

Dartmouth, N. S.

November 3/87.

Regularly called meeting of City Council  
held this date at 7:30 p.m.

Present - Mayor Savage

Ald. Sarto	Thompson
Billard	MacFarlane
Connors	Levandier
Withers	McCluskey
Pye	Woods
Hawley	Greenough
Bregante	Hetherington
City Solicitor, S. Hood	
City Administrator, C. A. Moir	
Deputy City Clerk, G. D. Brady.	

Council met to appoint a Deputy Mayor and the  
Boards and Commissions for the year 1987/88.

Members agreed to deal with one additional item,  
at the request of Ald. Withers.

TERMS OF REFERENCE:  
WYSE RD. MAINSTREET  
STUDY

Terms of reference have been prepared for the  
study and development of a plan for the Wyse Road  
Business District, and in his accompanying report,  
Mr. Lukan has recommended that Council approve the  
terms of reference and authorize staff to proceed  
with a call for proposals for the study; the item will  
then come back to Council for selection of a consultant.

Council approved the terms of reference, as  
they have been presented and recommended, on motion of  
Ald. Withers and McCluskey.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Withers & McCluskey  
that the terms of reference for the  
Wyse Road Mainstreet Study, be approved,  
as recommended.

APPOINTMENT OF  
DEPUTY MAYOR

Ald. Hawley, whose terms as Deputy Mayor, is  
ending, addressed Council briefly at this point, thanking  
Council for the opportunity to serve his one-year term,  
and thanking Mayor Savage and Mr. Burke for their assist-  
ance and support in performing his duties for the City.

The Mayor then congratulated Ald. Hawley on  
his term of service as Deputy Mayor.

Nominations were received for Deputy Mayor for  
the year 1987/88, as follows:

Ald. Levandier, nominated by Ald. Connors  
Hetherington, nominated by Ald. Withers  
Bregante, nominated by Ald. Pye.  
Thompson, nominated by Ald. Billard

A vote by secret ballot followed, as a result of which Ald. Hetherington was declared to be appointed as Deputy Mayor for the City.

APPOINTMENT OF  
BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

Council then proceeded to the appointment of Boards and Commissions.

BOARD OF HEALTH

Members of Council nominated to serve on the Board of Health were as follows:

- Ald. Hetherington
- Woods
- Bregante
- Thompson
- McCluskey

The names of Mrs. Maryon Grant and Mrs. Geraldine Phillips were placed in nomination for the one citizen-at-large appointment. Following a vote by secret ballot, Mrs. Geraldine Phillips was declared to be appointed. The tie vote on this nomination was decided by the Mayor.

The Mayor was requested to forward a letter of thanks to Mrs. Grant for her years of service on the Board, and he advised that a book will be sent to her as a gift also.

Appointment of the Dartmouth Medical Society representative had to be deferred until notification of their choice for appointment has been received.

COURT HOUSE  
COMMISSION

Members of Council, nominated to serve on the Court House Commission were Ald. Withers & Greenough.

SCHOOL BOARD

Members of Council nominated to serve on the Dartmouth District School Board were:

- Ald. Connors
- Woods
- Billard
- Thompson

HOSPITAL COMMISSION

Members of Council nominated to serve on the Dartmouth Hospital Commission were:

- Ald. Bregante
- Hawley
- Withers
- MacFarlane

HOUSING COMMITTEE

Members of Council nominated to serve on the Dartmouth Housing Committee were:

- Ald. Withers
- McCluskey
- Woods
- Bregante

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On motion of Ald. Sarto and McCluskey, Council approved the appointment of the following four citizens-at-large to serve on the Committee:

Ms. Laura Legere  
Rose Raftus  
Darlene Dacey  
Mr. Larry Worthen

The name of Laura Legere was placed in nomination by Ald. Bregante to fill the one citizen-at-large vacancy, the other citizens having already served previously.

POLICE COMMISSION

Nominations were called for the Police Commission, so that the six Council appointees will be in place, once the amendments to the Police Act are proclaimed.

Ald. Connors suggested that the entire Council should continue to meet as the Commission until such time as the new legislation comes into effect.

The Mayor asked for a show of hands in favour of making the appointments at this time, and the majority preferred to defer the appointment of Council members until a later date.

SPORTSPLEX COMMISSION

Members of Council nominated to serve on the Dartmouth Sportsplex Commission were:

Ald. Billard  
Woods  
McCluskey  
Levandier

Citizens-at-large nominated for appointment to the Sportsplex Commission were:

Daniel Brownlow  
Peter Hope  
Leo Greenwood  
John Guildford (not appointed)  
Jim Clarke

A vote by secret ballot was required to fill the four citizen appointments; all of the above-noted citizens were declared to be appointed, with the exception of John Guildford.

TRANSIT ADVISORY BOARD

Members of Council nominated to serve on the Transit Advisory Board, one from each City ward, were as follows:

Ald. Sarto	MacFarlane
Connors	Withers
Pye	Greenough
Bregante	

On motion of Ald. Sarto and Pye, Council approved the appointment of Mr. Harry Taggart as citizen-at-large to serve on the Board;

EMERGENCY  
CONTROL COMMITTEE

Members of Council nominated to serve on the Emergency Control Committee, in addition to the Mayor and the Deputy Mayor, were:

Ald. Bregante  
Withers  
Levandier

PORT COMMISSION

Mr. John Kavanaugh will continue to serve as the City's representative on the Halifax-Dartmouth Port Development Commission; his term does not expire until November of 1988.

HERITAGE ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE

Members of Council nominated to serve on the Heritage Advisory Committee were:

Ald. MacFarlane  
Connors

On motion of Ald. Connors and Hawley, Council approved the appointment of the following four citizens-at-large to serve on the Committee:

Mr. Carmen Moir  
Peter Connor  
Ms. Suzanne Lewis  
Elinor Walker

Council also approved the recommended reappointment of Mr. James Harrison to the Committee, as the representative of the Museum Board, on motion of Ald. Thompson and Withers.

HYDROPLANE  
RACES COMMITTEE

The names of four members of Council were placed in nomination for appointment to the Hydroplane Races Committee. After a vote was taken by secret ballot, Ald. Connors and MacFarlane were declared to be appointed as Council's representatives.

INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

The names of eight members of Council were placed in nomination for appointment to the Industrial Commission. Following a vote by secret ballot, the following members were declared to be duly appointed:

Ald. Hawley  
Greenough  
Woods  
MacFarlane  
McCluskey

On motion of Ald. Hetherington and Hawley, Council approved the appointment of the following six citizens-at-large to serve on the Commission:

Mr. Cyril Gates  
Wm. Young  
Darrell Kennie  
Fraser Conrad  
Charles Douglas (Burnside Park Comm.)  
Michael Zatzman (Chamber of Commerce)

INVESTMENT  
COMMITTEE

The Investment Committee will remain unchanged, with the following members:

Mr. Harry Steele  
Robert Thompson  
Edward Nichols

A motion to confirm the above-noted members was adopted, moved by Ald. Hetherington and seconded by Ald. Hawley.

FINANCE & PROGRAM  
REVIEW COMMITTEE

The names of five members of Council were placed in nomination for appointment to the Finance & Program Review Committee. Following a vote by secret ballot, the following members were declared to be duly appointed:

Ald. Connors  
Greenough  
Hetherington

LAKES ADVISORY  
BOARD

The names of four members of Council were placed in nomination for appointment to the Lakes Advisory Board. Following a vote by secret ballot, Ald. Billard and MacFarlane were declared to be duly appointed to the Board.

On motion of Ald. Sarto and Thompson, Council requested that a letter of thanks be forwarded to Bernie Hart for his years of service on the Board.

Mr. Hart's work on the Board's behalf was acknowledged by Council and the Mayor.

On motion of Ald. Pye and Levandier, Council approved the appointment of the following representatives from organizations, for membership on the Board:

Mr. Mike Brownlow  
Frank Dalziel  
Gary McMahon  
Dr. Donald Gordon  
Ms. Jean Wagener  
Maureen Vine

Ald. Billard advised Council that Mr. Peter Flemming will be replacing Mrs. Denyse Irwin as the Senobe Aquatic Club representative on the Board, term expiring November of 1988.

LAKE SAFETY  
COMMITTEE

Members of Council nominated to serve on the Lake Safety Committee were:

Ald. Hawley  
Sarto  
Greenough

M.A.P.C.

The one Council member nominated to serve as the City's representative on M.A.P.C., in addition to Mayor Savage, was Ald. Woods.

METROPOLITAN  
AUTHORITY

Members of Council nominated to serve as the City's representatives on the Metropolitan Authority, in addition to Mayor Savage, were Ald. Bregante and Thompson.

M.P.S. REVIEW  
COMMITTEE

Members of Council nominated to serve on the M.P.S. Review Committee were Ald. Pye and Woods .

MUSEUM BOARD

Members of Council nominated to serve on the Museum Board were:

Ald. Pye  
Withers  
Hawley  
MacFarlane

On motion of Ald. Sarto and Thompson, Council approved the appointment of the following three citizens-at-large to serve on the Board:

Mr. L. J. Pazant  
J. L. Harrison  
Mrs. Rose Gargan

NATAL DAY  
COMMITTEE

Members of Council nominated to serve on the Natal Day Committee were:

Ald. Pye  
Sarto  
Hawley  
Levandier

Ald. Billard commended this Committee for their continuing work on the Natal Day program, and Council acknowledged Mr. Brady's work as the Secretary.

NON-PROFIT HOUSING

The names of five members of Council were placed in nomination for appointment to the Non-Profit Housing Society. Following a vote by secret ballot, the following

members were declared to be duly appointed:

- Ald. Sarto
- Woods
- Bregante
- McCluskey

Citizens-at-large nominated for appointment to the Non-Profit Housing Society were:

- Gervais Samson
- Atze Douma
- Jim Reardon
- Colin May (not appointed)

A vote by secret ballot was required to fill the three citizen appointments; all of the above-noted citizens were declared to be appointed, with the exception of Colin May.

PENSION COMMITTEE

The names of five members of Council were placed in nomination for appointment to the Pension Committee. Following a vote by secret ballot, the following members were declared to be duly appointed:

- Ald. Greenough
- Hawley
- MacFarlane

As required by the Pension By-law, Council proceeded to appoint the Committee Chairman at this meeting. Ald. Greenough was duly nominated and appointed to serve as Chairman.

POLICE SITE SELECTION COMMITTEE

Members of Council nominated to serve on the Police Site Selection Committee were:

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| Ald. Thompson | Billard |
| Levandier     | Withers |
| Woods         | Hawley  |
| Hetherington  |         |

Ald. MacFarlane was nominated as Council's representative on the Recreation Advisory Board.

RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

Appointment of the citizen members was deferred for one week to give members time to put forward names they may want to present for one vacancy. Mr. Alasdair MacKay, the present citizen member, is willing to continue serving on the Board.

REGIONAL LIBRARY BOARD

Members of Council nominated to serve on the Regional Library Board were:

- Ald. Hawley
- Withers
- Levandier
- MacFarlane

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On motion of Ald. Hetherington & Greenough, Council approved the appointment of the following three citizens-at-large to serve on the Board:

- Mrs. Carol Gallant
- Judy Pelletier
- Linda MacDonald

REGIONAL TRANSIT  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Members of Council nominated to serve on the Regional Transit Advisory Committee were Ald. Bregante and Sarto.

The citizen-at-large appointment to this Committee was deferred for one week, to give members time to put forward names they may want to present.

TAXI COMMISSION

Members of Council nominated to serve on the Taxi Commission were:

- Ald. Pye
- Sarto ) - Two-year terms
- Hetherington)
- Greenough )
- McCluskey ) One-year terms

On motion of Ald. Hetherington & Thompson, Council approved the appointment of Mr. Adrian Gallant as the citizen-at-large appointment to the Commission.

TOURIST COMMISSION

Ald. Bregante was nominated as Council's representative on the Tourist Commission.

On motion of Ald. Hetherington & Thompson, Council approved the appointment of the two representatives of organizations who have submitted names to date:

- Mr. Murray Gouin (Chamber of Commerce)
- Glen Bagnell (General Manager of the Sportsplex)

Three other organizations have still to be heard from, with their recommended nominations.

WINTER CARNIVAL  
COMMITTEE

Members of Council nominated to serve on the Winter Carnival Committee were Ald. Pye and Bregante.

Ald. Pye suggested to the Mayor that the City's United Way Committee representative be appointed from the community, instead of from Council. The Mayor agreed to take this suggestion up with Mr. Dan Walsh.

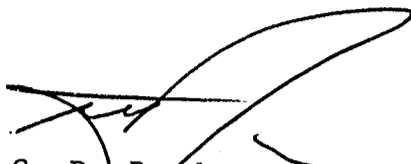
Ald. Withers asked about the status of the Grants Committee, and Mr. Burke advised that it is one of the committees being looked at for re-structuring; a report on this item will be coming to Council shortly.

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The Mayor said he wished to extend his thanks to citizen volunteers who have served on these Boards and Committees in the past, and he commended new appointments to the same high level of participation.

Meeting adjourned.



G. D. Brady,  
Deputy City Clerk.

City Council, Nov. 3/87

ITEMS:

- 1) Terms of reference: Wyse Road Mainstreet Study, pg. 1.
- 2) Appointment of Deputy Mayor, page 1.
- 3) Appointment of Boards & Commissions, page 2 to 9 incl.

Dartmouth, N. S.

November 10/87.

Regularly called meeting of City Council  
held this date at 7:40 p.m.

Present - Mayor Savage

Ald. Sarto	Thompson	
McCluskey	MacFarlane	
Connors	Levandier	Regrets:
Pye	Woods	Ald. Withers
Hawley	Greenough	(City business)
Bregante	Hetherington	
City Solicitor, M. Moreash		
City Administrator, J. Burke		
Deputy City Clerk, G. D. Brady.		

The Mayor welcomed to the meeting, the 9th  
Dartmouth Scout Troop, with their leader.

Mayor Savage expressed the disappointment that  
is felt by the Halifax/Dartmouth delegation to the  
Commonwealth Games presentation, that the metropolitan  
area was not chosen to host the 1994 Commonwealth Games.  
He described the local presentation as excellent and  
a front-runner among all that were made to the Common-  
wealth Selection Committee.

Ald. Hetherington asked that a letter go to  
Peter Green, commending his group for their efforts,  
and also, that letters go to the Federal and Provincial  
Ministers responsible, and to Mr. Stockall, expressing  
thanks on behalf of Council for the establishment of  
the Francophone School in Dartmouth.

On motion of Ald. Greenough and MacFarlane,  
Council approved the minutes of meetings held on  
October 6, 13, 20, 27, and November 3rd.

Ald. Levandier asked what success has been  
achieved in collecting outstanding taxes, since Council  
discussed this item; also, the billings to other  
municipalities that are still outstanding.

Mr. Corrigan gave a brief report on taxes  
collected to date, advising that two of the ten major  
accounts have been paid in full and there have been some  
other large collections made as well.

Mr. Burke said he will be discussing the legalities  
of the Social Service accounts owed by municipalities  
to the City, with the City Solicitor, and options for

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further action will come to Council to be reviewed.

Ald. MacFarlane had an inquiry relating to the tender awarded for the Penhorn Park renovations (Oct. 20th minutes), to which Mr. Purdy responded in part. Ald. MacFarlane will take the inquiry up further with Mr. Purdy.

On motion of Ald. Hetherington and Woods, Council ratified action taken in camera on this date, just prior to the regular meeting.

PETITION:  
CROSSWALK  
PORTLAND ST.

A petition was before Council from residents whose children walk to Southdale School from the Manor Park area, requesting a crosswalk for them at Prince Arthur and Portland Street, where the children will be able to walk on sidewalks in safety, and then cross Hastings Drive, at a corner crossing and not, as at present, between parked cars and moving vehicles.

Council heard Mrs. Barbara Peacocke of 25 Bow Street, with whom the petition originated; she explained why the residents are concerned for the safety of their children on the route they are now walking to get to school, and the need for a change to the pedestrian pattern requested, with a crossing at Prince Arthur Ave.

Ald. MacFarlane supported the position of the residents, as presented in their petition, and proceeded to introduce a motion for which he had previously given notice in October. The motion is as follows:

WHEREAS it is acknowledged that traffic on Portland Street is extremely heavy;

AND WHEREAS a number in excess of 100 students must presently cross Portland Street at one guarded location;

AND WHEREAS it is agreed by parents and police officials that this location is not as safe as it should be, since elementary-age students must cross three parking lots, as well as Hastings Drive, amidst parked and moving vehicles;

BE IT RESOLVED that the crosswalk guard currently at the Lakefront location, be moved to the Prince Arthur & Portland St. intersection, where children can cross and continue to school by sidewalk.

One additional paragraph, from the original notice of motion, was deleted, to be brought back separately by Ald. MacFarlane at a later time.

The motion, as presented, was seconded by Ald. Sarto.

Ald. McCluskey asked what the response of the T.M.G has been to this request. Mr. Fougere said the T.M.G. are in agreement with the change in location for the crossing.

The motion carried.

It was suggested that letters should go out to parents through the school system, so that everyone is made aware of the new crosswalk location.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. MacFarlane & Sarto: motion re crosswalk at Prince Arthur Ave. and Portland Street. Text of motion on page 2 of these minutes.

PETITION RE  
ARCADE:  
WOODLAWN MALL

A second petition before Council was from the residents living in the area of Woodlawn Mall, who are opposed to an application for a Place of Amusement (video arcade) in the Woodlawn Mall. The petition bears 525 names of those opposed to the operation, and Council has also received a letter on behalf of the Penhorn Home & School Assn., this group being opposed to the granting of a licence for a video arcade as well.

Ald. Sarto and Thompson moved that Council strongly object to the issuing of a licence for an arcade in the Woodlawn Mall. Ald. Sarto proposed to go further with the motion, by indicating objection to any further applications for the same location, but was advised by the Mayor that this would not be in order; each application has to be considered separately as they come before Council.

Ald. Hetherington noted that permits for such operations are not issued by the City, but by the Provincial Dept. of Consumer Affairs.

Ald. Greenough said it should be pointed out to the Department that opposition to this particular application is significant, as evidenced by the large petition from area residents.

The motion carried.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Sarto & Thompson that Council indicate a strong objection to the issuing of a licence for an arcade in the Woodlawn Mall.

ENVIRONMENT &  
POLLUTION CONTROL  
FUND

Reports have been submitted to Council by Mr. Burke and Mr. Corrigan on the subject of a proposed Environment & Pollution Control Fund, as per the motion introduced by Ald. Thompson in April of this year, calling for a feasibility study by staff of such a fund, to assist in the harbour clean-up.

Mr. Burke gave a brief resume of the reports, concluding with the following five recommendations, as set out in his report, dated Nov. 2/87:

- 1) that the City Solicitor be directed to draft amendments to the City Charter to facilitate a pollution control charge and a waste water maintenance charge.
- 2) that County of Halifax residents using Dartmouth's water system, be exempted from the above charges.
- 3) that the City Solicitor take action to ensure legislation to allow the above revenue to be credited directly to a Special Reserve Fund.
- 4) that the flat rate option of charging the user fees be adopted.
- 5) that user charges be phased in over a multi-year period.

Mr. Corrigan was asked by the Mayor to present his report next. He explained how the staff study came to be initiated, as a result of Ald. Thompson's motion, and he pointed out to Council that there is presently no provision in the City Charter to levy any kind of charge on water bills, such as the one now being proposed. Therefore, a Charter amendment would have to be sought to permit a pollution control charge, but P.U.B. approval would not be required. Legislation would also have to be secured to permit the establishment of a Special Reserve Fund in which pollution control revenues would be retained for the specific use designated for them. The procedure preference of staff would be to collect and deposit funds directly in the capital reserve section of a Special Reserve Fund, provided the appropriate Charter amendments can be obtained to do so.

Mr. Corrigan explained the cost-sharing

assumptions that have had to be made, for purposes of his report, based on MAPC information, since it has not yet been established just what levels of funding are to be received from senior governments, or what the cost-sharing ratio will be for the local municipalities.

For purposes of this report, it is estimated that the annual cost to Dartmouth (based on one sewage treatment plant) will be 2.5 million dollars, plus an additional cost of \$875,000. to cover the Waste Water Maintenance Charge. This latter cost is already included in the regular operating budget, and therefore, if it became part of the new surcharge, it would come out of the budget and in this way, represent a saving on the tax rate.

Mr. Corrigan presented a number of scenario by way of showing the impact of a water surcharge on bills to domestic and industrial users. It is considered that our present water bills in the City of Dartmouth are a 'bargain', especially in comparison with the other local municipalities, and the increases represented are not unduly heavy when broken down into monthly cost figures. Also, the surcharging of water bills is based on the user-pay concept, which appears to be a fair way of providing the revenue needed, in that the water user can help to keep his own cost down by the amount of water he is using.

Other details from Mr. Corrigan's report, pertained to the idea of a phased-in approach to the new user charges, and his concluding recommendations were the same as those presented in Mr. Burke's report and listed on page 4 of the minutes.

Ald. Sarto and Thompson moved the adoption of the recommendations and the motion was debated.

Ald. Levandier felt the City should wait to find out what the Provincial and Federal cost-sharing is before we take any action on a surcharge, and he also

favoured a public meeting, to inform citizens and have their input first. Ald. McCluskey agreed that one or more public meetings should be held for an issue that affects citizens to such a large extent. She and several other members were not satisfied that County residents should be exempted from the surcharges, while Dartmouth residents are expected to pay them on their water bills.

Members speaking in support of the motion took the position that it is a good idea for Dartmouth to show a willingness to participate in the harbour clean-up and to demonstrate this by initiating steps that will eventually have to be taken anyway, once funding arrangements for the sewage treatment plant are in place. There was general agreement that the harbour clean-up is long overdue and cannot be avoided any longer. The phased-in approach to a surcharge was favoured, but over a three-year period instead of two.

Another concern raised in debate was the question of the second major expenditure the City will face in the form of a water treatment plant, which will also have to be funded, and there was some discussion about the consequences of establishing a surcharge for sewage treatment before we even know what money will have to be raised for water treatment. Mr. Burke explained that it not possible to give Council any information on water treatment costs at this time because the consultants' report is not yet available with the options for staff consideration.

One of the suggestions made in debate, by Ald. Hetherington, was that the surcharge be publicized through the regular water billing. Members who favoured a public meeting were not opposed to this means of publicizing the surcharge, but preferred to hold the public meeting(s) initially. Ald. Connors said it is important to emphasize the actual dollar increase represented by the surcharge, rather than the percentage increase, so that residents are able to assess it in the right context.

(Ald. Connors left the meeting, to make presentations on behalf of the City, while the debate was in progress.)

(During the debate, the Mayor recognized the presence in the Chamber of the MLA for Dartmouth East, Dr. Jim Smith.)

Ald. Hawley proposed and moved an amendment to recommendation #4, to exempt people who are still on on-site sewage disposal systems, from user fees; the amendment was seconded by Ald. Greenough.

Ald. Greenough proposed an amendment that would have changed the phasing-in period from two years to three years, but the Mayor suggested that it could be presented at a later time, when other specifics are being decided. Ald. Greenough was willing to wait until that time.

Ald. Pye referred to the Halifax experience with the kind of surcharge proposed for Dartmouth, and said it must be clearly spelled out from the beginning that the funds collected cannot be diverted for any purpose other than what is intended.

The Mayor proposed that in view of the various expressions of concern about recommendation #2 (exemption of County residents), it may be advisable to delete the recommendation from the motion and consider it further at a later time. Members were willing to delete recommendation #2, as proposed, for further consideration.

The vote was taken on the amendment and it carried.

The amended motion carried, with the deletion of recommendation #2.

Ald. McCluskey and Pye then moved that a series of public meetings be held to allow the public to ask questions and express their opinions.

This motion carried.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Sarto and Thompson that Council adopt the recommendations on the establishment of an Environment & Pollution Control Fund, with the exception of #2 (Exemption of County residents).



AMENDMENT: Moved in amendment by Ald. Hawley and Greenough that recommendation #4 be changed to exempt people who are still on on-site sewage disposal systems from user fees.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. McCluskey and Pye that a series of public meetings be held to allow the public to ask questions and express their opinions.

DEVELOPMENT  
DARTMOUTH &  
CAPITAL BUDGET

At the Mayor's suggestion, Council agreed to defer two of the main items on the agenda - Development Dartmouth proposal and the Capital Budget, due to the fact that there would not be time to deal with them before the hour decided for adjournment of this meeting, 10:00 p.m.

The Development Dartmouth item will be dealt with as the first item on an upcoming agenda, and on motion of Ald. Levandier and Thompson, Council later tabled the Capital Budget and agreed to deal with it at the Council meetings of Nov. 24th and Dec. 1st.

TENDER: SALT  
STORAGE BUILDING

One bid was received in response to the tender called for salt storage building at the Operations Centre in Burnside. The bid was received from Conogo Services Ltd., in the amount of \$78,013., which includes the service of a manufacturer's supervisor to direct the erection of the structure (RUBB NV-Range building). The foundation, site work, and erection of the building is to be done by the City Public Works crews, at an estimated cost of \$35,000.

Mr. Purdy and Mr. Burke have concurred in recommending acceptance of the bid received, and the tender was awarded, as recommended, on motion of Ald. Greenough and Thompson.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Greenough & Thompson that the single bid received from Conogo Services Ltd. for one RUBB NV-Range building (for salt storage) be accepted, as recommended.

AWARD TENDER:  
CONTRACT 87534  
BURNSIDE PARK

Tenders were received as follows for Contract 87534 (street work, Burnside Park):

Municipal Contracting Ltd.	\$159,828.
Steed & Evans Ltd.	167,370.
Ocean Contractors Ltd.	173,000.
Standard Paving (Mar.) Ltd.	179,935.

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Acceptance of the low, received from Municipal Contracting Ltd., has been recommended, and Council awarded the tender, on motion of Ald. Pye and Sarto.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Pye and Sarto that the tender for Contract 87534 be awarded to the low bidder, Municipal Contracting Ltd., as recommended.

APPOINTMENTS:  
BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Council was requested to make three citizen appointments deferred from the November 3rd meeting, one to the Regional Transit Advisory Committee, and two to the Recreation Advisory Board.

Mr. Harry Taggert was nominated by Ald. Bregante to serve as citizen representative on the Regional Transit Advisory Committee, and the names of Mary Williams, Alasdair MacKay, and Charles Weatherbee were placed in nomination to serve on the Recreation Advisory Board. After a vote was taken by secret ballot, Council chose Mr. MacKay and Mr. Weatherbee as the two citizen representatives and confirmed their appointment.

APPOINT SPECIAL  
CONSTABLE:  
RESOLUTION 87-46

On motion of Ald. Sarto and Pye, Council approved the adoption of Resolution 87-46, appointing Mr. Bryce Gadbois, Supt. of Plant Security, Dartmouth General Hospital, as Special Constable to issue parking tickets at the Dartmouth General Hospital.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Sarto and Pye that Council adopt Resolution 87-46, appointing Mr. Bryce Gadbois as Special Constable, to issue parking tickets at the Dartmouth General Hsp.

HOUSING PROJECT  
AGREEMENT  
AMENDMENT:  
RESOLUTION 87-33

On motion of Ald. Levandier and Pye, Council approved Resolution 87-33, which authorizes an amendment to the Housing Project Agreement dated March 13/87, as requested by the Association for Women's Residential Facilities. The Association is prepared to apply additional equity capital to the project, which would reduce mortgage payment costs and allow greater leeway in establishing low rents. In order to have the incentive to apply additional funds, the Association would like to retain ownership of the project at the end of the 20-year term.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Levandier & Pye that Council approve Resolution 87-33, authorizing an amendment to the Housing Project Agreement dated March 13/87.

APPLICATION TO  
AMEND LAND USE  
BY-LAW: 209 MAIN ST.

On motion of Ald. Sarto and Pye, Council directed staff to proceed with a neighbourhood information meeting in connection with a request to rezone four vacant lots at 209 Main Street, from R-1 to R-2, plus a request to enter into a development agreement to permit the establishment of a medical clinic within the existing dwelling on the site.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Sarto and Pye that staff be directed to proceed with a neighbourhood information meeting in connection with a request to rezone land at 209 Main Street, plus a request to enter into a development agreement, involving the existing dwelling on the site.

SET DATE FOR  
PUBLIC HEARING:  
MICMAC PLAZA

On motion of Ald. Greenough and Thompson, Council set Dec. 15th as the date for public hearing of a Land Use By-law Amendment and an M.P.S. Amendment, relating to the MicMac Plaza proposal for lands on the Woodland Ave. side of the present mall. (Ald. Hawley & Levandier voting against.)

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Greenough & Thompson that Dec. 15th be set as the date for public hearing of a Land Use By-law Amendment and an M.P.S. Amendment, relating to the MicMac Plaza proposal.

WINTER CARNIVAL  
BUDGET

On motion of Ald. Pye and Sarto, Council approved the proposed Winter Carnival budget for 1988, at funding level 2 (\$19,800.), as submitted by Mr. Atkinson.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Pye and Sarto that Council approve the proposed Winter Carnival budget for 1988, at funding level 2 (\$19,800.), as submitted by Mr. Atkinson.

REGIONAL  
TRANSIT BOARD

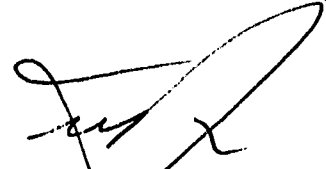
The Transit Advisory Board has recommended the adoption of the following motion:

That reports and/or recommendations from the Regional Transit Board (to the Metropolitan Authority), involving major changes to transit routes, should be accompanied by a notation indicating whether or not such changes have the endorsement of the municipality affected; further, that this stipulation be communicated in connection with the formation of the Regional Transit Board.

Council approved the above recommendation, on motion of Ald. Greenough and Hetherington.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Greenough & Hetherington that Council approve the recommendation of the Transit Advisory Board, as detailed on page 10 of these minutes.

Council adjourned at the hour of 9:45 p.m.



G. D. Brady,  
Deputy City Clerk.

City Council, Nov. 10/87

ITEMS:

- 1) Petition: Crosswalk, Portland St., page 2.
- 2) Petition re Arcade: Woodlawn Mall, page 3.
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Dartmouth, N. S.

November 17/87.

Regularly called meeting of City Council  
held this date at 7:30 p.m.

Present - Mayor Savage

Ald. Sarto	Thompson
Billard	MacFarlane
Connors	Levandier
Withers	McCluskey
Pye	Woods
Hawley	Greenough
Bregante	Hetherington
City Solicitor,	S. Hood
City Administrator,	J. S Burke
City Clerk-Treasurer,	Bruce S. Smith.

CHANGE IN PUBLIC  
HEARING DATE:  
MICMAC PLAZA  
REZONING

A request has been received from the consultants for the MicMac Plaza development, to change the date for their public hearing from the Dec. 15th date set, to January 12/88, the other date considered at the time when Council dealt with this item previously.

On motion of Ald. Sarto and Pye, Council agreed to change the date of the public hearing to the date requested, that is, Jan. 12/88.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Sarto and Pye that the public hearing date for the MicMac Plaza rezoning, be changed to Jan. 12/88, as requested by consultants for the developer.

Ald. McCluskey requested the participation of members of Council in the Olympic Share the Flame celebrations, which take place in Dartmouth on Sun., November 22nd.

Ald. Hawley commended Mayor Savage on his stand in Dartmouth's favour in a joint television interview with the Mayor of Halifax, seen locally on the program First Edition.

DEVELOPMENT  
DARTMOUTH  
PROPOSAL

Council proceeded to deal with the Development Dartmouth item, deferred from the Nov. 10th meeting.

A proposal for the establishment of an Economic Development Dept. in the City, prepared by Mr. Rath, has been circulated. The proposal was accompanied by a report from Mr. Burke, which concludes with the following recommendations to Council:

- 1) At least twice a year, or more frequently as deemed necessary by His Worship the Mayor, City Council would meet in separate sessions to consider matters of importance to Dartmouth's economic development.

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- 2) Establishment of an Economic Development Dept. as an administrative department of the City of Dartmouth, pursuant to Section 197 of the City Charter, which provides for the organizational structure of the Corporation of the City of Dartmouth
- 3) Implementation of the Management Plan presented for the City of Dartmouth Economic Development Dept., to provide for the staffing of the Department, its programs and related activities.
- 4) Provide for an operating budget for the Economic Development Dept. in 1988, as provided for in the Management Plan.
- 5) Direct staff, in conjunction with the Industrial Commission and the Tourist Commission, to review the respective terms of reference, duties and responsibilities and composition of these advisory committees, as set out in their enabling by-laws, and to recommend to City Council any changes that would improve their effectiveness.

In presenting the proposal to Council, Mr. Burke made introductory remarks, explaining that the intent is to bring the City's industrial and commercial elements, plus tourism initiatives and real estate interests, under one umbrella, through the creation of an Economic Development Dept. All the various programs and activities would then be coordinated, and the four budget categories representing these interests, would also be coordinated into one operating budget for economic development. A greater measure of accountability should then be possible, and Council will be better able to assess results as they are achieved and determine whether they are in keeping with the funds that have been allocated.

Mr. Burke also commented on the three-year cost projections that have been included, and on the options suggested for the structure of the Advisory Committees, in particular, the Downtown Advisory Committee.

Mr. Rath then proceeded with the main presentation of the proposal, reviewing the highlights of it with Council. He first stated the five basic objectives, which are:

- 1) economic development and the community.
- 2) Assistance to local business and encouragement of local business retention and expansion.
- 3) attraction of new business.
- 4) development projects and leasing and sales activity.
- 5) development and expansion of tourism, visitor and conventions industry.

In his opening comments, Mr. Rath referred to the attention that has been focused to date on industrial development in the City, while the areas of downtown development and tourism have received considerably less attention. The objectives of the new plan are meant to address this imbalance and to focus a greater emphasis on these aspects of economic activity than they have received in the past.

Further detail, associated with each of the objectives, was provided, and the proposed administrative structure for the Economic Development Dept. was outlined. In all, the projected increase in staff complement, to serve the new department, would <sup>be</sup> 1½ persons. Salary details and job descriptions for all of the positions have been prepared as part of the appendix included with the main report, together with budget projections for the years 1988 to 1990, the initial three-year operation of the new department.

Mr. Rath's presentation also dealt with the Measures of Performance section of his report, and in his concluding statements, he pointed out that the new department being proposed will enable the City to take advantage of benefits available in terms of business expansion and potential, by capitalizing on the aspects of commercial, industrial and tourism development through a coordinated plan.

Ald. Greenough supported this coordinated approach to development and felt this is the kind of focus the City needs to take toward economic activities. Ald. Levandier also supported the proposal and moved the adoption of the five recommendations from Mr. Burke's report, as noted on pages 1 and 2 of these



minutes. The motion was seconded by Ald. Greenough.

Ald. Levandier was particularly concerned that development of the downtown be given the attention it should have. Ald. MacFarlane asked who was involved in preparation of the report itself, and the Mayor provided information on the people who first initiated discussions leading to the report, and on the process followed in reviewing the original Development Dartmouth paper by various community groups, who had the opportunity for input, and the report before Council now is the end result. Ald. MacFarlane also had questions about the filling of the various positions within the Economic Development Dept., to which Mr. Burke responded.

Council had agreed to hear from representatives from interested organizations, and decided to hear those presentations before debating the motion further.

Mr. Michael Zatzman addressed Council on behalf of the Dartmouth Chamber of Commerce. He called the report an important document and was basically in favour of the Development Dartmouth proposal. He felt, however, that the advisory groups to be appointed should draw heavily on people with expertise from the community, and there should be a reduction in the number of political appointments to these bodies; otherwise, the whole process will become politicized and this should be avoided.

He said the Chamber's various committees have reviewed the proposal and it is endorsed 100% as being a progressive step in the right direction.

Mr. Reg Horner advised Council that the Downtown Dartmouth Corp. does not yet have a concerted position to put forward on the proposal at this time.

Mr. Colin May spoke as a member of the Downtown Revitalization Committee, and indicated concerns he has about the composition of the Downtown Dartmouth Commission. It had been pointed out earlier by the Mayor that three options have been suggested for a



Downtown Advisory Committee structure, and there will be further consultation before any firm decision is made on this item.

There were a number of specific details within the proposal that Mr. May did not agree with, and he went through these, giving page reference and reasons for his objection. He was in basic agreement, however, with the concept of a strategic marketing plan, and with the thrust of the proposal overall, aside from the points he raised about certain individual items.

Ald. Hawley said he was pleased to see the emphasis placed on the promotion and development of small business; he considered this to be particularly important. He supported the proposal and was impressed with it.

Ald. Withers felt that there should be political participation by members of Council in the advisory groups, and that elected representatives still have a role to play in this capacity. He asked about the relationship of the Wyse Road Main Street project with the overall downtown development, and Mr. Rath said it has still to be determined whether the Wyse Road program is to be treated separately or not. The use of support staff and the input of the Planning and Engineering Departments will continue to be provided in the meantime, however.

Ald. Connors described the City's involvement in tourism to date as a failure, and said that as far as the downtown is concerned, we are just holding our own. He therefore considered the new direction for economic development to be the right one, but he wanted to see an additional position in the staff component in the form of a marketing/promotion officer for the downtown. He moved in amendment that the position of a Downtown Development Officer, whose function would be to coordinate, under the Director, the efforts of the City in marketing and developing

the downtown, be costed and included in the budget for the Economic Development Dept., for consideration in conjunction with the operating budget. The amendment was seconded by Ald. Woods.

Ald. Pye endorsed the Development Dartmouth proposal, but preferred to see a separate tourism department that would function on its own and not under the umbrella of the Economic Development Dept.

When the vote was taken on the amendment, it was defeated by a vote of 8 to 6.

The main motion carried with Ald. Pye voting against.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Levandier & Greenough that the five recommendations from Mr. Burke's report to Council, as detailed on pages 1 and 2 of these minutes, be adopted.

FAMILY HOUSING  
UNITS: DEPT. OF  
HOUSING

Council agreed to move two items up on the agenda, for which Mr. Schofield of the Dept. of Housing was present.

The first item was a request for the City to approve the development of five units of family public housing, four of which are proposed for Trinity Ave. and the remaining unit, for Byron Crescent.

The Housing Coordinator has recommended, in connection with this item, that:

- 1) the N. S. Dept. of Housing be given approval for the construction of four units of public housing on Lots 6A and 7A on Trinity Ave., now owned by the N. S. Dept. of Housing; and further, that the Housing Dept. be asked to vary the exterior of the units so as to improve their integration into the existing neighbourhood.
- 2) the N. S. Dept. of Housing be given approval for the acquisition of one unit of housing on Lot D-7W, Byron Crescent.
- 3) the Mayor and City Clerk-Treasurer be authorized and instructed to execute the usual designation agreements and hand-over agreements to implement these approvals.

Council approved the above recommendations, on motion of Ald. Pye and McCluskey. Ald. Pye extended his thanks to Mr. Schofield, as the Housing Dept. representative, for the housing units already completed on Trinity Ave.

LAND EXCHANGE:  
TRINITY AVE.

The second item involving the Housing Dept. was a land exchange being recommended on Trinity Ave. between the City of Dartmouth (to acquire Parcel "B") and the N. S. Dept. of Housing (to receive Parcel "A"). This land exchange is to permit the construction of a turning circle at the end of Trinity Ave., as explained in the City Engineer's report to Council, dated Nov. 12/87. The report is accompanied by a lot plan, showing the parcels of land concerned and the cul-de-sac configuration.

RESOLUTION 87-47

Resolution 87-47 has been prepared by the Solicitor to accomplish this recommended land exchange, and the resolution was approved by Council, on motion of Ald. Woods and Withers.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Woods and Withers that Council approve Resolution 87-47, land exchange, Trinity Ave. (between the City and the N. S. Dept. of Housing).

MOTIONS:

ALD. LEVANDIER

Notice of motion having been duly given, the following motions were introduced at this time for Council's consideration:

1) Ald. Levandier moved, seconded by Ald. Thompson, that:

WHEREAS snow and ice control budgets are hard to predict from year to year;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City obtain the needed approvals, to retain in a special account, funds budgeted for snow and ice control;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that funds be retained as reserve funds in this account, should a surplus arise, in order to help offset any unusually harsh winters.

Ald. Levandier suggested that his motion be referred to Mr. Burke for his comments, and Ald. Greenough felt they should include an opinion from Mr. Burke and the Solicitor on the question of rating for a surplus. Ald. Levandier explained that it was his intention only to carry forward funds not required in a given year, not to rate for a surplus to establish a reserve fund.

On motion of Ald. Greenough and Thompson, the motion was referred to Mr. Burke and the Solicitor, as Ald. Levandier suggested, for report back to Council.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Greenough & Thompson that the motion of Ald. Levandier, with regard to a reserve fund for snow and ice control, be referred to Mr. Burke and the Solicitor for their comment and report back to Council

ALD. CONNORS

2) Ald. Connors moved, seconded by Ald. Levandier, that:

WHEREAS the downtown commercial area of Dartmouth is an important commercial retail and residential area of our City;

AND WHEREAS many of the private and public properties are often ill-kept, littered or in less-than-desirable condition;

AND WHEREAS the responsibility for this rests both with private and public land-owners;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Engineering Dept. include in its 1988 budget submission, a proposal for the regular cleaning of downtown streets during the spring, summer and fall, either through the hiring of students or otherwise;

AND THAT the City, in cooperation with the Downtown Development Corp., embark on a specific campaign to promote a clean downtown and to include estimates for such a campaign in the 1988 budget of the City, so that Council may consider such in time for implementation during the spring of 1988.

In the debate on the motion, members asked who is responsible for enforcement of the City's by-law that makes littering an offence, and the general feeling was that the by-law either needs to be strengthened in this regard or properly enforced, whichever is lacking at present.

The suggestion was also made that perhaps it is the Parks & Recreation Dept., whose budget should be referred to in the motion, instead of the Engineering Dept. The Mayor said the appropriate department will be determined when areas of responsibility associated with the littering by-law are being looked at further.

Members recognized the basic importance of instilling pride in the business community, in the appearance of downtown streets, as a requisite to improving the present situation. Enforcement difficulties were also recognized as far as the by-law is concerned.

The motion carried.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Connors & Levandier; text on page 8 of these minutes.

ALD. CONNORS

3) Ald. Connors moved, seconded by Ald. Hawley,

that:

WHEREAS the intersection of Ochterloney and Maple Streets is very busy, being used by high numbers of vehicular and pedestrian traffic;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that staff prepare and include in the 1988 Capital Budget, proposal estimates for the installation of 'Walk/Don't Walk' lights, governing pedestrian traffic crossing Maple Street at this intersection.

There was no debate on the motion and it carried.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Connors & Hawley: text as above.

ALD. PYE

4) Ald. Pye moved, seconded by Ald. Hetherington,

that:

WHEREAS there are no facilities for skateboarding in Dartmouth;

AND WHEREAS children are not allowed to skateboard on school property;

AND WHEREAS it appears the only place left for children to skateboard is on City streets;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Parks & Recreation Dept. look into the matter and prepare a report on how the matter should be resolved. (The motion was revised to include BMX bicycles, which require a similar facility.)

In presenting his motion, Ald. Pye stressed the need for a skateboard facility that children can use, so they will not be on City streets when they are skateboarding. He felt it would be possible to have liability waived on the part of the City, for any injury a child might sustain, although it was pointed out in the debate that both the Solicitor and Mr. Atkinson have previously recommended against the City becoming involved in such a facility because of the liability aspect.

Ald. Connors was not willing to support the motion because of the liability question, but other members were prepared to have it re-examined; also, Ald. Hawley asked that the feasibility of<sup>9</sup> privately-developed facility, on City land, be looked at by the Recreation Dept. as well.

It was at Ald. Hawley's request that the motion was amended to include the reference to BMX bicycles, which he said make use of a similar kind of facility.

The motion carried.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Pye & Hetherington:  
text on page 9 of these minutes.

ALD BILLARD

5) Ald. Billard moved, seconded by Ald. Connors,

that:

WHEREAS the City of Dartmouth is eager to foster tourism;

AND WHEREAS many visitors to this area come to our downtown looking to enjoy our pleasant harbour-side park, only to find limited parking;

AND WHEREAS the revenue generated from parking tickets paid by our out-of-province visitors is minor anyway;

BE IT RESOLVED that "Welcome" tickets be placed on vehicles which are found at time-expired parking meters during the months of May through September, in the City of Dartmouth.

Ald. Billard circulated examples of the "Welcome" tickets he is proposing in his motion, and explained the goodwill benefits the City can expect from a gesture such as this, compared with the negative feeling that visitors go away with when they receive a parking ticket.

Ald. McCluskey suggested that a preferable wording at the bottom of the ticket would be, "Please park with our compliments", deleting the present reference to the Police Dept. Other members tended to agree with this change.

The general response of Council to the motion was positive, once several questions had been discussed, and it was made clear that the tickets would be placed on only out-of-province vehicles. Visitors from elsewhere in this province could not be identified as such and therefore, would not qualify.

The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Billard and Connors:  
text as above.

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ALD. MCCLUSKEY

6) Ald. McCluskey moved, seconded by Ald. Pye,

that:

WHEREAS Thompson's Transfer is located in an area adjacent to residential properties;  
AND WHEREAS the moving and running of these large trucks creates a noise and is a nuisance to residents;

AND WHEREAS these large trucks must travel over residential streets to get to the highways;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that representatives of the City of Dartmouth meet with Thompson's to discuss the relocation of their business to the Burnside Industrial Park.

Ald. McCluskey outlined the problems caused by large trucks being operated and left running at night in the area of an apartment building located next to the Thompson's Transfer property. The noise from these trucks and their refrigeration units is disturbing to area residents.

Ald. Withers agreed that there have been ongoing problems with the location of a trucking operation in close proximity to residents living in the same area, but he was in favour of delaying any decision on the motion until the results of the Wyse Road study are available, to see what could be done about the situation as part of the Wyse Road Main Street program.

Ald. Levandier was opposed to the motion, and said he was not sure that the Thompson people would even want to relocate in the Burnside Park. Ald. Hetherington also felt there should have been some preliminary discussions with Mr. Thompson before a motion was brought to Council and rebation of his business was discussed in this way.

Ald. Hetherington and Greenough moved referral to the Wyse Road Main Street Committee for discussions with the owner of Thompson's Transfer.

Ald. Pye, McCluskey and Woods spoke against the motion to refer. Ald. Pye and Woods referred to truck traffic through their ward and the impact of it; they favoured negotiations with the owner of the company as soon as possible, to see if a relocation of his trucking operation could be worked out with him.

Ald. Hawley said that if Council is going to deal with one truck company, other trucking operations throughout the City, such as North American Van Lines in Ward 6, should be dealt with as well.

Ald. Hetherington suggested that referral would be the best course of action in the case of Thompson's Transfer, since there may be funding available to assist with relocation, through the Wyse Road Main Street program.

The motion to refer carried by a vote of 8 to 6.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Hetherington & Greenough that the motion presented by Ald. McCluskey be referred to the Wyse Road Main Street Committee for discussions with the owner of Thompson's Transfer.

ALD. MCCLUSKEY

7) Ald. McCluskey moved, seconded by Ald.

Hetherington, that:

WHEREAS the N. S. Assessment Act sets time restraints for residents when appealing their assessments, returning requested information, etc.;

AND WHEREAS when residents appeal their assessment, there is no onus on the assessor to deal with the appeal within a certain time frame;

AND WHEREAS this causes hardship for rate-payers who have been over-assessed;

AND WHEREAS this also causes hardship for the municipal unit in budgeting, when appeals are carried forward to another year;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this Council request the Minister of Municipal Affairs to amend the Assessment Act by implementing a section stating that assessors deal with appeals within the year that the assessment notice is given.

The motion received the support of Council and it carried.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. McCluskey and Hetherington; text as above.

8) Ald. McCluskey moved, seconded by Ald.

Thompson, that:

WHEREAS the assessment of properties, as well as the business occupancy assessments for the City of Dartmouth, is the responsibility of the Dept. of Municipal Affairs;

AND WHEREAS the main source of revenue for the City is from real property taxes, as well as business occupancy assessments;



AND WHEREAS the City of Dartmouth at the present time does not carry out a check to determine if all real property is added and if all business occupancy assessments are added or deleted at the time of opening or closing;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City appoint a staff member to be responsible for checking at regular intervals to ensure that all new businesses are added, and out-of-business tenants, deleted.

Responding to questions from Ald. McCluskey as to whether or not any action has been taken to date on suggestions she made previously with respect to updated assessment information, Mr. Burke advised that her occupancy permit suggestion has been implemented, but without additional staff resources, it is not possible to take on the auditing of assessments; the other alternative would be to take existing staff away from their present duties in order to carry out this additional work. Ald. McCluskey said that perhaps it would be worthwhile financially to the City to reallocate staff to the assessment duties.

(Council agreed to continue meeting beyond the hour of 11:00 p.m., on motion of Ald. Hetherington and Pye.)

Ald. Hawley suggested referring the motion to Mr. Burke for his further consideration and for any ideas he may have for carrying out the assessment duties and/or determining how beneficial it would be to the City to give them priority over other work being done by staff. He moved referral for this purpose, seconded by Ald. Greenough.

The motion to refer carried.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Hawley & Greenough that the motion presented by Ald. McCluskey re assessment updating, be referred to Mr. Burke for further consideration and for any ideas he may have for carrying out the assessment duties and/or determining how beneficial it would be to the City to give these duties priority over other work being done by staff.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

The following notices of motion were given for the next regular Council meeting:

ALD. WOODS

1) (a) Ald. Woods

WHEREAS the major portion of Dartmouth's revenue is received as a result of the contributions by its taxpayers;

AND WHEREAS these same revenues are meant to provide services to the Dartmouth community on an equitable basis;

AND WHEREAS there is some concern that, in the allocation of capital funds, some areas of the City have been treated 'more equally' than other areas of the City;

BE IT RESOLVED that Council allocate the capital portion of the 1988 budget in a fair and equitable manner, so that all taxpayers will be able to not only benefit from improvements in their neighborhood, but also, to that they will be able to recognize and interpret these improvements as a sign or a measure of a return on their tax dollars.

(b) WHEREAS it is an accepted practice that the safest method of disposing of asbestos waste is by burying it;

AND WHEREAS the Metropolitan Authority intends to refuse to accept asbestos wastes at the sanitary landfill as of Jan. 1, 1988;

AND WHEREAS having a safe, inexpensive way of disposing of asbestos is essential to successful abatement programs, both in the public and private sectors;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Metropolitan Authority be asked not to close its gates to asbestos until a suitable inexpensive alternative is offered to the asbestos abatement industry.

ALD. CONNORS

2) (a) Ald. Connors

WHEREAS the operation of the CN railroad in Downtown Dartmouth involves unnecessarily loud and annoying noise, through whistles, horns, and bells;

AND WHEREAS other municipalities have by-laws to control the noise generated by railway operation within municipal boundaries, while at the same time, ensuring public safety;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that staff prepare and bring to Council, the appropriate by-law to control the noise generated by railway operation through whistles, horns and bells.

(b) WHEREAS City Council, on Dec. 3, 1974, approved a motion that the City Administrator enter negotiations with the Federal and Provincial Government, through the Federal Dept. of the Minister of State for Urban Affairs, for cost-sharing in a study for the relocation of railway lines in Dartmouth;

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Development Plan adopted in 1978, said an agreement would be presented in the near future to Council for the City's participation in a relocation study;

AND WHEREAS, almost ten years later, the marshalling yard is still on the downtown waterfront, and is, in the words of the 1987 U.M.A. Downtown Study, 'the major incompatible use in the Downtown';

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council demand that the Federal Government and CN, as part of the clean-up of the harbour and its surroundings, or otherwise, relocate the marshalling yard now.

ALD. BILLARD

3) Ald. Billard

WHEREAS many Dartmouth residents are now, or would like to in the future, house animals which authorities have called dangerous, but which are not;

AND WHEREAS many other Dartmouth residents currently house pets which are dangerous but which have not been listed as such;

AND WHEREAS the timely and accurate identification of particular breeds of species of pets is a very uncommonly found skill;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Solicitor examine our by-laws which deal with dogs and exotic pets, etc., with the aim of removing specific references to particular species, and replacing those references with a general prohibition of pets deemed dangerous only by an expert in the field of taxonomy.

ALD. THOMPSON

4) Ald. Thompson

WHEREAS the Engineering Dept. plans to dredge Cranberry Lake;

AND WHEREAS the sediment will be deposited at the end of Cranberry Lake;

BE IT RESOLVED to have the Planning and Engineering Departments, and City Council, start the necessary requirements to close off the end of Mount Edward Road, to facilitate this project.

ALD. GREENOUGH

5) Ald. Greenough

WHEREAS the number of vehicles exiting and entering Montebello Drive and the Waverley Road, has increased substantially over the past couple of years;

AND WHEREAS there are a number of school children who travel through this busy intersection, to and from school;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that City Council authorize the installation of traffic signals at the intersection of Montebello Drive and the Waverley Road, this installation to be undertaken in 1988.

ALD. HETHERINGTON

6) Ald. Hetherington

WHEREAS the intersection of Five Corners is very well controlled by lights;

AND WHEREAS there is a school crosswalk guard at the intersection to help children cross the streets;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Police Dept. report back to Council as to the possibility of removing the No Right Turn signs (8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.) on Portland Street at the Pleasant Street intersection.

ALD. MACFARLANE

7) Ald. MacFarlane

(a) WHEREAS a number of children attend Southdale School for French Immersion, from lower Portland St. and the surrounding area, and cross Portland Street at the Maynard, Old Ferry Road intersection;

BE IT RESOLVED that the existing crosswalk and overhead lights, be moved to a safer location, which has been recommended by the Traffic Coordinator.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City's crosswalk program allocate funds in its 1988 budget to provide this service at this very busy intersection.

(b) WHEREAS a lot currently listed for sale at the intersection of Highwood and Wyndholme, remains the only vacant land in this neighbourhood;

AND WHEREAS this land is adjacent to the green belt on Maynards Lake.

AND WHEREAS this land would at some time in the future be suitable for a tot lot or passive park.

BE IT RESOLVED that the City Administrator and Solicitor be authorized to initiate negotiations with the vendor for the purchase of this land from the Sale of Land Account.

(c) WHEREAS the City of Dartmouth lacks a policy with respect to standards of accessibility for the handicapped.

BE IT RESOLVED that representatives of the Canadian Paraplegic Assn., Cerebral Palsy Assn., and any others with an interest in full participation by handicapped persons in community life, be asked to assist a special committee of staff in the development of standards that could be implemented in City and public facilities; with a report to Council in the near future, outlining action required.

AWARD TENDERS:  
SNOW PLOWING  
EQUIPMENT

Tenders have been recommended for fourteen pieces of snow plowing equipment for rental, to be put on retainer for the 1987/88 winter season, as per the report from Mr. George before Council. Payment for each machine is on the basis of a monthly retainer of \$850. per month per machine, from Dec. 1/87 to March 31/88.

Mr. Burke has concurred in the tender recommendations from the Acting Purchasing Agent, and Council awarded these tenders, as recommended, on motion of Ald. Greenough and Thompson.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Greenough & Thompson that tenders for snow plowing equipment rental, as per the recommendations of Mr. George and Mr. Burke, be awarded, on the basis of a monthly retainer, for the period from Dec. 1/87 to March 31/88.

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AWARD TENDER:  
SALT SPREADING  
TRUCK

One supplier has responded to the tender call for the supply of two rental trucks for spreading salt for the 1987/88 winter season. The unit offered is a 1986 Kenworth Tandem, at \$2,380. per month, from Fee Leasing Ltd (Mardo Construction). It is recommended that this unit be rented, and the Purchasing Dept. will be going back to the market, to try to come up with an acceptable second unit.

Council awarded the tender, as recommended by Mr. George and Mr. Burke, on motion of Ald. MacFarlane and Thompson.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. MacFarlane & Thompson that the tender for a rental truck for spreading salt (1987/88 winter season) be awarded to the one supplier who responded to the bid call, Fee Leasing Ltd. (Mardo Construction). A second unit is still required.

DRAINAGE PROBLEMS:  
LAWSON AVE. &  
ALPINE DRIVE

A report from the City Engineer was before Council on minor drainage problems on Lawson Ave. and on Alpine Drive. The report explains the nature of these problems, what is required to correct them, with the estimates of cost to carry out the work.

Mr. Fougere recommends approval of these two projects, totalling \$21,500. in cost, the funds required to be provided from the 1986 Capital Budget item for 'Drainage: Unspecified Locations'.

The recommendations was adopted by Council, on motion of Ald. Hetherington and Sarto.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Hetherington & Sarto that Council approve Mr. Fougere's report and recommendations on drainage projects for Lawson Ave. and Alpine Dr., estimated to cost \$21,500. in total. Funding will come from the Capital Budget (1986) item, 'Drainage: Unspecified Locations'.

PENSION FUND  
MANAGER

Council dealt next with an item added to the agenda, a recommendation from the Pension Committee to the effect that responsibility for the Pension Fund management be assigned to E. J. McConnell (Atlantic) Ltd., as requested by E. J. McConnell & Associates, one of the Pension Fund managers.

The recommendation of the Pension Committee

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was adopted, on motion of Ald. Thompson and Greenough.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Thompson & Greenough that Council approve a recommendation from the Pension Committee on the assignment of responsibility for the Pension Fund management, as per the request of E.J. McConnell & Associates, one of the Pension Fund managers.

INQUIRIES:

ALD. MCCLUSKEY

Ald. McCluskey asked about the status of the Affirmative Action plan. The Mayor said it is gradually proceeding.

Ald. McCluskey also asked about No Parking signs on Park Ave., that were put up and within a short period of time, taken down again. Mr. Fougere agreed to look into the inquiry further and report on it.

ALD. PYE

Ald. Pye's first inquiry was about the status of water service to the Green Bank Court/Cove Lane area. Mr. Fougere responded with information on the easement plan, survey work, etc. that is going forward. Ald. Pye requested that an information<sup>letter</sup> be prepared for area residents, explaining to them what is taking place.

Ald. Pye asked if there will be any money available this year for a best-decorated home and property<sup>award</sup> during the Christmas season. The Mayor said he would first want to find out what last year's costs were, and Ald. Pye suggested that Mr. Brady may be able to provide this information.

ALD. WOODS

Ald. Woods said he would like to know if the Provincial Dept. of the Environment is processing an application for a hazardous waste treatment facility in the Burnside Industrial Park. If an application is in process, could the Minister of the Environment be asked if he would accept a delegation from the City, so that we can work cooperatively in bringing such a facility into operation.

ALD. HETHERINGTON

Ald. Hetherington asked if there is anything further on the parking meters for the Woodside Ferry Terminal. Mr. Smith said he has met with the parking meter supplier, and once the revised costs have been identified, the item will come back to Council.

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MONTHLY REPORTS

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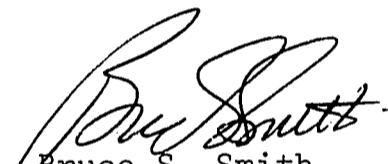
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Bruce S. Smith,  
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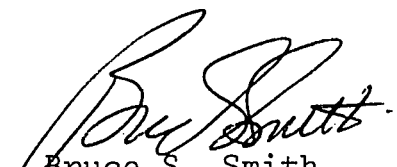
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Dartmouth, N. S.

November 24/87.

Regularly called meeting of City Council  
held this date at 7:30 p.m.

Present - Mayor Savage

Ald. Sarto	Thompson
Billard	MacFarlane
Connors	Levandier
Withers	McCluskey
Pye	Woods
Hawley	Greenough
Bregante	Hetherington
City Administrator, J. Burke	
City Clerk-Treasurer, Bruce S. Smith	

At the opening of the meeting, Ald. McCluskey rose on a point of privilege to ask about a recent incident in which a woman was denied admittance to a local club; she asked if anything has been done about this matter. The Mayor advised that he has spoken to Dr. Kirby personally, and extended apologies on the City's behalf. He has also been in conversation with Mr. Poole of the MicMac Club and will be having further discussions with club representatives, after which he will report to Council again.

Ald. Pye also asked to speak on a point of privilege, to extend thanks to members of the Police force and ambulance workers for their fund-raising event held at Farrell Hall, when over \$5,000. was raised to assist less fortunate people living in the community. Council acknowledged this effort.

Members of Council have received the capital budget document for the three-year period 1988 to 1990, and this was the only item on the agenda for consideration.

The Mayor asked Mr. Burke to proceed with his preliminary presentation, as an opening introduction to the budget discussions. Using a series of overhead projections, Mr. Burke provided all of the basic highlights of the budget document. These are as follows:

- 1) the three-year gross figure is 58.2 million dollars.

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- 2) the three-year net figure is 48.3 million dollars.
- 3) the 1988 program recommended has a gross figure of 16.45 million dollars.
- 4) the 1988 program recommended has a net figure of 6.5 million dollars.
- 5) the corresponding debt retirement figure for 1988 is \$6,452,000.
- 6) the budget attempts to balance local considerations with City-wide considerations.
- 7) the budget emphasizes a Safe & Healthy Cities approach to recommended projects, in fact, representing 80% of the budget.
- 8) the budget document represents 3.4 million dollars of projects 'In Progress'.
- 9) the budget document reflects debt schedules for 1988.
- 10) it reflects 4 million dollars for a new Library, cost spread over 1988 and 1989.
- 11) it reflects a schedule of total outstanding debt of \$53,618,357. to Dec. 31/87, and a further debt of \$4,747,535.
- 12) it reflects major traffic management improvements totalling \$715,000.
- 13) it reflects a street reconstruction program of almost 2 million dollars for 1988.

In his presentation, Mr. Burke also provided comparison figures to show the declining percentage ratio of debt servicing costs to total revenue and debt servicing costs to taxation revenue. The declining percentages from 1981 to 1987, as reflected in the graphs presented, were cited by Mr. Burke as showing good progress on the part of the City, and a responsible approach by Council over these years, toward our capital debt and its gradual reduction. The credit rating of the City is also put in a favourable position by this demonstration of fiscal policies that are aimed at a continuing reduction in debt servicing costs.

Mr. Burke pointed out to Council that the capital budget projections for 1988 have not included any provision for the unconditional transfer grants the City would normally receive each year from the Province; last year, these were in the amount of 1.4 million dollars.

It was not considered appropriate to base any assumptions on figures we do not yet have. If these grants are received at a later time, as it is expected they would be, they will represent additional capital funds available to the City, over and above the present capital budget projections for 1988.

Ald. Greenough later suggested that if there are additional items considered necessary for inclusion in the capital program, as Council goes through the estimates, these could be listed and designated for funding from the Provincial allocation we receive.

Members of Council had the opportunity to speak in general terms about the budget presentation to this point and the approach taken in preparing it.

Ald. Billard had concerns about the rate at which our debt servicing costs are being reduced, noting that some of the debt presently being retired has a low interest rate, whereas the loans with high interest rates (13% to 15%) will not be retired for another ten years. Ald. Billard had further questions later on, relating to the debt-free position the City of Halifax has been able to achieve with a pay-as-you-go policy for capital spending, a point raised by Ald. Woods. Mr. Burke explained why this is not an attainable objective for Dartmouth in 1987. It would take a number of years to introduce such a policy, as it did when Halifax decided to adopt this approach. It will be looked at for Dartmouth, however, as a future objective, and in due course of time, a report on the subject will come to Council.

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A concern that several of the members had was about the large number of uncompleted capital projects left over from 1987. It was explained by the Mayor and Mr. Burke that this present attempt to deal with the capital budget much earlier than usual is meant to address the problem of lateness in completing projects for a given year. The necessary time required by staff

for pre-planning and preparing documentation should be moved forward considerably, by as much as four or five months, with this expediting of the capital budget process.

Ald. McCluskey suggested that part of the problem arises from the fact that a single contractor, with consistently low bids, has too many projects going on at one time, and is therefore not able to complete them within the specified time frame. The Mayor suggested that Mr. Fougere and Mr. Burke look at the possibility of taking tenders away from contractors who do not start projects by the required time they have quoted.

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Ald. Hetherington also requested a breakdown of the cost per hour for projects undertaken by our own Works Dept. staff, as compared<sup>with</sup> those being done by contractors, and, in the coming year, that an analysis be done of the projects completed within the time quoted in tenders awarded.

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Ald. Connors sought a commitment that 1988 capital projects will be completed within the year, and Mr. Burke gave what assurance he was able to, unless there are unforeseen reasons why projects cannot be completed, in which case, Council will be informed.

One of the other major items of concern was about the distribution of capital funding for 1988, and also, for the other two following years. Ald. MacFarlane asked about the criteria upon which priorities were based for funding decisions. Mr. Burke said the criteria included the issues of health and safety, plus the immediacy of the work required. He noted that there has not been an attempt to divide the budget into 'seven equal pies' and he would not encourage Council to do this either. Members continued to object, however, to what they considered to be inequitable treatment for their own individual wards, especially in the case of wards 3, 5 and 2. Aldermen representing

those wards were not satisfied with the allocation for street and sidewalk work projected for 1988, and they were concerned further that projects which had previously appeared in the 1987 capital budget forecast for future years, have now either been deleted altogether or moved on to a later year than the one originally indicated.

Responding to a question from Ald. Hawley about the significance of a three-year budget forecast, Mr. Burke described it as being a planning document, which Council is not locked into for three years. He said it is a three-year proposal, of which the main highlight is 1988; even items proposed and approved for 1988 can be changed by a motion of Council.

Ald. MacFarlane asked if other ways of generating additional revenue for the City are being looked into. Mr. Burke said they are, but some of the ways of raising money, other than through taxation, will require legislative changes before they can be implemented. Recommendations will be coming to Council in this connection at a future date.

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At the end of the question and discussion period, Ald. Hetherington and Greenough proceeded to move the adoption of the capital budget (three-year plan and one-year budget), and with this motion on the floor, Council began an item-by-item review of the budget items, as they have been listed on the summary page.

EQUIPMENT &  
VEHICLES

Mr. Lalonde, the Fleet Manager, Mr. Fougere & Mr. Purdy from the Engineering Dept., Fire Chief Greene, and Mr. Bayer, were available to respond to questions about the the items in this section of the budget, which begins of page 2-1 and continues through to page 2-8. The total net cost projected for 1988 is \$530,600. for the items in the Equipment & Vehicles section.

There were a number of questions to Chief

Greene about the condition of the pumper & aerial being replaced by the new unit requested. The two existing vehicles are old (1970 and 1954) and can only be repaired so long in order to pass inspection.

There were also questions to Mr. Fougere about the sidewalk plow, the truck and the radio system requested for his department. Mr. Bayer answered questions about the traffic counting equipment. The City presently does not have any counting equipment and has to use provincial equipment for any of this work.

Ald. MacFarlane and Billard moved deferral of all the equipment & vehicle items for one year, as an amendment to the main motion. They preferred to have the five hundred thousand dollars allocated for projects that taxpayers require and have the benefit of in a more immediate way.

Members opposed to the motion took the position that the items in the list are needed for the overall good of taxpayers generally, and that if these expenditures are deferred, their cost next year will have increased. Ald. Withers asked if it might be possible to secure some cost-sharing on the radio system, since it will tie in with the EMO system in the event of an emergency. Mr. Fougere was asked to investigate any possible cost-sharing through this means, although it was pointed out by the Mayor that we have already received \$60,000. from the Federal Government for the EMO equipment.

The vote was taken on the amendment and it was defeated: Ald. MacFarlane, Billard, Woods and Connors voting in favour.

STREETS

Council then moved on to the section of the budget that deals with Streets in the categories of Local, Collectors, Reconstruction, Sidewalk (new), and Construction, pages 3-1 through to 3-15.

Ald. Connors was completely opposed to this section because of its lack of provision for ward 3 projects, both in 1988 and in the two years following as well. He was dissatisfied that work scheduled

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for 1987 has not been done in ward 3 and that items projected in the former capital budget have disappeared altogether from the estimates.

Ald. Connors moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Levandier, that the Wentworth and Faulkner Street projects, estimated at \$184,000. and \$35,000. respectively, be put back into the 1989 projections, and the the side-walks for Ochterloney Street, King Street, Dundas, Pelzant and Bligh Streets, be included for 1988.

The amendment was defeated.

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The Mayor asked that the projects referred to in the amendment be placed on a 'wish list' that can be prioritized and considered by Council at the end of the capital budget discussions.

Ald. Withers had a list of ward 4 projects he discussed with Mr. Fougere and Mr. Purdy; the list included several sidewalk items. It was pointed out by Mr. Purdy and by Mr. Fougere, that the total budget item for sidewalks in 1988 is only \$65,000., which does not permit much flexibility for extra work.

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One of the streets Ald. Withers inquired about was Banook Ave. He asked for a report from Mr. Fougere on the status of this street and work to be done on it to improve its condition.

Another specific item he questioned was the realignment of Wyse Road and Jamieson Street, which has affected the access of a property owner at this location. Mr. Burke advised that the Solicitor has not yet made a final determination as to any responsibility on the part of the City for cost-sharing in this instance. The cost has been shown as the responsibility of the property owner for purposes of the budget, until the question of liability has been resolved.

Ald. Billard had questions about survey costs for the following streets: Rosehedge Lane  
Silver's Road  
Woodside Ave.  
Michael Lane

It appeared that these four items could be

deleted from the list on page 3-2 (streets local), although Mr. Fougere referred to land acquisition costs that are a consideration here as well. The Mayor said this point will be clarified.

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Ald. Billard also asked that Summit Street (Erskine St. to MacKay St., sidewalk construction) be moved up from 1990 to 1989. Ald. MacFarlane said this project was to have been included in 1988 in the first place.

Ald. Billard and Connors moved in amendment that the Portland Estates Blvd. project (page 3-13), estimated to cost \$114,000., be deferred.

The amendment was defeated.

Ald. Levandier suggested that in view of the concerns that members have about projects within their own individual wards, Council give approval in principle to the budget amounts projected for pages 3-14 and 3-15, but that decisions on the individual projects be deferred at this time until members have time to discuss them with staff and indicate their preferences and priorities. He presented this amendment, seconded by Ald. Connors.

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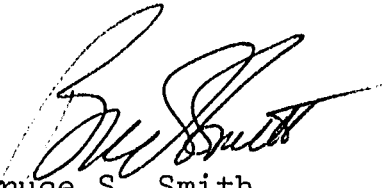
Ald. Hetherington indicated the following streets he wanted to have considered and noted for inclusion in the 'wish list':  
Lynn Drive  
Everette St.  
Grant & Franklyn Streets

Ald. Connors referred to a three-year capital budget as a farce, as it has been presented, and Ald. MacFarlane said it is totally meaningless if items listed previously for specific years have now been deleted or moved on to other years, when residents were of the understanding that they could expect improvements affecting them within a definite period of time.

At the hour of 11:00 p.m., Council adjourned. Consideration of the capital budget will resume on Tues., Dec. 1st at the hour of 7:00 p.m.



The vote was not taken on the amendment on the floor prior to adjournment.

  
Bruce S. Smith,  
City Clerk-Treasurer.

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ITEM:

- Capital Budget estimates, page 0 to 9 incl.  
a) Equipment & Vehicles, page 5 & 6.  
b) Streets, page 6 to 9 incl.

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\*\*\* Indicates items singled out for further attention throughout these minutes.