Councillor Innes was nominated by Councillor Tolson Councillor Lugar moved that nominations cease.

APPROVAL OF NEW SHOPPING CENTRE - SACKVILLE, N.S.

Councillor Loncarevic expressed concern that a new shopping centre in the Sackville area may receive approval in the near future. After some discussion it was agreed that Councillor Loncarevic be requested to investigate the matter further and report back to Council.

PHOTO SESSION

It was agreed by Council that Wednesday, April 29, 1981 should be designated as "Official Photo Day."

IN CAMERA MEETING

ON MOTION of Councillor Loncarevic and Councillor Innes, it was moved that the session go "in camera" at 9:50 p.m. for discussion of the next item. Motion carried unanimously.

ON MOTION of Councillor Loncarevic and Councillor Innes, it was moved that the Council revert to regular session at 10 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION of Councillor Loncarevic and Councillor Roberts it was moved that the meeting adjourn at 10 p.m. Motion Carried unanimously.

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MINUTES OF THE SECOND YEAR'S MEETINGS OF THE FIRST COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE TOWN OF BEDFORD COUNCIL SESSION - APRIL 3, 1981

A meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Bedford took place in the Council Chambers, Suite 400, Bedford Tower, Bedford, Nova Scotia on Friday, April 3, 1981, at 11:45 A.M. Mayor Francene Cosman presided and the meeting was attended by Councillors -Tom Innes, Arnold Legree, Bosko Loncarevic, Keith Roberts and John Tolson,

SACKVILLE RIVER BRIDGE

The Council, accompanied by the Town Engineer, visited the site of the proposed Sackville River Bridge in order to determine first hand where it would be located and the possible effect on surrounding areas.

Following the Council's return to the Council Chambers, the Town Engineer reviewed the details of three possible designs for traffic flow over the bridge and advised that it was staff's recommendation that the bridge be constructed to accommodate two through lanes of traffic along with a centre turning lane, which would have grassed, raised medians, sidewalks and a turning lane for the Union Street exit. It was also staff's recommendation that the bridge be so located and constructed that if, in future, there is a requirement for expansion, it could be accommodated.

ON MOTION of Councillor Legree and Councillor Tolson, it was moved that the new Sackville River Bridge accommodate two through lanes, one turning lane and a 12 foot median plus two cantilever sidewalks and that the first lane from Halifax be located on the existing green stakes viewed this day by Council.

During the ensuing general discussion the question was raised as to whether or not the approval of such a bridge structure would eventually lead to the construction of a four-lane highway through the Town. Several Councillors also expressed concern that the proposed structure is being considered without full knowledge of the impact on the Fish Hatchery Park from asthetic and physical points of view. It was noted that many questions have been asked of the Department of Transportation concerning traffic volume, design of the bridge, etc. for which answers have not been received. There was general consensus that the traffic flow design proposed appeared to be satisfactory but more information was required before the structural design of a bridge could be approved.

It was agreed by the mover, seconder and the Council that the motion as presented be withdrawn.

ON MOTION of Councillor Tolson and Councillor Legree it was moved that Town Council approve the traffic flow as presented in Exhibit A but before the final bridge alignment and street modification are approved, the Council will view a perspective drawing and a model of the proposed design. Motion carried unanimously.

1981 BUDGET REVIEW

By memorandum, the Chief Administrative Officer reviewed staff's progress in the budget preparation and asked for Council's guidance with regard to the method to be followed in the review process.

ON MOTION of Councillor Innes and Councillor Roberts, it was moved that the proposed 1981 Budget be reviewed by Sections, prior to consideration as a whole. Motion carried unanimously.

It was agreed that the first budget review meeting will take place on Thursday, April 9, 1981, 6 P.M. to 10 P.M. in the Council Chambers.

TRANSIT AGREEMENT

Copies of correspondence concerning the proposed Transit Agreement between the Town of Bedford and the Metropolitan Transit Commission were circulated to members of Council. It was noted that the Transit Commission has agreed to some of the requests by the Town but will not agree to the Town's request for a four - month term. The Commission also indicated that it could not be restricted to a date of June 1, 1981 for the supplying of information requested by the Town.

It was noted by legal counsel that the decision not to agree to a four - month term appeared to be in conflict with the opinion previously expressed by Transit Commission officials that same would be acceptable. He also noted that, according to information contained in the correspondence, transit service could be withdrawn from the Town if the agreement is not signed before April 6, 1981.

Councillor Innes expressed concern that the members of the Metropolitan Transit Commission were not wholly informed with regard to the expressed concerns of the Town of Bedford.

ON MOTION of Councillor Innes and Councillor Loncarevic, it was moved that the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to write a letter to the Chairman of the Metropolitan Transit Commission asking that consideration be given to the setting of realistic transit rates and fares with the object of decreasing the municipal subsidies required. Motion carried unanimously.

Councillor Loncarevic questioned the efficiency of management of the Transit Commission, noting that the result, to date, is a requirement for very large subsidies from all the municipalities involved.

ON MOTION of Councillor Legree and Councillor Tolson, it was moved that the proposed transit agreement between the Town of Bedford and the Metropolitan Transit Commission be signed for the period of April 1 to December 31, 1981.

During discussion of the motion, the view was expressed by some Councillors that the general public will be very displeased if the service is withdrawn on April 6. Other Councillors expressed the opinion that citizens will be just as displeased if Council signs an agreement requiring a subsidy from the Town of \$91,000 for nine months.

The motion was put to the meeting and was defeated. Councillor Innes, Councillor Roberts and Councillor Loncarevic voted against the motion.

ON MOTION of Councillor Roberts and Councillor Loncarevic, it was moved that Council agree to sign a Transit Agreement between the Town of Bedford and the Metropolitan Transit Commission for the period between April 1 and September 30, 1981. Motion carried unanimously.

ON MOTION of Councillor Innes and Councillor Loncarevic, it was moved that the Town of Bedford immediately undertake a two-week survey of ridership of the two transit bus routes serving the Town. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE - MRS. ANGELA FRASER

Copies of correspondence from Mrs. Angela Fraser, Heritage Society, were circulated in which Mrs. Fraser requested the opinions and assistance of Town Council with regard to the wording of the "MOTTO" to be used in conjunction with the Town's Coat of Arms.

ON MOTION of Councillor Innes and Councillor Loncarevic, it was moved that discussion on the wording of the Motto be deferred to the next meeting of Town Council. Motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION OF GIFT

Mr. Kenneth MacInnis, Legal Counsel for the Town of Bedford presented a gift of a framed print of Norman Rockwell's painting "Town Meeting" to the Town. Mayor Cosman expressed the appreciation of the Town for this gift.

ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION of Councillor Roberts and Councillor Innes it was moved that the meeting adjourn. Motion Carried unanimously.

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MINUTES OF THE SECOND YEAR'S MEETINGS OF THE FIRST COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE TOWN OF BEDFORD COUNCIL SESSION - APRIL 13, 1981

A meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Bedford took place in Suite 400, Bedford Tower, Bedford, Nova Scotia on Monday, April 13, 1981 at 7:30 P.M. Mayor Francene Cosman presided and the meeting was attended by Councillors Tom Innes, Arnold Legree, Bosko Loncarevic, David Lugar and Keith Roberts.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was agreed that, in the minutes of the session of March 23, 1981, the last word in Paragraph 6, Page 2 should be changed to Commission from Association

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Legree it was moved that the minutes of the council session of March 23, 1981 be approved as corrected. Motion carried unanimously.

DELEGATION: PEERLESS SUBDIVISION

Mayor Cosman advised Council that a delegation of residents of Peerless Subdivision was present and had requested to address Council. It was agreed that the delegation would be heard at this point in the agenda.

TRANSIT SERVICE: PEERLESS SUBDIVISION

Mr. Gordon Ginter, 91 Olive Drive, addressed Council expressing the concern of residents in Peerless Subdivision that they will be obliged to pay towards the cost of transit services while not benefiting from same excepting for the express service once a day to and from Halifax. He asked that the regular service available during the day be expanded to include the Peerless Subdivison area and also suggested that consideration should be given to operating the Bedford route through the Kearney Lake Road area. During the ensuing discussion between the residents and the Council it was explained that Town Council is presently looking for some way to reduce the deficit of the transit service and also at ways that the service might be improved at a reasonable expense. It was suggested by Councillor Lugar that the Transit Commission might be willing to take a look at the greater Hammonds Plains Road area including Uplands Park and the Timber Trails Mobile Home Court to see if a route could be arranged.

ON MOTION of Councillor Roberts and Councillor Lugar it was moved that the Ad Hoc Committee on Transit meet with the Sackville Councillors to discuss the possibility of a Lucasville/Hammonds Plains Road transit route being established and, if considered feasible, request the Metro Transit Authority to conduct a survey. Motion carried unanimously.

GREEN AREA: PEERLESS SUBDIVISION

Mr. Ginter requested the co-operation of the Town Council in the development of a Green Area within the Peerless Subdivision boundries. It was agreed that this matter would be referred to the Recreation Commission.

OLIVE DRIVE

Mr. Ginter advised Council that the residents of the subdivision are encountering problems from teenage parking, dumping of garbage, etc. at the end of Olive Drive and asked that some remedial action be taken. It was agreed that the Town Engineer should contact the owner of the property located in this area requesting that some large rock boulders be placed to limit access.

MAINTENANCE OF ROADS

On behalf of the Peerless Subdivision residents, Mr. Ginter asked that the road maintenance service be improved and it was agreed that the Town Engineer would check into this matter. It was noted, in particular, that the ditches are in need of a thorough clean up.

Mayor Cosman expressed the thanks of Town Council to Mr. Ginter and the other residents of Peerless Subdivision for their willingness to come to a meeting of Council in order to express their concerns.

ORDER OF AGENDA

It was agreed by Council that the order of the agenda would be amended in order that item numbers 3A, 3B, 3E, 4E, 6A and 6C would be considered before any other items of business.

SEWER SYSTEM: PROPOSAL FOR TAKE OVER

By memorandum the Chief Administrative Officer reviewed the history and progress of the proposal by the Town of Bedford to assume ownership and responsiblity for the internal sewer system. Enclosed with the memorandum was an "information package" consisting of copies of correspondence and other data pertaining to this matter from November 24, 1980 to March 9, 1981. It was noted by the Chief Administrative Officer that the Town Council agreed on March 23, 1981 to defer the entire matter for discussion at a joint council session of April 7, 1981. It was further suggested by the Chief Administrative Officer that a decision should now be made as to what the next course of action will be.

Mr. Ken MacInnis, Legal Coursel, advised that the petition to the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities has been drafted but has not been signed or filed. He suggested that Council should advise legal staff whether the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities should be petitioned at this time.

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Councillor Loncarevic inquired as to whether any administrative, technical or legal problems are foreseen by staff as a result of Bedford taking over the complete sewer system.

The Chief Administrative Officer advised that he does not foresee any administrative problems generated by the petition.

The Town Engineer likewise agreed that he did not foresee any technical problems and noted that the Town has the capacity to operate the system.

Legal Counsel advised that he could foresee some legal problems but expressed the opinion that the Townhas a valid case in this matter.

ON MOTION of Councillor Innes and Councillor Loncarevic it was moved that the Town of Bedford petition the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities to confirm the ownership of the <u>entire</u> sewer system within the boundries of the Town of Bedford.

During the ensuing discussion some concern was expressed by Councillor Legree that this motion should not be approved until Council has further information on the cost of operating the entire system. It was noted by both Councillor Loncarevic and the Chief Administrative Officer that the Town has requested information with regard to the overall operating costs of the system and has not been able to obtain same.

In response to an inquiry from Councillor Lugar as to whether or not the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities could determine and order particular cost sharing arrangements, legal counsel advised that under the Municipal Boundariesand Representation Act, the Board might order an adjustment of cost involved but this would be a "one time" only adjustment.

It was suggested by legal counsel that the matter is one of significant complexity and importance and should be thoroughly discussed. He advised that he would be concerned if Council made this decision without considering all the changes that have taken place over the past few months.

ON MOTION of Councillor Roberts and Councillor Lugar it was moved that consideration of the motion be deferred until a future session of Town Council. Motion carried unanimously.

BYLAWS: USE OF FEMININE AS WELL AS MASCULINE GENDER

Copies of correspondence from Mr. Kenneth MacInnis, Legal Counsel, were circulated to Council in which Mr. MacInnis advised that it was the opinion of Mr. Graham Walker, the Legislative Counsel for Nova Scotia that it is unnecessary and somewhat redundant to include the words "she" and "it" in drafting legislation. It was noted that both the Provincial and Federal Interpretation Act provides that " words importing male persons include female persons and corporations." It was agreed that this correspondence be received for information. BY-LAW TO ESTABLISH A BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS FOR THE TOWN OF BEDFORD

A motion to establish a Board of Police Commissioners for the Town of Bedford, moved by Councillor Roberts and Councillor Legree and deferred for consideration from the meeting of March 23, 1981, was placed before the Council

ON MOTION of Councillor Roberts and Councillor Loncarevic it was moved that the motion be amended by the deletion of paragraph 2 of the draft by-law entitled "Renumeration" and by the renumbering of paragraphs 3 - 9 to paragraphs 2-8. Amendment carried unanimously.

Amended motion carried unanimously.

RULES OF ORDER BY-LAW

Copies of a proposed Rules of Order By-law were circulated and Legal Counsel advised of the various amendments which had been made to the previous draft of same.

ON MOTION of Councillor Loncarevic and Councillor Legree it was moved that the rules of order by-law be adopted with the noted changes. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE - MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF HALIFAX - TAXES ON HALIFAX WATER UTILITIES

Copies of correspondence from Mr. K.S. Wilson, Director of Finance, Municipality of the County of Halifax were circulated, in which Mr. Wilson requested that the Town of Bedford consider the approval of a grant to the water utility to off-set the cost of taxes owed to the Town of Bedford. Mr. Wilson also noted the amount of the accumulated deficit of the Water Utility and advised that, historically, the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities ruled that the deficit is the responsiblity of the municipalities which are serviced by the water utility.

The Chief Administrative Officer advised Council of the negative aspects of such a grant as has been requested and also advised Council that he was not yet prepared to make a recommendation on this matter.

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Legree, it was moved that the matter be deferred, pending staff recommendation. Motion carried unanimously.

PARKS AND PLAYGROUND BY-LAW

Copies of a draft Parks and Playgrounds By-law were circulated to Council. It was noted by Legal Counsel that this draft has been circulated for discussion purposes only - that there will no doubt be changes required. During an initial review of the draft it was suggested by Council that the term "Green Area" should be added to the definition of "Park". It was also suggested that Section 3 should contain provision to enable residents to use barbecues within the park areas, and that Section 9, "Curfew" should make provision for possible changes in the future.

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Innes, it was moved that the draft By-law Respecting Parks and Playgrounds be referred to the Recreation Commission and the Task Force on Recreation for consideration and comments. Motion carried unanimously.

HERITAGE PROPERTY BY-LAW

Copies of a draft Heritage Property By-law were circulated to members of Council.

ON MOTION of Councillor Roberts and Councillor Legree it was moved that the Bedford Heritage '80 Society be asked if it would like to review the draft Heritage Property By-law. Motion carried unanimously.

DELETION FROM AGENDA

It was agreed by Council to delete Items D(1 & 2), namely Building Permit applications; Municipality of the County of Halifax Sewage Treatment Plant Expansion and Tri-Metro Cinemas, from the Agenda.

BEDFORD INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION - APPOINTMENTS

It was agreed by Council that the matter of further appointments to the Bedford Industrial Commission would be considered at a future meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE - COAT OF ARMS - PROPOSED MOTTO

Copies of correspondence from Mrs. Anne Fraser were circulated in which Mrs. Fraser requested assistance from the Town Council in determining a suitable motto to be placed on the Town's Coat of Arms.

Considerable discussion took place on the various suggested mottos and it was generally agreed that the Council was not prepared at this time to make a recommendation to the Heritage Society.

ON MOTION of Councillor Loncarevic and Councillor Roberts it was moved that the Council inform the Coat of Arms Committee that the ribbon on the motto should be left blank until such time as the Town adopts an acceptable motto. Motion carried unanimously.

J. WHITFORD AND ASSOCIATES - DRAFT BY-LAW

In response to an inquiry from Council, noting the length of time that this item has appeared on the Action Sheet, the Town Engineer advised that due to the nature and uniqueness of this by-law, it has taken a little longer than usual to develop.

EXTENTION OF LIBRARY SPACE

It was suggested by Councillor Loncarevic that some thought might be given to the use of the library window as a display window for the Bedford Business Improvement District Projects.

SACKVILLE RIVER BRIDGE

The Town Engineer advised council that represenatives of Lydon and Lynch Associates will be prepared to attend the Council session of April 27, 1981 with site plans and three dimensional designs of the proposed bridge structure for the Sackville River. This firm is presently involved with the Mainstreet Program in Bedford.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Copies of the Fire Department Report for the month of April, 1981 were circulated. This report included that of the Fire Chief, Training, and Fire Prevention and Inspection.

In discussion with Council it was noted by the Fire Chief that there appears to be a possible lack of communication between the Fire Department and the Town Council and he expressed the hope that this could be remedied in the future, perhaps by the appointment of one or two councillors to participate in the Fire Department Committee. Chief Selig also advised Council that the Nova Scotia Board of Underwriters are presently engaged in an evaluation of the Fire Department.

It was agreed by Council that the merits of the establishment of a committee to liaise with the Fire Department should be considered.

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Roberts it was moved that the report of the Fire Department be received. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE - CANADIAN PARAPLEGIC ASSOCIATION

Copies of correspondence from the Canadian Paraplegic Association were circulated to Council in which Dr. Donald E. Curren, Executive Director, requested the consideration of Council in naming a civic IYDPC to plan and guide a retro-fitting program for some of the schools within the Town of Bedford in order to make them accessible to physically handicapped children.

ON MOTION of Councillor Innes and Councillor Lugar it was moved that the matter be referred to the School Board/Recreation Commission joint committee that is presently studying recreation facilities and that this Committee be asked to expand its mandate to include the identification of the needs of the physically disabled with regard to schools and public buildings. Motion carried unanimously.

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CORRESPONDENCE - JAMES O'HAGEN AND DAVID BERESFORD-GREEN

Copies of correspondence from Mr. James R. O'Hagen and Mr.J. Beresford-Green were circulated to members of Council. Both gentlemen made inquiries with regard to the progress of the proposed traffic survey of Shore Drive and possible subsequent action with regard to the railroad crossing and alleged speeding presently taking place. It was also suggested by Mr. Beresford-Green that the Town consider building humps, of similar dimension to those which are sometimes used in Great Britain, to control the speed and volume of traffic on Shore Drive.

The Town Engineer advised Council that it was his expectation that results from the Traffic Study would be ready for presentation to Town Council at the May 11, 1981 session. A report will also be prepared for Council on the implications of the placement of speed humps based on information received from other Towns which have used same.

It was agreed that Mr. Beresford-Green and Mr. O'Hagen should be advised of the action planned on these matters.

CORRESPONDENCE - HALIFAX/DARTMOUTH BRIDGE COMMISSION RE BRIDGE PIERS

Copies of correspondence from Mr. R.J. Allen, Chairman, Halifax/ Dartmouth Bridge Commission were circulated in which Mr. Allen requested an opportunity for a delegation from the Halifax/ Dartmouth Bridge Commission be permitted to address Town Council on the subject of the need to reduce or eliminate the possiblity of a marine accident involving the bridge piers situated in deep water.

ON MOTION of Councillor Roberts and Councillor Legree it was moved that Council agree to receive a delegation from the Halifax/Dartmouth Bridge Commission, the time and date to be established by the Chief Administrative Officer.

Councillor Roberts expressed the opinion that this subject was most important and that Council should agree to the meeting.

Councillor Loncarevic suggested that, while the subject was most important, the Bedford Town Council did not have the time or the influence to become involved.

ON MOTION of Councillor Loncarevic and Councillor Innes, it was moved that the Motion be deferred pending further information being made available. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE - BEDFORD BOARD OF TRADE-RE DART CONTAINER LINES

Copies of correspondence from Mr. Jack A. Innes, Vice President of the Bedford Board of Trade to the Honourable Jean Luc Pepin, Minister of Transport, were circulated to members of Council. In the correspondence, Mr. Innes expressed concern of the Bedford Board of Trade in respect of the recent decision of Dart Container Lines to move its operation from Halifax to the port of Montreal. He advised that the Bedford Board of Trade wished to join with other local Boards to support the request for a public hearing by the Canadian Transport Commission to review the Dart decision, in particular, and the general decline of business through the Port of Halifax, in general.

ON MOTION of Councillor Roberts and Councillor Innes, it was moved that the Town of Bedford write to the Minister of Transport endorsing the contents of the correspondence from the Bedford Board of Trade to the Minister concerning the move of Dart Container Lines operations from Halifax to Montreal, and that copies of this correspondence be forwarded to the Minister of Labour and State, the Premier of Nova Scotia, the Halifax Board of Trade, the Bedford Board of Trade, the Dartmouth Chamber of Commerce and the Sackville Chamber of Commerce. Motion carried. Councillor Loncarevic voted against the motion.

CORRESPONDENCE - MRS CATHY CLEMENTS - RE DAY CARE FACILITY

Copies of correspondence from Mrs. Cathy Clements were circulated to members of Council in which Mrs. Clements requested information on the possibility of opening a day care facility in an R-2 or R-4 zone. She also requested that she be informed of the time and place for setting zone regulations in order that she could participate in the meetings.

It was noted by the Chief Administrative Officer that, at the present time, there is no reference in our By-laws to the establishment of day care centres.

It was suggested by Councillor Roberts that the question of day care centres should be addressed in the near future. During the ensuing discussion it was noted by the Town Planner that day care centres have been looked at to some extent in context of a "Home Occupation".

It was agreed by Council that, at the present time, under our current by-laws, a day care centre cannot be established in a residential area as such is a commercial enterprise. It was agreed that a letter should be forwarded to Mrs. Clements advising her of this fact and suggesting that her proposed day care centre could be established in one of our commercial areas.

CORRESPONDENCE - MINISTER OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS - SENIOR CITIZENS WEEK

Copies of correspondence from the Honourable Jack MacIsaac, Minister of Municipal Affairs, were circulated in which Mr. MacIsaac, recommended the week of June 14 to 20 be publicized as Senior Citizens Week by the Municipalities of the Province. He expressed the opinion that Senior Citizens Week providesan opportunity to publicize the importance of programs aimed at helping seniors and their involvement with the local level of government.

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Innes, it was moved that the Town of Bedford recognize the week of June 14 to 20, 1981

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as Senior Citizens Week, encouraging the Bedford Leisure Club to involve themselves in some special recognition of this week, and that the Mayor involve herself by signing a public relations document recognizing the week as Senior Citizens Week. During the ensuing discussion on this motion a point was raised with regard to the validity of the numerous "special weeks" that are presently prevalent. It was suggested that they are becoming so numerous that the significance is lost.

The motion was put to the meeting and passed. Councillor Loncarevic voted against the motion.

TAX COLLECTION REPORT

Copies of the Tax Collection Report of March 31, were circulated indicating a total of current taxes collected to March 31, 1981 of \$ 1,114,924 (91%) and a total of tax arrears collected to March 31, 1981 of \$223,080. (63.4%)

TAX SALE DATE

ON MOTION of Councillor Innes and Councillor Lugar it was moved that the date of September 21, 1981 be established as the date of a proposed Tax Sale. Motion carried unanimously.

BUILDING INSPECTION REPORT

It was noted by Mr. Dursi that his department is endeavouring to meet with the assessment department to obtain some idea of the increase in assessment values in relation to building permits issued.

The Chief Administrative Officer advised that the Development Officer will be providing a monthly report outlining the status of re-zoning applications and information on subdivision approvals.

BEDFORD PLANNING ADVISORY REPORT

Councillor Loncarevic advised Council that a very successful public workshop was held on April 6, 1981 with approximately 65 residents in attendance. He also advised the next workshop will be held in approximately 6 weeks to discuss the transportation, commercial and industrial sections of the Development Plan.

The Bedford Blueprint No. 7 is expected to go to print next week.

NEW SHOPPING MALL - SACKVILLE, N.S.

With regard to the proposed new shopping mall in Sackville, Councillor Loncarevic advised Council that his research indicated that the Sackville Councillors were in favour of the project due to the increased assessment involved; both local Boards of Trade were in favour expressing the opinion that under the free enterprise system they should be permitted to go ahead; existing mall owners and small business owners are very concerned.

It was noted that the Regional Development Permit has not yet been granted and that much of the Province is protected by legislation but that this same protection does not apply to the Halifax Metropolitan Area. It was suggested by the Town Planner that the Town can appeal the issuance of such permits but that we should be very careful to examine our own records and plans before doing so. Some discussion took place on whether or not the Town should become involved with regard to development in a neighbouring municipal unit. In the final analysis, it was agreed to await advice from the Department of Municipal Affairs on the issuance of the Regional Development Permit.

DPA REPORT

Councillor Loncarevic requested recommendations and direction from Council with regard to the completion of the DPA Report. It was agreed that copies of the most recent draft should be circulated to Council for review before final approval is given for the production of a public edition.

PERSONNEL POLICY - NON-UNION EMPLOYEES

It was agreed that consideration of this personnel policy should be deferred to the meeting of April 27, 1981.

EASTER HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Legree it was moved that the Town office be closed on Good Friday and Easter Monday. Motion carried unanimously.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON PUBLIC EDUCATION FINANCE

Councillor Roberts reminded Council of the upcoming meeting sponsored by the Commission on Public Education Finance to be held at St. Patricks High School Auditorium in Halifax on Tuesday and Wednesday, April 14 and 15, 1981

TOWN POLICY

Councillor Loncarevic expressed his personal concern with regard to prevailing policy of the Town with regard to correspondence and requests from other levels of government and also the appointments or designation of special days, weeks, etc. No action was taken on this matter.

SCHOOL SITE SELECTION COMMITTEE

Councillor Loncarevic requested that the Council consider the appointment of a School Site Selection Committee to start preparatory work with regard to collecting data evaluating sites, etc, for the possible future need of a new school building. He asked for information on the proper procedure in such a matter. The Chief Administrative Officer advised that it is normal practice for the School Board to initiate such action. He also advised that future growth in the County may require new schools to be built in Sackville or Fall River at which time the County may declare C.P. Allen School surplus.

Councillor Lugar cautioned that the Town not have a Capital Building Committee which operates in isolation from the School Board.

ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION of Councillor Innes and Councillor Lugar it was moved the meeting adjourn at 11:55 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.

It was agreed that in the minutes of the Deeslon of

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Chief Administrative Officer

MINUTES OF THE SECOND YEAR'S MEETINGS OF THE FIRST COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE TOWN OF BEDFORD COUNCIL SESSION - APRIL 27, 1981

A meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Bedford took place in the Bedford Fire Hall, Bedford, Nova Scotia, on Monday, April 27, 1981, 7:30 p.m. Mayor Francene Cosman presided and the meeting was attended by Councillors Tom Innes, Arnold Legree, Bosko Loncarevic, David Lugar, Keith Roberts and John Tolson.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Legree it was moved that the minutes of the Session of April 23, 1981, be approved. Motion carried unanimously.

It was agreed that in the minutes of the Session of April 13, 1981, the following corrections should be made:

- (a) the last line of the first paragraph on Page three should read "of Bedford taking over the complete sewer system;"
- (b) in the second last paragraph of Page three, the spelling of Councillor Lugar's name should be corrected;
- (c) the last sentence of the first paragraph of Page eleven should read, "He also advised that future growth in the County may require new schools to be built in Sackville or Fall River at which time the County may declare C.P. Allen School surplus."

ON MOTION of Councillor Loncarevic and Councillor Roberts it was moved that the minutes of the session of April 13, 1981, be approved as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

DELEGATION: BEDFORD VILLAGE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Mr. William Brimley, Director, Bedford Village Residents Association, addressed Council concerning the subject "Development of Parks in the Environs of Paper Mill Lake." A subject paper outlining the concerns, and recommendations for remedial action, was circulated to members of Council. Mr. Brimley advised that residents of the Paper Mill Lake area are well aware of the historical use of this area by the public for swimming and picnicing, but are asking that measures be taken immediately to ensure safety for the children living in the area and reasonable access along the streets for private and emergency vehicles. He also asked that enforecement action be taken to counteract the nuisance of drinking, noise, late evening activities and litter. Recommendations to counteract these problems, included in the subject paper, were reviewed by Mr. Brimley and it was noted that the Parks around the lake should be established in such a way that they will be in harmony with the environment as well as the neighbourhoods in which they are located.

Mr. Brimley emphasized that the residents do not want to go through another summer with the problems that were encountered last year and have come to Council for help.

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Loncarevic, it was moved that the matter be referred to the Recreation Commission and the Traffic Authority for consideration and recommendation. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>CORRESPONDENCE - HALIFAX/DARTMOUTH BRIDGE COMMISSION RE</u> BRIDGE PIERS

The Chief Administrative Officer advised Council that it was the desire of the Halifax/Dartmouth Bridge Commission to appear before each of the metropolitan Municipal Councils in order to brief them on a request to the Federal Government for funding to help reduce or eliminate the possibility of a marine accident involving the bridge piers situated in deep water.

ON MOTION of Councillor Legree and Councillor Roberts it was moved that the Town Council receive a delegation from the Halifax/Dartmouth Bridge Commission at the next Town Council Session. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION of Councillor Loncarevic and Councillor Lugar, it was moved that this meeting adjourn at 10:30 p.m. Motion carried. Councillor Roberts and Councillor Legree voted against the motion.

SACKVILLE RIVER BRIDGE: PERSPECTIVE DRAWINGS FROM LYDON LYNCH ASSOCIATES LTD.

Mr. William Lydon, Lydon Lynch Associates Limited, circulated copies of a "Sackville River Bridge Design Proposal" to members of Council. It was noted in the proposal that Lydon Lynch Associates Limited was asked to review the current bridge design proposal, and to make suggestions as to how the design might best reinforce the park and street improvements contemplated under the Mainstreet Program. The proposal contained recommendations for the bridge and roadway alignment, the bridge width and roadway right-of-way, the super structure and earth work, and the bridge super structure design. In speaking to the proposal Mr. Lydon advised that his firm tried not to go back to "square one" but to modify the existing design with the hope of reducing the cultural shock of a new larger bridge structure. Photographs of the existing bridge were reviewed along with sketches of the current proposal from the Department of Highways and the suggested

proposal from Lydon Lynch Associates Limited.

ON MOTION of Councillor Tolson and Councillor Legree it was moved that Council approve the design that was already approved on April 3, 1981, with the modifications suggested by Lydon Lynch Associates Limited pertaining to the wood retaining wall stepped on both sides, the refurbishing and extension of the arm railing, the widening of the sidewalks and narrowing of the center median, and the pedestrian underwalk, and that these plans be forwarded to the Department of Transportation.

During discussion to the motion Councillor Innes expressed concern with the proposal to straighten the highway in the bridge area and suggested that it might be possible to renovate the existing bridge rather than building a new one.

The motion was put to the meeting and was defeated. Councillor Loncarevic, Councillor Innes and Mayor Cosman voted against the motion. Councillor Roberts abstained from voting.

Mayor Cosman expressed the opinion that this matter was very important and requested that all Councillors vote on motions pertaining to same.

ON MOTION of Councillor Tolson and Councillor Lugar it was moved that the conceptual drawings by Lydon Lynch Associates Limited be incorporated into a new bridge design, 46 feet wide, with 7 foot sidewalks and 8 foot median.

During discussion to the motion, Councillor Legree expressed concern with the construction of a three lane bridge rather than the original four lane concept.

The motion was put to the meeting and passed. Councillor Innes and Councillor Legree voted against the motion.

ON MOTION of Councillor Loncarevic and Councillor Tolson, it was moved that the report prepared by the Mainstreet Consultants, Lydon Lynch Associates Limited, on the Sackville River Bridge, be forwarded to the Department of Transportation as the Council's recommendation when finalizing the design of the proposed new bridge. Motion carried. Councillor Innes and Councillor Legree voted against the motion.

AGENDA

It was agreed by Council that the Agenda be re-arranged in order that correspondence from Kevin Kingston, not appearing on the agenda, be considered followed by the consideration of Items 7A, B & H and Item 5D.

SIGN PERMIT REFUSAL - CIVIC NUMBER 1240 BEDFORD HIGHWAY

Copies of a memorandum and accompanying documentation from

Mr. L.M. Dursi, Development Officer, concerning an application, and subsequent refusal, to erect a free standing sign at Civic Number 1240 Bedford Highway, were circulated to members of Council. In his memorandum, the Town Engineer advised that the address for which the permit to erect a sign had been applied was zoned C-1 and, under the Town Bylaw, free standing signs were not permitted in such an area. The Town Engineer also advised that the applicant believes the refusal is not justified as there are other such signs in the C-1 Zones which extend from Locke Street northward past First Street to Whitmans Hardware Store. He further advised that no permits have been issued to date for free standing signs in C-1 Zones by the Town of Bedford.

During the ensuing discussion, Mr. Kevin Kingston, President, Kingston Auto Sales, advised Council that he wishes to erect a free standing sign rather than attaching a sign to his building, due to the considerable set-back of the building from the main highway. The consensus of Council was that Mr. Kingston should be permitted to erect a free standing sign but such was not possible under the existing bylaw. Staff advised that the only alternatives to solve this problem at the present time would be to rezone the property or to amend the bylaw, either of which will take time and will require a public hearing.

Councillor Loncarevic suggested that no action should be taken with regard to signage in commercial areas until those involved with the Mainstreet Program and the MDP Commercial Task Force have had an opportunity to discuss the matter.

ON MOTION of Councillor Loncarevic and Councillor Lugar, it was moved that Council refer the question of signs on the Bedford Highway, with specific reference to an application for a sign by Kingston Auto Sales, to the BIDC for reference. Motion carried unanimously.

ON MOTION of Councillor Innes and Councillor Legree, it was moved that Town Council ask the Department of Municipal Affairs, by telephone, for a suggestion to allow this sign to be erected. Motion carried. Councillor Tolson voted against the motion.

Councillor Innes expressed the opinion that there must be some way to solve this problem; that businesses must be permitted to erect such signs or they will soon be "out of business."

It was suggested by the Town Engineer that, while he could not recommend the erection of a portable sign, such might solve the problem, temporarily.

It was suggested by Councillor Legree that Council should consider a recommendation to change the zoning bylaw to accommodate free standing signs in a C-1 area. ON MOTION of Councillor Legree and Councillor Tolson it was moved that Council proceed to amend the zoning bylaw in order to accommodate the erection of free standing signs in C-1 zones. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION of Councillor Roberts and Councillor Tolson, it was moved that a motion previously passed to adjourn the Council Session at 10:30 p.m. be rescinded. Motion carried.

PROCEDURE FOR SELECTION OF CHIEF OF POLICE

Copies of correspondence to and from the Nova Scotia Police Commission concerning the procedure for the selection of a Chief of Police were circulated to members of Council. It was noted that the Nova Scotia Police Commission would be willing to assist the Town in the selection process.

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Loncarevic, it was moved that Mayor Cosman, Councillor Roberts, the Chief Administrative Officer and a member of the Nova Scotia Police Commission be appointed as a pre-selection committee to prepare a short list of applicants to be interviewed for the position of Chief of Police. Motion carried unanimously.

In response to an inquiry from Councillor Tolson, the Chief Administrative Officer advised that correspondence and discussion with regard to the extension of service from the RCMP has taken place with the Attorney General's Office and that copies of all correspondence has been forwarded to the Honourable Gerald Regan.

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Innes, it was moved that the Town adopt the methodology offered by Admiral Harry A. Porter, Chairman, Nova Scotia Police Commission, for the interviewing for a Chief of Police for the Town of Bedford. Motion carried unanimously.

1981 OPERATING ESTIMATES-ESTABLISHMENT OF MEETING DATES

It was agreed that Council would meet at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, April 30, 1981, to continue its review of the 1981 operating estimates.

CORRESPONDENCE - MINISTER OF TRANSPORTATION RE REQUESTS FOR EXTENSION OF SERVICES - STREETS/ROADS

Copies of correspondence from the Honourable Thomas J. McInnis, Minister of Transportation were circulated to members of Council in which the Minister advised that his Department is still of the opinion the Town should take over the responsibility for the maintenance of streets and highways in the early spring of this year. The Minister further advised that the Department, realizing that the Town has not likely begun to prepare for the physical takeover of the maintenance responsibilities of the Town's street system, is prepared to continue the maintenance operation at the Town's expense until November 30, 1981. The Minister further elaborated on various responsibilities, outlining those which he felt would be the responsibility of the Town and those of the Department.

By memorandum the Town Engineer noted the implications of the correspondence from the Minister of Transportation and, in particular, the potential loss of the identified paving program. It was the recommendation of the Town Engineer that a Committee of Town Council members be formed to meet with the Provincial Ministers of Transportation, Municipal Affairs and Labour in an effort to secure as best possible, the requested paving program.

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Loncarevic, it was moved that a committee of Town Council members be formed to meet with the Provincial Ministers of Transportation, Municipal Affairs and Labour in an effort to secure as best possible, the requested paving program. Motion carried unanimously.

APPOINTMENTS TO TOWN OF BEDFORD POLICE COMMISSION

Mayor Cosman called for nominations of Council Appointees to the Town of Bedford Police Commission.

ON MOTION of Councillor Legree and Councillor Lugar, it was moved that Councillor Roberts be nominated to serve on the Town of Bedford Police Commission.

ON MOTION of Councillor Innes and Councillor Legree, it was moved that Councillor Loncarevic be nominated to serve on the Town of Bedford Police Commission.

There being no further nominations Councillor Roberts and Councillor Loncarevic were appointed to serve on the Town of Bedford Police Commission.

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Loncarevic, it was moved that on Monday May 4, 1981, when this Session reconvenes, appointments from the general public to serve on the Town of Bedford Police Commission be made. Motion carried unanimously.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Councillor Lugar served notice of motion that a motion to pass a bylaw respecting dangerous and unsightly premises will be placed on the agenda of the next Council session.

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ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION of Councillor Roberts and Councillor Innes it was moved that the meeting adjourn at 11:40 p.m., to reconvene at 7:30 p.m., Monday, May 4, 1981. Motion carried unanimously.

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ON MOTION of Councillor Innes and Councillor Londarevie, at was moved that the recommendation of the Bedford Service Com mission be forwarded to the BIDC with the request that execu tion of same be considered for inclusion in the Mainstreet Program. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Bedford held on Monday, April 27, 1981, reconvened at 7:30 p.m., Monday, May 4, 1981, in the Bedford Fire Hall, Bedford, Nova Scotia. Mayor Francene Cosman presided and the session was attended by Councillors Tom Innes, Bosko Loncarevic, David Lugar, Keith Roberts and John Tolson.

SIDEWALK CLEANING

In response to an inquiry from Council, the Town Engineer advised that the Town sidewalks would be swept within the current week.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE BYLAW

The Chief Administrative Officer requested direction from Council regarding a proposed Committee of the Whole Bylaw, i.e. whether such a bylaw should encompass only one "Committee of the Whole" composed of the whole Council or whether it should allow for the structuring of several Committees composed of partial Council representation. Council agreed that the "Draft Bylaw" prepared by staff reflecting the former concept should be circulated for review prior to having legal staff comment on same.

CORRESPONDENCE

ON MOTION of Councillor Innes and Councillor Tolson, it was moved that the items of correspondence noted in the agenda be accepted. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE - BEDFORD HERITAGE '80 - J. FOY RE SERVICE COMMISSION

Copies of correspondence from Mr. J. Foy, Chairman, Bedford Heritage '80 were circulated in which Mr. Foy advised that it was a suggestion of the Society that the most suitable form of memorial to the Bedford Service Commission might be the institution of an annual award for volunteer service to the community. He further advised Council that there was no groundswell of enthusiasm for the idea of a physical memorial as had been recommended at the final public meeting of the Bedford Service Commission.

During the ensuing discussion, Councillor Loncarevic reviewed the history of the original proposal to erect a memorial monument in the Sunnyside intersection, advising Council that it was the hope of the originators of this idea, that such a structure could include the Town Clock.

It was agreed that correspondence should be directed to the Bedford Heritage '80 thanking the Society for its consideration and suggestion.

ON MOTION of Councillor Innes and Councillor Loncarevic, it was moved that the recommendation of the Bedford Service Commission be forwarded to the BIDC with the request that execution of same be considered for inclusion in the Mainstreet Program. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>CORRESPONDENCE - UNION OF NOVA SCOTIA MUNICIPALITIES RE</u> REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON PUBLIC EDUCATION FINANCE

Copies of a memorandum from Mr. Sherman Zwicker, Executive Director, of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities were circulated concerning the Report of the Commission on Public Education Finance. Mr. Zwicker requested that Municipal Council advise the office of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities of the positions developed vis-a-vis the report prior to May 5, 1981.

The Chief Administrative Officer advised that staff along with some members of Council and the School Board have attended various briefing sessions concerning this report, that it will be discussed by the School Board, and recommended that it also be considered by a joint meeting of Council and the School Board. He further advised that he has informed Mr. Zwicker's office that the Town will not be in a position to comment on or make recommendations concerning the report by May 5. It was agreed that a joint meeting will be held with the School Board as soon as possible.

CORRESPONDENCE - UNION OF NOVA SCOTIA MUNICIPALITIES

Copies of a memorandum from Mr. Sherman Zwicker, Exècutive Director, Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities were circulated with which Mr. Zwicker enclosed:

- (1) copies of correspondence addressed to the Honourable Jack MacIsaac expressing concern of municipalities with regard to the delay in the completion of the Assessment Rolls and the inability of the Department of Municipal Affairs to supply computer print-outs of tax rolls;
- (2) copy of correspondence to the Honourable Ken Streatch requesting that the office of the Fire Marshall be transferred from the Department of Labour to the Department of Municipal Affairs.

This correspondence was received for information.

<u>CORRESPONDENCE – METRO COMMISSION – INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF</u> <u>THE DISABLED PERSONS</u>

Council was advised of the receipt of correspondence from the Metro Commission of the International Year of the Disabled requesting a one year special grant in the amount of \$5,000 from the Town of Bedford. The Chief Administrative Officer informed Council that a copy of the correspondence has been forwarded to the Grants Advisory Committee for consideration and recommendation.

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BIDC REPORT

The Development Officer advised Council that Mr. William Lydon has made a presentation before BIDC concerning his firm's recommendations for the design of the Sackville River Bridge and also concerning items that might be considered for inclusion in the Mainstreet Program. Mr. Dursi also noted that BIDC has given preliminary consideration to the matter of signage in commercial areas and will consider the matter further at a future meeting.

BPAC REPORT

Councillor Loncarevic advised Council that Mr. J. Foy has given verbal notice of his intention to resign from BPAC due to a change in his personal employment. He further requested consideration and guidance from Council on a procedure for the filling of vacancies on BPAC.

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Roberts, it was moved that the matter be referred to BPAC for recommendation of a replacement for the balance of the current term. Motion carried unanimously.

APPOINTMENTS TO THE TOWN OF BEDFORD POLICE COMMISSION

Mayor Cosman called for nomination of citizens-at-large to serve on the Board of Police Commissioners for the Town of Bedford.

Herbert W. Chapman was nominated by Councillor Loncarevic.

Norman J. Atkinson was nominated by Councillor Roberts.

Deputy-Mayor Innes took the Chair at the request of Mayor Cosman.

Lloyd Mitchell was nominated by Mayor Cosman.

Cathy Drage was nominated by Mayor Cosman.

Mayor Cosman returned to the Chair.

William MacLean was nominated by Councillor Innes.

Ronald Grinham was nominated by Councillor Innes.

Jack Bathurst was nominated by Councillor Lugar.

The Mayor called three times for further nominations with no response.

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Loncarevic, it was moved that nominations cease. Motion carried unanimously.

Voting took place by secret ballot, following which it was announced that Herbert W. Chapman and Norman J. Atkinson received the highest number of votes. ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Innes, it was moved that Herbert W. Chapman and Norman J. Atkinson be appointed to the Board of Police Commissioners for the Town of Bedford.

The Chief Administrative Officer advised that the Attorney General's Office has been requested to appoint a member to the Board.

BEDFORD INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION - APPOINTMENTS

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Tolson, it was moved that the recommendation of the Town Council Appointees to the Industrial Commission, that Messers Carl Potter, A.J. Hustins Jr., and Martin Eisenhauer be appointed to the Industrial Commission, be accepted. Motion carried unanimously. It was agreed by Council that a further, fourth appointment could be made at a later date.

PERSONNEL POLICY - NON-UNION EMPLOYEES

Council reviewed an initial draft of a Personnel Policy for Non-Union Employees. The Chief Administrative Officer noted that Mr. Ralph Stoddard, former City Clerk, City of Halifax, had carried out most of the work on the document after researching similar policies in other Municipalities and organizations. It was further noted that the Senior Administration Committee had reviewed same and recommended its approval.

ON MOTION of Councillor Loncarevic and Councillor Innes, it was moved that Section 9:5 be deleted. Motion defeated. Councillor Roberts, Councillor Lugar and Councillor Tolson voted against the motion.

ON MOTION of Councillor Tolson and Councillor Lugar, it was moved that the sick leave earned per year should remain at 18 days, accumulated at the rate of one and one-half days for every month the employee is employed by the Town.

During discussion to the Motion some concern was expressed by Councillor Loncarevic and Councillor Innes as to the overgenerosity of this benefit.

Councillor Roberts suggested that during this first review process it might be advisable for such motions not to be made; instead, problem areas could be noted for further consideration.

In response to a point of order respecting this motion, the Mayor ruled in favour of same noting that, by consensus, the Council had previously agreed to reduce the $1\frac{1}{2}$ day per month to $1\frac{1}{4}$ days.

The motion was put to the meeting and carried. Councillor Loncarevic and Councillor Innes voted against the motion.