

HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY

HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL MINUTES May 6, 1997

PRESENT:

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

REGRETS:

Councillor Reg Rankin

STAFF MEMBERS:

Mr. Dan English, Acting Chief Administrative Officer
Mr. Wayne Anstey, Municipal Solicitor
Ms. Vi Carmichael, Municipal Clerk
Ms. Patti Halliday, Assistant Municipal Clerk

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1. **INVOCATION**

Mayor Fitzgerald called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with an Invocation.

2. **PROCLAMATIONS - None**

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES - April 15 and 22, 1997**

MOVED by Councillors Hetherington and Schofield that the minutes of April 15 and 22, 1997, be approved, as circulated. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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

The Municipal Clerk requested the following items be added to the agenda:

- 13.2 Councillor Snow - District 2 Residents - Yard Waste Services
- 13.3 Councillor Kelly - Reduction in Membership, Committee Advisory Committee
- 13.4 Lease Matter - Lot 5C, Ash Lake Court - Ratify In Camera Action

Mayor Fitzgerald requested the following item be added to the Agenda:

- 13.5 Approval of Capital Budget

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

At a later point in the meeting, Mayor Fitzgerald requested the following be added to the agenda:

- 13.6 Appointment - Greater Halifax Partnership

At this point in the meeting, Councillor Kelly introduced and welcomed the teacher and students from Bedford Junior High School Classes 701 and 702.

5. **BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES - None**

6. **MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION - None**

7. **MOTIONS OF RESCISSION - None**

8. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS

8.1 Ratification - Regional Council Summer Meeting Schedule

! This item was discussed during the March 25, 1997, In Camera Session, and was now before Council for ratification.

Councillor Blumenthal expressed concerns with Council not meeting for four continuous weeks and the backlog such action would create.

MOVED by Councillors Blumenthal and Hendsbee that the Summer Meeting Schedule, approved In Camera on March 25, 1997, designating the last two weeks in July and the last two weeks in August as the Summer Break, be ratified.

Councillor Adams spoke against the motion and proposed a schedule that would maximize the number of meetings held and minimize the meetings lost.

MOTION DEFEATED.

MOVED by Councillors Adams and Hendsbee that the Summer Break be scheduled for the first two weeks in July and the first two weeks in August.

MOTION DEFEATED.

MOVED by Councillors Walker and Hetherington that the Council Meeting Schedule proposed on December 3, 1996, be adopted, designating the Summer Break as the last two weeks in July and the first two weeks in August. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

9. REPORTS

9.1 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

9.1.1 Councillor Barnet - Motion to disband the Solid Waste/Resource Advisory Committee

Councillor Barnet requested Council to give consideration to disbanding the Solid Waste/Resource Advisory Committee for the following reasons:

- This Committee has substantially completed its mandate.
- A number of initiatives Council will be considering over the next few months are very time sensitive. Decisions and recommendations related to solid waste

come through the Committee and, in some cases, take seven to ten days to come back to Council.

- Solid waste issues are debated twice, once at the Solid Waste/Resource Advisory Committee, and again at Council.

MOVED by Councillors Barnet and Walker that Council immediately disband the Solid Waste/Resource Advisory Committee.

Councillors Hendsbee, Mitchell, Cooper, Adams, Schofield, Blumenthal and Dooks spoke against the motion expressing concern with the amount of time that would be taken up at Council meetings dealing with issues such as solid waste.

Councillor Hendsbee suggested the motion should be deferred until the Committee Advisory Committee report comes forward.

Councillors Walker and Hetherington spoke in favour of the motion noting reports that go the Solid Waste/Resource Advisory Committee usually come to Council a week later. Therefore, Councillors are not properly prepared to address concerns and questions of the residents.

(Councillor Hanson arrived at this point in the meeting - 6:25 p.m.)

Councillor Stone spoke against the motion, stating he believes the Committee is doing a good job. However, the problem is the time frame in which Councillors, not on the Committee, receive information. With respect to sensitive issues, he requested that the Committee provide Council with immediate information on items addressed at the meeting and information on potential problems.

Councillors Stone and Kelly reiterated that the Solid Waste/Resource Advisory Committee is an advisory committee and its recommendations are subject to further debate and discussion by Council.

Councillor Hendsbee spoke in support of Councillor Rankin, Chairman of the Solid Waste/Resource Advisory Committee, who was not able to be present at this meeting, stating there is still a lot of work yet to be done by the Committee and, hopefully, Councillors not on the Committee will attend the Solid Waste/Resource Advisory Committee meetings to provide their input. Councillor Mitchell also spoke in support of the Solid Waste/Resource Advisory Committee.

Mayor Fitzgerald agreed the Committee should stay in place for a period of time. His only concern with the Committee is its composition and suggested it should be more balanced between the urban and rural areas.

In closing the debate, Councillor Barnet reiterated the reasons why he believes the Solid Waste/Resource Advisory Committee should be dissolved.

MOTION DEFEATED.

9.2 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

9.2.1 Financial Amendments to HRM Act

! A report prepared by Wayne Anstey, Municipal Solicitor, and Larry Corrigan, Commissioner of Corporate Services, regarding amendments to financial provisions - HRM Act, was before circulated to Council.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Greenough and Councillor Cunningham that Council accept the changes to the amendments proposed by the Department of Municipal Affairs.

Councillor Dooks, by way of clarification, noted an error in the circulated report, stating Section 84(8) should read Section 82(8)(a). In comparing the old and the new sections, Councillor Dooks stated it falls on the goodwill of Council to protect both the rural and urban areas, and he believes Council will do so. Councillor Dooks stated he will vote in favour of the motion, but he would still like to see the list of roads in the outer core that are cost shared between the Province and HRM, and urged staff to bring this list forward. If there are no such roads, the rural area should not be required to pay for this service.

Councillor Cooper asked if area rates will be permitted to be charged to commercial properties for a treatment plant. Mr. Anstey replied the Province's position is area rates generally should not apply to commercial properties. At the present time, emergency services is the only area that might possibly be covered by area rates. If Council wished to apply area rates to sewage treatment, the Province would have to be convinced that this is a service that should be covered by an area rate. Councillor Cooper stated he would like to see further study as to scenarios that might happen in the rural areas with this particular part of the Act.

Mr. Ron Singer, Director of Finance, suggested a solution to the problem with sewage treatment plants in the rural area. Presently, HRM funds most of those costs through waste water charges. Therefore, assuming there would be a water system with the sewage treatment plant, HRM would implement the waste water charges for these plants, and they would be passed on to the commercial taxpayers. Therefore, there would not have to be an area rate.

Councillor Blumenthal noted Councillor Snow had requested a report some time ago, regarding costs if the rural area was still covered by the Province and they had to pay for their roads and services. Councillor Blumenthal urged staff to bring this report to Council.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

9.2.2 Effect of Provincial Budget on HRM

Mr. Larry Corrigan, Commissioner of Corporate Services, addressed Council regarding the effect of the Provincial Budget on HRM. In his presentation, Commissioner Corrigan noted the following three key items:

- 1) Measures regarding the Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) - HRM is currently expected to pay additional expenses for HST of approximately \$5 million per year. With respect to the HST Offset Package, \$6 million was allocated in the Provincial Budget to be spread across Nova Scotia municipalities. Of this \$6 million, HRM is expected to receive about \$3 million. This offset package will be funded through increased Nova Scotia Power Corporation grants.
- 2) Measures related to assistance to School Boards - The Provincial Budget indicates the School Boards across the Province will receive additional funding of approximately \$13 million. This will come from both the Province and the municipalities. The education rate has been increased from 36¢ to 39¢ per \$100 of assessment resulting in a \$700,000 liability for HRM.
- 3) Grants to municipalities - Operating grants for municipalities have been increase by 3 percent; however, HRM does not receive operating grants. Capital grants, which HRM does receive, have been reduced. The HRM capital grant will decline from \$5.2 million last year to \$4.9 million this year.

Councillor Barnet expressed concern with down loading from the Province.

Deputy Mayor Greenough stated HRM should be receiving the money from the NSPC, giving HRM what it rightfully deserves.

In response to a question from Councillor Stone, Commissioner Corrigan agreed to provide Council with a list of individual downloading items from the Province. Councillor Stone suggested this information should be placed in an advertisement in the newspaper, as well, a column should be included on the property tax bills entitled "Provincial Property Tax."

Responding to comments from Councillor Schofield regarding the cost to HRM for Social Services, Mayor Fitzgerald suggested a letter should be sent to the Province stating HRM is not going to pay this cost.

MOVED by Councillors Kelly and Hetherington that the Mayor write a letter to the Province stating HRM is not going to pay the \$22 million for Social Services. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Councillor Dooks suggested Council should meet with the Minister of Municipal Affairs to discuss the issues raised with respect to the effect of the Provincial Budget.

In response to a question from Councillor Epstein regarding the multi-year implications of the HST, Commissioner Corrigan agreed to provide Council with copies of the schedule of the multi-year effects, which he verbally reviewed.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Greenough and Councillor Snow that a committee of Council be struck to meet with the Minister of Municipal Affairs and other provincial government representatives to try to start a process to work out disparities in terms of funding. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mayor Fitzgerald suggested this Committee consist of five Councillors.

MOVED by Councillors Stone and Kelly that when the report comes forward from Commissioner Corrigan regarding the down loading from the Province, that the facts be placed in an advertisement in the newspaper. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Commissioner English noted HRM has a legal agreement with the Province to pay the \$22 million for Social Services annually. It was agreed Mr. Anstey will provide a legal opinion on what action can be taken before the next quarterly payment is to be made. Mayor Fitzgerald stated, in the meantime, he will send the letter stating the concerns expressed by Council. Deputy Mayor Greenough suggested it may be worthwhile to defer any action on sending the letter and withholding payment for Social Services until after the Committee has had time to meet with the Minister. Mayor Fitzgerald agreed and stated he would ensure everything is coordinated.

9.2.3 Application by Annapolis Basin to Include the Glen Arbour Residential Development within a Water Service District

- ! A report prepared for George McLellan, Commissioner, Regional Operations, regarding a request by Annapolis Basin Group to amend the Municipal Planning Strategy for Beaver Bank, Upper Sackville, and Hammonds Plains,

by extending the Water Service District boundary in the Hammonds Plains area, was before Council for consideration.

As this issue relates to Councillor Rankin's District, it was agreed it should be deferred to the next meeting.

MOVED by Councillors Barnet and Hetherington that this item be deferred to the next regular Council session. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

9.2.4 Tender - Traffic Paint

! A report prepared for Brian Smith, Acting Commissioner of Regional Operations, regarding the traffic paint tender, was before Council for consideration.

MOVED by Councillors Sarto and Cunningham that the Tender to supply paint for the Centerline and Edgeline Traffic Paint for the Regional Operations Department be awarded to the lowest tender meeting specifications, Laurentide Atlantic, for a total of \$102,327.00.

Councillor Cunningham suggested that the street painting be done as soon as possible.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

9.2.5 Award of Tender No. 97-207 - Various Drainage Projects

! A report prepared for Brian Smith, Acting Commissioner of Regional Operations, regarding the award of Tender No. 97-207, Various Drainage Projects, was before Council for consideration.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Greenough and Councillor Cooper that Council award Tender No. 97-207 for a Total Tender Price of \$57,754.15 and a Total Project Cost of \$67,000.00 to Tri-Ex Construction Ltd. with funds from the following Account Numbers.

<u>Capital Account</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Project Cost</u>
86023	George Bissett School	\$ 1,000
91262	Flying Cloud Drive	\$16,000
91255	Savona Court/Ellerslie Park	\$21,000
83053	Zinck Avenue	<u>\$29,000</u>
		\$67,000

Mr. Dhillon responded to questions from Councillors Kelly and Adams regarding the contingency amount advising staff will present a report on the subject to Council in the near future.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

9.2.6 Tender 97-202 - Titus Street Upgrading

! A report prepared for Brian Smith, Acting Commissioner of Regional Operations, regarding the awarding of Tender 97-202 - Titus Street Upgrading, was before Council for consideration.

MOVED by Councillors Walker and Stone that:

- 1. Council award Tender No. 97-202 - Titus Street Upgrading, for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Total Tender Price of \$478,655.30 and a Total Project Cost of \$550,000.00 to the lowest bidder, Amber Contracting Ltd.**
- 2. Council authorize funding from Capital Account No. 97921, Titus Street Upgrading.**
- 3. Council approve the transfer of unused funds in the amount of \$90,000.00 from Capital Account No. 95443, Connaught Avenue Reconstruction, and \$60,000.00 from Capital Account No. 85457, Main Artery Patching to Capital Account No. 97921, Titus Street Upgrading.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

9.2.7 Tender 96-415 - Dartmouth Sportsplex - Dehumidifiers

! A report prepared for Dan English, Commissioner of Community Services, regarding the awarding of Tender 96-415 - Dartmouth Sportsplex - Dehumidifiers, was before Council for consideration.

MOVED by Councillors Cunningham and Schofield that Council authorize the award of the tender to supply and install dehumidifiers at the Dartmouth Sportsplex to the lowest bidder, H.W. Corkum Construction Co., Ltd., in the amount of \$59,248.00 (including HST). MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

9.2.8 CBC Complex Bell Road and Summer Street: Proposed Land Lease

! A report prepared for Brian Smith, Acting Commissioner of Regional Operations, regarding a request for a land lease from the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, was before Council for consideration.

MOVED by Councillors Downey and Blumenthal that Council authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute a lease, with the Canadian Broadcasting

Corporation for a land parcel measuring approximately 6,500 square feet, situated at Summer Street in Halifax, with compensation to HRM in the form of nominal annual rent and construction of a walkway on municipal lands (Map One in the report) at an approximate value of \$20,000, in accordance with the policies in the Halifax Common Plan.

In response to a question from Councillor Downey, Mr. Austin French stated the CBC will be responsible for the installation of the sidewalk, but the annual maintenance will be the responsibility of HRM which is estimated to be about \$300-\$400 per year.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

9.2.9 MPS Amendment: Development Boundary Adjustment, Waverley Road, Dartmouth

! A report prepared for Dan English, Commissioner of Community Services, regarding an application by John and Rita Chobin to subdivide their property at 823 Waverley Road, Dartmouth, was before Council for consideration.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Greenough and Councillor Sarto that staff initiate a process to amend the Dartmouth MPS for the purpose of extending the Development Boundary along Waverley Road to include the property at Civic No. 823. Further, it is recommended that public participation be undertaken in accordance with the Public Participation Resolution adopted by Regional Council on February 25, 1997. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

9.2.10 Application to Amend Cole Harbour/Westphal Municipal Planning Strategy - Servicing Boundary (PA-CHW-01-96)

! A report prepared by Dan English, Commissioner of Community Services, regarding an application by Alderney Consultants Limited to transfer sewer servicing capacity from a site on Bissett Road to another site located off Cole Drive, in order to enable development of a new subdivision, was before Council for consideration.

Councillor McInroy stated this issue is more complicated than it appears, and suggested it should be referred to the Harbour East Planning Advisory Committee to give consideration as to how the public participation process will unfold.

MOVED by Councillors McInroy and Snow that this item be referred to the Harbour East Planning Advisory Committee.

Councillor Cooper addressed the motion noting there are other concerns that need to be addressed at this time. He suggested the issue should also be referred to the Municipal Planning Advisory Committee. Councillor Cooper raised the issue of the sewage transfer and suggested a report should be generated on the entire sewage transfer issue.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOVED by Councillors Cooper and McInroy that a supplementary staff report be prepared on the sewage transfer issue reviewing the capacity transfer procedures and the application of sewage capacity by the Municipality and forwarded to the Planning Advisory Committees. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10. PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

11. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

11.1 Correspondence

11.1.1 IMA TECH Enviro Ltd., Mr. Phil Nixon re: Disposal of Photo Wastes

! A memo from Mr. Phil Nixon, IMA TECH Enviro Ltd., regarding the disposal of photo wastes, was before Council for consideration.

MOVED by Councillors Kelly and Hetherington that this item be referred to staff for a report. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

12. MOTIONS - None

13. ADDED ITEMS

13.1 Brigley's Road (Information Item April 29, 1997)

! An information report prepared for Brian Smith, Acting Commissioner of Regional Operations regarding Brigley's Road, previously circulated on April 29, 1997, was before Council for discussion.

Councillor Mitchell provided an update on Brigley's Road noting the road has been repaired through the purchase of gravel from the Councillor's funding.

13.2 Councillor Snow - District 2 Residents - Yard Waste Services

Councillor Snow noted District 2 residents are concerned with Yard Waste Services. Councillor Snow inquired why the core area of District 2 has been left out with respect to pick up service, and he requested that staff look into this and report back to Council in the very near future. Council agreed with Councillor Snow's request.

13.3 Councillor Kelly - Reduction in Membership, Committee Advisory Committee

Councillor Kelly requested Council's approval for a reduction in membership of the Committee Advisory Committee, due to difficulties in obtaining a quorum. The change would be from nine to seven Councillors, with a quorum of four.

MOVED by Councillor Kelly and Deputy Mayor Greenough that the Committee Advisory Committee membership be reduced from nine to seven Councillors.

Councillor Stone inquired about the forthcoming report regarding the status of committees, suggesting that staff bring forward a report on a previously raised suggestion of three major committees: Executive, Operations, and Planning, with a third of Council on each committee. Councillor Kelly advised the Committee Advisory Committee's forthcoming report addresses major committee breakdowns. The Committee has not had an opportunity to address this report yet due to lack of a quorum.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

13.4 Lease Matter - Lot 5C, Ash Lake Court - Ratify

- This issue was discussed at the In Camera Session held before this Regular Session, and was now before Council for ratification.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Greenough and Councillor Sarto that the motion adopted In Camera, regarding Lease Matter - Lot 5C, Ash Lake Court, be ratified. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

13.5 Capital Budget

This item is addressed on Page 16.

13.6 Appointment - Greater Halifax Partnership

MOVED by Councillors Sarto and Hetherington that Deputy Mayor Greenough be appointed to the Board of Directors of the Greater Halifax Partnership for a one year term. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

14. NOTICES OF MOTION

14.1 Councillor Hendsbee

Take Notice that at the next regular meeting of the Halifax Regional Council to be held on May 20, 1997, I intend to introduce a motion to request Elections Canada and the National Chief Electoral Officer to prepare for the future use of the Permanent Voters List for the purpose of 1997 Municipal and School Elections in Nova Scotia and, furthermore, for the use in the anticipated 1997 or 1998 Provincial Election.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Federal Government of Canada, the Provincial Government of Nova Scotia, and all the municipalities in Nova Scotia cost share in the establishment of one Elections Voter Registration Process and have the database maintained by the Province.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be forwarded to the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities for debate and consideration at its annual meeting this summer, and perhaps be suggested as an emergency resolution for consideration at the FCM conference in Ottawa later this spring.

14.2 Councillor Blumenthal

Take Notice at the regular meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on May 20, 1997, I propose to move a motion to rescind those parts of the motions of April 1, 1997 and April 29, 1997 respecting the Macdonald Bridge approaches that approved the south ramp Option "H3" and in substitution therefore direct staff to carry out all reasonable investigations of the north ramp option, including necessary land acquisitions and to bring back to Regional Council a comprehensive report on the issues involved before a final decision is made on the location of the ramps.

14.3 Councillor McInroy

- I) Take Notice that at the regular meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on May 20, 1997, I intend to introduce the following motion:

That Halifax Regional Municipality advise the Nova Scotia Power Corporation of its concern regarding the designation of any of the Cole Harbour Heritage Parklands for the purpose of accommodating a power transmission line, and further, that Halifax Regional Municipality be apprised of any current considerations in that regard of which the Nova Scotia Power Corporation may be aware.

- II) Take Notice that at the regular meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on May 20, 1997, I intend to introduce the following motion:

That Halifax Regional Municipality urge the Honourable Eleanor Norrie, Minister of Natural Resources, to expedite the formal parkland designation for the Cole Harbour Heritage Parklands which were acquired by the Province at the request of Cole Harbour Community for preservation as conservation parklands.

14.4 Councillor Cooper

Take Notice that at the regular meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on May 20, 1997, I intend to introduce the following motion:

That Regional Operations take actions necessary to ensure playing fields for minor sports are open as soon as possible.

RECESS

Council recessed at 8:05 p.m. and met as Committee of the Whole at 8:20 p.m. to continue Capital Budget discussions. Following adjournment of the Committee of the Whole meeting at 8:45 p.m., Council reconvened to approve the Capital Budget.

13.5 Approval of Capital Budget

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Greenough and Councillor Epstein that the Capital Budget be approved as presented, subject to the List of 60 Budget Modifications, for a total Capital Budget of \$69,629,000.

Councillor Adams spoke against the motion expressing concern with the adding of projects at the end of the Capital Budget discussion, while other projects approved last year were deferred. Councillor Adams questioned why these projects would no longer be considered priorities. He also expressed concern with some health and safety issues being ignored in the selection of projects.

Councillor Cooper expressed disappointment with the process followed in the Capital Budget discussions and the lack of fairness. He suggested this budget should be examined in six months to determine the financial situation at that time. Planning should start now on how to deal with next year's Capital Budget.

Councillor Hetherington also expressed concern with the added items and the time frame for the discussion and approval of the Capital Budget. He suggested both the discussion and the approval of the Capital Budget should take place in December, with tenders being placed in January.

Councillor Epstein stated Council and staff can learn from the process followed this year and made the following points:

- The Capital Budget was dealt with earlier this year and should be even earlier next year.
- There should be a more detailed consultation during the development process.
- The possibility of reports coming forward during the year should be considered for items that may be deferred.
- It might be useful to identify some projects by District to help Councillors identify more easily what is going on in their District and if their needs are being met.
- A policy may be required to deal with schools and playgrounds.
- Council would like input on dollars being reallocated during the budget year.

Councillor Barnet supported the comments made regarding the budget being presented earlier next year, more consultative input by Council before the document is prepared, and that Council refrain from the "Wish List" in the future.

Councillor Blumenthal supported the budget, stating access for disabled and seniors should be a priority next year. He also suggested a certain amount be given to each District for its priorities next year.

Councillor Stone agreed the process needs to be improved and regional projects should be designated as such and not included as part of a District.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

15. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillors Blumenthal and Hetherington that the meeting adjourn at 9:15 p.m. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Vi Carmichael
Municipal Clerk