ON MOTION of Deputy Mayor Loncarevic and Councillor Short, it was moved that two members of the Town Council of the Town of Bedford and the Chief Administrative Officer arrange a meeting with the Chairman, the Secretary, and the Chief Executive Officer of the School Board to discuss the distribution and contents of the minutes of the School Board meetings forwarded to the Bedford Town Council. Motion carried unanimously.

Deputy Mayor Loncarevic nominated Councillor Short to represent Town Council at this meeting. Councillor Short nominated Councillor Roy to represent Town Council at this meeting. Councillor Lugar nominated Councillor Tolson to represent Town Council at this meeting.

Following a short discussion Councillor Tolson withdrew his name from nomination.

There being no further nominations, Councillor Short and Councillor Roy were appointed to represent Town Council.

It was agreed that the meeting should adjourn at 8:55 p.m. for a short coffee break.

7.3 PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION - FEBRUARY 24, 1983

Deputy Mayor Loncarevic requested the consideration of Council as to a suitable Agenda format for Public Information Sessions such as the one tentatively scheduled for February 24, 1983. He suggested a format that would include the presentation of annual reports, discussion of the proposed budget, and topics of special interest such as the proposed Integrated Services Study.

During the ensuing discussion it was suggested by Councillor Roy that such reports should be distributed to the general public prior to the meeting.

Some concern was expressed by the Chief Administrative Officer with regard to the timing of this particular meeting due to the fact that staff is heavily involved in the development of the financial statements for 1982 and preparation of the 1983 Budget. It was agreed that the meeting could be rescheduled for sometime in March. Mr. English also questioned the role which staff would be expected to take at such a meeting.

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Roy, it was moved that the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor and the Chief Administrative Officer meet to finalize the Agenda and format for the first Public Information Session including the arranging of a suitable date during March, at such a time that would avoid the March Break, and when the required reports will be available for distribution to the public. Motion carried unanimously.

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MOTIONS OF RESCISSION

NIL

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND MOTIONS ARISING THEREFROM

NIL

- 10 PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS, CORRESPONDENCE
- 10.1 PETITIONS

NIL

10.2 DELEGATIONS

NIL

10.3 CORRESPONDENCE

10.3.1. HALIFAX PRESBYTERY - UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA RE PLACEMENT OF PATIENTS - HOMES FOR SPECIAL CARE

Copies of correspondence from the Halifax Presbytery of the United Church of Canada were circulated to members of Council in which the concern of the Presbytery regarding, the placement of terminaly ill residents of the Halifax area was expressed. It was noted that copies of a resolution of concern have been sent to members of the Government and other Presbytries in Nova Scotia.

The correspondence was received for information.

10.3.2 UNION OF NOVA SCOTIA MUNICIPALITIES RE CONFERENCE PLANNING 1983

Copies of a memorandum from Mr. Sherman Zwicker, Executive Director, Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities were circulated to members of Council in which Mr. Zwicker requested consideration of members of Council with regard to suggestions for the Agenda of the 1983 Conference of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities. The memorandum was received for information.

10.3.3 STATISTICS CANADA - SURVEY OF FAMILY EXPENDITURES

Copies of correspondence from J. Kevin Power, Regional Director, Statistics Canada, Halifax Regional Office, were circulatd to members of Council in which Mr. Power advised of an extensive survey on Family expenditures which will be conducted in the metro area beginning late January, 1983. The correspondence was received for information.

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10.3.4 COUNTY OF HALIFAX RE COST SHARING SEWER SYSTEM

Copies of correspondence from Mr. K.S. Wilson, Director of Finance, Municipality of the County of Halifax, were circulated to members of Council in which Mr. Wilson requested payment of \$15,822, as the balance owing on the joint operations for the Pollution Control Plant and the joint trunk system for 1982.

> ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Roy, it was moved that this matter be deferred pending the outcome of a joint meeting to be arranged between the County of Halifax and the Town of Bedford concerning the sewer system. Motion carried unanimously.

11 STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

11.1 RECREATION COMMISSION

Copies of the Bedford Recreation Report dated January 24, 1983 were circulated to members of Council.

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Tolson, it was moved that Town Council ratify the appointment of Tom Innes as Chairman and Ann MacVicar as Vice-Chairman of the Bedford Recreation Commission for the year 1983. Motion carried unanimously.

ON MOTION of Councillor Short and Councillor Lugar, it was moved that a meeting of the Town Council be scheduled for Wednesday, February 9, 1983 to consider the tenders for the renovations to the floor and refrigeration system at the Bedford Rink. Motion carried unanimously. It was agreed that this meeting should be held In-Camera.

Some discussion ensued with regard to a suggestion from an interested citizen of the metro area that an alternative method of remedying the problem of the concrete rink surface might be considered.

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Roy, it was moved that the suggestion be referred to the Chairman of the Recreation Commission with the recommendation from Council that the Chairman of the Recreation Commission and the Deputy Mayor meet privately with the gentleman involved. Motion carried unanimously.

12 OTHER REPORTS

12.1 INTEGRATED SERVICES STUDY

Deputy Mayor Loncarevic reported to Council on behalf of the Selection Committee for the Integrated Servicing Study. Outlining the benefits of a suitable long range planning study of transportation and servicing needs, the Deputy Mayor advised Council of the committee's recommendations with regard to an Integrated Servicing Study for the Town of Bedford. He further noted that the cost of undertaking a comprehensive program of road improvements in the immediate future would be far beyond the financial means of the Town and therefore it was required that the Town be given guidance and advice with regard to the use of any available dollars.

It was recommended by the Committee to Town Council as follows:

- That an Integrated Servicing Study now be undertaken at a total cost not to exceed \$130,000 - the initial contract in terms of reference for \$98,000 including the following work packages - a) base study including data collection and development of options; (b) collector road analysis; and (c) detailed services analysis.
- 2. That the Council instruct the Bedford Planning Advisory Committee to coundertake immediately a detailed area plan as per M.D.P. Policy, T-6 and T-7.
- 3. That the DAPC be requested to advance its work by June 7, 1983 to the stage where its conclusion can be utilized for the formulation fo the second phase of the Integrated Study.
- 4. That the final part of the contract for \$32,000 contain the terms of reference for the functional design of Bedford Highway and that this portion of the study be undertaken following the completion of the DAPC Study.
- 5. That the terms of reference of Phase 1 be approved by the Council and form part of the contract with the consultant.
- 6. That the firm of Underwood, McLellan, Ltd. be selected as the consultant for the Town.

During general discussion following the Deputy Mayor's report some concern was expressed with regard to the financing of this study, the time frame proposed, and the advisability of calling the project a, "study".

It was agreed that the name should be changed to, "Integrated Servicing Design Strategy."

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ON MOTION of Deputy Mayor Loncarevic and Councillor Roy, it was moved that the report and recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee for the Integrated Servicing Study be accepted and that an Integrated Servicing Design Strategy be undertaken subject to further clarification of, (a) the cost sharing available from other levels of government, (b) the means by which the Town's net cost would be funded and, (c) the final development of the Terms of Reference with the consultants. Motion carried unanimously.

ON MOTION of Councillor Tolson and Councillor Short, it was moved that the mandate of the Ad Hoc Committee for the Integrated Servicing Study be extended to include the preparation of the Terms of Reference for Phase 1 of the Design Study. Motion carried unanimously.

12.2 BEDFORD PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE RE PROPOSED NEW PLANNING ACT

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Deputy Mayor Loncarevic, it was moved that Town Council authorize the Bedford Planning Advisory Committee to complete the review of the new Planning Act and forward its opinions and recommendations to the Minister. Motion carried unanimously.

12.3 FIRE DEPARTMENT - DECEMBER, 1982

Copies of the Fire Department's Report for December, 1982 were circulated to members of Council and was received for information.

.3 MOTIONS

NIL

4 MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

14.2 HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION - LIAISON WITH COUNCIL

ON MOTION of Deputy Mayor Loncarevic and Councillor Lugar, it was moved that the recommendation of the Chief Administrative Officer with regard to the establishment of a liaison with the Homeowners Associations, and deferred at the session of December 13, 1982, be approved.

ON MOTION of Deputy Mayor Loncarevic and Councillor Lugar, it was moved that the motion be amended to read as follows:

MOVED that the Town Council authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to act as its official liaison by meeting periodically with representatives from the four Bedford Homeowners Associations which will be prescheduled for the purpose of discussing matters of mutual interest and concern and where necessary providing reports accordingly to Town Council, and that this method of establishing a liaison with the Homeowners Associations be re-evaluated following a period of nine months.

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The amendment to the motion was put to the meeting and passed unanimously.

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EXTENSION OF TIME OF MEETING

ON MOTION of Deputy Mayor Loncarevic and Councillor Lugar, it was moved that the time of adjournment be deferred to 10:45 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

INSURANCE PROPOSALS - 1983 14.1

Copies of quotations received from Ray F. Fredericks Insurance Limited and Beacon Insurance Limited for insurance coverage for the Town of Bedford for 1983 were circulated to members of Council. It was recommended by the Chief Administrative Officer that the insurance for 1983 be placed with Ray Fredericks Insurance Limited.

ON MOTION of Councillor Short and Councillor Tolson, it was moved that the Insurance Proposal from Ray F. Fredericks Insurance Limaited in the amount of \$16,124 be accepted for the year 1983. Motion carried unanimously.

OTHER REPORTS

By memorandum and attachments the Town Engineer reviewed the situation with regard to snow removal and salting of Town streets during the current winter season. Dursi requested Council's opinion and/or direction Mr. as to the level of service that was desired during the balance of the winter season. Details were also provided to members Council with regard to the planned allocation of of administrative reponsibility for the snow clearing and salting operations for the balance of 1983 insofar as the Engineering Department personnel are concerned.

During a lengthy discussion some concern was expressed by Councillor Tolson with regard to how Councillors could explain to the ratepayers why the total cost of the operations in 1982 was 50% higher than during 1981. He requested information pertaining to the details in terms of the number of hours required to clear streets during 1982-83 in contrast to 1981-82.

EXTENSION OF TIME OF MEETING

ON MOTION of Councillor Roy and Councillor Tolson, it was moved that the time of meeting be extended to 11:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

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Further discussion took place with regard to the snow removal and salting operations. Council agreed, in principle, with the proposed changes relating to the monitoring of the conditions of the streets requiring equipment call-out.

With regards to the establishing a revised level of service Council agreed to defer discussion on the matter until the next Council Meeting.

EXTENSION OF TIME OF MEETING

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar, it was moved that the time of meeting be extended to 11:20 p.m. The Motion was not seconded.

15 QUESTIONS

15.1 ACTION SHEET

- 15.1.1 ON MOTION of Councillor Short and Deputy Mayor Loncarevic, it was moved that correspondence be addressed to the Minister of Municipal Affairs expressing the Town's wish that the concept of the Admirals Cove Regional Park be retained. Motion carried. Councillor Tolson abstained from voting.
- 16 NOTICES OF MOTION

NIL

17 ADDED ITEMS

NIL

18 OTHER

NIL

19 ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Short, it was moved that the meeting adjourn at approximately 11:15 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

MINUTES OF THE EIGHTH SESSION OF THE FIRST YEAR'S MEETINGS OF THE SECOND COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE TOWN OF BEDFORD

REGULAR SESSION - FEBRUARY 14, 1983

REPROVAL - ORDER OF BUSINESS

A regular session of the Town Council of the Town of Bedford took place at 7:30 p.m., Monday, February 14, 1983, in the Council Chamber, Suite 400, Bedford Tower Building, Bedford, Nova Scotia, Mayor Keith Roberts presiding.

LORD'S PRAYER

Mayor Roberts opened the session by the leading of the Lord's Prayer.

2 ATTENDANCE

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Deputy Mayor Loncarevic and Councillors Phyllis Doyle, William Roy, Robert Short and John Tolson were in attendance at the commencement of the session.

Staff members attending the session included Dan R. English, Chief Administrative Officer; Louis Dursi, Director of Engineering; Barry Zwicker, Director of Planning and Development; Sergeant George Meisner of the Bedford Police Department; and L. Smith.

2.1 PRESENTATION 1982 SAFE DRIVER AWARD

Mayor Roberts introduced Pastor Kenneth Corkum, the winner of the 1982 Safe Driver Award for Bedford. Sergeant George Meisner of the Bedford Police Department presented the award to Pastor Corkum, stating that Safe Driving Week, sponsored by the Nova Scotia Safety Council, in conjunction with municipal police forces across the Province, took place December 1st - 7th, 1982. At that time, Members of the Bedford Police Force, who were on the "lookout" for the most courteous and safe driver, observed Pastor Corkum, driving a vehicle in the area of Rutledge Street in Bedford, displaying both safe and courteous habits. Mayor Roberts and Members of Council congratulated Pastor Corkum on being chosen to receive the 1982 Safe Driver Award for Bedford.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.1 REGULAR SESSION - JANUARY 24, 1983

ON MOTION of Councillor Phyllis Doyle and Councillor John Tolson, it was moved that the Minutes of the regular session of January 24, 1983, be approved. Motion carried unanimously.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO ORDER OF BUSINESS

Councillor Roy requested that an item on the "New Year's Levee" be added as Agenda Item 17.1.

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Mayor Roberts requested that an item on the Development of the "Disco Lands" be added as Agenda Item 10.2.1.

ON MOTION, of Councillon Pays seconded by Councillor

APPROVAL - ORDER OF BUSINESS

ON MOTION of Councillor Tolson, seconded by Councillor Roy, it was moved that the Order of Business, as amended, be approved. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION

NIL

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DEFERRED BUSINESS - BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

7.1 MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF HALIFAX - RE COST SHARING - SEWER SYSTEM

By memorandum, the Chief Administrative Officer reviewed the background and details of a proposal for cost sharing of the expenditures re the sanitary sewer system between the County of Halifax and the Town of Bedford. It was noted that agreement was reached, in principle, between two subcommittees of the respective municipalities that the Town of Bedford, for the year 1982 only, would cost share with the County under a combination of assessment and design capacity ratios. It was further agreed, in principle, that an agreement would be effected for 1983 which would have both parties sharing on capital on the basis of assessment, and on operational costs on the basis of actual meter flows.

Insofar as the Internal Collector system was concerned, it was agreed, in principle, that the Town of Bedford should assume responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the internal collector system, effective March 1, 1983.

In response to a question raised by Councillor Short, as to the matter of ownership being addressed, Mr. English advised that this issue would have to be dealt with through the courts and that the proposed agreement would basically pertain to operational and cost sharing matters.

ON MOTION of Councillor Roy, seconded by Deputy Mayor Loncarevic, it was moved that Town Council authorize payment to the County of Halifax of \$176,238 representing the Town of Bedford's share of the 1982 maintenance and capital debt costs for the pollution control plant and joint trunk system. Motion carried unanimously.

ON MOTION of Councillor Roy, seconded by Councillor Doyle, it was moved that Town Council authorize the Town's Engineering Department to carry out necessary arrangements in order for the Town to assume responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the internal sanitary sewer collector system, effective March 1, 1983. Motion carried unanimously. ON MOTION of Councillor Roy, seconded by Councillor Tolson, it was moved that Town Council authorize the Town Solicitor to prepare a memorandum of agreement with the County of Halifax in terms of cost sharing, for the year 1983, on the trunk sewer system, and that the agreement be based on 35% of the capital debt and the usage charge based on actual meter flows. Motion carried unanimously.

Deputy Mayor Loncarevic requested that further discussion on this subject, pertaining to cost sharing for 1984, be reserved until the Town Solicitor is present at the meeting. It was agreed that this item would be placed on the agenda for the next regular session of Council, at which time the Town Solicitor would be in attendance.

7.2 LEVEL OF SERVICE - SNOW REMOVAL AND SALTING OPERATIONS

Mr. Louis Dursi, Director of Engineering, addressed Council requesting direction as to the level of service Council wished to provide in the area of snow removal and salting. Mayor Roberts began by congratulating the Engineering and Works Department on the service they had provided during the last storm and, following a short discussion, Council approved priority guidelines for snow clearing/salting.

ON MOTION of Councillor Roy, seconded by Councillor Short, it was moved that the Town Engineer be requested to implement Service Level VI, as follows, for the various classes of streets:

1. Arterial Roads - Bare pavement

2. Collector Roads

- Grades	7%	or greater	-	Center line bare with two passes salt
- Grades	of	less than 7%		Center line bare with one pass salt

3. Local Streets

- Grades	7% or greater	91 <u>9</u> -8 0000	Center line bare with one pass salt
- Grades	less than 7%	-	Plow only

Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion on the Motion ensued, and it was the general opinion of Council that, in Winter operations, minimizing of salt bills was important. Deputy Mayor Loncarevic requested monthly reports on the costs of snow clearing operations, from the Engineering and Works Department.

During concerns expressed regarding sidewalk snow removal, Mr. Dursi advised that Town Employees have had difficulty in removing the large amounts of snow deposited on Town sidewalks, in various locations, by property owners or private snow removal contractors. It was agreed that

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letters should be sent to the owners of property, where this problem has occurred, requesting them not to deposit snow on Town property.

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MOTIONS OF RESCISSION

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PUBLIC HEARINGS AND MOTIONS ARISING THEREFROM

NIL

10 PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS, CORRESPONDENCE

10.1 PETITIONS

NIL

10.2 DELEGATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL "DISCO LANDS"

Mayor Roberts introduced Mr. Laurie Stevens and Mr. Bill Richardson representing Sobeys Limited. Mr. Stevens informed Council of a proposal made by Sobey's Limited for development of the "Disco Lands" at Mill Cove.

With the aid of conceptual drawings, Mr. Stevens explained that the proposed development would include a commercial area, mainly a discound retail facility, plus food and drug store; two office towers - 8 stories and 4 stories respectively; and, a long term proposal for development of a 7 storey hotel-mini convention centre, and 150 apartment units.

Mr. Stevens advised that the development is planned in three stages which would take place over the next seven to eight years. He then stressed Sobey's desire to complete a Development Agreement and commence construction.

Deputy Mayor Loncarevic advised that at a Meeting of the Bedford Planning Advisory Committee, the following Motion was passed: "That BPAC recommend to Council that this development be scheduled for Public Hearing, and that, in the meantime, the Developer be requested to draft plans and an agreement with Town Staff."

ON MOTION of Councillor Tolson, seconded by Councillor Short, it was moved that Town Council accept the recommendation of BPAC, and authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to set a date for a Public Hearing and effect the necessary advertising, in accordance with the Planning Act. Motion carried unanimously.

10.3 CORRESPONDENCE

10.3.1 JANELLE GRAY, MEMBER - BOARD OF DIRECTORS, COBEQUID MULTI-SERVICE CENTRE

Copies of correspondence from Janelle Gray, Member - Board of Directors, Cobequid Multi-Service Centre were circulated to Members of Council in which Mrs. Gray advised that she did not wish to have her name stand for reappointment to the Board, following conclusion of her initial term. Mrs. Gray recommended that Margaret Chapman be considered for recommendation.

Mrs. Gray expressed thanks to the Council for having been given the opportunity to serve on the Board, and noted that it had been a very enlightening experience.

ON MOTION of Councillor Doyle, seconded by Councillor Tolson, it was moved that Mrs. Chapman be recommended to replace Mrs. Gray on the Board of Directors, Cobequid Multi-Service Centre. The Chairman called three times for nominations and, hearing no further nominations, declared that Mrs. Chapman's name should stand. It was agreed to write to the Minister of Health and Cobequid Multi-Service Centre, recommending that Mrs. Chapman be appointed to the Board of Directors, replacing Mrs. Gray.

10.3.2 WILL APOLD, RESIGNATION FROM BEDFORD TRANSIT

Copies of correspondence from Mr. Will Apold were circulated to members of Council, in which Mr. Apold tendered his resignation as a member of the Transit Advisory Committee of the Town of Bedford.

Mayor Roberts informed Council Members that this Comittee has not yet met, and suggested that the Chief Administrative Officer arrange an initial meeting. The names of the following individuals who are interested in serving on this committee were put forward by Council: Mr. Peter Kelly, Mr. Ralph Downey, and Mrs. Lynda Mitchell.

ON MOTION of Councillor Tolson, seconded by Councillor Doyle, it was moved that an appointment to this committee be deferred to the next meeting of Council in order to contact interested individuals and obtain their concurrences. Motion carried unanimously.

10.3.3 BEDFORD BOARD OF TRADE - REPRESENTATION - STEERING COMMITTEE, INTEGRATED SERVICING DESIGN STRATEGY

Copies of correspondence from Mr. Jack Innes, President of the Bedford Board of Trade, were circulated to Members of Council, in which it was requested that consideration be given to placing representatives from the Board of Trade on any committee, which is ultimately struck by the Town of Bedford, for the purpose of overseeing the Integrated Servicing Study and carrying out recommendations of Consultants who are ultimately retained to conduct this study.

ON MOTION of Councillor Short, seconded by Councillor Tolson, it was moved that consideration of this matter be deferred. Motion carried unanimously.

10.3.4 CITY OF SYDNEY - RESOLUTION - INCREASE IN POWER RATES

Copies of correspondence from the City of Sydney were circulated to members of Council, to which was attached a copy of a resolution passed by City Council, requesting the support of municipal units in appealing to the Province of Nova Scotia to roll back current power rate increases. Discussion on this matter ensued, during which Deputy Mayor Loncarevic noted that the question of "why" power rates are so high in Nova Scotia, has not been successfully answered.

10.3.5 HALIFAX COUNTY - BEDFORD DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD PROPOSED MEETING RE BOARD MINUTES

Copies of correspondence from Dr. Lorne Verabioff, Chairman, Halifax County - Bedford District School Board were circulated to Members of Council in which Dr. Verabioff expressed doubt as to the necessity of a requested meeting to discuss the matter of the circulation and content of Board Minutes. Dr. Verabioff further advised, that the procedures concerning Board Minutes was within the Board Policy covering in camera meetings.

> Discussion on this matter ensued, and Deputy Mayor Loncarevic noted that the letter, in his opinion, was contradictory in stating that "Bedford has a representative on the Board whose responsibility it is to keep Council informed," when actually, this Member is not authorized to discuss "in camera" meetings. Deputy Mayor Loncarevic felt that a meeting may be helpful in resolving this problem.

The Chief Administrative Officer advised that he has been informed that a meeting is scheduled for March 2nd with the District Board, in the Halifax County Council Chambers, to review the Board Budget. Council District agreed that a meeting should be held with the District Board and Halifax County Council to review the Budget, provided budget figures are made available to Council on Friday, February 26, 1983, prior to the meeting. It was also agreed that the subject of Board Minutes could be discussed at the proposed meeting on March 2, 1983.

10.3.6 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION RE SACKVILLE RIVER BRIDGE AND APPROACHES, BEDFORD, HALIFAX COUNTY

> of correspondence from D.W. MacIntosh, Copies Eng., Director of Engineering, Department Transportation to L.M. Dursi, P. Eng., Town Ρ. of Engineer, were circulated to members of Council in which Mr. MacIntosh requested comments concerning the Department's drawings of the proposed replacement of the Sackville River Bridge and the upgrading of the involved approaches. Deputy Mayor Loncarevic stated that the drawing submitted from DOT contained discrepancies, and that it was desirable to have another drawing completed. Mr. Dursi agreed to post the existing drawing from DOT in his office in order that Council may review same and comments forwarded accordingly.

11 STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

11.1 RECREATION COMMISSION - ARENA FLOOR AND ICE PLANT

By memorandum, Robert Nauss, Recreation Director, requested advice from Town Council with regard to the proposed renovations to the Concrete slab and Refrigeration Equipment at the Gerald J. LeBrun Centre.

Mr. Nauss, on behalf of the Recreation Commission, recommended to Council that tenders for these renovations be awarded as follows:

Tender 83-01 Slab Replacement Nichols Contracting \$158,038

Tender 83-02 Refrigeration Renewal CIMCO Limited \$ 90,710

and that Ledaire, Morris & Associates Limited be retained as Consultants at a fee of \$16,000.

Attached to Mr. Nauss' Report was a memorandum from the Chief Administrative Officer outlining a proposal re the funding of the renovations if same is approved by Council. It was suggested by the Chief Administrative Officer that the cost of the Ice Plant Renewal be funded as a "straight" withdrawal from the Operating Surplus Account, and that the Slab Removal and Replacement be funded through short term borrowing from the Capital Reserves Account, and amortized over five years.

ON MOTION of Councillor Roy, seconded by Councillor Short, it was moved that replacement of the arena floor, and refrigeration renewal proceed as follows:

- (a) That the tender for slab replacement be awarded to Nichols Contracting Ltd. in the amount of \$158,038;
- (b) That the tender for refrigeration renewal be awarded to CIMCO Limited, in the amount of \$90,710;
- (c) That Consulting fees be paid to Ledaire, Morris & Associates Limited, in the amount of \$16,000; and
- (d) That a contingency fund be alloted to this project in the amount of \$5,000, bringing the total project amount to \$269,748.

Discussion on this item ensued, during which Councillor Roy noted that he had ran 3 computer models for replacement of the arena floor over a one, a two, and a three year term. Analysis of the models indicated that the sooner replacement occurs, the more economical the payload to the Town.

ON MOTION of Councillor Tolson, seconded by Councillor Short, it was moved that the main Motion be amended by adding the following to clause (d) "... and that funding be arranged as recommended in the memorandum of the Chief Administrative Officer, dated February 9, 1983." Amendment carried unanimously.

ON MOTION of Councillor Tolson, seconded by Councillor Loncarevic, it was moved that the main Motion be further amended by addition of clause (e) "... that a \$5.00/hour user pay charge be implemented for a five (5) year period to be credited to the operating surplus account." Amendment carried. Councillor Short voted against the amendment.

A lengthy discussion ensued on the proposal of user pay charges, in which Bedford ice rentals were compared with those in other areas. It was decided that if a user pay charge were implemented, this would not put the Bedford rink over competitive prices for ice rentals.

Further discussion on slab replacement vs. slab renewal was held, during which it was noted that costs for both methods fell within the same range, because of other works which would be required if the renewal method was selected, i.e. board replacement, etc. The amended Motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Tom Innes, Chairman of the Bedford Recreation Commission thanked Council Members for their time and favourable consideration of this matter.

12 OTHER REPORTS

12.1 REPLACEMENT OF NO. 8 TRUCK - FIRE DEPARTMENT

By memorandum, Chief Dickinson reviewed prices quoted for a 1983 Ford truck, required as a replacement for Fire Truck No. 8.

Deputy Mayor Loncarevic felt that, firstly, the existing truck should be safety inspected by a local garage; and secondly, that this matter should be discussed in the context of the overall budget. Chief Dickinson stated that, in his opinion, the existing truck was not safe, nor was it adequate to be used as an emergency truck.

ON MOTION of Deputy Mayor Loncarevic, seconded by Councillor Roy, it was moved that discussion on this matter be deferred until budget discussions. Motion carried by a 3 to 2 vote.

ON MOTION of Councillor Tolson, seconded by Councillor Doyle, it was moved that the meeting time be extended by 15 minutes. Motion carried.

Councillor Short requested, notwithstanding Council has agreed to review the budget as a total package, that the Fire Department portion of the budget be distributed to Council now in order that members may familiarize themselves with same.

14.1 MANAGEMENT OF TEACHERY AND REQUEST FOR FUNDING

A policy respecting the use of the Bedford Teachery, and a letter requesting that the sum of \$1,200 be considered by Council as a budget figure for furnishing the Teachery, was submitted by Bedford Heritage '80.

ON MOTION of Councillor Short, seconded by Councillor Doyle, it was moved that Council adopt the Policy respecting the use of the Teachery, as submitted by Bedford Heritage '80; and that Council advise Heritage '80 of the policy adoption, and inform them that the requested amount of \$1,200 for furnishing the Teachery will be considered during budget discussions. Motion carried unanimously.

Councillor Loncarevic left the meeting at this point.

14.2 MARCH MEETING DATES

The Chief Administrative Officer circulated a calendar

indicating scheduled meeting dates for 1983. In reviewing the March meeting dates, it was decided to reschedule the March 14th Council Session date to March 21, 1983.

14.3 AD HOC PORT DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The Chief Administrative Officer informed Council that the Province is moving ahead rapidly with implementation of the Grice Report recommendations in terms of establishing a single authority for Port Promotion. As such the Town of Bedford will be required soon to (a) ratify and confirm their participation in this new Agency; (b) approve their share of funding - 1st year approximately \$8,700; and (c) appoint a representative (non council) to the Board of Directors.

It was agreed by Council that Mr. English, a member of the Provincial Ad Hoc Committee dealing with this matter, table a report and recommendations at the next meeting of Council.

- 15 QUESTIONS
 - 15.1 NOTICES OF MOTION

NIL

- 17 ADDED ITEMS
 - 17.1 NEW YEARS DAY LEVEE

In response to a question raised by Councillor Roy, Mayor Roberts advised that the invoice had been received for the Levee, and would be presented to the individual who agreed to donate \$500 towards the cost of the 1983 New Years Levee.

18 OTHER

19 ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION of Councillor Tolson, seconded by Councillor Doyle, the meeting adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

mult MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

MINUTES OF THE NINTH SESSION OF THE FIRST YEAR'S MEETINGS OF THE SECOND COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE TOWN OF BEDFORD

REGULAR SESSION - FEBRUARY 28, 1983

A Regular Session of the Town Council of the Town of Bedford took place on Monday, February 28, 1983, 7:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, Suite 400, Bedford Tower, Bedford, Nova Scotia, Mayor Keith Roberts presiding.

LORD'S PRAYER

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Mayor Roberts opened the session with the leading of the Lord's Prayer.

ATTENDANCE

Deputy Mayor Bosko Loncarevic and Councillors Phyllis Doyle, William Roy, Robert Short and John Tolson were in attendance at the commencement of the session.

Staff in attendance included Mr. Dan R. English, Chief Administrative Officer; Joan Pryde, Deputy Clerk; Louis Dursi, Director of Engineering; Barry Zwicker, Director of Planning & Development; Eric Sheppard, Fire Captain.

Mr. David Selig, Deputy Fire Chief, was also in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.1 REGULAR SESSION - FEBRUARY 14, 1983

During discussion of the Minutes of the Regular Session of February 14, 1983, it was agreed by Council that the following amendment should be made:

a) Item 11.1, Page 8, Second Last Paragraph:

The sentence "The Bedford Recreation Commission went on record as being opposed to the user-pay charge concept" should be removed from the record.

b) Item 7.1, Page 2, First Paragraph:

The final sentence should be amended to read as follows: "It was further agreed, in principle, that an agreement would be effected for 1983, which would have both parties sharing on capital, on the basis of assessment, and on operational costs on the basis of actual meter flows."

ON MOTION of Councillor Roy and Councillor Tolson, it was moved that the Minutes of the Session of February 14, 1983, be approved, as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO ORDER OF BUSINESS

In response to a request from Councillor Doyle, it was agreed that an item "Rezoning of Martin Property" be placed on the Agenda as Item 14.6

In response to a request from Deputy Mayor Loncarevic, it was agreed that the following items should be placed on the Agenda:

- 7.4 Monthly Reports for Snow Removal from the Engineering Department;
- 7.5 Correspondence to Abutters of Town Owned Sidewalks Re Snow Removal;
- 17.1 District School Board Budget;

10.3.4 Correspondence re "hospitality".

On the request of the Chief Administrative Officer it was agreed that item 10.2.2, "Stipend Committee Report", be deferred to a future meeting.

APPROVAL OF BUSINESS

ON MOTION of Councillor Short and Councillor Doyle, it was moved that the Order of Business, as amended, be approved. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION

NIL

DEFERRED BUSINESS/BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

7.1 APPOINTMENT TO TRANSIT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

By memorandum the Chief Administrative Officer requested the consideration of Council regarding the appointment of a replacement for Mr. Will Apold, P.Eng., to the Transit Advisory Committee.

In response to a call from the Chair for nominations to the Transit Advisory Committee the names of Lynda Mitchell and Ralph Downey were placed.

Following a secret ballot, the Chairman announced that Lynda Mitchell had received the majority vote.

ON MOTION of Councillor Tolson and Councillor Doyle, it was moved that Lynda Mitchell be appointed to the Transit Advisory Committee, effective immediately. Motion carried unanimously.

It was agreed that the Chief Administrative Officer should be asked to schedule a meeting of this Committee in order that a Chairman may be appointed.

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7.2 REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETINGS 1983 - REVISIONS

By memorandum the Chief Administrative Officer submitted a suggested schedule for regular meetings of Council, during the balance of 1983. The schedule included alternatives for the three regular sessions scheduled on public holidays and also recommended that Council meet only once during each of the months of July and August 1983.

Some concern was expressed by members of Council that it is too early in the year to determine whether or not one or two meetings will be required during July and August.

ON MOTION of Councillor Short and Councillor Tolson, it was moved that the proposed schedule for regular Council Sessions be approved to the end of June, 1983. Motion carried unanimously.

It was agreed that the situation for July and August will be reevaluated at a later date.

Councillor Lugar took his place at the session at approximately 7:45 p.m.

7.3 UPDATE - FIRE DEPARTMENT REQUEST - REPLACEMENT FOR NUMBER 8 TRUCK

Copies of correspondence from the Bedford Volunteer Fire Department were circulated to members of Council, in which the following was noted: the Fire Inspector is unable to use his personal vehicle due to family requirements; the second pumper will not be used as a run-about for errands; and, it is anticipated that repairs to Number 8 Fire Truck will cost approximately \$1200. to \$1400.

Some general discussion took place amongst the Council with regard to the practicability of repairing the Number 8 Fire Truck.

During this discussion, Deputy Chief David Selig spoke to Council expressing the Department's concern with regard to the delay in ordering the replacement truck, noting that, in the opinion of the Department, it will be a definite requirement as soon as the spring season arrives with the usual danger of forest and brush fires. He also expressed concern that the required repairs to the truck would simply be followed by more repairs in future months.

Councillor Tolson expressed the opinion that a new truck should be ordered immediately.

Deputy Mayor Loncarevic expressed the opinion that no consideration should be given to the use of the old truck by the Recreation Department, given its poor state of repair as expressed by the Fire Department. ON MOTION of Councillor Tolson and Councillor Lugar, it was moved that the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to issue a purchase order not to exceed \$10,300 to Chebucto Ford Limited for the purchase of a 1983 Ford three-quarter ton, 4 X 4, vehicle.

Deputy Mayor Loncarevic expressed concern that the motion was actually effecting a partial approval of the 1983 Budget of the Bedford Fire Department and that it should include a provision that the rest of the Department's budget should definitely come within the guidelines for the 1983 Budget previously approved by Town Council.

The motion was put to the meeting and passed. Mayor Roberts and Deputy Mayor Loncarevic abstained from the voting.

7.4 SNOW CLEARING REPORT - ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

Copies of a report from the Town Engineer were circulated in which the costs of snow clearing for the months of December to February, 1981/82 and 1982/83 were noted. In speaking to his report the Town Engineer advised Council that, to date, costs for this service are approximately \$80,000 less in the current year than in the year 1981-82.

He expressed the opinion that this differential was due partially to different weather conditions and partially to a change in policy with regard to the level of service. He also advised Council that a more detailed report will be provided at a later date.

7.5 SNOW CLEARING - SIDEWALKS

The Town Engineer advised Council that some of the problems arising when abutters of Town owned sidewalks placed snow on the sidewalk areas have been resolved, and that staff is continuing to address this problem.

ON MOTION of Deputy Mayor Loncarevic and Councillor Short, it was moved that Town Council instruct the Chief Administrative Officer to direct correspondence to the abutters of Town owned sidewalks informing them of the Town's Policy to clear sidewalks at Town expense, but indicating that the Town will not tolerate the deliberate dumping of snow on the sidewalks that are being cleared by the Town. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTIONS OF RESCISSION NIL

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PUBLIC HEARINGS AND MOTIONS ARISING THEREFROM NIL

PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS, CORRESPONDENCE

PETITIONS 10.1 NIL

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DELEGATIONS 10.2

UNION STREET AREA RESIDENTS RE PEDESTRIAN SAFETY 10.2.1

By memorandum the Town Engineer and the Development Officer addressed the question of pedestrian and vehicular traffic on Union Street. They noted the various concerns which have been expressed by residents living in the Union Street area, in particular, the large volume of traffic which is generated from the access road to Bedford Place Mall. They expressed the opinion that this access driveway appears to be the owner's right of access and will, in all probability, remain.

Town Engineer then reviewed three possibilities for The remedial action, as follows:

- (a) Walkway to Center Street;
- (b) Special barricade along Union Street (hillside) and Bedford Highway to Cliff Street; and
- (c) Sidewalk on Union Street to Bedford Highway (riverside) and a sidewalk along Bedford Highway.

During general discussion of this item, a consensus was expressed by Council that any sidewalk on Union Street should be placed on the hillside rather than the riverside.

Mr. G.Y. Fitzgerald addressed Town Council, on behalf of Union Street residents, outlining problems that residents are encountering with regard to pedestrian safety. Other residents of the Union Street area also addressed Council, supporting Mr. Fitzgerald's contention that a sidewalk should be built and, if possible, the access road should be closed.

Concern was expressed by Council regarding the requirement for surveying, prior to construction of the sidewalk, and Councillor Short requested that a report be tabled at the next Town Council Session, indicating what areas were surveyed in 1982, and the total cost for same.

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Roy, it was moved that Town Council request the administrative staff to seek information from the Department of Transportation as to what sections of sidewalk could be constructed, both on Union Street and on the Bedford Highway, in the bridge area, without interfering with bridge construction and report back to Town Council on March 21, 1983.

During discussion on the Motion, Councillor Short expressed concern that Council was asking the Department of Transportation "what the Town could do", rather than telling the Department what the Town was going to do.

The Motion was put to the meeting and passed. Councillor Short voted against the Motion.

Discussion ensued regarding the problems that will be encountered with vehicular/pedestrian traffic during the construction phase of the bridge. The Town Engineer outlined the method proposed by the Department of Transportation for the construction of this bridge. The opinion was expressed by Deputy Mayor Loncarevic that the Town should insist the sidewalks are built prior to reconstruction of the bridge. Councillor Tolson expressed the opinion that if the Town was not careful, the Department of Transportation might decide not to fund the bridge reconstruction.

In response to a concern raised by Mr. Peter Barret, of Union Street, regarding the possibility of stopping large trucks from using the access road, the Town Engineer suggested that a bylaw could be developed with regard to truck routes throughout the Town .

It was agreed by Council that Item 14.6 would be considered as the next item on the Agenda.

14.6 REZONING OF MARTIN PROPERTY NO. 1 HIGHWAY

The Director of Planning & Development, Mr. Barry Zwicker, reported that correspondence has been received from Mr. A. Martin, requesting that his property, at 1715 Bedford Highway, be rezoned from C-5 to R-1 to permit the construction of a single family residence.

In reviewing the details of this request, Mr. Zwicker advised Council that it had been the recommendation of the Bedford Planning Advisory Committee that a Public Hearing be called for this rezoning request on the assumption that the request would be expanded to include the three properties located in this area. He further advised Council that the other two property owners are not willing to apply for a rezoning, thus the request pertains only to the one lot.

Mr. Zwicker further advised Council that, in his opinion, Council has four options with regard to this request:

- 1. Deny the request and not set a date for Public Hearing;
- 2. Entertain a Motion that it go to a Public Hearing;
- 3. Request more information from the Bedford Planning Advisory Committee;
- 4. Broaden the rezoning proposal to include the three lots in this area.

During a general discussion, Mr. Martin advised Council that the only reason a request for a rezoning is being placed is that the C-5 zone will not permit the construction of a single family home.

ON MOTION of Deputy Mayor Loncarevic and Councillor Roy, it was moved that this application for rezoning of 1715 Bedford Highway be referred to the Bedford Planning Advisory Committee with a request that, if it is deemed advisable by this Committee, Council hold a public hearing on the rezoning request, and the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to set the time and date. MOTION carried unanimously.

MOTION TO EXTEND MEETING

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Roy, it was moved that the time of the meeting be extended from 10:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Motion carried. Councillor Tolson voted against the motion.

Councillor Tolson withdrew from the session at 10:35 p.m.

10.3 CORRESPONDENCE

10.3.1 UNITED WAY OF HALIFAX - DARTMOUTH METRO AREA RE NOMINATION - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Copies of correspondence from Mr. D.R. Munroe, President, United Way of Halifax-Dartmouth Metro Area were circulated to members of Council in which Mr. Munroe requested that the Town of Bedford submit a nomination for the Board of Directors of the United Way.

In response to a call for nominations from Mayor Roberts, Mr. Peter Kelly was nominated by Councillor Lugar.

There being no further response to a call for nominations, Mr. Peter Kelly was declared the nominee of the Bedford Town Council for the Board of Directors of the United Way of Halifax-Dartmouth Metro Area, pending his acceptance of this appointment. Motion carried unanimously.

BOARD OF HEALTH MEETINGS

It was noted by Council that some concern has been expressed that the Board of Health has not had a meeting during the past few months, and it was agreed that this Board should meet as soon as possible.

NOVA SCOTIA HOUSING COMMISSION RE HOUSING PROGRAMS

Copies of correspondence from D.W. Kerr, Regional Manager, Nova Scotia Housing Commission were circulated, in which Mr. Kerr invited a representative of the Town to attend a one-day housing seminar, designed to explain all existing housing programs administered by the Federal, Provincial, Municipal and Private Housing Groups. The correspondence was received by Council for information.

BEDFORD PROFESSIONAL FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOCIATION LOCAL 2715 - RE APPOINTMENT OF MANAGEMENT & LABOUR RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Copies of correspondence from the Bedford Professional Fire Fighters Association, Local 2715, were circulated by which Council was requested to appoint three members to serve on the Management-Labour Relations Committee for the current year, as per the Collective Agreement.

ON MOTION of Councillor Short and Councillor Lugar, it was moved that Town Council appoint Captain Eric Sheppard, Dan English, Chief Administrative Officer, and Councillor Phyllis Doyle to serve on the Management-Labour Relations Committee for the current year. Motion carried unanimously.

THE PICTOU RINGETTE CLUB

Copies of correspondence from the Pictou Ringette Club were circulated to members of Council, in which the Club expressed its thanks for the hospitality extended by the Bedford Ringette Club and other residents of the Town of Bedford, during the night of February 5th, when the Pictou Club was forced to stay in the Town of Bedford, due to a major storm which curtailed their plans to return home. The correspondence was received for information.

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OTHER REPORTS NIL

MOTIONS NIL

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14 MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

<u>14.1</u> <u>BEDFORD PARTICIPATION - PORT OF HALIFAX DEVELOPMENT</u> AUTHORITY (GRICE REPORT)

By memorandum dated February 24, 1983, the Chief Administrative Officer reviewed the background, and the details of the proposed Port of Halifax Development Authority, including the mandate of this Authority, the committee structure, and the funding arrangements proposed.

In speaking to his memorandum the Chief Administrative Officer advised Council of some amendments which have been proposed to the Legislation, since the date of his report. ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Doyle, it was moved that the Town of Bedford accept the recommendations of the Chief Administrative Officer and;

- a) confirm and ratify the Town's participation in the proposed agency;
- b) confirm and recommend that the name of the agency be known as "Port of Halifax Development Authority";
- c) approve its share of the first year's operating budget in an amount of \$10,000, not to increase more than six percent in any future year.

Motion carried unanimously.

ON MOTION of Councillor Roy and Councillor Lugar, it was moved that Mr. Jack Bathurst be appointed to the Port of Halifax Development Authority as a Bedford representative for a term of one year. Motion carried unanimously

14.2 SOCIAL SERVICES COST SHARING

By memorandum, the Chief Administrative Officer advised Council of the details of the expected Social Services Cost Sharing from the Provincial Government for the year 1983. He noted that, under recently announced cost sharing arrangements, it appears that the expenditures by the Town of Bedford for 1983 will be fully cost shared with the exception of per diem rates to some homes which are being charged at a higher level than the 6% increase approved by the Province.

The Chief Administrative Officer noted, however, that the funding arrangements are a short term solution only and will result in a problem of under-funding in 1984. He also noted that gross expenditures are rising quickly and will result in a net increase of approximately \$30,000. for 1983.

It was recommended by the Chief Administrative Officer that Town Council authorize the Mayor to officially request the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities to convene a special Provincial Session in order to meet with Social Services officials, including the Minister, to discuss what could be a very major financial problem facing municipalities in 1983 and beyond.

ON MOTION of Councillor Short and Councillor Roy, it was moved that Town Council authorize the Mayor to officially request the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities to convene a Special Provincial Session as outlined by the Chief Administrative Officer, Motion carried Unanimously.

14.3 TOWN OF BEDFORD 1982 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

By memorandum the Chief Administrative Officer advised Council that it is expected that the preparation of the Financial Statements

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for 1982 will be completed and available for distribution by March 7th, 1983. It was the recommendation of the Chief Administrative Officer that Town Council agree to a Special Session on March 7, 1983 in order that staff can officially table the Financial Statements for the Fiscal year ending December 31, 1982.

The report was received for information and Council agreed that a Special Session be called for March 7th, 1983.

TOWN OF BEDFORD 1983 OPERATING BUDGET - UPDATE 14.4

By memorandum, the Chief Administrative Officer reported on the current status of the 1983 Operating Budget advising that the Town will be in a position to table the total budget package, including projected tax rates, etc., on March 21, 1983 providing cer-tain outstanding data is available before then. The report was received for information.

19 ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION of Councillor Roy and Councillor Lugar, it was moved that the meeting adjourn at approximately 11:20 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

MINUTES OF THE TENTH SESSION OF THE FIRST YEAR'S MEETINGS OF THE SECOND COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE TOWN OF BEDFORD

SPECIAL SESSION - MARCH 7, 1983

LORD'S PRAYER

Mayor Roberts opened the session by the leading of the Lord's Prayer.

ATTENDANCE

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Deputy Mayor Bosko Loncarevic and Councillors Phyllis Doyle, David Lugar, William Roy, Robert Short and John Tolson were in attendance at the commencement of the session.

Dan R. English, Chief Administrative Officer and Joan Pryde, Deputy Clerk were also in attendance at this session along with Linda Doyle, Accountant.

In response to a request from Deputy Mayor Loncarevic it was agreed that the Special Session should conclude at 9:00 p.m. following which a meeting would be held with the Town Solicitor Mr. Kenneth MacInnis.

1982 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Copies of the Audited Financial Statements for the Town of Bedford for the year 1982 were circulated to members of Council.

By memorandum the Chief Administrative Officer advised Council that the 1982 Operating Budget shows an excess of revenues over expenditures in the amount of \$147,801. It was noted the 1982 operating surplus now brings the Town's total accumulated operating surplus to \$971,630 as of December 1, 1982.

Mr. English further advised that during 1982 the Town experienced an 86.3% collection rate for current taxes and a 71.1% collection rate for arrears.

Attached to the Chief Administrative Officer's memorandum was a supplemental report in terms of the status of the Town's various reserve funds outlining the present balances, borrowings, committments, etc. Included with the supplementary statements were schedules outlining the status of capital projects undertaken during the year along with the financing required.

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During the ensuing discussion the Chief Administrative Officer and the Town Accountant, Linda Doyle, responded to various questions from Council pertaining to the details included in the Financial Statements and the supplementary statements.

In response to an inquiry from Deputy Mayor Loncarevic the Chief Administrative Officer advised that, if it is the desire of Council to allocate a portion of the 1982 surplus to the Park Reserve Fund, such should be included in the 1983 Budget. Following a short discussion of this matter, Deputy Mayor Loncarevic asked that Council ensure a further contribution be made to the Parkland Reserve Fund in an amount of 10% of the 1982 surplus.

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Tolson, it was moved that the Town Council of the Town of Bedford formally accept the 1982 Audited Financial Statements as tabled. Motion carried unanimously.

ON MOTION of Councillor Short and Councillor Roy, it was moved that the financing arrangements as outlined on the attached schedules relating to capital projects be confirmed and ratified by Council. Motion carried unanimously.

ON MOTION of Councillor Tolson and Councillor Lugar, it was moved that the Town of Bedford charge an 8% interest rate on loans owed to the capital fund from the general fund. Motion carried unanimously.

ON MOTION of Councillor Lugar and Councillor Roy, it was moved that the auditing firm of Amey and Levy be appointed as the Town's Auditors for 1983. Motion carried unanimously.

SURPLUS TOWN OWNED LANDS - LINDSAY HILL AND OAKMOUNT DRIVE

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By memorandum the Town Engineer reviewed the details of the proposed disposal of surplus Town owned lands on Lindsay Hill and Oakmount Drive and recommended that a policy be followed whereby the proposed purchasers would absorb the cost of the legal survey in addition to the land cost based upon the higher of the two appraised values of the land, and the Town would absorb the costs of the appraisals and the general administration costs.

ON MOTION of Deputy Mayor Loncarevic and Councillor Lugar, it was moved that the recommendations of the Town Engineer contained in his memorandum of February 28, 1983 with regard to the disposal of surplus Town owned lands on Lindsay Hill and Oakmount Drive and with regard to the purchase of Parcels "B","C" and "D" on Lindsay Hill be adopted as follows: "In the case of Parcel H (a portion of Parcel Z) Oakmount Drive that the Town sell said parcel to Norma Phyllis Sears for the amount of \$1,715.70 and that such sale be completed by April 15, 1983.

In the case of Parcel Y-l Oakmount Drive it was recommended that the Town sell said parcel to Redden Brothers Development Ltd for an amount of \$10,032 and that said sale be completed by April 3, 1983.

In the case of various properties located on Lindsay Hill, it was recommended that Bedford Town Council:

- Agree to purchase Parcels "B","C" and "D" for the purchase price of \$1.00 per square foot;
- Declare Parcel "A" surplus lands in accordance with the Town Policy;
- 3. Authorize the sale of Parcel "A" (as subdivided into Parcels A-1 to A-6 (inclusive) for \$1.39 per square foot, representing the \$1.00 per square foot for the price of the land and .39 per square foot surveying costs; and
- 4. Authorize the Town Solicitor to prepare and the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer to enter into agreements of purchase and sale of the various parcels of land."

The motion was put to the meeting and passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION - PROPOSED 1983 DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD BUDGET

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By memorandum the Chief Administrative Officer addressed the matter of the proposed Halifax County-Bedford District School Board Budget for 1983. Included in his memorandum were the financial details of the proposed budget plus the net results to the Town of Bedford's share should the original requested amount of excess costs be reduced to an amount which would be 6% over the excess costs approved for 1982, either to the joint Councils, to the Town of Bedford, or to the County of Halifax.

The Chief Administrative Officer also noted with some concern the fact that the Board in taking their 1982 operating surplus into the 1983 budget creates somewhat of an "artificial situation", and may cause problems in future years budgeting.

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