as Chairman of the Council Session.

APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATES TO ANNUAL UNION OF NOVA SCOTIA MUNICIPALITIES CONFERENCE

Warden MacKenzie indicated that the following Councillors had been selected as Delegates and Alternates, representing the Municipality at the Annual UNSM Conference:

# Delegates

# Alternates

Warden MacKenzie Councillor Larsen Councillor Wiseman Councillor Reid Councillor McInroy Councillor Poirier Councillor Gaudet Councillor MacKay Councillor Eisenhauer Councillor DeRoche

Warden MacKenzie advised Councillors that the Municipality will be paying the registration for both Delegates and Alternates as well as any other Councillors who wish to attend the Conference as observers. He requested that any Councillors who are planning to attend contact his office as soon as possible so that when they go to register they will not have to pay. He also pointed out that some members of Council may only want to attend the Dinner; his office required this information as well in order to pick up the tickets.

#### ADDITION OF ITEMS FOR NEXT COUNCIL AGENDA

1. Relationship between Halifax County Industrial Commission and Council - Councillor MacKay.

## NEW BUSINESS

It was moved by Councillor MacKay, seconded by Councillor Snow:

"THAT the Municipality write to the St. John Ambulance Association of Nova Scotia in recognition of their 100th Anniversary and on behalf of the residents of Halifax County, thank them for their continuing contribution to the Municipality." Motion Carried.

## ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Councillor Gaetz, seconded by Councillor DeRoche: "THAT the Regular Council Session adjourn." Motion Carried.

There being no further business, the Session adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

# REGULAR COUNCIL SESSION - SHEET HARBOUR

#### AUGUST 16, 1983

PRESENT	WERE:	Warden MacKenzie, Chairman
		Councillor Poirier
		Councillor Gaudet
		Councillor Baker
		Councillor DeRoche
		Councillor Adams
		Councillor Gaetz
		Councillor Bayers
		Councillor Reid
		Councillor Snow
		Deputy Warden Margeson
		Councillor MacKay
		Councillor McInroy
		Councillor Eisenhauer
		Councillor MacDonald
		Councillor Mont

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. K. R. Meech, Chief Administrative Officer Mr. Keith Birch, Chief of Planning & Development Ms. Lynne Henry, Acting Solicitor

SECRETARY: Christine E. Simmons

# OPENING OF COUNCIL - THE LORD'S PRAYER

Warden MacKenzie brought the Regular Council Session to order at the Duncan MacMillan High School in Sheet Harbour, at 6:00 P.M. with The Lord's Prayer.

# ROLL CALL

Mr. Meech then called the Roll.

# APPOINTMENT OF RECORDING SECRETARY

It was moved by Councillor DeRoche, seconded by Councillor McInroy:

"THAT Christine E. Simmons be appointed Recording Secretary." Motion Carried.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

At this time Warden MacKenzie welcomed those citizens of the area and members of the Sheet Harbour Board of Trade who had arrived to observe the Council Session. As well, he introduced to Council, his wife and mother who had also arrived to observe the Council Session.

# APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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It was moved by Councillor Baker, seconded by Councillor Gaetz:

"THAT the Minutes of the June 13, 1983 Public Hearing be approved as amended." Motion Carried.

It was moved by Councillor Poirier, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

"THAT the Minutes of the May 2, 1982 Public Hearing be approved." Motion Carried.

#### ADDITION TO AGENDA ITEMS

Warden MacKenzie questioned whether any Councillors had any items of an emergency nature which they would like to have added to this evening's agenda.

There were no items to add.

#### LETTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE

It was moved by Councillor Gaudet, seconded by Councillor Mont:

"THAT the Letters and Correspondence be received." Motion Carried.

# Letter From the Environmental Protection Service of Environment Canada

Mr. Meech outlined to Council a lengthy letter from the Environmental Protection Service of Environment Canada which was in response to Mr. Kelly's Council-authorized letter of July 18, 1983 regarding the disposal of hazardous waste. This letter basically advised that Environment Canada has no control over the disposal of hazardous waste on land. Therefore, he assumed it must be a Provincial matter.

It was moved by Councillor DeRoche, seconded by Councillor McInroy:

"THAT the letter from Environment Canada regarding the disposal of hazardous waste be referred to the Urban Services Committee." Motion Carried.

#### Letter From the Office of the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans

Mr. Meech outlined to Council the letter from the Office of the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans in response to the Municipality's letter dated May 2, 1983 regarding the condition of the Federal Wharf at Eastern Passage, N.S.

This letter advised:

"Regional Small Craft Harbours officials have a class "D" estimate for this work, which is in excess of \$800,000. To more accurately establish the extent and cost of repairs, Public Works Canada have been requested to carry out a geo-technical investigation. Once this work has been completed, my regional officials will be contacting you directly."

It was moved by Councillor Mont, seconded by Councillor Gaetz:

"THAT the letter from the Office of the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans regarding the Federal Wharf at Eastern Passage, be tabled." Motion Carried.

# Letter From the Department of Health

A letter had been received from the Office of the Department of Health in response to the Municipality's letter of July 19, 1983 concerning funding of the Victorian Order of Nurses.

Mr. Meech advised that the Minister's letter indicates that the Province has been financially assisting the VON for several years.

Mr. Meech also advised that the VON are proposing to meet with the Minister, August 23, 1983. He advised that himself and Deputy Warden Margeson would be attending that meeting on behalf of the Municipality. He indicated that the objective of the meeting is to determine whether any further financial support can be obtained from the Province.

It was moved by Councillor McInroy, seconded by Councillor DeRoche:

"THAT the letter from the Office of the Minister of the Department of Health concerning funding for the VON be tabled until the meeting between the Minister and the VON is held, August 23, 1983." Motion Carried.

# Letter From the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities

A letter had been received from Mr. Sherman Zwicker of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities which advised:

"Attached please find a Notice of Motion regarding a proposed dues increase, to become effective January 1, 1984, for consideration by our Annual Conference. Said Notice was agreed to at a meeting of Officers held in Truro, July 27th, 1983. Explanatory notes concerning the proposed increase appear on the reverse side of the Notice. (Please refer to Notice contained in Council Agenda, if detail is required).

You are asked to bring this Notice of Motion to the attention of your council at the first opportunity. A copy of the Notice with explanatory notes will also be included in each Delegate's kit at the Conference."

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This Notice of Motion relating to a proposed 22% increase in dues was discussed at length by Council. Many Council Members felt that the increase was too great, especially in view of the Provincial guidelines of 6% and 5%; however, other Council Members pointed out that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalites Office is run very efficiently with only Mr. Zwicker and two secretaries employed by the Union.

Councillor Eisenhauer pointed out that the increase is required only to recover costs of the Annual Conference. As well, he indicated the many benefits derrived from the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities.

It was moved by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Baker:

"THAT the Notice of Motion relative to an increase in UNSM dues be referred to the Management Committee for discussion prior to the Annual Conference of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities." Motion Carried.

#### Letters, Re: Department of Culture, Recreation and Fitness

Letters were included in the Council Agenda from:

- The Department of Culture, Recreation and Fitness, Office of the Minister, to Warden MacKenzie;
- 2. To the Minister in response, from Warden MacKenzie;
- 3. From the Department of Municipal Affairs to Warden MacKenzie, also in response to the Minister's letter; and
- To the Minister of Municipal Affairs, from Warden MacKenzie, in response to the Minister's letter.

These four letters were outlined together by Mr. Meech.

The first letter to Warden MacKenzie from the Minister of the Department of Culture, Recreation and Fitness, congratulated the Municipality on the success of recreation programs offered by the Municipality during the past year; the letter in response from Warden MacKenzie was one of acknowlegement and thanks to the Minister.

The letter from the Minister of Municipal Affairs to Warden MacKenzie indicated that the Minister had received a copy of the letter from the Department of Culture, Recreation and Fitness and added words of praise from the Department of Municipal Affairs, for the success of the Municipality's Recreation Programs while the fourth letter in reply was also one of acknowledgement and thanks from Warden MacKenzie.

The above letters were for Council's information only.

PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT AND SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

It was moved by Councillor DeRoche, seconded by Councillor Snow:

"THAT the Planning Advisory Committee Report and the Supplementary Planning Advisory Committee Report be received." Motion Carried.

# Allen Heights Parkland Dedication, Lots P-4, P-5 and P-8

Mr. Birch outlined to Council the PAC Report on this item, which advised, as follows:

"The Committee, in response to Council's referral motion of this matter, heard from Mr. W. J. Skinner, Director of the Allen Heights Property Owners Association, Mr. E. T. Dorey, Allen Heights Development Limited, and Councillor Walker.

Mr. Skinner indicated that because of: (a) environmental concerns, particularly maintenance of water table; (b) the concept of the development, with relatively large areas of passive parkland; (c) willingness of the Association to accept control and expense; and (d) commitment by the County Council in 1977 to ownership, that the Committee should reverse its decision of June 27, 1983, to return the deed for P-4 and P-5 to Allen Heights Development Limited.

Mr. Dorey indicated that it was his belief that he had dedicated Lot P-7 (ballfield) to replace park areas P-4 and P-5 and that he had simply neglected to ask for return of the deed at that time. (Staff indicated to the Committee that there is no record of this, but that reference could be found to such relative to Parkland P-1, which apparently was reduced to accomodate three more lots). It is Mr. Dorey's intention to subdivide the narrow portion and sell it to adjacent land owners, and keep the square block fronting on Glenwood Drive for his own purposes, other than building lot purposes. He also indicated that he would provide a deed for the P-8 block.

Councillor Walker indicated that the Parklands in Allen Heights, i.e. specifically, P-4, was meant to be for active recreation, and when that was not to be the case, in essence, Mr. Dorey had turned over lands that the County had no right to accept at that time. However, the citizens also had a reasonable concern.

After considerable discussion of these separate viewpoints, the following motions were passed:

That it be recommended to Council that Lot P-4 of the Allen Heights Development be returned to Allen Heights Development Limited.

and

That it also be recommended to Council to accept ownership of Lot P-5 of the Allen Heights Development upon receipt of the Deed with adequate legal description."

Mr. Birch advised Council, at this time, that Lot P-8 should be included in the second motion passed by the Planning Advisory Committee.

This issue was discussed at length by Council, with Councillor Eisenhauer providing much of the history of the original transactions relative to parkland, at the time the subdivision had been developed. Resulting from this lengthy Council discussion were the following motions:

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It was moved by Councillor MacKay, seconded by Councillor Gaetz:

"THAT Lot P-4 of the Allen Heights Development be returned to Allen Heights Development Limited." (See Motion to Defer).

It was moved by Deputy Warden Margeson, seconded by Councillor Gaudet:

"THAT the issue of ownership of Lots P-4, P-5 and P-8 of the Allen Heights Subdivision be deferred until the area Councillor is present." Motion Defeated.

At this time the question was called on the original motion.

It was moved by Councillor MacKay, seconded by Councillor Gaetz:

"As written previously." Motion Defeated.

It was moved by Councillor DeRoche, seconded by Councillor Adams:

"THAT ownership of Lots P-4, P-5 and P-8 of the Allen Heights Subdivision be accepted by the Municipality of the County of Halifax and further that the deeds to these lots be registered at the Registry of Deeds." Motion Carried.

# Automotive Repair Outlets

Mr. Birch outlined this item from the Supplementary Planning Advisory Committee Report, which advised:

"The Committee discussed this staff report, which contained three possible options concerning yards abutting residential lots. The Committee decided that the same rules that apply to C-2 zones should apply to these areas, and that there should be no change from this type of zone. The following motion was passed:

That Automotive Repair Outlets in the Sackville Area be subject to the same restrictions as the Business Zones in the C-2 area, and that a Supplementary Report be sent to Council containing the recommendation that this be approved, and that the recommended date for a public hearing be September 19, 1983."

It was moved by Councillor MacKay, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

"THAT a Public Hearing be held September 22nd, 1983 to consider automotive repair outlets in the Sackville area, subject to the same restrictions as the Business Zones in the C-2 area." Motion Carried. Council changed the recommended date of the Public Hearing from September 19th to September 22nd, as September 19th was the third Monday in September and therefore would be the evening of Meetings of School Trustees when School Area Rates are discussed.

The change in date was agreed to by Council.

# Zoning By-Laws: Amendments to Definitions for Established Grade and Height

Mr. Birch also outlined this item from the Supplementary Report which read:

"Staff presented five similar amendments to the Zoning By-Laws for Sackville, Cole Harbour-Westphal, Eastern Passage-Cow Bay, Timberlea-Lakeside-Beechville, and North Preston-Lake Major-Lake Loon Cherry Brook and East Preston. Staff explained that the basic reason for these amendments was to permit a 35 foot house to have a pitched roof rather than only a flat roof. The Committee discussed these amendments, after which the following motion was passed:

That amendments to the Sackville, Cole Harbour-Westphal, Eastern Passage-Cow Bay, Timberlea-Lakeside-Beechville, and North Preston Lake Major-Lake Loon-Cherry Brook and East Preston Zoning By-Laws be recommended to Council for approval, and that the recommended date for Public Hearing be September 19, 1983."

It was moved by Councillor Poirier, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

"THAT a Public Hearing be held September 22nd, 1983 to deal with amendments to the Zoning By-Laws of the five MDP areas of the Municipality, relative to definitions for established grade and height."

(See Motion to Amend)

Councillor DeRoche recommended an amendment to the above Public Hearing date, as he felt that September 22nd would not give the PPC Committees enough time to review the amendments; he felt that sometime in early October would be more appropriate.

It was amended by Councillor DeRoche, seconded by Councillor Mont:

"THAT the date for the Public Hearing to amend Zoning By-Laws in the five MDP areas of the Municipality be October 3rd, 1983." Amendment Carried.

Subsequently the question was called on the motion as amended.

It was moved by Councillor Poirier, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

"THAT a Public Hearing be held October 3rd, 1983 to deal with amendments to the Zoning By-Laws of the five MDP areas of the Municipality, relative to definitions for established grade and heights." Motion Carried. Deputy Warden Margeson then indicated that the Public Hearing to deal with Automotive Repair Outlets was not intended to be a lengthy Hearing. He questioned whether or not it should be held on an evening by itself, as it had originally been intended to be held with the Zoning By-Law amendments, or whether it should be coupled with a Regular Council Session agenda.

This issue was discussed briefly by Council and it was determined that the Automotive Repair Outlets Public Hearing should be held in conjunction with a Regular Council Session rather than call all Councillors into the Council Chambers for a brief Hearing which would cost a great deal of money.

It was moved by Councillor MacKay, seconded by Councillor DeRoche:

"THAT there be a notice of a motion to reconsider at the end of the Council Session regarding the date for a Public Hearing for consideration of Automotive Repair Outlets in Sackville." Motion Carried.

# PROVINCIAL BUILDING CODE ACT

Mr. Birch reviewed for Council, the Supplementary Planning Advisory Committee Report on this item, which advised:

"The Committee reviewed a request from the Municipality of Barrington to support and endorse a resolution concerning the Provincial Building Code. (attached) The recommendation contained in this resolution is that it be endorsed, that the Minister of Municipal Affairs be so notified, and that it be supported by the Municipality at the Annual Conference of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities. After discussion, the following motion was passed:

That the resolution of the Municipality of Barrington concerning the Provincial Building Code Act be recommended to Council for approval and that the Minister of Municipal Affairs be so notified, and that it be supported by the Municipality at the Annual Conference of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities."

The Resolution of the Municipality of Barrington was as follows:

"Be it therefore resolved that the Minister of Municipal Affairs be urged not to adopt the Provincial Building Code Act and that the results sought be accomplished by way of encouraging those Municipal Units without Building By-Laws to adopt same. Further that all Municipal Units be encouraged to keep their Building By-Laws up to date by adopting the latest National Building Code and that the funds available for this proposal be applied toward restoring the Municipal Grants Act funding and increase assistance for other cost-shared programs which have been severely restricted such as social welfare, etc; be it further resolved that this resolution be forwarded to the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalties for their endorsement and support." Mr. Birch advised Council that the Act would make the 1980 National Building Code operational throughout the Province as a provincial regulation. This, in itself, would be a desirable situation. However, in doing so, it would supercede the Municipality's Building By-Law. He advised that the County is already operating under the 1980 Building Code. However, the Act would have the following major effects:

- 1. The discretionary permissions (nuisance, etc.) would disappear;
- 2. Appeal to the Municipal Building Board would disappear;
- Enforcement of the Plumbing Regulations of the National Building Code;
- Prosecution under the Act.

In addition, he advised Council that the Act provides for cost-sharing where two or more Municipalities joined to create regional enforcement operation. If this was applied to all Municipal Units, the cost-sharing for the County would be based on \$203,504.00 for 1982, according to the following:

Total cost of Building Inspection	\$330,554.00
Revenue From Building Permits	\$127,050.00
Net Cost	\$203,504.00

Mr. Birch then advised that to have the 1980 Building Code in operation province-wide is obviously a desirable state of affairs. However, the question remains as to how this should be achieved, either at the provincial level, (in the absence of complete municipal action), or by municipalities, along the lines of the Barrington resolution. If there are provincial funds available as contemplated by the Act, then these should be used in accordance with that Resolution.

Mr. Birch supported the recommendation of the Planning Advisory Committee on this matter.

Council debated this issue at length and, based on the negative impacts of adoption of the Provincial Building Code Act, the following resolution was proposed:

It was moved by Councillor DeRoche, seconded by Councillor Adams:

"THAT the recommendation of the Planning Advisory Committee relative to the Provincial Building Code Act be adopted by Municipal Council." (See Motion to Refer)

Councillor McInroy indicated that as he and other Councillors not on the Planning Advisory Committee had just received this information today, he would like further time to study the issue.

It was moved by Councillor Mont, seconded by Councillor McInroy:

"THAT the Report and Recommendation of PAC, relative to the Provincial Building Code Act, be tabled and referred to the Policy Committee for further discussion." Motion Carried.

Mr. Meech advised that he would contact the Minister to advise that the Municipality would be responding to his request for information and advice but that the Municipality would require additional time, (approximately one month) past the August 31, deadline to make its submission.

This was agreed to by Council.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT

It was moved by Councillor DeRoche, seconded by Councillor Adams:

"THAT the Report of the Director of Development be received for information purposes." Motion Carried.

At this time Warden MacKenzie wished to point out the difference between the number of building permits issued and the construction costs in the Municipality between July 31, 1982 and July 31, 1983, as follows:

		<u>1982</u>	<u>1983</u>
Permits Constr.	•	1379 \$25,179,346.00	1857 \$48,573,722.00

Councillors were impressed with the above information which suggested a vast improvement in construction in the Municipality.

# MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

It was moved by Councillor Gaudet, seconded by Councillor Gaetz:

"THAT the Management Committee Report be received." Motion Carried.

# Request For Grant - Dartmouth General Hospital

Mr. Meech outlined the information regarding the above-mentioned grant request, from the Management Committee Report, which read:

"The Management Committee discussed correspondence dated July 27, 1983 to Warden MacKenzie requesting a grant in the amount of \$10,000. for the year 1983 for the Dartmouth General Hospital.

The Management Committee previously received correspondence from the Dartmouth General Hospital to cost share in capital funding. (In the amount of 20% of an annual cost of \$350,000.00)

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The Management Committee wish to inform Council that both requests will be considered by the Committee at an early date and will report to Council following their review of these requests."

This item was for information only.

Councillor Adams indicated that he would like to have both himself and Councillor DeRoche invited to the Management Committee Meeting at which this issue is discussed further.

This was agreed to by Council.

## ADDITION TO AGENDA

Council agreed to discuss a Supplementary Item regarding the Social Services Department, Brief to Task Group on Social Services.

Mr. Meech outlined to Council a memo from Mr. Edward Mason, Director of Social Services, to Warden MacKenzie and Council Members.

This memo advised that in a letter dated April 19th addressed to Warden MacKenzie, the Municipality was invited to submit to the Task Group on Social Services any concerns or comments relative to the Task Force (to examine Homes for Special Care) Terms of Reference. The memo further advised that the Warden has requested the view of the Social Services Department with regard to the various topics under consideration. A Staff Report was being prepared for presentation to the Task Force when the meetings are convened in the Metro Area.

Mr. Meech advised that he was in concurrence with Mr. Mason's intention to prepare a Staff Report for presentation to the Task Force.

It was moved by Councillor MacKay, seconded by Councillor Baker:

"THAT the Department of Social Services prepare a Report for Submission to the Task Force on Social Services." Motion Carried.

Mr. Meech advised that it would be his intention to have this Report prepared in conjunction with the Policy Committee. This suggestion was agreed to by Municipal Council.

#### REPORT, RE: METROPOLITAN AUTHORITY

Councillor MacDonald advised that there have been no meetings of the Metropolitan Authority since the last Report to Council. Therefore, there was nothing new to Report. He advised he would pleased to answer any questions from Council if there were any.

However, there were no questions from Council.

# REPORT, RE: HALIFAX COUNTY INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

A memorandum was included in the Council Agenda which outlined suggested changes to procedures and by-laws for the purpose of establishing clear lines of communication between Municipal Council and the Industrial Commission.

These suggested changes were as follows:

1. Establish as a matter of policy, a regular reporting procedure to Council on a semi-annual basis. It is suggested that the Commission provide an information report and accounting to Municipal Council in May and October of each year. This suggestion is being made with the knowledge that Council also has an opportunity to review the activities of the Commission during the budget review process which is expected to take place during the months of January and-or February of each year. It is also understood that the Commission may require making recommendations and proposals to Council from time to time to deal with specific issues that have not previously been contemplated which can be accomodated during the regular Council sessions.

The reporting format to Council should be in a written brief supported by the Chairman and Executive Director.

- 2. It is suggested that the Industrial Commission By-Laws be amended to reflect, in Section 16, that all staff resources and support services required by the Commission will be provided directly by the Municipality and further that all employees assigned to the Commission be determined to be employees of Halifax County -Municipality in accord with the personnel policies and procedures of the Municipality. It is understood that in addition to the specific staff resources assigned to the Commission to support their efforts and activities that the Commission will have the right of access to all staff resources of the Municipality through the office of the Chief Administrative Officer.
- 3. It is suggested that the Commission establish as a matter of procedure the distribution of all minutes of the Executive Committee and the Commission to members of Council on a confidential basis.
- 4. It is recommended that Section 9 of the By-Laws be amended to change the fiscal year of the Commission to the calendar year to conform to the fiscal year of the Municipality. (Jan. 1 December 31)
- 5. On the subject of financial control, the Commission will continue the practice of preparing an annual budget for recommendation and submission to Council which will adequately identify the proposed expenditures and activities of the Commission for the fiscal period. Additionally, with respect to special projects requiring funding by the Municipality, i.e. Aerotech Park, it is suggested

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that the Commission prepare, on an annual or semi-annual basis, a projected plan identifying the estimated sums required supplemented by specific detail to indicate purpose of the proposed expenditures. In simple terms dealing with special projects, i.e. Aerotech, the Commission will operate on the assumption that the borrowing authority granted by Council represents a line of credit and thereby necessitating periodically that the Commission indicate its requirement for a stated period which would be presented to Council as required for their consideration and approval.

Subsequent to brief discussion, in which Mr. Meech advised that the Halifax County Industrial Commission had agreed with the above suggested changes and amendments, which would improve communication and the reporting relationship between Council and the Commission,

It was moved by Councillor MacKay, seconded by Councillor Adams:

"THAT Council approve of the five above-mentioned changes to procedures and by-laws that would assist in establishing clear lines of communication and authority between Municipal Council and the Halifax County Industrial Commission." Motion Carried.

# INFORMATION ITEM

Warden MacKenzie advised that he had received a letter from Davis Clark -& Associates, Solicitors for the proponent in the Cobequid Industrial Park Hearing.

This letter indicated Mr. Clark's feeling that a number of Councillors who were not on Council at the time of the original Public Hearing in 1981 would be unfamiliar with the Cobequid Industrial Park Plans. He suggested that these Councillors and any other interested Councillors meet with him August 19th between 4:00 P.M. and 6:00 P.M., in the Seminar Room of the Atlantic Inn for an information meeting.

Councillor Snow advised that the same message had been relayed to him by Mr. Pearson of the Cobequid Industrial Park Partnership Company, the proponent. Councillor Snow had, in turn, invited the Executive of the Riverlake Resident's Association.

Councillor MacDonald indicated his opinion that Councillors should be briefed regarding this issue by Staff not by the Developer.

Warden MacKenzie advised that was not the purpose of the meeting; it was only an information meeting regarding the proponent's plans for the park.

Mr. Meech advised that the Environmental Control Council Report has been made available to all Councillors; he also indicated that, if so desired, the Riverlake Resident's Association could also hold an information meeting. However, Councillor DeRoche indicated his opinion that a Public Hearing is being held to hear both sides of the story impartially. Therefore, he felt that no special meetings should be held previous to the Hearing. He advised that he would have no intention of attending such a meeting.

Councillor Mont questioned whether the invitation precluded the members or executive of the Riverlake Resident's Association and was advised by Warden MacKenzie that the Association had been informed of the meeting and invited to attend by Councillor Snow. However, Mr. Clark had only requested the attendance of Councillors through the Warden's Office.

Councillor Snow indicated that his opinion on the issue was in line with that of Councillor DeRoche; he would be opposed to any such meeting.

However, Councillor MacKay advised that if the proponent wishes to issue an invitation to Councillors it is up to Councillors whether they wish to attend or not to attend. He did not think an official delegation should be sent to this meeting but that any Councillor who wished to attend should merely show up at the suggested time.

Council agreed with the opinion of Councillor MacKay.

#### NEW BUSINESS

## Spraying Program, Nova Scotia - Warden MacKenzie

Warden MacKenzie read to Council a pamphlet handed to him this afternoon at the Tourist Beureau, which was in opposition to the spraying of 24D and 245T in the Province of Nova Scotia.

The pamphlet invited Tourists to visit Nova Scotia's poison laden fields and valleys, etc.

Councillors indicated their concern that this type of literature was being distributed at a Tourist Information Bureau thus defeating the purpose of the many dollars spent in promoting Tourism in the Province.

However, Warden MacKenzie indicated his opinion that only one pamphlet was given to himself for information purposes and that they were not distributed as a rule from Tourist Bureaus.

It was moved by Councillor McInroy, seconded by Deputy Warden Margeson:

"THAT this matter be referred to the Policy Committee for consideration and that a recommendation be made to Council or, alternatively, if deemed advisable, a recommendation for Council not to become involved in this issue." Motion Defeated.

This motion was defeated as it was felt that the Policy Committee could not make a proper determination without the benefit of scientific information. As well, the issue was to be discussed at the upcoming FCM Conference and also because there was a case, relative to the spraying of these chemicals, before the Courts at the present time. It was felt that it would be inappropriate to take any action on this issue until the above items were completed.

It was moved by Councillor DeRoche, seconded by Councillor MacKay:

"THAT the only information pamphlets to be made available at Tourism Information Bureaus within the Municipality of the County of Halifax, be those endorsed by the Nova Scotia Department of Tourism and those endorsed by the Municipality's own Tourism Director."

Motion Carried.

Prior to the passing of the above motion, Councillor Reid indicated that the above was already the case; however, Councillors DeRoche and MacKay wished to pass the motion in order to ensure that the present policy was being carried out.

It was moved by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Snow:

"THAT a letter be written to the Minister of Tourism informing him of the literature which had been given to the Warden and which is being distributed requsting that he ensure that it does not continue to be distributed in Tourism Bureaus and further take appropriate action to ensure that it is no longer distributed at all." Motion Carried.

Several Councillors felt that the above motion was indicating an overreaction to the pamphlet; however, subsequent to brief discussion, the motion was passed by Council.

# Letter to Board of Trade and MLA - Deputy Warden Margeson

It was moved by Deputy Warden Margeson, seconded by Councillor Gaetz:

"THAT a letter be sent to the Sheet Harbour Board of Trade and the area MLA thanking them for the Dinner which they prepared for the Councillors this evening and that these thanks be passed along to the people who assisted in serving the Dinner." Motion Carried.

# Voting Priviledges, Warden MacKenzie - Deputy Warden Margeson

Deputy Warden Margeson expressed his concern that the Warden would not be present for the second Session of the Metro Aggregates Public Hearing; under the new Planning Act, he questioned the Warden's ability to vote on the issue, if he is not present at the second Session. The Deputy Warden suggested, therefore, that the second Session of the Hearing be postponed until the Warden can be available.

However, Warden MacKenzie was unwilling to postpone the Hearing any further and advised that there was a possibility that he would be available for the Hearing.

# ADDITION OF ITEMS TO NEXT AGENDA

The following items were added to the next Council agenda:

- Report from the City of Halifax, Re: Outflow in Herring Cove and McIntosh's Run - Councillor Baker;
- District School Board Progress Report, Re: Capital School Projects - Councillor Adams.

# NOTICE OF MOTION TO RECONSIDER

It was moved by Councillor MacKay, seconded by Councillor McInroy:

"THAT a Public Hearing be held September 20th, at 7:00 P.M. during the Regular Council Session to consider automotive repair outlets in the Sackville area, subject to the same restrictions as the Business Zones in the C-2 Area." Motion Carried.

# ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Councillor McInroy, seconded by Councillor DeRoche:

"THAT the Regular Council Session adjourn." Motion Carried.

Therefore, there being no further business, the Regular Council Session adjourned at 8:55 P.M.

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# REGULAR COUNCIL SESSION

# SEPTEMBER 6, 1983

PRESENT	WERE:
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Warden MacKenzie, Chairman Deputy Warden Margeson Councillor Walker Councillor Poirier Councillor Larsen Councillor Gaudet Councillor Baker Councillor Deveaux Councillor DeRoche Councillor Adams Councillor Gaetz Councillor Bayers Councillor Reid Councillor Lichter Councillor Snow Councillor MacKay Councillor McInroy Councillor Eisenhauer Councillor MacDonald Councillor Wiseman Councillor Mont

ALSO PRESENT:	Mr. K	. R. Meech,	Chief Administrative	Officer
	Mr. G	. J. Kelly,	Municipal Clerk	
A TO SHOW OF A	Mr. R	obert Cragg,	Municipal Solicitor	

SECRETARY: Christine E. Simmons

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## OPENING OF COUNCIL - THE LORD'S PRAYER

Warden MacKenzie brought the Regular Council Session to Order at 6:12 P.M. with The Lord's Prayer.

#### ROLL CALL

Mr. Kelly then called the Roll.

### APPOINTMENT OF RECORDING SECRETARY

It was moved by Councillor DeRoche, seconded by Councillor Baker:

"THAT Christine E. Simmons be appointed Recording Secretary." Motion Carried.

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#### ADDITION TO AGENDA ITEMS

The following items were added to this evening's Council Agenda:

- Municipal Elections Act Councillor Wiseman; 1.
- RRAP Councillor Deveaux; 2.
- Notice of Motion, Re: Recognition to Herring Cove and District 4. Volunteer Fire Department - Councillor Baker;
- Building Construction, Municipal Administration Building-Deputy 5. Warden Margeson.

# LETTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE

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It was moved by Councillor Snow, seconded by Councillor McInroy:

"THAT the Letters and Correspondence be received." Motion Carried.

# Letter From The Minister of Transportation

Mr. Kelly outlined to Council a letter from the Minister of Transportation which acknowledged the Municipality's letter of July 28th regarding a Council resolution which requested that the Department of Transportation establish Truck Routes in Lower Sackville as defined in the MDP for that area. The letter advised:

"The Department has recently studied this matter and has concluded that the highway system in the Lower Sackville area is such that through trucks naturally follow what has been proposed to be designated as truck routes. We found no need to post extensive truck route signs in the area to designate the truck route system. Instead, we found that there is a need to post truck restriction signs on the following streets:

- Sackville Road; 1.
  - Old Beaverbank Cross Road; 2.
  - 3. Riverside Drive;
  - Raymond Drive, and; 4.
  - 5. Pinehill Drive."

The letter from the Minister further advised that "the posting of signs on the entrance to these streets will have the same effect as posting truck route signs over the truck route system. These signs will be erected shortly."

Mr. Kelly advised that these signs may have already been posted as the letter was dated August 12, 1983.

Councillor MacKay indicated that there was an error in the name of the first street in the above letter; it should be referred to as the "Old Sackville Road."

It was moved by Councillor MacKay, seconded by Councillor Snow:

"THAT a letter be written to the Minister of Transportation thanking him for his consideration in this matter and asking that he have the above-mentioned signs posted as soon as possible, if they have not already been posted." Motion Carried.

# SOUTH SHORE TOURISM ASSOCIATION PRESENTATION

Ms. Margaret Campbell, Executive Director of The South Shore Tourism Association joined Council at this time in order to make a presentation relative to a 1983 Grant which had previously been denied to the Association. It was her hope that this Grant would be reinstated subsequent to her presentation.

Ms. Campbell distributed to the Committee Members a comprehensive information package entitled, "South Shore Tourism Association Defense to Halifax County Council". This Report began by advising that The South Shore Tourism Association is a travel industry organization with a regional representation and perspective. It indicated that The South Shore Tourism Association was the only regional voice for tourism, one of nine regions and that it had established lines of communication and co-operation with the Nova Scotia Department of Tourism and Tourism Canada. The Report subsequently listed 14 accomplishments by the Association (please refer to report for this information).

The Report then continued, advising:

"As a well established organization it has the capability of representing the region at the local, provincial, national and international level.

Although at first glance it may appear politically expedient to give monies directly to a local tourism committee because of their limited and undeveloped organizational resources, one may actually be doing the area a dis-service by isolating the area from the rest of the region and denying them access to the benefits of a regional organization.

If an area within a region feels under-represented or mis-represented, then the most constructive action is to become involved and effect change rather than attempt to start a new system.

St. Margaret's Bay area is currently represented on the South Shore Tourism Association Board by its President, Jean Cochrance, Janet Blois, Jack and Margaret Adamson.

Selling short the "Bay" area by reinventing the wheel, when The South Shore Tourism Association has the network in place! If the main interest is just getting votes, then this activity is then politically short sited. In closing I quote, "There is one art of which man should master, the art of reflection", and emphasize the good will in which this defense is made and continued objectivity."

Attached to the above was a statement of expenditures as well as numerous new clippings which indicated the activities of the Association over the past year.

This Report was discussed by Council at length; the main concern of Council was that the Association covered only a small portion of the Municipality. Ms. Campbell was questioned at length by Council, resulting in the following:

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It was moved by Councillor McInroy, seconded by Councillor Snow:

"THAT the Municipality provide the South Shore Tourism Association with a Grant similar to that of 1982 and further that adequate notice be given of the Municipality's intentions with regard to Grants for 1984." Motion Carried.

The above would represent a Grant in the amount of \$1,500.00.

Councillor Walker indicated his firm opposition to the passing of the above motion.

It was moved by Councillor Larsen, seconded by Councillor Deveaux:

"THAT Staff prepare a Report on the entire issue of Tourism in the Municipality and how the Municipality could best support and promote this Resource." Motion Carried.

Councillor Walker suggested that since Tourism is an Industry like any other Industry that it might be appropriate for Mr. Lorne Denny, Industrial Promotions Officer, to be the Staff Resource Person to prepare this Report. However, subsequent to brief discussion, it was the concensus of Council that Mr. John Markesino would have more expertise in this field and that the Report should be prepared by his Department.

Subsequent to the above, Ms. Campbell retired from the Council Session.

# PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

It was moved by Councillor DeRoche, seconded by Councillor Gaetz:

"THAT the Planning Advisory Committee Report and the Supplementary Agenda be received by Council." Motion Carried.

# Rezoning Application No. RA-24-15-83-09

Mr. Kelly outlined this item advising that it was a request to rezone Harbourview Subdivision located on Roma Drive at the Head of Chezzetcook, District 9, from an unzoned status to R-2 Zone. It was the recommendation of PAC that a Public Hearing be held October 3, 1983 to deal with this application.

It was moved by Councillor Gaetz, seconded by Councillor Adams:

"THAT a Public Hearing be held October 3, 1983 to deal with Rezoning Application No. RA-24-15-83-09." Motion Carried.

# Rezoning Application No.RA-24-20-83-08

Mr. Kelly outlined this item from the PAC Report as well, advising that it was a request to rezone a portion of the lands of William Richard A. Colford and a portion of Lot W.R.C.-1 of the Lands of William Richard A. Colford, located on the Minesville Road at Lake Echo from and unzoned status to SD( Salvage Yard and Dump Zone). It was the recommendation of the Planning Advisory Committee that a Public Hearing be held October 3, 1983 to deal with this application.

It was moved by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor DeRoche:

"THAT a Public Hearing be held October 3, 1983 to deal with Rezoning Application No. RA-24-20-83-08." Motion Carried.

### Vacant Lands, G. Royce Hefler, Old Beaverbank Road

Mr. Kelly outlined this item from the PAC Report advising that the Committee had discussed a Staff Report from the Chief Administrative Officer regarding the G. Royce Hefler land. This Report had also been dealt with at a previous meeting of the Urban Services Committee, where it had been forwarded back to PAC for a recommendation. The PAC recommendation, subsequent to lengthy discussion, was in concurrence with that of the Chief Administrative Officer, as follows:

That the Municipality accept ownership of the lands of G. Royce Hefler on the Old Beaverbank Road, subject to the following:

- a) Lands be conveyed to the Municipality;
- b) The Municipality assume outstanding sewer lien charge;
- c) The Lion's Club is prepared to lease the lands from the Municipality and thereby take responsibility for their on-going maintenance and improvement;
- d) That the Lands will be developed for recreation purposes;
- e) That an arrangement can be concluded with the Housing Commission to place the lands in the possession of the Municipality whether by lease or direct conveyance.

It was moved by Councillor MacDonald, seconded by Councillor MacKay:

"THAT the Municipality accept ownership of the lands of G. Royce Hefler on the Old Beaverbank Road subject to conditions (a) to (e) specified above." Motion Carried.

Prior to the passing of the above motion, there was brief discussion as to whether the Recreation referred to in item (d) would be passive or active recreation. It was determined that it was meant to be passive in-so-far as no recreation buildings would be constructed; however, there would be swings, slides, teeter tooters, etc. erected on the property, which was too small to be used as a building lot.

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#### SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

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### Building Inspectors Report, Re: Lesser Setbacks

Mr. Kelly outlined to Council, the Lesser Setbacks which were approved as follows:

It was moved by Councillor Poirier, seconded by Councillor Baker:

"THAT the application for lesser setback of 27' from Anderson Road, Lot Al, Mrs. S. Marsman Subdivision, Upper Hammonds Plains, applicant Daniel Norton, be approved by County Council." Motion Carried.

It was moved by Councillor Snow, seconded by Councillor DeRoche:

"THAT the application for lesser setback of 29.5' from Sibley Street, Lot 1, H. A. Frame Subdivision, Waverley, Applicant Thomas Murphy be approved by County Council." Motion Carried.

### Request to Establish a Pedestrian Crosswalk

Mr. Kelly read to Council, the following Staff Report:

"The residents of Cole Harbour in the vicinity of Spence Drive have requested, through Mr. H. J. McInroy, Councillor for District 17, that a pedestrian crosswalk be established in that area.

Therefore, please find attached, in duplicate, an original copy of a resolution requesting the Department of Transportation to establish a pedestrian crosswalk in the vicinity of the intersection of Astral Drive and Spence Drive in Cole Harbour.

It would be appreciated if you would be able to arrange to have this document presented to Council at their meeting of today's date. Once approved by Council, it would also be appreciated if you would arrange to have both copies of the resolution signed by the Warden and you, sealed and dated. Once returned to this office, one copy of the document will be forwarded to the Department of Transportation for their review."

It was moved by Councillor McInroy, seconded by Councillor Mont:

"THAT a Resolution be approved by Council requesting the Department of Transportation to establish a pedestrian crosswalk at the intersection of Astral Drive and Spence Drive, Cole Harbour and further that the Resolution be signed by the Warden and Municipal Clerk, sealed and dated and forwarded to the Department of Transportation for their review." Motion Carried.

Councillor Poirier indicated that she had been attempting to have a pedestrian crosswalk installed in her District all Summer. Mr. Kelly advised that he would have Mr. Keenan, Property Management Supervisor look into this situation.

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As well, Councillor Mont advised that he had requisted a Pedestrian Crosswalk in an area in his District where a serious accident had occurred and he had just received a letter from the Department of Transportation today advising that the application for a Crosswalk had been turned down. He requested what the conditions should be before a Crosswalk can be constructed. He advised that the letter received from DOT had indicated that vehicles in the area were travelling at 70 kilometers per hour when the limit was actually 60 kilometers per hour.

Mr. Meech referred to a Communication from the Department of Transportation received last year, which indicated that the final decision as to whether a Crosswalk is built, rests with the Department of Transportation.

It was moved by Councillor Mont, seconded by Councillor McInroy:

"THAT a letter be written to the Minister of Transportation expressing the concern of the Municipality about the Department's decision not to allow a Crosswalk in the vicinity of Civic No. 1109 Cole Harbour Road and expressing disappointment in that vehicles were exceeding speed limits, as opposed to enforcing the speed limit and constructing the crosswalk." Motion Carried.

Councillor Poirier advised that she would await further information from Mr. Keenan prior to following-up on her request for a Crosswalk in District No. 2.

#### POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT

It was moved by Councillor Gaetz, seconded by Councillor Poirier:

"THAT the Policy Committee Report be received." Motion Carried.

### RRAP Housing Program - Minimum Housing and Maintenance Standards By-Law

Mr. Keith Birch and Mr. Bill Butler of Planning, joined the Council Session at this time to provide information and answer questions relative to the Minimum Housing and Maintenance Standards By-Law.

Mr. Birch outlined the report of the Policy Committee on this issue which advised: "The Policy Committee has reviewed the proposed RRAP Housing Program for Beechville-Lakeside-Timberlea. This area has been identified as a designated area under the Urban RRAP.

In order to have a designated area under the RRAP Program requires the adoption of a Minimum Housing and Maintenance Standards By-Law.