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as now proposed by Metro Transit.

In speaking to the Motion, Councillor Cosgrove noted that the aim of Metro Transit should still be to ensure that residents of Bedford will reach their workplace by 8:30 a.m. in the morning when using Route 86.

The Motion was put to the meeting and APPROVED unanimously.

# PROPOSED LEASE - TOWN OF BEDFORD/COUNTY OF HALIFAX TO B.W.D.C RE LOT #2 MILLCOVE S.T.P.

By memorandum Dan R. English, Chief Administrative Officer, circulated copies of a revised agreement of lease between the Town of Bedford/County of Halifax and the Bedford Waterfront Development Corporation re Lot #2 Millcove S.T.P.

Mr. English noted that the revised document was prepared following a meeting held between representatives from the Town, County and the B.W.D.C. and noted that it was his recommendation that Council authorize the execution of this Lease Agreement on behalf of the Town.

**ON MOTION** of Deputy Mayor Huntington and Councillor Draper it was moved that Town Council authorize the Mayor and the Chief Administrative Officer to execute the Lease Agreement, as circulated, on behalf of the Town of Bedford.

During the ensuing review of the proposed Lease Agreement, Mr. English provided clarifications to some concerns which were raised relative to specific paragraphs contained within the Agreement.

It was agreed that a letter should be attached to the Agreement clarifying what is meant by paragraph 7.03.

The Motion was put to the meeting and APPROVED unanimously.

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<u>REQUEST FROM PEERLESS SUBDIVISION RE WAIVER OF</u> <u>MAINTENANCE DEPOSIT REQUIREMENT - SUBDIVISION ENTRANCE</u> <u>SIGN</u>

> **ON MOTION** of Deputy Mayor Huntington and Councillor Draper it was moved that a request from the Peerless Subdivision Residents' Association for a waiver of the maintenance deposit requirement of \$500 relative to a Subdivision Entrance Sign be approved.

> During discussion of the Motion some concern was expressed relative to the ongoing maintenance requirements for subdivision entrance signs and whether or not the \$500 maintenance deposit requirement should be eliminated.

> **ON MOTION** of Deputy Mayor Huntington and Councillor Walker it was moved that the Motion be amended whereby the Peerless Subdivision Residents' Association would provide the Town with a long-term agreement relative to the future responsibility for the maintenance of the sign.

> The amendment was put to the meeting and APPROVED unanimously.

The amended Motion was put to the meeting and **APPROVED** unanimously.

**ON MOTION** of Councillor Walker and Deputy Mayor Huntington it was moved that the Policy Respecting the Placement of Subdivision Entrance Signs be referred to the By-Law/Policy Advisory Committee for consideration and recommendation relative the question of deposits required from Residents' Associations. **MOTION DEFEATED**. Councillor Draper, Councillor Goucher and Councillor Kelly voted against the Motion.

In response to a request, Barry Zwicker, Director of Planning and Development Control, reviewed the original purpose and intent of the Policy Respecting Subdivision Entrance Signs.

Councillor Draper expressed the opinion that each and any request from a Residents' Association for exemption from the Maintenance Deposit requirement for the placement of a Subdivision Entrance Sign should be addressed separately on its own merit.

### 7.7 <u>CON'T</u>

**ON MOTION** of Councillor Walker and Deputy Mayor Huntington it was moved that the Policy Respecting the Placement of Subdivision Entrance Signs be referred to the By-Law/Policy Advisory Committee for consideration and recommendation.

During discussion of the Motion the suggestion was made that consideration might be given to two separate policies, one for signs which are placed by developers and one for signs which are placed by Residents' Associations.

The Motion was put to the meeting and APPROVED unanimously.

### MOTIONS OF RESCISSION

Nil

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#### 9. **PUBLIC HEARINGS AND MOTIONS ARISING THEREFROM**

Nil

#### 10. **PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS**

### 10.1 MRS. SHIRLEY TOWILL - RE LOCATION: RECYCLING DEPOT

Mrs. Shirley Towill of 71 Union Street, Bedford, addressed Council relative to the operation of the Bedford Bottle and Metal Exchange currently located on the Bedford Place Mall property.

Mrs. Towill noted her major concerns:

- (a) The establishing of a Bottle and Metal Exchange business on lands zoned C-3 wherein the Town of Bedford's By-Laws state that such businesses be located on C-6 zoned land;
- (b) Why the Bottle and Metal Exchange was permitted to operate for a week without a valid business permit;
- (c) Why the Town is allowing such a business to operate in an area adjacent to residential homes.

# 10.1 **CON'T**

Mrs. Towill expressed strong concern that her questions require answers and that the Bottle and Metal Exchange should be moved to an area in the Industrial Park.

In response to Mrs. Towill's concerns, Barry Zwicker, Director of Planning and Development Control, advised of his opinion relative to the approval of the establishing of this business on lands zoned C-3.

**ON MOTION** of Councillor Walker and Deputy Mayor Huntington it was moved that the questions raised by Mrs. Towill relative to the Bedford Bottle and Metal Exchange should be referred to BPAC for consideration and recommendation to Town Council. **MOTION APPROVED**. Councillor Kelly voted against the Motion.

### EXTENSION OF TIME OF MEETING

ON MOTION of Councillor Goucher and Councillor Kelly it was moved that the meeting be extended to 11:30 p.m. MOTION APPROVED unanimously.

In response to a request from Council it was agreed that Item 14.3.1 would be considered as the next Item of business.

### 14. STAFF REPORTS

#### 14.3 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT CONTROL DEPARTMENT

#### 14.3.1 UNSIGHTLY PROPERTIES - HAMMONDS PLAINS ROAD

By memorandum John Robertson, Chief Building Inspector, advised Council relative to the current situation respecting Civic #697, 705, 709 Hammonds Plains Road and Lot C Bert Giles Subdivision. He noted that formal notice has been served to the assessed owners of each of the properties relative to the fact that they are considered to be unsightly. Each notice provided the prescribed 30 days for compliance and re-inspections were conducted shortly thereafter.

Mr. Robertson further advised Council that the inspection reports indicate very limited if any compliance with the request to clean-up the properties.

# 14.3.1 <u>CON'T</u>

It was recommended by Mr. Robertson that Council direct a Solicitor representing the Town of Bedford to take appropriate action given that most of the properties contain a very substantial number of inoperable and unsightly vehicles. Mr. Robertson further advised that he is recommending this approach due to the fact that for the Town to simply have the vehicles removed would result in a prohibitive cost which would be difficult to recover as a debt against the property.

**ON MOTION** of Councillor Walker and Councillor Goucher it was moved that the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to direct a Solicitor representing the Town of Bedford to take appropriate action relative to the properties involved.

During discussion of the Motion it was agreed that Mr. Zwicker should make one further attempt to communicate and engage the co-operation of the property owners' and also review with a Solicitor the Town's legal authority to remove the vehicles and charge back the cost to the property owners.

The Motion was put to the meeting and **APPROVED** unanimously.

# 11. MOTIONS

Nil

# 12. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

# 12.1 <u>BEDFORD VISITOR CENTRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE - RATIFICATION</u> OF APPOINTMENTS

**ON MOTION** of Councillor Goucher and Councillor Draper it was moved that the appointment of the following persons to the Bedford Visitor Centre Advisory Committee be ratified:

Hilary Grant - Nominated by Heritage Advisory Committee Maureen Walsh - Nominated by Board of Trade Sandy Hines - Nominated by the Recreation Advisory Committee

MOTION APPROVED unanimously.

### 12.2 HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE - RATIFICATION OF APPOINTMENT

**ON MOTION** of Councillor Draper and Councillor Goucher it was moved that the nomination of Norman Fennerty by the Heritage '80 Society for appointment on the Heritage Advisory Committee be ratified. **MOTION APPROVED** unanimously.

# 12.3 <u>BEDFORD WATERS ADVISORY COMMITTEE - RATIFICATION OF</u> <u>APPOINTMENT</u>

**ON MOTION** of Councillor Cosgrove and Councillor Walker it was moved that the nomination of Marvin Silver by the Board of Trade for appointment to the Waters Advisory Committee be ratified. **MOTION APPROVED** unanimously.

# 12.4 <u>BEDFORD VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE - CONSIDERATION OF</u> TENDERS - PHASE 3

By memorandum Dan R. English, Chief Administrative Officer, requested the consideration of Town Council to the approval of the awarding of Phase 3 of the Bedford Visitor Information Centre to Tag Developments Limited in an amount of \$33,500 and that an additional \$5,000 be appropriated for architectural fees and contingency.

**ON MOTION** of Councillor Draper it was moved that the Mayor and the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to execute a contract with Tag Developments Limited in the amount of \$33,500 and that an additional \$5,000 be appropriated for architectural fees and contingency funding.

In response to three calls from Mayor Christie there was no seconder to the Motion and it was declared **INVALID**.

**ON MOTION** of Deputy Mayor Huntington and Councillor Kelly it was moved that further consideration of this matter be deferred pending clarification of some outstanding issues. **MOTION APPROVED** unanimously.

In response to some concern expressed by Mr. English relative to the timing of this project, it was agreed that further consideration would take place at a meeting of Town Council scheduled to take place on Monday, March 5, 1990.

# 13. **REPORTS: BOARDS/COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS**

# 13.1 <u>MOIRS MILL STEERING COMMITTEE - PROPOSED POLICY RE</u> DONATIONS

Copies of a proposed Donation Policy for the Moirs Mill Steering Committee were circulated to Town Council for consideration.

**ON MOTION** of Councillor Walker and Councillor Kelly it was moved that the Moirs Mill Steering Committee Donations Policy be approved.

During discussion of this Motion it was agreed that the heading of Section 3 should be reworded as follows:

"Exclusivity of use of donations not be allowed:"

MOTION APPROVED unanimously.

# 13.2 <u>SITPENDS ADVISORY COMMITTEE - REPORT</u>

Copies of the report of the Stipends Advisory Committee were circulated to members of Council.

**ON MOTION** of Councillor Kelly and Councillor Goucher it was moved that the Stipends Advisory Committee Report be tabled. **MOTION APPROVED** unanimously.

It was agreed by Council that the Chief Administrative Officer should be asked to provide information relative to:

- (a) The current situation in the Halifax Metro Area relative to allowances;
- (b) The number of Council/Committee meetings held during the past year compared to the number held during the term of the Third Council of the Town of Bedford.

# 13.3 <u>SCHOOL BOARD REPORT</u>

Councillor Draper reported briefly to Town Council relative to School Board topics. In particular, she noted the following:

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- (a) The School Board has agreed to hold a Public Information Meeting with Bedford Town Council relative to the 1990 School Board Budget.
- (b) The Board of Trustees meeting held on February 12, 1990, was attended by Councillor Draper.
- (c) It has been determined that there will be 400 additional students in the Bedford School system by 1993 and suggestions were made by Councillor Draper relative to possible future action by Town Council to cope with this large projected increase.
- (d) Councillor Draper advised of the location of the new School Board offices on Cobequid Road and noted that an open house will be held in the near future.
- (e) Council was advised of the formation by the School Board of a, "Crisis Intervention Team," which is working quite well.

Following Councillor Draper's remarks and in response to a request from Councillor Kelly that the School Board Reports be printed and distributed, Councillor Draper expressed her reasons for feeling that the School Board Report should be verbalized.

In response to an enquiry from Councillor Walker relative to the unsightly appearance of many of the portable school rooms, Councillor Draper agreed to look into this matter.

# 14. STAFF REPORTS

### 14.1 ENGINEERING AND WORKS DEPARTMENT

# 14.1.1 UPDATE - RECYCLING INITIATIVES

Rick Paynter, Director of Engineering and Works, advised Council relative to the current status of the Recycling Program. He noted that to date, 13.3 tonnes of newsprint, cardboard, tin cans and glass have been brought to the Depot and he is quite hopeful that, with the advent of the Spring weather, the quantities will greatly increase.

### 14.1.1 <u>CON'T</u>

Mr. Paynter also noted that some thought is being given to the placement of a sign relative to the Recycling Depot and he is awaiting the response of BPAC to this suggestion.

The need for continual promotion of the Recycling Project was also noted by members of Council.

# 14.1.2 <u>TENDERS - 1990 CAPITAL PROGRAM - ONE TONNE VEHICLE AND</u> BACKHOE

By memorandum Rick Paynter, Director of Engineering and Works, advised Council relative to the response to Tender #90-02 - Backhoe and Tender #90-03 - One Tonne Maintenance Truck (Cab and Chassis only).

#### BACKHOE - TENDER #90-02

Mr. Paynter advised that three tenders were received in response to Tender #90-02 - Backhoe in amounts arranging from \$42,836 to \$49,900.

Noting that the submission by MTM Incorporated was incomplete as the unit tendered did not meet specifications, it was recommended that Council consider the award of this Tender to Northeast Tractors Limited in an amount of \$46,947. Mr. Paynter also advised that the inclusion of an additional power-train warranty for a total of 60 months (or 7,500 hours) could be provided at a cost of \$1,520 which would adjust the tender award to Northeast Tractor Limited to \$48,467.

**ON MOTION** of Councillor Kelly and Deputy Mayor Huntington it was moved that Tender #90-02 for a new Backhoe be retendered.

During discussion of this Motion, Mr. Paynter reviewed details of the exact deficiencies in the tender documents received from MTM Incorporated and expressed the opinion that there was no reason to retender for this Backhoe.

The Motion was put to the meeting and was **DEFEATED**. Deputy Mayor Huntington, Councillor Cosgrove, Councillor Draper, Councillor Goucher, and Councillor Walker voted against the Motion.

# 14.1.2 <u>CON'T</u>

**ON MOTION** of Councillor Walker and Councillor Draper it was moved that Tender #90-02 for a Backhoe be awarded to Northeast Tractor Limited for the provision of a John Deere 410C Backhoe in an amount not to exceed \$48,467 which would include the cost of a powertrain warranty for a total of 60 months (or 7,500 hours). **MOTION APPROVED**. Councillor Kelly voted against the Motion.

# <u>TENDER #99-03 - ONE TONNE MAINTENANCE TRUCK (CAB AND CHASSIS ONLY)</u>

Rick Paynter, Director of Engineering and Works, advised Council of the details of two tenders received relative to Tender #90-03 One Tonne Maintenance Truck (Cab and Chassis only) and noted that the low tender was received from Bob MacDonald's Chev Olds Limited in an amount of \$21,171 for the supply of a 1990 Chev Diesel Cab and Chassis.

He also noted that for the supply of the necessary dump box for this unit, the Department has located a Supplier (MTM Incorporated) for a two-way dump box that will provide salting capabilities for the unit in the winter. Mr. Paynter further noted that two other companies were contacted for the supply of a similar product but were unable to guarantee a supply at this time.

It was further recommended by Mr. Paynter that Council consider the approval of the amount of \$3,845 to Scotia Equipment Limited for the supply and installation of one 9 ft. Fisher Snow Plow. Council was also requested to consider approval of the provision of contingency funding in the amount of \$800 to cover the cost of placing a light bar and additional suspension springs on the unit. This will bring the total cost of the one-tonne unit fully outfitted to a value of \$37,063.

**ON MOTION** of Councillor Goucher and Councillor Draper it was moved that Tender #90-03 be awarded to the low bidder, Bob MacDonalds Chev Olds Limited in an amount of \$21,171 for the supply of a 1990 Chev Diesel Cab and Chassis; further that the amount of \$11,247 be awarded to MTM Incorporated for the supply and installation of an Everest combination dump body system; further that the amount of \$3,845 be awarded to Scotia Equipment Limited for the supply of a Fisher Plow Blade and that a

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contingency in the amount of \$800 be approved to cover the cost of placing a light bar and additional suspension springs on the unit.

During discussion of the Motion some concern was expressed by Deputy Mayor Huntington relative to the need to purchase the dump box for this unit in the immediate future. It was noted by Mr. Paynter the dump box will be required during the spring and summer months prior to it being used for the provision of salting requirements.

The Motion was put to the meeting and was APPROVED. Deputy Mayor Huntington voted against the Motion.

### 14.1.3 MEADOWVIEW DRIVE - REPORT ON STORM DRAINAGE SYSTEM

By memorandum Rick Paynter, Director of Engineering and Works, reviewed for the benefit of Council the capital costs that would be involved for Storm Drainage Upgrading Works - Meadowview Drive. He noted that the minimum expenditure that the Town would be facing would be \$130,600.

He also noted that, because of past problems associated with storm drainage works in areas listed on the recommended program in his memorandum of January 11, 1990, he feels they share an equal priority to storm drainage requirements on Meadowview Drive.

**ON MOTION** of Councillor Kelly and Councillor Walker it was moved that Town Council approve in principle the upgrading project as described for Meadowview Drive and authorize the Engineering and Works Department to call tenders for same.

During discussion of the Motion, Councillor Walker requested that Mr. Paynter review the expected costs of the project to ascertain whether or not any of these costs could be reduced.

In response to concerns expressed that this project should be deferred to a future year, Councillor Kelly expressed the opinion that the project should be carried out as soon as possible.

# 14.1.3 <u>CON'T</u>

The Motion was put to the meeting and APPROVED. Deputy Mayor Huntington and Councillor Draper voted against the Motion.

# 14.1.4 <u>TRAFFIC\_LIGHTS\_CONTROLLER - BEDFORD\_HIGHWAY/ROCKY\_LAKE</u> DRIVE\_INTERSECTION - PROPOSED\_REPLACEMENT

By memorandum Rick Paynter, Director of Engineering and Works, advised Council relative to problems with the Traffic Signal Control Equipment at the Bedford Highway/Rocky Lake Drive intersection. He noted that the primary problem is the Eagle Traffic Controller which is close to 20 years old and is worn out. Mr. Paynter recommended the approval of Council to utilize approximately \$15,000 of the 1990 allocated Capital funding for this intersection to replace this traffic controller.

**ON MOTION** of Councillor Draper and Councillor Goucher it was moved that the Engineering and Works Department be authorized to purchase a new Novax Traffic Controller for the Bedford Highway/Rocky Lake Drive Intersection at a cost expenditure not to exceed \$15,000. **MOTION APPROVED** unanimously.

# 14.1.5 <u>COUNCIL CONTACT WITH TOWN PERSONNEL - SNOW REMOVAL</u> <u>OPERATIONS</u>

By memorandum Dan R. English, Chief Administrative Officer, circulated copies of a memorandum from Rick Paynter, Director of Engineering and Works, respecting the matter of Council contact with Town Personnel - Snow Removal Operations.

Mr. Paynter, in his memorandum, reviewed the current Policy relative to such contacts noting that, up until now, his Department has resisted access by the public or members of Council to the particular standby employee due to the fact that his supervision responsibilities do not allow time for him to be on the telephone speaking to the public or members of Council.

Mr. Paynter also advised Council that, if his Department is required to implement the means whereby Council can have direct access to after hours personnel during

# 14.1.5 <u>CON'T</u>

winter operations, it would be necessary in his opinion, to revise the standby duty roster whereby two Works Maintainers would rotate on twelve hour shifts instead of the present schedule of one maintainer rotating on a twelve hour shift.

In his memorandum Mr. English expressed the opinion that the Works' personnel cannot and should not be taking any direction other than direction from their superiors in the Engineering and Works Department. However, Mr. English also noted that if, on the other hand, Councillors simply want to be informed as to the status of progress of operations, then the suggestion by Mr. Paynter relative to revising our standby duty roster might be the answer.

A lenghty general discussion ensued between members of Council and Senior Staff relative to whether or not members of Council should be able to contact the works personnel directly when they wish to obtain information. Some members of Council felt strongly that they should be able to do this; other members of Council disagreed and felt that their contact should be limited to senior staff of the Engineering and Works Department.

It was also noted that it is currently possible to receive some information by working through the Police Dispatch system albeit this is not direct contact with the Works Department employees.

Another suggestion explored was whether it would be worthwhile to equip the Works Maintainers truck with a telephone in order that members of Council could make direct contact. Again, there was divided opinion on this suggestion.

**ON MOTION** of Councillor Kelly and Councillor Draper it was moved that the Mayor and the Chief Administrative Officer develop a call-back procedure to enable contact between Works Department personnel and members of Town Council. **MOTION DEFEATED**. Deputy Mayor Huntington, Councillor Cosgrove, Councillor Goucher and Councillor Walker voted against the Motion.

# 14.2 <u>BEDFORD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT - MONTHLY REPORT -</u> JANUARY 1990

Copies of the monthly report of the Bedford Volunteer Fire Department for the month of January 1990 were received for information.

### 15. CORRESPONDENCE

# 15.1 <u>MUNICIPAL BOARD RE NOTICE OF APPEAL - SUNNYSIDE MALL</u> <u>DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT</u>

Copies of the notice of appeal from the Municipal Board relative to the Sunnyside Mall Contract Development Agreement were circulated to Council and received for information.

16. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

# 17. QUESTIONS

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17.1 STATUS SHEET

The status sheet dated February 19, 1990 was received for information.

18. ADDED ITEMS

Nil

19. <u>OTHER</u>

Nil

#### 20. ADJOURNMENT

**ON MOTION** of Councillor Kelly and Councillor Draper it was moved that the meeting adjourn at approximately 12:30 a.m.

in CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

MEETING NOTES TOWN OF BEDFORD AND D.O.T. OFFICIALS TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20/90 - 2:00 P.M.

A meeting was held in the Board Room, Department of Transportation on the above date.

Those in attendance included Min. of Transportation the Hon. George Moody; Min. of Small Business Development, Hon. Ken Streatch and four senior officials from D.O.T. Representatives from the Town included Mayor Peter Christie; Deputy Mayor Don Huntington; Dan R. English, Chief Administrative Officer and Rick Paynter, Director of Engineering and Works.

# 1. ARTERIAL ROAD MAINTENANCE - D.O.T. FUNDING CAP

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The Minister agreed to review the current maximum funding level that Bedford now receives towards arterial road maintenance i.e. \$30,000. The amount of funding from the Province has not changed for several years, however, the Town's costs have been steadily escalating and now approximate \$130,000 per year.

# 2. FUNDING FOR 1990 CAPITAL PROGRAM - TIMING OF TENDER CALLS

The Minister agreed with the Town's request to advertise Tender Calls earlier on capital projects in order to expedite construction. Town Council could not actually award Tenders however, until specific D.O.T. approval was received (see attached letter).

# 3. DARTMOUTH ROAD - MAGAZINE HILL - LIGHTING/LANE LINE PAINTING

D.O.T. officials advised that this year's budget includes \$150,000 for lighting in this area. They also agreed to make improvements to the existing line painting situation.

# 4. TRUCK TRAFFIC RESTRICTIONS - HAMMONDS PLAINS ROAD

D.O.T. officials reiterated the position that the restrictions do not apply in any way to truck traffic accessing and egressing industrial park/Farmer's etc.

# 5. TRANSFER OF D.O.T. SURPLUS LANDS TO TOWN OF BEDFORD

The Minister agreed that upon a formal request from the Town, a transfer of the D.O.T. surplus lands in the area of the Ridgevale/Dartmouth Road intersection can take place. A proviso would be included such that the lands could not be utilized for any purpose other than park. It was also agreed that if other parcels were identified consideration would be given for transfer to the Town.

# 6. BURNSIDE DRIVE EXTENSION

D.O.T. officials shared with those in attendance the most recent plans respecting the proposed Burnside Drive extension works. It was noted that once the Akerley Blvd. extension was completed to Highway 118 (within one year), tenders would be called for the extension of Glendale Ave. to the Bicentennial Highway followed by an extension from the Bicentennial Highway to Rocky Lake Drive. They anticipated that pending on funding availability, these connections should be in place within five years. The third phase would entail the major portion of the project i.e. from Rocky Lake Drive to Akerley Blvd.

# 7. MOIRS MILL BRIDGE

The Minister noted that this project will be commenced in mid to late 1990.

Meeting <u>#47</u>

# TOWN OF BEDFORD SPECIAL SESSION MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1990

A Special Session of the Town Council of the Town of Bedford took place on Monday, February 26, 1990, 7:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, Suite 400, Bedford Tower, Bedford, Nova Scotia, Mayor Peter Christie presiding.

### 1. LORD'S PRAYER

Mayor Christie opened the Session by the leading of the Lord's Prayer.

### 2. ATTENDANCE

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Deputy Mayor Don Huntington and Councillors Anne Cosgrove, Peggy Draper, Len Goucher, Peter Kelly and Grant Walker were in attendance at the commencement of the Session.

Staff members attending this Session included Dan R. English, Chief Administrative Officer; Rick Paynter, Director of Engineering and Works; Barry Zwicker, Director of Planning and Development Control; Ron Singer, Director of Finance; and Joan Pryde, Deputy Clerk.

### STORM DRAINAGE PROJECTS

By memorandum Rick Paynter, Director of Engineering and Works, requested an opportunity to again review with Town Council the proposal to undertake Storm Drainage Works on Meadowview Drive in conjunction with the consideration of other storm drainage projects which were intended to be considered by Town Council for implementation in 1990. He also requested consideration as to whether all or a portion of the work on Meadowview Drive would proceed under the Streets Improvement By-Law.

In speaking to this matter, Mr. Paynter expressed some concerns relative to the other areas of the Town which require attention and noted that, if the total project on Meadowview Drive is approved, and if the proposed Capital Funding for 1990 is not increased, all other projects would of necessity be deferred until 1991. In particular, he reviewed the details regarding

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proposed projects on Monarch Drive, Rutledge Street, Nottingham Drive, Spring Street and Shore Drive. Some discussion took place with regard to the possibility of proceeding with the Meadowview Drive project under the Streets Improvement By-Law which would involve costsharing contributions from the abutting property owners.

Mr. English reviewed the financial situation relative to what has already has been approved in the Capital Budget. In particular, it was noted that, in order to adhere to the approved borrowing Policy, there is a need for a <u>reduction</u> in the amount of funds proposed to be financed through external borrowing whereas the approval of the Meadowview Project appears to be initiating the likelihood of an <u>overexpenditure</u>.

For the benefit of Council, Mr. Paynter again reviewed the projects which his Department is recommending be considered for 1990 in a total cost of approximately \$150,000. This particular list did not include the Meadowview Drive Project.

In response to an enquiry from Council, Mr. Paynter advised that, in his opinion, there is no satisfactory interim measure that can be taken to solve the Meadowview Drive problem until such time as the system can be replaced.

In response to an enquiry from Council, it was agreed by staff that the Meadowview Drive project could be divided into two phases whereby the storm drainage work would be undertaken in one year and the final curb and street work completed in the second year. During the interim period, some street resurfacing would be effected.

**ON MOTION** of Councillor Goucher and Councillor Kelly it was moved that the Meadowview Drive project, as proposed, be approved in principle to be effected in two phases, i.e., the storm drainage work in 1990 and the completion of curbs and street resurfacing in 1991, and that tenders be called indicating that this will be a two-phase project.

During the ensuing discussion, the Chief Administrative Officer reviewed the approved polices relative to the By-Law Respecting Street Improvement and in response to an enquiry from Council, he noted, that to date, Council

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has not charged the cost of street improvements to abutters when such improvements were initiated by the Town.

The Motion was put to the meeting and was APPROVED, Deputy Mayor Huntington and Councillor Walker voted against the Motion.

**ON MOTION** of Councillor Goucher and Councillor Kelly it was moved that the following storm drainage projects be approved in principle, Rutledge Street, Monarch Street, Nottingham Street and Rocky Lake Drive, and that the Engineering and Works Department be authorized to call tenders for these same projects.

During discussion of this Motion concern was expressed by several members of Council that the proposed listing does not include the Shore Drive project. In particular, it was noted that the problems in this area, while not causing direct property damage, are adding significantly to the amount of infiltration of storm water in the sanitary sewer system.

The Motion was put to the meeting and was **DEFEATED**. Mayor Christie, Deputy Mayor Huntington, Councillor Cosgrove, and Councillor Walker voted against the Motion.

**ON MOTION** of Councillor Walker and Deputy Mayor Huntington it was moved that the following storm sewer projects be approved in principle, Shore Drive, Nottingham Street, and Monarch Street, and that the Engineering and Works Department be authorized to call tenders for these same projects.

In response to an enquiry from Council as to whether the Motion could be amended whereby tenders would be called for all of the proposed projects, Mayor Christie advised that he would not accept such an amendment.

The Motion was put to the meeting and was APPROVED. Councillor Draper, Councillor Kelly and Councillor Goucher abstained from voting.

# 4. TRANSIT COST-SHARING (REVISED PROPOSAL)

Copies of a revised Proposal for the cost-sharing of the Metro Transit Deficit cost were circulated to members of Council. Under this proposal the assessment formula would be used with the proviso that only 70 percent of the Town of Bedford's assessment base would be utilized for the years 1990, 1991, and 1992, following which the formula would be reviewed.

**ON MOTION** of Councillor Kelly it was moved that the Town of Bedford not approve the implementation of the assessment formula as proposed.

In speaking to the Motion, Councillor Kelly expressed the opinion that this proposal is too expensive for the Town of Bedford and is over charging the Town for the services provided.

In response to three calls from Mayor Christie there was no seconder to the Motion and it was declared **INVALID**.

During the ensuing discussion, it was suggested by Mayor Christie that Town Council should attempt to determine an assessment formula that would be acceptable by the Town.

ON MOTION of Councillor Walker and Councillor Cosgrove it was moved that the Town of Bedford support, in principle, the use of a property assessment base formula in calculating municipal contributions to the Metro Authority for the Metro Transit Deficit; further that a maximum of 70 percent of the Town of Bedford's total assessment be used for the years 1990, 1991 and 1992; further that the Metro Authority guarantee that the total route mileage within Bedford (after the route review is implemented in May 1990) will not fall below 90 percent of the total mileage of the new service; further that the assessment formula will be effective for a three year trial basis, following which the formula will be reviewed.

During discussion of the Motion it was noted that approval of this Motion would, in essence, mean approval in principle and that it would be forwarded to Town Council for final approval if and when it is approved in principle by the other parties involved.

The Motion was put to the meeting and was APPROVED. Councillor Kelly voted against the Motion.

# 5. **RECOMMENDATIONS RE SCHOOL FACILITIES**

By memorandum Councillor Draper referred to the information circulated at a previous Council Session relative to the expected school enrolment increases of approximately 400 students for the period 1989-1993 and requested the consideration of Council to the following Motion:

"That Bedford Town Council request the School Board to adjust its present application for the proposed new Elementary School from 14 rooms to 22 rooms; however, that said application not be forwarded by the School Board to the Department of Education until the announcement is made that the new Elementary School has been released from the moratorium list; and

Further, that Town Council encourage the public to lobby Provincial Cabinet Ministers relative to the release of the new Elementary School from the moratorium list for 1990; and

Further that Town Council request the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Council's representative to the School Board and the Chief Administrative Officer to meet with the Minister of Education and the local MLA Hon. Ken Streatch to discuss the following:

- (a) the possibility of the Province commencing design works, etc., for the new school immediately and, failing this proposal, that the Town take responsibility for this requirement.
- (b) discuss the possibility of the Province taking a, "Pro-Active," rather than, "Reactive," approach to solving over-crowding in schools by:
- approving construction/additions to schools as soon as the Municipality is able to demonstrate needs through realistic projections;
- (ii) change the Policy to permit a Municipality to construct new schools/additions to schools when it deems necessary, with the agreement from the Province that the Municipality will be reimbursed for its cost by the Province as soon as the school is completed."

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The Motion was seconded by Councillor Goucher and was **APPROVED** unanimously.

# 6. ANNOUNCEMENT - BEDFORD'S VOLUNTEER OF THE DECADE

Copies of a memorandum from the Judging Committee relative to Bedford's, "Volunteer(s) of the Decade," were circulated by Councillor Walker. It was noted by Councillor Walker that the Bedford Lions Club has been selected as the successful candidate for this designation and he requested the ratification of Town Council.

**ON MOTION** of Councillor Walker and Councillor Draper it was moved that the choice of the Bedford Lions Club as the, "Volunteers of the Decade," for the Town of Bedford be ratified. **MOTION APPROVED** unanimously.

# PROPOSED FUTURE EXPANSION - MILL COVE S.T.P.

Copies of minutes from a meeting of the Joint Halifax County - Town of Bedford Sub-Committee re the Mill Cove Sewage Treatment Plant held on February 8, 1990, were circulated to members of Council for information.

In speaking to this matter it was noted by Mayor Christie that steps have now been initiated to select a Consultant to undertake the required study to determine whether or not a request should be forthcoming that Bedford -Sackville Sewage be treated through the proposed major project for the Halifax Harbour Clean-Up.

It was noted that a public proposal call for this study has been initiated and following the screening of firms responding and the short listing of two or three firms that have the necessary expertise to fulfill the scope of a study of this nature, a recommendation will then be brought back to the Joint Committee accordingly.

#### OTHER

Nil

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### ADJOURNMENT

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**ON MOTION** of Councillor Draper and Councillor Cosgrove it was moved that the meeting adjourn at approximately 9:45 p.m.

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

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# TOWN OF BEDFORD Special Session Monday, March 5, 1990

A Special Session of the Town Council of the Town of Bedford took place on Monday, March 5, 1990, 4:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers, Suite 400, Bedford Tower, Bedford, Nova Scotia, Deputy Mayor Huntington presiding.

# 1. LORD'S PRAYER

Deputy Mayor Huntington opened the Session by the leading of the Lord's Prayer.

# ATTENDANCE

Councillors Anne Cosgrove, Peggy Draper, Len Goucher and Grant Walker were in attendance at the commencement of the Session.

Staff members attending this Session included Dan R. English, Chief Administrative Officer; Ron Singer, Director of Finance; H.A. MacKenzie, Chief of Police; Bob Nauss, Director of Recreation; Helen Graham-Gromick, Executive Assistant/Promotions Co-Ordinator; and Colleen Pierce, Marketing and Special Projects Co-Ordinator.

# ADDITION TO AGENDA

Deputy Mayor Huntington noted that the Chief Administrative Officer has requested that an additional item be placed on the agenda, i.e., "Consideration of Award of Phase 3 Tender - Restoration Moirs Mill Powerhouse." It was unanimously agreed that this item would be placed on the agenda.

### BUDGET PRESENTATION

Deputy Mayor Huntington noted that the main purpose of the meeting was to continue review of the 1990 Draft 1 Operating Budget through the remaining Departmental presentations.

#### 3.1 **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Chief MacKenzie presented and reviewed for the benefit of Town Council, the proposed Police Department Budget for 1990 as recommended by the Bedford Board of Police Commissioners. In presenting the Budget, the Chief noted the fact that no increases in manpower had been requested in the previous year, 1989 however, following a detailed analysis of the situation during the past year, it has been determined that several areas will require upgrading. In particular, the Chief noted there has been a 26.5 percent increase in the number of calls received for service. The Chief advised that the main areas requiring additional attention relate to traffic and criminal related activities. The Chief further noted that in order to address these areas, the Department has recommended and the Police Commission has supported the hiring four additional probationary constables to be phased in during 1990.

Councillor Walker requested further information in terms of providing specific details on the various increases/decreases in particular activities and categories on a year to year basis. Chief MacKenzie advised that this information would be available through the computer print-outs.

Councillor Draper requested and received further elaboration in terms of some particular areas suggested for improvement i.e. school visitations by the Police.

Councillor Goucher initiated a brief discussion in terms of the Police Department's efforts with respect to the Neighbourhood Watch Program and the matter of responding to false alarms. The Chief Administrative Officer noted the Police Commission has been dealing for some time with the matter of false alarms and that special legislation has been developed which will be placed before Council for their consideration at their next Regular meeting.

Councillor Cosgrove enquired as to whether other Police Forces or levels could assist the Bedford Police in areas as opposed to hiring additional staff. Chief MacKenzie responded that assistance is available on a number of occasions, however, other Forces or levels will not participate until the necessary preliminary work is carried out by the local Department.

#### SOCIAL SERVICES

The Chief Administrative Officer, Dan English, presented the Social Services Budget and reviewed various details with respect to the fact that the County of Halifax, under contract, provide administration for the program. Special attention was also paid to the situation with respect to Provincial Cost-Sharing on General Assistance. It was noted that by virtue of subsequent information received from the Province, the net Budget will require an adjustment to allow for a short-fall of approximately \$56,000 for Social Services cost-sharing.

Some further discussion pursued with respect to the various services as provided through the programs, case load levels, etc.

### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

The Chief Administrative Officer, Dan English, presented a brief overview of the Economic Development Commission, its structure and mandate.

Helen Graham-Gromick, Promotions Co-Ordinator, with the E.D.C. provided Council with an outline of the various vehicles and avenues utilized in promotions expenditures. A brief discussion ensued with respect to the most effective means by which Bedford can be promoted as a desirable location for commercial/industrial development.

Colleen Pierce, Marketing and Special Projects Co-Ordinator with the E.D.C., provided Council with an overview of a proposed new concept wherein the Town would pay brokerage fees to Real Estate Agents who are successful in marketing lands within the Industrial Parks. A brief discussion took place with respect to the various procedures and criteria upon which brokerage fees would be paid by the Town, and it was noted by Ms. Pierce that a document is presently being reviewed by legal counsel.

Councillor Kelly took his place at the meeting at approximately 5:30 p.m.

#### RECREATION

Mr. Bob Nauss, Director of Recreation, reviewed the overall Recreation Budget for the coming year noting in particular the various levels of service with respect to administration, programming, facilities and parks.

Some discussion was also held in terms of the negative financial impact to arena revenues which has been created as a result of the opening of the new Sackville Sports Stadium.

### LEGISLATIVE SECTION OF GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES

The Chief Administrative Officer commenced review of the Legislative Budget noting in particular that the amount currently estimated for Stipends will be subject to adjustments depending upon Council's disposition of the 1990 Stipends Advisory Committee Report.

A great deal of discussion ensued with respect to the matter of Council Stipends and the various options which might be available to Council in this respect. Deputy Mayor Huntington noted that prior to considering other concepts, the 1990 Stipends Report should be either accepted or rejected by Council.

**ON MOTION** of Councillor Walker and Councillor Kelly, it was moved that Town Council reject the 1990 Stipends Advisory Report as tabled on February 19, 1990.

During discussion of this Motion, various opinions were offered with respect to the matter of Council Stipends and whether a committee pay system should be established. Councillor Kelly commented on the fact that Town Council is currently being paid in accordance with the 1988 Stipends Committee Report and felt that no changes were necessary at this time.

Councillor Draper noted her preference to have further information tabled with respect to the Committee pay concept in order to compare same with the 1990 Stipends Committee Report prior to considering this Motion.

The Motion was put to the meeting and was APPROVED. Councillor Goucher voted against the Motion.

**ON MOTION** of Councillor Walker and Councillor Draper, it was moved that the Chief Administrative Officer be requested to provide a report to Council outlining the financial impacts from implementation of a Committee pay system wherein Councillors who serve on Committees which meet more than ten times annually will receive an additional \$1,600 per year; further, Councillors that serve on Committees which meet more than five times annually would receive an additional \$800 per year and further, Councillors who serve on Committees that meet less than five times annually will receive an additional \$400.

The Motion was put to the meeting and was DEFEATED. Councillor Goucher, Councillor Kelly and Councillor Cosgrove voted against the Motion.

ON MOTION of Councillor Walker and Councillor Draper, it was moved that the matter of a proposed Committee pay system be referred to the previous Council Sub-Committee that was established to review the matter of Stipends and report back to Council accordingly with recommendations. Those voting in favour - Councillors Walker, Councillor Draper and Councillor Cosgrove; those voting against -Deputy Mayor Huntington, Councillor Kelly and Councillor Goucher. The Motion was lost.

Councillor Goucher served Notice of Reconsideration respecting the Motion to reject the 1990 Stipends Advisory Committee Report.

## ADMINISTRATION

In commencing review of the Administration Section, the Chief Administrative Officer commented on the fact that salaries in all sections of the Budget reflect a higher increase than normal due to adjustments that were made to salary levels in 1989 but were only applicable for the latter half of the year.

Councillor Cosgrove and Bob Nauss commented on the Budget for the 10th Anniversary Celebrations noting in particular that the amount reflected in the Budget should be changed to \$35,000. A discussion ensued with respect to Grants to Organizations and Councillor Draper noted that the Grants Advisory Committee would be tabling a report within the near future.

# FISCAL SERVICES

Ron Singer, Director of Finance, and with the assistance of overhead projections, provided a presentation on Fiscal Services. Discussion was also held with respect to establishing dates to continue review of the 1990 Budget and a proposed joint meeting with the School Board on the District Board Budget.

## CONSIDERATION - TENDER AWARD - PHASE 3 MOIRS MILL

ON MOTION of Councillor Draper and Councillor Goucher, it was moved that Tag Developments Limited be awarded the contract for Phase 3 of the Moirs Mill Powerhouse Restoration at a cost not to exceed \$30,380. Councillor Walker voted against the Motion.

ON MOTION of Councillor Draper and Councillor Goucher it was moved that Municipal Contracting Limited be awarded the contract for Paving Works at a cost not to exceed \$12,846. Councillor Walker voted against the Motion.

**ON MOTION** of Councillor Draper and Councillor Goucher it was moved that an amount of \$3,500 be appropriated for contingency including a proviso that any such expenditures be subsequently reported to Town Council. Councillor Walker voted against the Motion.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at approximately 8:30 p.m.

DEPUTY MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

# TOWN OF BEDFORD PUBLIC HEARING #90-03 MONDAY, MARCH 19, 1990

A Public Hearing by the Town Council of the Town of Bedford took place on Monday, March 19, 1990, 7 p.m., in the Council Chambers, Suite 400, Bedford Tower, Bedford, Nova Scotia, Mayor Peter Christie presiding.

Councillors Anne Cosgrove, Peggy Draper, Len Goucher and Grant Walker were in attendance at the commencement of the Session.

Staff members attending this Session included Joan Pryde, Deputy Clerk; Barry Zwicker, Director of Planning and Development Control; Donna Davis-Lohnes, Junior Planner; and Rick Paynter, Director of Engineering and Works.

Approximately 12 members of the general public were also in attendance at this Session.

Mayor Peter Christie opened the Session by advising that this Public Hearing #90-03 was in relation to an application for a Contract Development Agreement from the Bedford Presbyterian Church to permit construction of a Church on the property known as Lot 1-B, Nelson's Landing Boulevard.

Copies of the proposed Contract Development Agreement, Staff Report, and supplementary information were circulated to members of Council.

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Donna Davis-Lohnes, Junior Planner, advised Council that the requirements of the Planning Act with regard to the advertising for a Public Hearing have been fulfilled. She then reviewed details of the request for a Contract Development Agreement and noted that it is the recommendation of the Planning and Development Control Department that this application for a Development Agreement to permit the construction of a Church be accepted and approved by Town Council. She further advised that it is recommended that such an agreement contain provisions regarding traffic generation, access to and egress from the site in parking and open storage and landscaping.

Copies of an opinion from Rick Paynter, Director of Engineering and Works, were also circulated to members of Council indicating that it was his opinion that the geometry of Nelson's Landing Boulevard would safely and satisfactorily accommodate any on-street parking without PUBLIC HEARING #90-03 - MARCH 19, 1990

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interfering with the safe movement of traffic on the Boulevard.

# QUESTIONS FROM COUNCIL

In response to an enquiry from Council as to whether or not approval of this Contract Development Agreement would indicate a minor or major amendment to the existing Contract Development Agreement for Nelson's Landing, the Director of Planning and Development Control advised that in his opinion neither was the case; in actuality a second agreement on a portion of the land would be implemented.

In response to an enquiry relative to possible future onstreet parking, Rick Paynter, Director of Engineering and Works, reviewed his reasoning for his opinion that such parking would not cause a problem.

## SUBMISSIONS IN FAVOUR OF THE PROPOSED CONTRACT DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT

In response to three calls from Mayor Christie there were no submissions in favour of the proposed Contract Development Agreement.

### SUBMISSIONS OPPOSED TO THE CONTRACT DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT

In response to three calls from Mayor Christie there were no submissions opposed to the Contract Development Agreement.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Christie declared the Public Hearing closed and adjourned at approximately 7:15 p.m.

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

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# TOWN OF BEDFORD Regular Session Monday, March 19, 1990

A meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Bedford took place on Monday, March 19, 1990, 7:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, Suite 400, Bedford Tower, Bedford, Nova Scotia, Mayor Peter Christie presiding.

# ATTENDANCE

Councillors Anne Cosgrove, Peggy Draper, Len Goucher, Peter Kelly and Grant Walker were in attendance at the commencement of the Session.

Staff members attending this Session included Dan R. English, Chief Administrative Officer; Joan Pryde, Deputy Clerk; Ron Singer, Director of Finance; Barry Zwicker, Director of Planning and Development Control; Donna Davis-Lohnes, Junior Planner; and Rick Paynter, Director of Engineering and Works.

Also in attendance at this Session were Peter Dickinson, Fire Chief; Dave Selig, Former Fire Chief; Eric Sheppard, Assistant Deputy Chief; and several members of the Bedford Volunteer Fire Department.

# PRESENTATION TO FORMER FIRE CHIEF DAVID SELIG

Mayor Christie addressed the meeting expressing the thanks and gratitude on behalf of the residents of the Town of Bedford to David Selig for his many years of service as both a firefighter, and as Chief of the Bedford Volunteer Fire Department for over 12 years. Reviewing the history of Mr. Selig's service to the Town, Mayor Christie noted the many hours and hard work given freely by Mr. Selig and in particular his leadership to the newer members of the Volunteer Fire Department.

Mayor Christie concluded his remarks with the presentation of a plaque to Mr. Selig and also presented Mrs. Selig with a gift on behalf of the Town of Bedford.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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