Staff Discussion: Mr. Reddy advised: "Staff wishes to indicate that the 107 By-Pass alternative routes were discussed during early meetings of the PPC. It was generally accepted by the membership, that although such a By-Pass may be necessary, recommending an alternative route would not be considered. Also, the subject did not present a major area of concern within the PPC nor did it elicit substantial response at public meetings. Therefore, it was decided that since the final decision would affect lands outside the Plan area, later consideration by Council, P.A.C. and the larger eastern area of the County, would be necessary. Finally, staff would point out that extensive research has not been conducted and therefore could not at this time recommend a preferred By-Pass Route."

Staff Recommendation: "That a preferred By-Pass not be designated."

However, Councillor Topple suggested an amendment to Map # 3, showing the Portobello Road as one of the alternate routes.

Councillor Smith inidcated her opinion that it was late at this stage to begin plotting a route for a By-Pass; if this was the Municipality's intention, it should have been done in the beginnig.

Councillor Benjamin spoke at length in agrement with the Staff recommendation.

Councillor Deveaux agreed with Councillor Topple's concerns on the matter; however, he felt it was too large an issue to make any decision on this evening. He advised that before he would feel confident in manking any recommendation, he would prefer to see a detailed Report containing all pertinent information brought before Council.

Subsequent to further discussion, Mr. Birch recommended that the alternate routes be shown in the MDP as in the Regional Plan, recognizing that they are PROPOSED routes, the final one yet to be determined.

Subsequently, Council agreed with the Staff recommendation.

<u>Request by Mr. A. Ruffman, Re: 100 foot Setback From All Waterbodies</u> <u>Watercourses and Wetlands, Notwithstanding which, Developmentmay</u> <u>Proceed Subject to Development Agreements</u>

Staff Discussion: Miss Spencer advised: The draft Plan proposes a 200 foot setback from the shore of Cole Harbour (excepting developed properties included in the R-3 Zone), and includes open space zoning (depth 400 ft) along the Little Salmon River. In addition, the Plan calls for the development of flood plain mapping for the area's rivers. Although envrionmental protection is important in the Cole Harbour-Westphal Area, staff does not have adequate reliable information upon which to base extensive setbacks from all watercourses

nor upon which to base the consideration of proposals for individual homes or other developments within this 100 foot distance. Similar setbacks within the Watershed Designation are the result of significant engineering information relative to a potable water supply and are supported by provincial committments within the Lake Major area."

Staff Recommendation: That regulations in Cole Harbour-Westphal be made consistent with other plan areas in requiring a twenty-five foot setback from watercourses and waterbodies.

Councillor Lichter requested clarification of the Planning Departments definition of a watercourse and from where the setback would begin.

Miss Spencer advised that for most environmental setback protection purposes, the water course is determined to be the high water mark and when dealing with a river it is the actual rim of the waterbody and from those two points the setback would apply.

Due to concerns expressed by Councillor Lichter, it was agreed by Council that the definition be included in the Zoning By-Laws. Further to this, Council agreed with the Staff recommendation regarding the twenty-five foot setback.

Request by Mr. A. Giles, Re: Extension of Commercial Designation along the Cole Harbour Road From the Bissett Road Going East on the Southern Side of the Cole Harbour Road to the Height of Land to the Serviceable Area Boundary

Staff Discussion: Mr. Reddy advised: "This request would require an amendment to the MDP to extend the Community Commercial Designation to a number of properties which are residentially developed. The boundary of the Designation was specifically drawn near the Bissett Road as a reasonable definition of the commercial area. Beyond the Bissett Road and on the south side of Cole Harbour Road, there are no existing commercial uses with Municipal Central Services. Two uses which do have water services have been given an appropriate industrial zone in the Draft By-Law. The Community Commercial Designation does extend beyond the Bissett Road on the north side of Cole Harbour Road in order to accomodate a community church facility and a large furniture store."

Staff Recommendation: Staff cannot recommend approval of this request.

Subsequent to brief discussion, Council agreed with the Staff recommendation.

## Request by Mr. A. Giles, Re: Zone Property at the Corner of Cole Harbour Road and Bissett Road to a Commercial Zone

Staff Discussion: Mr. Bill Campbell advised: "As this property is the first lot adjacent to the commercial designation, Mr. Giles would be eligible to rezone to commercial in the future. At this time, any effects of the proposed commercial use of the property on adjacent residential area could be examined.

The provision of the Plan which allows such a rezoning is designed for just such a situation."

Staff Recommendation: Staff cannot recommend approval.

Subsequent to Council debate, it was the decision of Council to agree with the Staff recommendation, although it was not acceptable to all Councillors. Councillors Gaetz and Smith, in particular, went on record as being strictly opposed to the Staff recommendation.

Request By Mr. A. Giles, Re: Zone Lands of Eagles and Radcliff Ltd. to a Commercial Zone

Staff Discussion: Mr. Reddy advised: "The Plan does not provide for general commercial or industrial zones to be used in the vicinity of the lands in question; however, it is reasonable to accomodate this use as are other small, orderly, and clean industrial uses in residential areas. A special exemption for this business to permit its reasonable operation is recommended."

Staff Recommendation: To provide for the existing dwelling and business use of this property as permitted uses.

Council Agreed with this Staff Recommendation.

Request By Mr. Smith, On Behalf of Fidelity Financial Corporation, Re: Amend the Zoning By-Law to alter the P-2 (Community Facility) Zone to an R-1 (Residential Single Unit Dwelling) zone to a depth of 1000 feet from the Cole Harbour Road on property of the Fidelity Financial Corporation on Lawlors Point

Staff Discussion: Mr. Reddy advised: "This property has had, since 1974, a Park and Institutional Zone which has been approved by Council, upheld through Planning Appeal and was recently refused a Public Hearing on March 18, 1980 for a residential zone. Because of this history and development implications to Cole Harbour, an amendment to the zoning cannot be recommended."

Staff Recommendation: Staff cannot recommend approval of this amendment.

Subsequent to brief discussion, Council agreed with the Staff recommendation.

# Request by Mr. D. Eisner, Re: Zone property near the Bissett Road to the I-1 (Light Industry Zone).

Staff Discussion: Mr. Reddy advised: "The parcel of land to which Mr. Eisner refers contains a number of barns which have been used in recent years for long term storage and warehousing. Mr. Eisner owns the majority of land surrounding the parcel in question. The rear of the property is defined by rail lines and lands across the street are also held by Mr. Eisner and are occupied by his poultry operation. The continuing use of this property for light industry will not negatively affect residential uses in the immediate area, and conforms to the intent of the Plan to accomodate existing industry."

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommend approval and include provisions to permit an existing dwelling on the property as a permitted use.

Council also agreed with this staff recommendation.

## Request by Mr. W. Casavechia, Re: Have Lot XW of the Ernest Warner Property zoned C-1 (Local Business) Zone.

Staff Discussion: Mr. Reddy advised: "The PPC and staff have reviewed this matter and find the location of such a use to be reasonable and appropriate. Further, a commercial zone was in existence on this property and a small variety store is presently in existence."

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommend approval of this request.

Council agreed with this recommendation as well.

#### Request by Mr. & Mrs. Heber, Re: Existing Uses in the Regional Park

Staff Recommendation: Mr. Reddy outlined Staff's recommendation, regarding the existing uses in the Regional Park. He advised that the proposed amendments submitted this evening, have already incorporated the concerns of Mr. Heber. Therefore, consideration of a further amendment is not necessary.

Council agreed also with this recommendation.

#### AMENDMENTS AND MOTION

It was amended by Councillor Topple, seconded by Councillor McInroy:

"THAT the original motion to approve the MDP and Zoning By-Laws for Cole Harbour-Westphal subject to the amendments contained in Mr. Birch's memo of May 17, 1982, also be amended to include the agreements of Council to Staff Recommendations." Amendment Carried.

Subsequently, the question was called on the original motion as amended.

It was moved by Councillor Topple, seconded by Councillor McInroy:

"THAT Municipal Council approve and adopt the Municipal Development Plan and Zoning By-Laws for Cole Harbour-Westphal subject to the amendments contained in the May 17, 1982 memo to Warden and Council from Mr. Birch and as amended to include Council's previous agreements to Staff Recommendations." Motion Carried.

Warden MacKenzie, on behalf of Municipal Council, thanked all those involved with the Development of the Plan Documents and Zoning By-Law.

#### ADJOURNMENT

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It was moved by Councillor Gaetz:

"THAT MDP Public Hearing for Cole Harbour-Westphal Plan Area be adjourned." Motion Carried.

Therefore, there being no further business, the Public Hearing adjourned at 11:18 P.M.

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PRESENT WERE:	Deputy Warden MacKay, Acting Warden Councillor (Warden) MacKenzie, Chairman
	Councillor Walker
	Councillor Poirier
	Councillor Baker
	Councillor Deveaux
	Councillor McInroy
	Councillor Topple
	Councillor Adams
	Councillor Gaetz
	Councillor Smith
	Councillor McCabe
	Councillor Lichter
	Councillor Benjamin
	Councillor Margeson
	Councillor Eisenhauer
	Councillor MacDonald
	Councillor Wiseman
ALSO PRESENT:	Mr. Robert Cragg, Municipal Solicitor
	Mr. G. J. Kelly, Municipal Clerk
	Mr. Lorne Denny, Halifax County Industrial Promotions Officer
	Mr. Ken Wilson, Director of Finance
	Mr. Ed Mason, Director of Social Services
	Mr. Gary Smith, Chief Accountant
	Mr. Stewart McInnes, Chairman, Friends of the Pan-Am
	Games
	Mr. Keith Birch, Chief of Planning & Development
	Mr. Harry Cleveland
	Mr. Brian Smith
	Ms. Judy Manchester, School Commissioner
	Mr. Harry Bensted
	Mr. Deal, School Commissioner
	Mr. M. Broomfield, Executive Director, Eastern Shore Tourist Assoc.
SECRETARY:	Christine E. Simmons

# OPENING OF COUNCIL - THE LORD'S PRAYER

Deputy Warden MacKay, as Acting Warden, opened the Council Session at 2:05 with The Lord's Prayer.

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# ROLL CALL

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Mr. Kelly then called the Roll.

## APPOINTMENT OF RECORDING SECRETARY

It was moved by Councillor Benjamin, seconded by Councillor Deveaux:

"THAT Christine E. Simmons be appointed Recording Secretary." Motion Carried.

## RESOLUTION, RE: VACANCY OF DISTRICT # 3 COUNCIL SEAT

Subsequent to explanation by Mr. Kelly,

It was moved by Councillor Poirier, seconded by Councillor Gaetz:

"THAT the Municipal District # 3 Council Seat be declared vacant." Motion Carried.

#### ELECTION OF WARDEN

It was moved by Councillor Margeson, seconded by Councillor Smith:

"THAT Councillor Arthur MacKenzie be nominated for the Office of Warden of the Municipality of the County of Halifax."

Councillor Margeson spoke at length with regard to the vast experience of Councillor MacKenzie on Council, advising that he has been a member of all major committees of Council during his total of 16 years as Councillor for District 11. Councillor Margeson further advised that Councillor MacKenzie had proven himself, over the years, to be an effective speaker and had been active in establishing homes for Senior Citizens. He urged that Council support his nomination of Councillor MacKenzie for Warden.

Councillor Smith also spoke at length on behalf of Councillor MacKenzie for Warden advising that since he has been on Council in the past 16 years and served on almost all Council Committees, he has the ability to chair large meetings. She advised that Councillor MacKenzie was a veteran of WWII which she felt would add to his leadership abilities. She also advised that he was a past president of both the Lions Club and the Canadian Legion in Sheet Harbour and Ship Harbour, respectively. Councillor Smith, as well, urged Council to support the nomination of Councillor MacKenzie for Warden.

It was moved by Councillor McInroy, seconded by Councillor Eisenhauer:

"THAT Councillor Euguene Deveaux be nominated for the Office of Warden for the Municipality of the County of Halifax."

Councillor McInroy advised that Councillor Deveaux had served the Cow Bay Eastern Passage and County interests for ten years. He advised that since joining Council six months ago, he has closely watched and listened to the more experienced members of Council and had come to admire and respect Councillor Deveaux's open minded, fair and honest approach to problems and issues affecting all Districts of the Municipality. In addition to possessing these qualities, important to the

position of Warden, he advised that Councillor Deveaux was in possession of a wealth of Government Experience. He advised that over the past ten years he had effectively served on all Committees of Council as well as broader based groups which included representation of other Municipalities, such as Metropolitan Authority, Metro Transit Commission and on several occassions as a delegate to the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities Conferences. He further advised that a Councillor from Eastern Passage, a mixture of Rural and Urban residents, would be the most logical choice for Warden of Halifax County; he further urged Council's support for Councillor Deveaux's nomination.

Councillor Eisenhauer also spoke on behalf of Councillor Deveaux's nomination; in addition, to the above-mentioned qualities, Councillor Eisenhauer added to the list, a good sense of humour. He also advised Council, that Councillor Deveaux's term as Deputy Warden last year, would be an invaluable asset to the position of Warden, as he has already chaired Public Hearings and Council Sessions in the Warden's absences as well as being a member and chairman for various Committees of Council. He also re-emphasized the fact that as a Councillor for a Rural and Urban District, he could address the concerns of both urban and rural residents. He, therefore, urged Council's support of the nomination of Councillor Deveaux for Warden.

It was moved by Councillor MacDonald, seconded by Deputy Warden MacKay:

"THAT Councillor Lois Wiseman be nominated for the Office of Warden of the Municipality of the County of Halifax."

Deputy Warden MacKay relinquished the Warden's chair to Councillor Poirier, in order to second the nomination and speak on behalf of Councillor Wiseman's nomination.

Councillor MacDonald first spoke on behalf of Councillor Wiseman for Warden, advising Council of her past experience as a Nurse and the many qualities necessary to become a nurse; fine qualities when transferred into her present position or the position of Warden. He pointed out that she was a vocal member of the community prior to coming on Council, as she had been instrumental in obtaining transit in Sackville before and during her term on Council. He also pointed out the many hours of overtime worked in community service and work done toward better schooling for the entire County of Halifax. He indicated to Council her qualities of patience and fair mindedness, as well as her helpfullness to other Councillors, including himself.

Deputy Warden MacKay also indicated his pleasure in seconding the nomination and spoke in detail regarding Councillor Wiseman's dedication to the County in general.

Councillor Poirier, in her role as temporary chairperson, requested further nominations and hearing none, declared the floor closed to nominations. She then requested Mr. Kelly to conduct the balloting.

Ballots were distributed and collected by Mr. Kelly, while the nominating Councillors were requested to come to the front of the Council Chambers to oversee the counting of the ballots.

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#### The ballots were as follows:

## Councillor MacKenzie Councillor Deveaux

Councillor Wiseman

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Councillor Arthur MacKenzie was declared the new Warden for the Municipality of the County of Halifax.

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Subsequently, a short recess in Council was called.

When Council was brought back to order, Councillor MacKenzie had assumed the role of Chairman. He thanked the mover and seconder of the motion to nominate himself as Warden, for their support and as well thanked the remainder of Council who had been supportive in his successful election also expressing his appreciation to Councillors Wiseman and Deveaux for the fine campaign which had been carried on for the position and requested their full support during the balance of his term ad interim Warden.

He requested that Mr. Meech approach Staff requesting their support for his term and indicating his opinion that the Municipality had the finest Staff of any Municipality in the Province of Nova Scotia; he requested that Mr. Meech also pass this feeling along to Staff.

Councillors Wiseman and Deveaux also spoke briefly, expressing thanks to their nominators, congratulating Warden MacKenzie on his successful election and indicating their willingness to support him in the continuance of projecting the image of the Municipality which had begun under the Wardenship of Elizabeth Lawrence.

## ADDITION TO AGENDA

Councillor Smith commented briefly on the posters which were displayed behind the dias. She indicated her opinion that she would much prefer to see the Municipal insignia in their place.

It was agreed by Council that an insignia of the Municipality would be appropriate and this was taken under advisement by Staff.

Prior to proceeding with the agenda, Warden MacKenzie wished to recognize in the Gallery, a former member of Council, Mr. Harry Cleveland and his son-in-law, Brian Smith, residents of his area. He also recogized Mr. Harry Benstead, the former Municipal Clerk of the County of Halifax.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor McCabe:

"THAT the Minutes of the March 16, 1982 Regular Session of Council be approved." Motion Carried.

It was moved by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Baker:

"THAT the Minutes of the April 6, 1982 Regular Session of Council be approved." Motion Carried.

It was moved by Councillor Eisenhauer, seconded by Councillor Adams:

"THAT the Minutes of the April 15, 1982 Joint Session of the Councils of the Town of Bedford and the Municipality of the County of Halifax, be approved." Motion Carried.

At this point in the Session, Councillor Benjamin also wished to draw Council's attention to several people in the Gallery: School Commissioner, Judy Manchester and Commissioner Deal from Sackville.

## PRESENTATION BY MICHAEL BROOMFIELD, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF EASTERN SHORE TOURIST ASSOCIATION

Firstly, Mr. Broomfield congratulated Warden MacKenzie on his successful election as Warden for the Municipality.

He then proceeded to present to Council some of the highlights of the Old Home Summer Tourism Promotion advising that expatriots had been sent a letter and invitation from the Premier, inviting them back to the Province to spend their summer with friends and family.

He presented to Council a slide show depicting many beautiful Rural scenes along the Eastern Shore which he hoped would be instrumental in bringing people home for the summer. Mr. Broomfield's presentation described in detail the many natural resources such as fish and produce.

Subsequent to lengthy discussion of the Old Home Summer Promotion and the Slide Presentation, Mr. Broomfield distributed to Counicl, a onesheet report entitled: "What has the Eastern Shore Tourist Association Done for Halifax County?"

This Report indicated that the Eastern Shore Tourist Association has done the following:

- Given increased support to festivals and events in the County. (See Report for further detail).
- Arranged publicitiy and free television advertising for events in the County at no cost to the organizers.
- Sponsored Federal and Provincial Job Corps programs for tourism projects thus providing employment and income in the County.
- 4. Assisted Old Home Summer projects in the County. Worked with MLA's, Boards of Trade, Lions Clubs, Eastern Shore Development Commission and community groups on tourism development projects in the County.
- 5. Worked with the Minister and Department of Transportation to obtain changes at 8 major locations in Metro and on the Trans Canada to assist tourists to find the Eastern Shore.

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- Competed successfully in fierce competition with other areas to obtain the first "Decision Point Tourist Bureau" in the Province. (See Report for further details).
- 7. Printed and distributed 30,000 colour brochures this year internationally, nationally and within the province to promote the County. Printed an additional 20,000 new map brochures with leations of attractions in the County.
- Printed and distributed \$10,000 worth of Day Trip brochures of the County.
- 9. Arranged with local radio stations to broadcast travelogues on local attractions to tourists.
- Published articles in travel magazines dealing with attractions as a means of promoting the County.
- 11. Sponsored tourist bureaus at Musquodoboit Harbour and Sheet Harbour to provide tourists with local information.
- Worked with the MLA's, the Citizen's Representative Committee and Lands and Forest Planners to bring the Eastern Shore Seaside Park System on stream.
- 13. Worked with the Department of Recreation to ensure that of the 14 supervised beaches in the entire province, three are located in Halifax County on the Eastern Shore.
- 14. Provide free display cases at Halifax International Airport and the Anitgonish Bureau as a means of promoting local crafts produced in the County.

The Report was summarized as follows:

"We thank you for your support in previous years. The Maritime Resource Management Services consultants report on tourism on the Eastern Shore shows an increase of 24% in "guest days" and 36% in "camper parties" which is very encouraging. We ask for your support again this year so that we can continue to assist you by generating employment, and new municipal revenues from the tourism industry. Thank you."

Subsequent to discussion of the above Report and the various tourists attractions on the Eastern Shore and throughout Halifax County, such as the Scenery (as depicted in the film presentation) the fishing, Taylor Beach and other beaches, the beauty of the Musquodoboit Valley, Sherbrook Village, Restaurants, Museums, and other attractions, Council extended thanks and appreciation to Mr. Broomfield for his outstanding presentation.

It was agreed by Council that a request for a grant in the amount of \$4,000 should go before the Management Committee for the Eastern Shore Tourists Association.

Subsequently, Mr. Broomfield retired from the Council Chambers.

# PRESENTATION, RE: PAN-AMERICAN GAMES - MR. STEWART MCINNES

Mr. McInnes advised that he was the Director of the Pan-American Wheel Chair Games and Chairman of a group called Friends of the Games. He advised that the Friends of the Games have the responsibilty of raising

funds to make the Games a success. He advised that the Games are to be held in Halifax in August of 1982; with the main site for the Games being Saint Mary's Univeristy where a new all-weather track has been constructed and also at the Centennial Pool in Halifax, and some events at Dalhousie.

He advised this was a significant event for the area as there will be approximately 500 athleltes coming to Halifax from North, South and Central America, from over twenty Countries. He advised that these Games were in fact the Olympics for the disabled. He advised, that similar to the Olympics, it is an event which is held every four years in various countries in the Commonwealth. He further advised that some of the participants are able to compete on the same level with persons who do not have disabilities.

Mr. Stewart advised that the Games are being funded by the Federal Government, the Provincial Government and the City of Halifax who are each contributing \$125,000 in cash in addition to the amounts expended in facilities. He further advised that this would raise only threequarters of the funds required to make the Games a success. He indicated that the responsibility of Countries who have athletes entered in the Games is to get these athletes to the Halifax International Airport. Subsequent to that, the Games have the responsibility of paying their fare, their transportation in and around Halifax and their lodging. The cost of that is approximately \$125,000; his purpose for coming to Council today was to request consideration for a grant in the amount of \$5,000 to assist in raising the \$125,000. He advised that a similar request would be made to the City of Dartmouth and the Town of Bedford. He further advised that the Friends of the Games were also making an appeal to corporations in the area, requesting that they sponsor athletes which would cost between \$250 and \$500 while they are in the area for a week to ten days.

It was moved by Councillor Deveaux, seconded by Councillor Poirier:

"THAT the request for a \$5,000 grant for the Friends of the Pan-American Games, be referred to the Management Committee for consideration." Motion Carried.

Prior to the passing of the motion, Councillor Topple indicated his opposition to suggesting an amount at this time, without the issue first being thoroughly discussed at the Management Committee; this opinion was based on the fact that, at the present time, there is a proposal to donate \$60,000 over several years, to the handicapped facilities for the CAMR.

Also prior to the passing of the above motion, Deputy Warden MacKay requested some clarification regarding the progress of the fund raising so far. Mr. McInnes advised that the Friends of the Games have not yet realised their goal and will not know for another three weeks or so, whether they will have to cut some part of the activities; he advised that they were attempting to think positively.

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Subsequent to the passing of the motion to refer the decision to the Management Committee, Mr. McInnes retired from the Council Chambers.

## LETTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE

None.

## PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

It was moved by Councillor MacDonald, seconded by Councillor Smith:

"THAT the Planning Advisory Committee Report be received." Motion Carried.

## Undersized Lots Located on a Curve

Mr. Meech outlined to Council this item in the Planning Advisory Committee Report. He advised: "Lots WT-1 and 7 of the Kings Road Subdivision (Nova Scotia Housing Commission) located at Lower Sackville, have less than the required 60' of road frontage; however, they exceed the required 6000 square feet of area. Lot WT-1 and Lot 7 are located on curves. Lot WT-1 having a frontage of 58.29' and Lot 7 having a frontage of 56.32'. Both of the lots are serviced with sewer and water."

In accordance with the PAC recommendation:

It was moved by Councillor Wiseman, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

"THAT Council approve Lots WT-1 and 7 of the Kings Roads Subdivision, Lower Sackville." Motion Carried.

#### Public Land Donation

The second item in the PAC Report was with regard to a Public Land Donation, which Mr. Meech outlined to Council as follows:

"The Planning Advisory Committee recommends that the following parcels of Recreational Land, being donated to the Municipality under the provisions of the Planning Act, be accepted as parkland by County Council. The Municipal Solicitor reports that the parkland in question is free and clear of all encumbrances and County Council is therefore in a position where it can accept title to the land. - Colby Village, Cole Harbour, 1) Sewer Easement and emergency access, 2) Walkway and Sewer Easement, 3) Green Area P-8."

It was moved by Councillor Lichter, seconded by Councillor McInroy:

"THAT the Recreational Lands as outlined in the Planning Advisory Committee Report, be accepted as Parkland by Municipal Council, under the provisions of the Planning Act." Motion Carried.

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#### SUPPLEMENTARY BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT

It was moved by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Poirier:

"THAT the Building Inspectors Report be received and the Application for Lesser setback contained therein, Setback of 15', Lot Z, G. McGregor Subdivision, West Jeddore, Applicant Seldon Doyle, be approved by Municipal Council." Motion Carried.

#### REPORT OF THE HALIFAX COUNTY INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

Mr. Lorne Denny joined Council at this time to present the Report of the Industrial Commission.

## Agreement of Purchase and Sale

Mr. Denny distributed to Council, photocopies of an Agreement of Purchase and Sale for property known as Block C, Lakeside Industrial Park, in the amount of \$55,000. The Agreement was between the County of Halifax Industrial Commission and Humford Developments Limited, Edmonton, Alberta and Dartmouth, Nova Scotia. Mr. Denny also distributed photocopies of a deposit in the amount of \$5,000; a cheque made payable to the Municipality of the County of Halifax.

The Terms of the Sale were as follows:

"The Purchaser agrees to construct a 38,000 square foot Industrial Mall, said construction to begin six months from date of acceptance of this offer and to be completed within 12 months, subject to strikes, inclement weather or act of God, said Purchaser agrees to grading, storm sewers and water and sewer lines from existing mains at his expense. The offer is revokable unless these conditions are accepted, further the Purchaser agrees to landscape and asphalt the entire lot for 50 feet in all directions from the building."

"The Vendor agrees to accept a \$5,000 deposit and the balance on or before June 30, 1983, when said conditions are removed, the vendor further agrees to permit construction immediately upon approval of building permits. The Vendor agrees to promote and assist in the first time leasing of all units and to lease one unit for one year at a monthly rate of \$585.00."

"This offer by the Purchaser is subject to available satisfactory financing, 60% leasing prior to construction, estimated cost of building at \$20.00 per square foot, approval of overhead power supply from Highway 3 and the return of deposit if construction not started within six months."

"The above Agreement of Purchase and Sale is subject to the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and or any other governing body that has jurisdiction."

"The asphalt paving referred to in paragraph B to be completed within two years from the date of acceptance failing which the Municipality may complete and charge under local improvements."

Subsequent to explanation of these special and other regular conditions of the Agreement of Purchase and Sale:

It was moved by Councillor Poirier, seconded by Councillor Walker:

"THAT Municipal Council approve the Agreement of Purchase and Sale as presented." Motion Carried.

Councillor Topple questioned to what use the money from the sale would be put; he felt it should be given to Mr. Denny of the Industrial Promotions Department in order to build up more equity for future Development.

Mr. Meech advised that the Municipality is required by the Municipal Act to use the proceeds of such sale for normal capital expenditures.

In response to further questioning from Councillor Topple, it was clarified by the Municipal Solicitor that a motion was not required to confirm this, as the Municipal Act does already require that the funds from any sale of land do go into a special reserve fund to be utilized for capital expenditures.

Councillor Lichter requested clarification as to how the tax revenue projection had been calculated and he was advised by Mr. Lorne Denny that it was an estimate based on the assessed value of the building.

Councillor Lichter indicated his pleasure that industry was coming into Halifax County and expressed his hope that the project would go smoothly.

Councillor Poirier also commended Mr. Denny on obtaining this Agreement of Purchase and Sale.

#### Addition to Agenda

Deputy Warden MacKay wished to introduce an addition to the agenda at this point in the meeting as it was relative to Industrial Parks.

He advised that in regard to the Sackville Industrial Park, IEL has not yet requested subdivision approvals.

It was moved by Deputy Warden MacKay, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

"THAT Mr. Keith Birch, Chief of Planning and Development, be authorized to investigate the requirement of Industrial Estates Limited to seek subdivision approvals for the Sackville Industrial Park." Motion Carried.

The motion was carried subsequent to brief discussion between Council and Mr. Keith Birch.

#### Aerotech Business Park

Mr. Denny then introduced to Council, his second item; the Aerotech Business Park.

Mr. Denny gave a brief up-date on the progress of the Aerotech Industrial Park as follows:

The Soil Investigation Report as prepared by Jacques Whitford & Associates Ltd. Consulting Engineers confirms that the soil overburden ranges from nine to twelve feet in the Easterly Development area for the site which should require a very minimum amount of blasting for water and sewer and almost without blasting for the roads. The access road will require ripping and some blasting for the installation. The combination of the two engineering studies indicate that the site can be developed economically with very little blasting.

He advised that the Industrial Commission authorized the Department to option the lands designated in the study as well as the necessary surrounding land in order to gain access to the property. The incorporation of a taxi strip will require the closing of a section of Old Guysborough Road with the building of a new By-Pass and an interchange which will become the Gateway to the Aerotech Business Park. The estimated cost of the options is not to exceed \$50,000 and the land purchase value is not to exceed \$4 million. He advised that the actual options cost \$33,000 and the land value, including legal costs are 3.5 million.

Mr. Denny further advised that the Cost Verification Study was jointly funded by the Provincial Department of Development by the Department of Regional Economic Expansion, a division of the Federal Government and by the County of Halifax.

He advised that, at this time, the same government body has called tenders for a marketing study; the tenders closed last Friday and five firms with national expertise have submitted proposals with the cost ranging from between \$53 and \$60 thousand dollars. The Provincial Government under the Honourable Rolland J. Thornhill volunteered to pay the County portion even though Municipal Council had approved \$20,000 for this study. The proposals were excellent; the tenders were received from D.P.A., APEC, Whitman Benn, Underwood MacLellan and Thorne Stevens and Kellogg.

Mr. Denny also indicated that he has been encouraged to continue this Development of High Technology through many personal meetings with the following people; General Pickering from the Maritime Air Group Command, Mr. E. A. Cohn, Regional Director, Industry Trade and Commerce, R.A. Hopper, Director of Development for D.R.E.E., J. LeBlanc, Director General, N.S. Regional Employment and Immigration, his Assistant, Mr. D. V. Hines, Manager of Training Services, and Mr. George Knox, General Manager, Halifax International Airport.

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Mr. Denny also advised that he had met with the Provincial Ministers; however, due to restraints, there was not a great deal of enthusiasm expressed by this Group. Nevertheless, he advised that he had had the opportunity to discuss the project with The Honourable Tom McInnis, The Honourable Ken Stretch, The Honourable Roland J. Thornhill and Malcoim MacKay. Mr. Denny also met with Industrial Estates Limited, The F.B.D.B., all Head Offices of the Banks and most Mortgage Companies. He advised that it was extremely encouraging when Mr. C. E. Payne, Regional Manager of the Royal Bank for N.S and P.E.I. suggested to him that the land was a good investment and questioned whether he was positive that 2,000 acres was sufficient for the next twenty years.

Mr. Denny also advised that the Globe and Mail had carried the project last December in the business section; this paper is sold in every major city in Canada and the United States. He advised that other Industrial Magazines have done features some of which are being distributed throughout England, Europe, Canada and the United States.

In conclusion, Mr. Denny pointed out that the Industrial Park Task Force which has recently completed their policy review have recommended that only two projects be encouraged for development; the Aerotech Business Park and the Woodside Marine Park.

He then distributed to Council, a memo which advised:

"The options for the land located around the Halifax International Airport expire this June and notice to exercise the options are important at this time.

The Halifax County Industrial Commission held a special meeting on Wednesday, April 30, to decide what to do as they do not have Provincial support at this time.

The Employment and Immigration department of the Federal Government have a make work program that they have suggested to the County for clearing, grubbing, landscaping, ditch clearing, grading and road bed building.

The suggested application will allow the County to actively take two hundred people off the roll of unemployment and put them to work for this County project, at a rate of \$240.00 per week. We shall be making immediate application for up to five million dollars to be used over a two year period. Our consultant and myself are very optimistic that this application would be approved.

Attached is a resolution that was moved, seconded and unanimously passed at this specially called meeting for which we ask your support."

The suggested resolution, as outlined in the memo was moved by Councillors Adams and Poirier:

It was moved by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Poirier:

"THAT whereas the Municipality has obtained option agreements on approximately 1646 acres of land with the opportunity to acquire additional acreage through Provincial Agencies and M.O.T. to assemble lands for the purpose of developing on the long term a 2,000 acre High Tech Park; and whereas the recommendation of the H.C.I.C. to Municipal Council some months ago requested Council to approve the project and concept in prinicipal subject to approval of Financial assistance from the Provincial and-or Federal Government; and whereas efforts to date have failed in obtaining a direct financial assistance committment from the Province or the Federal Government towards the land acquisition and Infrastructure costs; and whereas the aforementioned option agreements expire June 30th, 1982; and whereas the Commission is of the opinion that the proposal has considerable merit and excellent potential to produce economic benefits to both the Municipality and the Province in the creation of new employment and additional Municipal Taxation; and whereas the ability to obtain a formal committment from the Province on the project in time to excercise the options appears unlikely; and whereas we believe that the assistance from either or both senior levels of Government is a strong possibility in the future as the project proceeds; therefore be it resolved that the H.C.I.C. recommend to Council that Council authorize the approval of a Temporary Borrowing to a maximum sum of 8.5 million, subject to the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs with said sum to be utilized as follows:

- a) for the acquisition of land under option and associated costs 3.5 million
- b) for the clearing, grubbing and construction of drainage systems and roadways 5 million

8.5 million

and further that the Municipality continue to pursue a financial committment from the senior levels of Government; and further that an application be made immediately to the Federal Government (U.I.C.) for funds to assist with matters enunciated in (b) of the Resolution; and further recognizing the importance and magnitude of the proposal that the H.C.I.C. be given authority to establish a Project Team at the Management Level, comprised of the following senior personnel of the Municipality: 1. Warden, 2. Chairman, Industrial Commission, 3. K.R. Meech, CAO, 4. L. Denny, Exec. Director, H.C.I.C., 5. K. Wilson, Director of Finance, 6. E. Wdowiak, Director of Engineering and Works, 7. K. Birch, Chief of Planning and Development, to be responsible to the Council and Commission for the implementation of the project in accordance with Council and Commission Directives."

Councilor Lichter questioned Mr. Denny as to whether or not the County could renew its options on the land .

Mr. Denny advised that several parcels may be able to renewed but not the majority of land.

Councillor Lichter then advised that when the project was discussed several months ago with approval on principal based on Federal and Provincial Government Financial Assistance, he had been in favour of it; he also advised that he was in favour of Industry in the County. However, he indicated that he was somewhat uncertain about borrowing such a substantial amount of money and paying well over one million dollars per year of interest on that amount. He questioned Mr. Denny as to how soon, if purchased, the Municipality will begin to collect revenue from the sale of land.

He was advised by Mr. Denny that the land will be ready for sale within two years, being completely cleared and serviced at that time. However he also advised that it is conceivable that the County could sell several parcels by the end of this year or the beginning of next year.

Councillor Lichter questioned whether there was a definite committment from U.I.C. to fund the \$5 million required for the clearing, grubbing and construction of drainage systems and roadways.

Mr. Denny advised that the entire \$5 million was not coming from U.I.C. but that there were certain costs that the Municipality will have incorporated with U.I.C. that will support the program such as equipment, gasoline, and costs over and above what U.I.C. will pay. He advised that some of the \$5 million will be used by Halifax County; it was the suggestion of Mr. LeBlanc of the U.I.C. that the County apply for \$5 million, as there is \$200 million dollars available for the make work program if the project is approved, which he thinks it will be, it would be a great help to the Province of Nova Scotia and would go through Ottawa very fast.

Mr. Meech advised that with the endorsement of the Halifax County Industrial Commission recommendation, the Commission will have until June 30th to take over the options and 45 days from that time to close them, meaning that no money will have to be paid until the middle of August.

Subsequent to further discussion in Council, the question was called on the motion.

Moved by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Poirier:

"As previously written." Motion Carried.

The motion was carried unanimously by Municipal Council.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

It was moved by Councillor Baker, seconded by Councillor Walker:

"THAT the Management Committee Report be received." Motion Carried.

## Loan Request, Westphal Cole Harbour and Area Service Commission

Mr. Meech advised that the Management Committee had received a request from Westphal, Cole Harbour and Area Service Commission for a loan of \$50,000 for fire department purposes. Repayment of this loan will be made through a district area rate and is subject to prevailing interest rates.

Subsequent to discussion, the recommendation of the Management Committee was Council's approval of a loan in the amount of \$50,000 to the Westphal, Cole Harbour and Area Service Commission.

It was moved by Councillor Topple, seconded by Councillor McInroy:

"THAT Council approve a loan of \$50,000 to the Westphal Cole Harbour and Area Service Commission to be repaid inclusive of prevailing interest rates via a district area rate." Motion Carried.

## Renewal of Temporary Borrowing Resolutions

Mr. Meech outlined this item to Council advising that the Management Committee had received renewal of temporary borrowing resolutions as follows: 80-2 Pollution Control Plan, Mill Cove \$1,200,000.00

78-2 Sewage Holding Tank, Bissett Lake \$1,464,506.99 Copies of the Resolutions were included in the Agenda for Council's information.

It was the recommendation of the Management Committee, that these resolutions be approved by Council.

It was moved by Councillor Wiseman, seconded by Councillor Gaetz:

"THAT temporary borrowing resolutions number 80-2 in the amount of \$1,200,000.00 and number 78-2 in the amount of \$1,464,506.99, be approved by Municipal Council." Motion Carried.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

It was moved by Deputy Warden MacKay, seconded by Councillor Wiseman:

"THAT the Supplementary Management Committee Report be received." Motion Carried.

#### Request for Funds, Sackville-Bedford Branch, CAMR

Mr. Meech outlined the Report advising that the Management Committee had discussed a request from the Sackville-Bedford Branch of the CAMR for the Municipality to provide financial assistance toward the capital cost of constructing a workshop for the mentally handicapped in the Sackville Industrial Park.

The Committee received a report from Mr. Ed Mason respecting this request. (Copy attached to Agenda for Information).

Subsequent to discussion, it was the recommendation of the Management Committee that Council approve an amount of \$20,000 per year, for a three-year period to be allocated to the CAMR for the purpose of constructing a new CAMR Workshop subject to the Province providing financial assistance sufficient to make the project become a reality.

It was moved by Deputy Warden MacKay, seconded by Councillor Wiseman:

"THAT Council approve an amount of \$20,000 per year for a threeyear period to be allocated to the Sackville-Bedford CAMR for the purpose of constructing a new CAMR Workshop subject to the Province providing financial assistance sufficient to make this project become a reality." Motion Carried.

The motion was carried subsequent to the Deputy Warden clarifying that this request had come before the Management Committee in November of 1981: however it was overlooked and not dealt with until today.

#### ADDITION TO AGENDA, - OYSTER POND FIRE DEPARTMENT

At this time, Mr. Meech advised he had information previously requested by the Deputy Warden, with respect to the Oyster Pond Fire Department to borrow a sum of \$30,000 to finance the purchase of a fire vehicle and to build an extension to their fire hall.

He advised that in 1978 this fire department had borrowed approximately \$50,000 from the Municipality for the purpose of constructing a basic fire hall on the basis of a ten-year repayment term. The volunteers at the fire department were very successful with their fund raising program and as a result were able to completely repay this loan within a three year period.

The present loan request is based on a ten-year repayment term with expectation that the bulk of the loan will be repaid through volunteer fund raising activities and if necessary, the levying of an area rate.

He advised that subsequent to discussion, it was the recommendation of the Management Committee that an amount of \$30,000 be advanced to the Oyster Pond Fire Department with the understanding that the loan would be repaid on a ten-year repayment term inclusive of interest at the prevailing rate. Mr. Meech advised that Staff was also in favour of this loan approval.

It was moved by Councillor Smith seconded by Councillor Walker:

"THAT a loan in the amount of \$30,000 for the Oyster Pond Fire Department be approved by Municipal Council with the understanding that it be repaid over a ten-year period with interest applicable at prevailing rates." Motion Carried.

## POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT

It was moved by Councillor Gaetz, seconded by Councillor Baker:

"THAT the Policy Committee Report be received." Motion Carried.

## 1982 Tax Bills

Mr. Meech outlined this item, advising that the Policy Committee discussed the possibility of providing additional information on tax bills relative to education costs. Subsequent to discussion of this item, it was the recommendation of the Committee that the tax rates as shown on the 1982 property tax bills be broken down to show the general tax rate and the rate applicable to education costs.

At this time Mr. Wilson came to the front of the Chambers to provide Council with information relative to this proposed change in the tax bills for 1982.

Mr. Wilson advised that the rate and the dollar amount pertaining to education could be displayed separately, either to one side of the bill or on the bottom as a footnote. He further advised that on the revised budget which was approved with the tax rate, of the residential .82 cents, .46 cents is education and .36 is general. Of the \$1.53 for commercial, .86 is education and .67 is general. He advised that the Department of Finance was attempting to redesign the 1983 tax bills to show the education and general rates separately.

Subsequent to discussion by Council members:

It was moved by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Topple:

"THAT the Policy Committee be requested to consider how to best inform the Taxpayers how their tax dollars are spent." Motion Carried.

#### SUPPER ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Councillor Margeson:

"THAT Council adjourn for one-half hour for supper." Motion Carried.

#### ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

## Report From Municipal Affairs, Re: Review of Regional Development Plan Process

Mr. Meech advised that one of two Reports were being circulated to members of Council and all Municipalities in the Metropolitan Area who are part of the Regional Development Plan Process. The Reports were copies of reports done for the Review of the Regional Development Plan process; the one presently being circulated, plus one other which will be distributed in the near future, have been through the entire review procedure and are for Council's information only.

## Additions to Next Council Agenda

Deputy Warden MacKay advised that he had to leave Council to attend another committment and indicated that he would like to have the following items put on the next Council Agenda:

- Applications by two Organizations for Grants: (District Portion of Capital Grants - District 16)
  - a) Fultz House;
  - b) Acadia Club and Halifax County Softball Association.
- Appeal of decision, Re: Recreation lands taxation, Kinsman and Lions Clubs of Sackville.

Mr. Meech advised that the Policy Committee was the body set up to make decisions regarding grants, under the Municipality's policy for Allocation of Capital Grants. Therefore, Deputy Warden MacKay agreed to take the requests for grants to the Policy Committee before coming to Council for ratification.

Subsequent to the above, Deputy Warden MacKay retired from the Council Session.

## POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT

This Report had been received and partially dealt prior to the Supper break.

# Maintenance Policy - Walkways and Green Areas

Mr. Meech outlined this item to Council, advising that the Policy respecting walkways and green areas had been discussed by the Policy Committee. He advised that it had generally been understood that previous discussion and resolutions respecting the maintenance policy referred to both walkways and green areas. As a result of the Policy Committee's recent discussion of this issue, the Committee agreed that walkways are included in the County Maintenance Policy.

Mr. Meech indicated that this item was included in the Agenda for Council's information only.

Councillor Lichter advised that in the budget there was a sizeable sum of money included for equipment, snow plows, etc. to maintain walkways. He also advised that in terms of previous resolutions in Council no distinction had been made between Parkland Maintenance and Walkways respecting equipment costs being recovered under the general rate.

Councillor Lichter also referred Council's attention to page 14 of the July 21, 1981 Regular Council Session, where a motion was made relative to parkland which specified that 50%-50% cost sharing was for personnel only. This was the Councillors purpose in bringing this matter to Council's attention.

Mr. Meech, however clarified that in November of 1981, subsequent to the position taken to establish the maintenance section, he himself was quoted in the Council Minutes as indicating that walkway maintenance was part of the Parkland Maintenance decision.

It was moved by Deputy Warden MacKay, seconded by Councillor Wiseman:

"THAT Council endorse the recommendation of the Policy Committee which indicates that walkways are included in the County Maintenance Policy." Motion Carried.

#### ADDITION TO AGENDA

#### Annexation - Mr. Meech

Mr. Meech advised that in going back and researching records relative to the annexation, no clear resolution was found in the records directing Council to officially oppose the annexation application. However, he indicated that it had been clearly understood. He requested that Council endorse a resolution directing Staff to take such a stand in opposition.

It was moved by Councillor Lichter, seconded by Councillor Poirier:

"THAT Municipal Council reaffirm its decision to direct the CAO, on behalf of the Municipality, to agressively oppose the Annexation Application by the City of Halifax before the PUB, encompassing an area of approximately 12,000 acres to the West of the existing City Boundaries." Motion Carried.

## RESOLUTIONS, RE: U.N.S.M. REGIONAL MEETING

#### Derelict Vehicle Program

Mr. Kelly outlined the following resolution which was subsequently moved, seconded, and passed by Municipal Council.

It was moved by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Gaetz:

"WHEREAS the Province of Nova Scotia has discontinued providing financial assistance to the Municipalities for the Derelict Vehicle Program; and WHEREAS the Municipalities cannot providethe necessary funding to adequately continue this program and; WHEREAS the Municipalities have experienced this program to be most worthwhile and the necessity of the program to continue; BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities be requested to approach the Province to: a) continue the program because of its obvious benefits to the Province overall, i.e., tourism and; b) the Union be requested to ascertain approaches in other Provincial jurisdictions."

At this point in the meeting it was clarified that the Regional Meeting of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities would be held at Halifax City Hall Council Chambers, May 12th, at 2:00.

#### Collective Agreement - Nova Scotia Teacher's Union

Mr. Kelly had also prepared and submitted to Council, a resolution regarding the collective agreement with the Nova Scotia Teacher's Union.

Mr. Meech read this resolution to Council which was subsequently moved, seconded and passed by Municipal Council as follows:

It was moved by Councillor McInroy, seconded by Councillor Walker:

"WHEREAS the Walker Commission Report recommended that all benefits currently provided by existing local contracts continue until the expiration of the agreement and; WHEREAS that following the expiration of the provincial contract all monetary items be bargained by the Minister's negotiating team and; WHEREAS these recommendations of the Walker Commission Report respecting bargaining with the Nova Scotia Teacher's Union for all monetary benefits be conducted by an established committee; BE IT RESOLVED that the Minister of Education be requested to implement these recommendations of the Walker Commission Report."

At this time in the Council Session discussion was initiated regarding the amount of voting delegates permitted at the U.N.S.M. Regional Meeting. It was verified by Mr. Kelly that only five voting delegates were permitted to vote at a Regional Meeting; however, an unlimited number of delegates were able to attend the meeting.

It was moved by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Deveaux:

"THAT Municipal Council attend with a full delegation and, if necessary, select the five voting delegates at the Meeting." Motion Carried.

## Provincial Social Services

Councillor Smith put forth the following Resolution for the Regional Meeting:

It was moved by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Deveaux:

"WHEREAS the lack of Provincial Social Assistance Funds for the purpose of providing Items of Special Requirement, is putting a strain on the Municipal Social Services Program for supplementary assistance, BE IT RESOLVED that the Minister of the Provincial Social Services be requested to investigate the feasibility of extending additional funds to cover Items of Special Requirement where needed." Motion Carried.

#### MEMORANDUM FROM ELIZABETH LAWRENCE, RE: FCM CONFERENCE - 1982

As previously requested by Municipal Council, Ex-Warden Elizabeth Lawrence, prior to her departure, had selected the delegates for the upcoming 1982 Annual FCM Conference. Her memo to Council advised:

"In accordance with Council's directive I wish to recommend the following as delegates for the upcoming FCM Conference to be held in Ottawa, June 6 - 10, 1982.

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1.		Warde	n;								
2.		Deputy	y Wa	arden;							
3.				or McInroy	;						
4.		Alter	nate	e - Counci	İlor	Poi	rier."				
It	was	moved	by	Councillo	r Smi	th,	seconded	by	Councillor	Adams:	

"THAT the Voting Delegates and Alternate selected by Ex-Warden Elizabeth Lawrence, be approved by Municipal Council and be sent to the 1982 FCM Annual Conference." (See Motion to AMend).

Councillor Deveaux pointed out that, if approved as above, both the Warden and Deputy Warden would be away at the Conference at the same time, leaving no-one in charge at the Municipality.

Subsequent to discussion by Council Members:

It was amended by Councillor Deveaux, seconded by Councillor Walker:

"THAT the Deputy Warden be replaced as a voting delegate by another Councillor, to be chosen by the new Warden." Amendment Carried.

Subsequent to the passing of the amendment, the question was called on the motion as amended.

It was moved by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Adams:

"THAT the Voting Delegates and Alternate selected by Ex-Warden Elizabeth Lawrence, be approved by Municipal Council and be sent to the 1982 FCM Annual Conference, with the exception of the Deputy Warden who is to be replaced by another member of Council, to be chosen by the new Warden." Motion Carried.

Mr. Kelly advised Council that any reservations and registrations should be in by May 7th.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Recent Decision of the District School Board - Councillor Topple

Councillor Topple indicated that a great deal of controversey has been created in response to a recent decision of the District School Board to transfer students in the Cole Harbour and Gordon Bell High Schools.

It was moved by Councillor Topple, seconded by Councillor McInroy:

"THAT prior to making any decisions respecting changes in the School System, the District School Board be requested to consult with the Trustees of the School Subsystem and call Public Meetings to inform the parents. Motion Carried.

### Request to Fire Marshall - Councillor Baker

Councillor Baker indicated that in the recent fire in an Apartment Building in Herring Cove, which claimed the lives of a child and the mother of that child, and a 20 year old girl, the fire alarm had been inoperative. He felt that if the alarm had been working properly, those lives could have been saved.

It was moved by Councillor Baker, seconded by Councillor Margeson:

"THAT the Fire Marshall be requested to enforce apartment owners to maintain fire alarms in good working order at all times and to enforce apartment owners also to supply smoke detectors in the apartments at all times." Motion Carried.

It was clarified that it was already a mandatory regulation of the Province to have smoke detectors in apartment units. However, it was noted that the above motion would be a confirmation of the present policy.

#### Power Failure, Eastern Passage - Councillor Deveaux

Councillor Deveaux indicated to Council, an experience in his District in which there had been a twelve hour power failure. He advised that this failure has caused a great deal of inconvenience.

It was moved by Councillor Deveaux, seconded by Councillor McInroy:

"THAT a letter be forwarded to the N.S.P.C. requesting a detailed Report as to what occurred on May 1st, which caused the twelve-hour power failure in the Eastern Passage-Cow Bay area." Motion Carried.

He requested that this Report contain the following information:

- What caused the Repairs to the burnt-out power transformer to take 12 hours to be completed?
- 2. Were maintenance checks done prior to its burning out?
- 3. Why was there no stand-by transformer as is usually the case?

## School Area Rates - Councillor Topple

Councillor Topple indicated that at the last Council Session there had been a motion requesting the Minister to provide funding to cover the costs of School Area Rates since he was going against Council's wishes and leaving them in the Education Act.

He advised that since that time someone in the Provincial Government has also instigated changing of the Municipal Act so that Council has no say on whether or not those rates will be paid.

It was moved by Councillor Topple, seconded by Councillor Walker:

"WHEREAS the Department of Education will not grant the wish of Municipal Council to have the School Area Rate removed from the Education Act and WHEREAS someone in the Provincial Government has decided to force Municipal Council to accept these expenditures and sums of money imposed on the Taxpayers by minority pressure groups, by preparing changes to the Municipal Act to take the discretionary power away from Municipal Council, BE IT RESOLVED that Halifax County Council make representation to the Law Amendments Committee, strongly recommending that those expenditures be the responsibility of the School Board, or some other responsible body and be covered under their shareable or recognized costs."

#### Location of RCMP Dettachment, Eastern Region - Councillor Adams

Councillor Adams requested that the remaining members of the Eastern Region RCMP Adhoc Committee (as some members had shown no interest in participating), meet in the near future and bring a recommendation to the May 18, 1982 Council Session.

It was indicated that Councillor Adams should contact the Executive Office to make the arrangements for such a meeting.

#### Request of East Preston Ratepayers - Councillor Adams

Councillor Adams indicated to Council that the East Preston Ratepayers had made a request to the Management Committee approximately five months ago, for an expropriation action to acquire community use of the former Partridge River School Site.

He requested a Staff Report on this item for the next Session of Council. His request was taken under advisement by Staff.

#### Affirmative Action Plan - Councillor Adams

Councillor Adams also wished to acknowledge the committment made this evening by County Council to the Bedford-Sackville CAMR. He felt it was the first significant move that the Municipality has made in assuring equal opportunity in Halifax County in regard to Affirmative Action Activities.

#### Garbage Area Rates - Councillor Margeson

Councillor Margeson requested clarification of a memo he had received on his desk today from Gary Smith of the Accounting Department, relative to Garbage Area Rates.

He was advised by Mr. Meech that this was a proposed method whereby the Districts who, as a result of the passing of the common area rate for garbage collection and disposal, had a lower rate for garbage than before as well as having a surplus in their garbage budget, would assist those districts now paying a higher rate and having a deficit in their garbage budget.