# SPECIAL COUNCIL SESSION

MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1984

#### PRESENT:

Deputy Warden Adams, Chairman Councillor M. Larsen Councillor H. Poirier Councillor C. Baker Councillor E. Deveaux Councillor R. DeRoche Councillor N. Gaetz Councillor B. Bayers Councillor L. Lichter Councillor G. Snow Councillor K. Margeson Councillor M. MacKay Councillor H. McInroy Councillor P. Eisenhauer Councillor B. MacDonald Councillor L. Wiseman Councillor S. Mont

Mr. R. Cragg, Municipal Solicitor
Mr. K. Meech, Chief Administrative Officer
Mr. K. Birch, Chief of Planning and Development
Ms. V. Spencer, Supervisor, Policy Division
Mr. E. Wdowiak, Director of Engineering and Works
Mr. R. Gough, Development Control Officer
Mrs. D. Cartledge
Ms. S. Bond
Mr. M. Bird
Rosemary MacNeil, Acting Recording Secretary

Deputy Warden Adams called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. The meeting opened with the Lord's Prayer. Mr. Meech then called the roll. Councillor DeRoche moved, seconded by Councillor Gaetz:

FOR A RECORDING SECRETARY.

Motion carried.

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The Council then agreed that Ms. Spencer should present the new changes to the subdivision regulations and that if questions arose, they would be dealt with at that time. Ms. Spencer began her presentation stating that the changes occurred as a result of written comments from the Department of Municipal Affairs. Municipal Affairs' comments consisted of necessary mandatory changes that must be made to the previous regulations as well as suggestions for clarification of certain items and bits of personal advice. Municipal Affairs have received the new draft, however no further comments have been received to date.

Ms. Spencer then pointed out the following sections of the subdivision regulations that had been changed upon the advice or suggestions of the Department of Municipal Affairs:

Item G in the Table of Contents has been changed from a map showing the municipal water service in Waverley to the form of application for subdivision approval. The Department of Municipal Affairs has indicated that its regulations contain the application and form and that the Municipality's should also have this illustrated. Ms. Spencer indicated that the Planning Department is now looking at a new form of application, and that the regulations will have to be amended if the form is changed.

Section2.2 now has the 'area of land' definition word-for-word from the Provincial Subdivision Regulations. An area of land is now considered as any piece of land that can be identified "by its boundaries". No registration or new survey is required. Ms. Spencer indicated that the November 25, 1950, date is the first date of prescription for subdivision regulations in Halifax County and described "the lands eligible as exceptions to the rules".

Section 2.19 now excludes the Waverley water service area, and Section 2.21 defines 'subdivider' as opposed to applicant or landowner. The meaning remains basically the same.

As a point of clarification, Ms. Spencer indicated that in Section 4.3, the previous draft contained a clause indicating that where there is a remaining lot shown on a plan for subdivision approval, the lot would have to have its approval at the same time as the first lot. The Department of Municipal Affairs has removed this clause, but this section requires that the remaining lot must be eligible for approval or the subdivision will not be granted.

Section 5.1 now contains Municipal Affairs' wording concerning the scales of plans. Municipal Affairs' wording is used in Section 5.1 (d) with regard to the numbering of lots. Section 5.1 (e) now requires that the proposed use of the lot be identified on the application rather than the plan, as was the case in the previous draft. By motion, the Planning Advisory Committee have previously removed Section 5.3, which requested certain engineering information at the preliminary application stage.

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Ms. Spencer continued with Part 7, indicating that preliminary requirements have been incorporated into the Tentative section of the by-law - Section 7.3 (b). With regard to Sections 7.6, 7.7, and 7.8, the Department of Municipal Affairs have indicated that there should be a general outline of what should be shown on the proposed plan of subdivision at the tentative stage. The new draft now asks for basic drainage plans, schematics, etc. The Engineering Department will not receive detailed information at the Tentative stage.

Councillor Larsen asked how far a developer or subdivider could proceed without detailed engineering plans. Ms. Spencer indicated that in terms of construction, nothing should be undertaken. Municipal Affairs has made clear that the Municipality is asking the developer to spend too much time and money finalizing engineering plans so early in the subdivision process. Its staff has suggested that the Municipality should not be demanding the detailed information requested in the past. Approval is required by the Engineering Department as the process continues, and the subdivision approval will not be granted if the engineering requirements are not met. In Section 7.8 (d), Ms. Spencer pointed out that the words "to determine whether the plan meets the requirements of this by-law" should be inserted after the word "necessary". This had been overlooked by the Planning Department during revision.

Section 8.5 (c) has adopted the Provincial wording. This will not change the administrative procedures of the Municipality.

Section 9.4 (g) contains a slight change which will not greatly affect the general administration. Sections 9.5 to 9.8 inclusive contain all the engineering requirements moved from the tentative to the final subdivision stage. Some areas have been clarified, for example Municipal Affairs have requested clarification for what the development officer is looking for when extra information is required. He has particular purposes which must be satisfied. The intent of this section does not change.

Part 10, Procedure for Final Subdivision Approval, has not been substantially altered. In Part 11, Section 11.1 of the previous by-law has been deleted. The Municipality did require that a remainder lot on a subdivision plan be given subdivision approval at the same time as the original lot. However, Municipal Affairs have indicated that the Municipality cannot request that a subdivider ask for a lot approval. Ms. Spencer indicated that staff will still be advising people to have both lots approved at the same time.

In Section 12.1 (a), the Department of Municipal Affairs would not accept 75 foot lot frontage. This has been altered to require 100 feet of lot frontage (30 m.). Section 12.1 (b) now requires 150 feet of lot frontage as opposed to the original 75 foot requirement. This, again, is done to comply with the Provincial requirement. Ms. Spencer indicated in Section 12.1 (d), 11,840 square feet should read "10,000 square feet", and correspondingly 1,100 square metres should read 929 square metres. The lot frontage requirement changes from 100 feet (30 m.) to 75 feet (23 m.). Similarly, in Section 12.1 (e), lot area requirement changes from 12,000 square feet (1,115 sq. m.) to 11,840 square feet (1,100 sq. m.). The lot frontage requirements for this section have now been changed from 75 feet (23 m.) to 100 feet (30 m.). These changes have been made to comply with the provincial regulations.

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Section 12.2 is a requirement of the Provincial Subdivision Regulations and the Department of Municipal Affairs has requested that it be inserted here. Ms. Spencer indicated that this clause may have some effect with regard to the waivers section of the by-law. The figures are much less than those seen in the draft by-law up to this point. Councillor Lichter stated that the Department of Transportation emphasized that a minimum lot width was 25 feet. This was an unwritten policy of that department. He suggested that perhaps the Province is trying to ensure that lots are not narrower than 25 feet.

In Section 13.2 (b), Municipal Affairs have suggested that the Halifax County Storm Drainage Task Force Design Criteria Manual (1982) be used as a standard with regard to public streets and highways and private roads. Ms. Spencer indicated that this document has been adopted by the Council and will be used by the Engineering Department when dealing with subdivision applications. Councillor Margeson asked who would be responsible if an area of land were to flood near the Little Sackville River. Mr. Cragg said that he did not believe the Municipality could be blamed if something like this were neglected in a land use by-law. He said that the real purpose behind entering into a development agreement is to ensure that rules are followed in a certain phase. If something goes wrong dealing with the Sackville River, he said that he did not think the Municipality could be held responsible.

Ms. Spencer then indicated that Part 14 is now word-for-word with the Provincial Regulations. Municipal Affairs is working on Section 14.1 (a) to try to alter the clause with respect to defining "feasibility". This alteration may not be complete before the by-law is adopted. Section 14.1 (b) states that is possible to have one lot, with frontage of 8 m. (normal public road frontage), and a remainder lot for which no approval is requested, approved as long as the remainder lot meets the minimum lot area and lot frontage requirements contained in Part 12.

Section 14.2 (a) contains a new definition which basically explains how water frontage must be measured. Section 14.2 (b) contains provincial wording and allows an addition to approved lots as long as the land left over is in an approvable state. Section 14.3 contains Municipal Affairs' wording. Ms. Spencer pointed out the four choices a subdivider has (contained in a, b, c and d). Basically there is no alteration from the Municipality's draft except the wording of this section. Section 14.3 (d) however, now states that the Municipality cannot accept a parkland lot from a subdivider unless it meets the same requirements as a building lot. Ms. Spencer said that because of this, in the more rural areas of the County where no plans or by-laws exist, Council should expect requests from the Development Division for money in lieu of land in future cases.

In Section 15, the wording in some parts has been changed to reflect the Provincial Regulations. The subdivider will now pay the cost for filing plans, but there is no charge for subdivision over and above this fee.

There are no changes to Sections 16 and 17. Part 18.6 has been reworded to make clear that the Municipality exempts any lot that has a building on it, as well as the first three lots in a subdivision.

Councillor Margeson asked Ms. Spencer to explain the meaning of "storm sewerage system". Ms. Spencer said that this is the name given to all of the various elements used to handle storm drainage. The term appears in the Services Systems General Specifications. Mr. Wdowiak explained that the word 'sewerage' is an adjective which describes all of the units which form the components of the storm sewerage system. Sanitary sewerage system is used to denote all the components of the system.

Ms. Spencer indicated that the remaining portions of the regulations have not been altered by Municipal Affairs. In some cases, words were altered by the Planning Department in order to clarify what Council wants.

Councillor Gaetz expressed concern over the requirement that a remainder lot must be left in an approvable state or a subdivision will not be approved. Ms. Spencer stated that as the by-law now stands, a subdivider cannot leave pieces of land behind that won't meet approval.

Ms. Spencer then reviewed a few items of particular concern to the department. The November 25, 1950 date (Part 2) has caused some discussion as well as the lot frontage requirements. Up to this point, 75 foot lot frontage has been a satisfactory measure for the Municipality's purposes.

Ms. Spencer stressed that once the by-law is adopted, Council and staff have no option but to abide by it. All changes that were requested by the Province have been made, however that does not necessarily mean that staff would recommend these changes to Council. There has been a considerable amount of dispute with Municipal Affairs regarding the actual powers that the <u>Planning</u> <u>Act</u> gives the Municipality. Some of the implications that staff have discussed with the Province will have long-standing implications for interpretation of the <u>Planning Act</u>. As much as possible, staff hopes that Council will adopt something that it really does want to have. Council should be committed to what it is adopting at this stage.

Discussion followed regarding the need for a public hearing at this point. Councillor Lichter asked Mr. Cragg if it was necessary for this document to go to public hearing since one had already been held in July. Mr. Cragg indicated that it was his feeling that a public hearing is necessary since Council will be amending what has already been presented. Council cannot adopt changes made after the public hearing. The changes before Council at this time were not before Council on the night of the hearing. Councillor DeRoche indicated that under Section 94 of the <u>Planning Act</u> he did not feel that another public hearing was required. Mr. Cragg stated that his interpretation of this section was that it was effective if a subdivision by-law was already in place. At this point, Councillor Margeson moved, seconded by Councillor Gaetz:

THAT THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF HALIFAX HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING IN CONNECTION WITH THE SUBDIVISION BY-LAW.

Mr. Meech clarified that the Council is now giving notice of its intention to adopt the subdivision by-law. A date for the public hearing was requested.

Councillor DeRoche stated that he felt the subdivision by-law for the Municipality had already been adopted. At the time of adoption, it was the intent that Council would put in all changes requested at that time. He felt that Council should be adhering to the previous decision supporting the by-law that had been adopted in July.

Councillor Lichter indicated that the document before Council tonight has a chance of becoming a working document for the Municipality. However the old by-law adopted in July probably will not be signed by the Minister.

The date for public hearing was then set for November 19, 1984.

Motion carried with one dissenting vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

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# FIRST SESSION OF COUNCIL

### OCTOBER 2, 1984

WERE:	Warden Mach	Kenzie
	Councillor	Gaudet
	Councillor	Baker
	Councillor	Deveaux
	Councillor	Gaetz
	Councillor	Bayers
	Councillor	Reid
	Councillor	Lichter
	Councillor	Snow
	Councillor	Margeson
	Councillor	MacKay
	Councillor	McInroy
	Councillor	Eisenhauer
	Councillor	MacDonald
	Councillor	Wiseman
	Councillor	Mont
	WERE:	WERE: Warden Mach Councillor

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. K. R. Meech, Chief Administrative Officer Mr. G. J. Kelly, Municipal Clerk Mr. Robert Cragg, Municipal Solicitor Mr. L. B. Gillis, C.E.O.

SECRETARY: M. MacDonell

CALL TO ORDER

Warden MacKenzie called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with the Lord's Prayer.

ROLL CALL

Mr. Kelly called the roll.

Warden MacKenzie conveyed to the Council that Deputy Warden Adams is a delegate to attend the National Symposium on Police Relations on Multiculture and Multiracial sponsored by the Government of Canada. The conference takes place in Vancouver on October 15 and 16 and, as a result, he will miss the Council Session and Executive Meeting for that week.

#### APPOINTMENT OF RECORDING SECRETARY

It was moved by Councillor DeRoche, seconded by Councillor Gaudet:

"THAT Margaret MacDonell be appointed recording secretary." Motion Carried.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

"THAT the minutes of September 18, 1984, Regular Council Session be approved." Motion Carried.

#### AGENDA ITEMS

The following items were added to the meeting agenda:

Councillor Gaudet - Shad Bay Wharf Councillor Walker - Crosswalks Councillor Deveaux - Hiring Policy - Cost Sharing Methodology Regarding Transit

Councillor MacKay introduced with great pleasure, Mr. George Green, Town Crier for the Community of Sackville.

Mr. George Green visited the United Kingdom as part of the International Town Criers' Competition. Mr. Green presented three letters to the Council. The first letter was from Buckingham Palace thanking the Councillors and Citizens from Sackville for their kind and loyal messages of greetings. The second letter was from Kingsbridge, England, with praise for Mr. Green on his performance in England. The final letter was from the Deputy Lord Mayor of Plymonth with thanks for the gift presented to him on the occasion of the International Town Criers' Competition. With the final letter, came a plaque with the Coat of Arms on it.

Warden MacKenzie expressed, on behalf of the Council, his very best wishes and thanks for representing the Community of Sackville in such a fine way.

## MEETING WITH LLOYD GILLIS, CEO - DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Mr. Gillis indicated that it was a pleasure for him to meet with members of Council to discuss matters respecting the School Board.

Mr. Gillis stated that a number of factors are having an impact on the number of staff this year. Mr. Gillis listed the following as contributing factors to the sharp increase in demand for teachers in 1984-85: increase in population; opening of two new schools; decline in large class sizes, change in public expectation.

Mr. Gillis presented three different graphs of enrollment. One graph dealt with the total enrollment from grades primary to twelve excluding special education. The graph indicated there are irregularities from one grade to the next. The peak enrollment is at the Grade 8 level which would be the primary class of 1976. There began in 1977 a decline in the primary enrollment but it has leveled off and infact has increased. Grade 12 enrollment is a steady growth and the peak in this enrollment will come when those grade 8 students get in to senior high. In addition, there has been a steady growth in the retention rate at secondary school level.

Mr. Gillis indicated that there has been a good deal of activity in Halifax County-Bedford Board in terms of school construction.

Councillor DeRoche, with respect to the William Ross School and its future, stated that there is still a sizeable development to take place in that area in the not too distant future. Councillor DeRoche asked that the Board not act hastily in reducing school buses simply because of distances involved. The role of School Guidance Service was, also, discussed. It was stated that the intent here was to examine the service to see whether in fact the Board was placing emphasis in the right areas and to see whether the service they think is there for students, is there.

Mr. Gillis stated that the procedure to establish a school site is first of all the School Board is required to recommend to the Department of Education three possible sites for a new school. Once that is done, the Department of Education transfers the information to Government Services. Government Services inspect those sites to determine their suitability. The sites are to be put in order of one two three and they are looked at in that same order.

Mr. Gillis stated that the Board would, in some instances, only look at two sites if one of the two sites is acceptable to the Health inspectors and the other people who must inspect and approve it.

Councillor MacDonald and Councillor MacKay stressed that the most pressing need in Sackville right now is the Sackville Heights School.

Councillor MacKay indicated that Sackville High School is reaching a very critical point. Mr. Gillis is hopeful that if the proposed vocational school is brought about then there will be a fair bit of relief in the Sackville High School. The Province is trying to place a number of programs which currently do not exist in any of the other vocational schools which means that they are open to all of the Province to make application. The school that is being designed for the area will have a capacity of about six (6) hundred students in total. Mr. Gillis said he would be surprised if Sackville did not have 40 to 50 percent of the seats. The decision for a new high school in Sackville has not been made yet Mr. Gillis indicated.

Councillor Poirier questioned if the Board was preparing, in any way, to deal with the situation in Timberlea regarding new growth. Mr. Gillis said that the first need would be to examine the possibility of a further consolidation with Lakeside, Beachville, and Timberlea at the elementary school level.

Councillor Bayers brought to the attention of Mr. Gillis the fact he received several complaints from parents who have children riding a bus on Route 357 on the Grand Road. He indicated that the bus route on that road was extended but no provision for a bus turnabout was made. As a result, the bus is turning around on a backwoods private road on a dangerous turn. The parents want to know who is responsible for constructing a bus turnabout. Mr. Gillis said he would check the situation out and see why it hasn't been improved. Councillor Bayers said that he would, instead talk with the person responsible for the bus route and bring him up to the present turnabout. Mr. Gillis said he would do what ever he could to help.

Councillor Margeson stated that the elementary enrollment at the Beaver Bank-Kinsac areas is still continuing to grow and, as a result, is over-crowded. Mr. Gillis advised that the present school design for that area will be filled with students from Woodbine. Mr. Gillis suggested there may have to be some changes in the present plan for that area.

Councillor Eisenhauer questioned if there will be seatbelts installed within the school buses on January 1, 1985. Mr. Gillis stated that buses come under the Federal Act and they will not be subject to the requirement of the Province for seatbelt legislation.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

# Letter from East Preston Day Care Centre

Mrs. Joyce Ross, Executive Director, sent a letter to the Wardens and Members of Halifax County Council thanking them for their support.

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

"THAT this letter be received." Motion Carried.

# PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

#### Development Agreement No. DA-CH/W-04-84-21

A.R. Hemmings Building Systems Limited has applied for a development agreement for the purpose of permitting the expansion of existing buildings and the construction of new buildings on the company's site on the corner of the No. 7 Highway and the Broom Road. The Planning Advisory Committee recommended to Council its approval and that a public hearing be held October 29, 1984 at 7:00 p.m.

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

"THAT the recommendations of the Committee be accepted." Motion Carried.

# C.H.S. Developments Limited Planned Unit Development Agreement

The Planning Advisory Committee recommends to Council it's approval of the C.H.S. Developments Limited Planned Unit Development Agreement.

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

"THAT the recommendation of the Planning Advisory Committee be approved." Motion Carried.

### Rezoning Application No. RA-CH/W-35-84-21

This is an application by ABC Realty Limited to rezone Lot A-2 of the lands of Albert Smith at 1249 Cole Harbour Road from R-1 (Single Unit Dwelling) Zone to C-2 (General Business) Zone. The purpose of the application is to allow the existing dwelling to be converted to a hair dressing establishment.

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

"THAT the recommendation of the Committee for approval of the application be accepted." Motion Carried.

# Rezoning Application No. RA-24-34-84-18

The Planning Advisory Committee recommended to Council the approval of Mr. Hefler's rezoning application and the setting of a public hearing on October 29, 1984 at 7:00 p.m.

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

"THAT the recommendations of the Committee be accepted." Motion Carried.

#### Rezoning Application No. RA-SA-15-84-20

The Planning Advisory Committee recommended to Council that this application be rejected and no public hearing be called.

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

"THAT the recommendations of the Committee be approved." Motion Carried.

# URBAN SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

This report contains a motion from the Urban Services Committee to Council. The motion read that it be recommended to Council that the Municipality of the County of Halifax support the dissolution of MTC and the establishment of transit operations as a line department of the Metropolitan Authority and further that this decision encompass a commitment to immediately review the mandate and composition of the Metropolitan Authority and proposed transit committee, including an examination of the Administrative Structure.

It was moved by Councillor MacKay, seconded by Councillor Mont:

"THAT the recommendations to Council be accepted." Motion Carried.

Councillor Deveaux stated that he could not support the motion. He indicated that as far as progressing and getting things done, MTC certainly has accomplished a lot more and is still capable of accomplishing a lot more. Councillor Deveaux stated that he could not see MTC joining up with the Metro Authority.

A motion was put forth that the members of the Metropolitan Authority from the Council would support the resolution that came forward from the Council.

Councillor McInroy advised that the members of the Metropolitan Authority from the Council vote in favor of the position taken by the Municipality or in a manner that represents the position taken by Municipal Council. Councillor McInroy felt that the members of the Metropolitan Authority from the Council should vote on behalf of the Council.

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

"THAT the position of Municipal Council on a particular issue be reflected by the representatives on the authority when the issue is considered." Motion Carried.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

# Collective Agreement - CUPE Local #1083

The Executive Committee is recommending to Council acceptance of the Collective Agreement.

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

"THAT the recommendation of the Executive Committee for the approval of a contract agreement between the Municipality and CUPE Local #1083 for 1984-1985 be approved." Motion Carried.

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#### Land Acquisition - Department of Transportation

There is a requirement from the Department of Transportation to acquire approximately 322 sq. feet of property owned by the Municipality for the proposed reconstruction of School Street in Waverley.

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

"THAT the recommendation for approval to transfer this property to the Department of Transportation for purposes of reconstructing School Street be approved." Motion Carried.

Mr. Meech stated that the Department of Transportation agreed to pay the Municipality a sum of one dollar per square ft. which amounts to three hundred twenty two dollars (\$322).

#### Sidewalk Construction Agreement - #1-D, Fall River

The Executive Committee recommends that Council authorize the execution of construction agreement #1-D between the Department of Transportation and the Municipality.

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

"THAT the recommendation of the Executive Committee be approved." Motion Carried.

# BUILDING INSPECTORS REPORT RE: LESSER SETBACK

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

"THAT the recommendation for a request for lesser setback be approved." Motion Carried.

# ADDITION OF ITEMS TO AGENDA

Board of Health - Glen Richards Appeal

Councillor Lichter stated that if the Board of Health wins the appeal, there is absolutely no costs.

If the Board of Health loses the case, it is possible that the opponent's costs or part of his costs could be allocated to the County.

Warden MacKenzie stated that he selected four Council Members for the Mainstreet Program Conference to be held on October 24 to October 26. The four Council Members selected are Councillor MacKay, Councillor Eisenhauer, Councillor Wiseman, and Councillor Gaetz.

# Resolution, re Annexation Appeal

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

"THAT Council approve a motion to seeking leave to appeal the annexation issue." Motion Carried.

## Shad Bay Wharf

Councillor Gaudet stated that petitions were circulated to request repairs to the Shad Bay Wharf. It was stated that this wharf is becoming dangerous for public use.

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

"THAT a letter be sent to the Federal Minister of Fisheries, with a copy to the area MP and MLA, supporting the repairs to the Shad Bay Wharf." Motion Carried.

# Crosswalks - St. Margaret's Bay

Mr. Kelly stated that it was not necessary to have a formal resolution brought to Council for establishing a crosswalk.

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

"THAT Municipal Council approve a request to have a crosswalk located at St. Margaret's Bay area." Motion Carried.

#### Hiring Policy

Mr. Meech stated that the Hiring Policy is incorporated in the Personnel Policy.

Councillor Deveaux expressed his concern with regard to the manner of hiring people.

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

"THAT the hiring policy be referred to the Executive Committee." Motion Carried.

Mr. Meech pointed out that in some cases where a policy, for instance, is in place at the Federal Provincial Government may not be as applicable to our organization due to the fact that we don't have, in some instances, as large an employee mass.

Councillor DeRoche requested that when the hiring policy is discussed at the Executive Committee Meeting that one of the things looked at is consistency. Councillor DeRoche stated that any good employer in order to invoke loyalty from staff must also exibit loyalty. He felt one way of doing this is by providing present employees with opportunities before going outside.

# ADDITION OF AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT SESSION

Councillor MacKay suggested that at the next Council Session Mr. Cragg could give a report on the criteria for the removal of political signs on the Provincial and Federal level.

# Adjournment

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Upon motion, the meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

# **REGULAR COUNCIL SESSION**

# OCTOBER 16, 1984

PRESENT	WERE:	Warden MacKenzie, Chairman
		Councillor Walker
		Councillor Poirier
		Councillor Larsen
		Councillor Gaudet
		Councillor Baker
		Councillor Deveaux
		Councillor DeRoche
		Councillor Gaetz
		Councillor Bayers
		Councillor Reid
		Councillor Lichter
		Councillor Snow
		Councillor Margeson
		Councillor MacKay
		Councillor McInroy
		Councillor Eisenhauer
		Councillor MacDonald
		Councillor Wiseman
		Councillor Mont
ALSO PRI	ESENT:	Mr. K. R. Meech, Chief Administ
		Mr. G. J. Kelly, Municipal Cler
		Mr. R. Cragg, Solicitor, County

SECRETARY: Margaret MacDonell

rative Officer

of Halifax

CALL TO ORDER

Warden MacKenzie called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. with the Lord's Prayer.

ROLL CALL

Mr. Kelly called the Roll.

APPOINTMENT OF RECORDING SECRETARY

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

"THAT Margaret MacDonell be appointed as Recording Secretary." Motion Carried.

# EMERGENCY ITEMS TO BE ADDED TO THE AGENDA

Councillor DeRoche requested the addition of two items: 1. Crosswalk Lighting 2. Postal Service, Lake Echo.

Councillor Deveaux requested to bring in a motion to resind the motion re: To direct the members of Council who are representing Council on the Metro Authority to vote in favour of the motion making MTC a line department with the central authority.

Councillor MacKay requested the topic of Tier Grouping be added to the agenda.

Councillor Lichter requested the topic of CN Right-of-Way to be added to the agenda.

Councillor Bayers requested the topic of notice of motion of Capital Punishment be added to the agenda.

Councillor Margeson requested the topic of Postal Service, Beaverbank Road be added to the agenda.

# LETTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Kelly indicated a letter had been received from the Fund Raising Kinsmen Park Committee directed to County Council acknowledging thanks for Council's grant towards the Kinsmen Park.

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

"THAT this item of correspondence, regarding the Kinsmen Club of Sackville, be received." Motion Carried.

#### DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT REPORT

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

"THAT the Director of Development Report be received." Motion Carried.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

#### Development Agreement Application No. DA-TLB-09-84-02, Timberlea

Councillor McInroy and Councillor Poirier declared conflict of Interest.

Mr. Kelly indicated it was recommended by the Executive Committee that Council approve, based on the Planning and Development Department staff report, Development Agreement No. DA-TLB-09-84-02 and a Public Hearing be held on November 19, 1984 at 7:00 p.m.

It was moved by Councillor DeRoche, seconded by Councillor Snow:

"THAT Council approve the Development Agreement No. DA-TLB-09-84-02 and a public hearing be held on November 19, 1984 at 7:00 p.m."

Councillor Lichter stated that the Planning Advisory Committee recommended November 19th only because they were told November 12th,which is a Monday, was going to be a holiday. Councillor Lichter asked that it be confirmed as to whether November 12th was going to be a day in lieu of Remembrance Day.

Mr. Meech stated that the Personnel Coordinator checked with the Provincial Civil Service people and it was understood that the Province was going to be closed on Monday, November 12th in lieu of the statutory holiday on Sunday. The County, using the Province as a guide, decided to establish Monday, November 12th as a holiday.

Mr. Meech agreed to contact the City of Dartmouth, and the City of Halifax to see what they had decided on with regard to having Monday, November 12th a holiday.

It was moved by Councillor DeRoche, seconded by Councillor Snow:

"THAT Council approve the Development Agreement No. DA-TLB-09-84-02 and a public hearing be held on November 12th; but, if it is declared a statutory holiday, then a public hearing be held on November 19, 1984 at 7:00 p.m." Motion Carried.

Approval of Lot 2 of the Edna Greenwood and Edith Slaunwhite Subdivision, Terence Bay under the undersized lot legislation F-690-84-04.

Application has been received for the approval of Lot 2 of the Edna Greenwood and Edith Slaunwhite Subdivision, Terence Bay under the Undersized Lot Legislation.

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

"THAT Council approve this application and a public hearing be held on November 12, 1984 but if it is declared a statutory holiday, than a public hearing be held on November 19, 1984 at 7:00 p.m." Motion Carried.

Approval of Lot N-1; and Lot N-2 As An Addition To Lands Of Ronald And Donna Pettipas, Goodwood, Under The Undersized Lot Legislation F-716-84-04.

Mr. Kelly stated that an application has been received for the approval of Lot N-1; and Lot N-2 as an addition to Lands of Ronald and Donna Pettipas, Goodwood, under the Undersized Lot Legislation.

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

"THAT Council approve this application and that a public hearing be held on November 12, 1984 but if it is declared a statutory holiday, then a public hearing be held on November 19,1984 at 7:00 p.m." Motion Carried.

# Draft Subdivision By-Lay

Mr. Kelly indicated that the Planning Advisory Committee discussed with staff the revised Subdivision By-Law. The Subdivision By-Law was circulated to Council.

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

"THAT a special council session be held on October 23, 1984."

Councillor MacKay indicated that holding the Special Council Session on October 23 would preclude at least four council members, and it would not afford the Planning Advisory Committee an opportunity to have any discussion on it.

It was agreed by Councillor Eisenhauer, seconded by Councillor Gaetz that a special council session be held on October 23 at 3:00 p.m.

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

"THAT a special council session be held on October 22, 1984 at 5:00 p.m. followed by a public hearing." Motion Carried.

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

"THAT the original motion, October 23 special council session, be withdrawn." Motion Carried.

Motion To Recind The Motion Re: To Direct The Members of Council who Are Representing Council on the Metro Authority To Vote in Favour of the Motion Making MTC a Line Department With The Central Authority

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

"THAT the motion directing the members of Council who are representing Council on the Metro Authority to vote in favour of the motion making MTC a line department with the central authority be recinded."

Councillor MacKay stated that as an individual sitting on another body representing the Municipality, if your wishes are contrary to wishes of council you have two choices. One choice would be to make up the best argument you can to represent the council in that collective wish or secondly resign.

Councillor McInroy suggested that the issue be referred to Solicitor Cragg and perhaps have him bring to Council a researched opinion which could give Council some direction with regard to this matter.

Councillor MacDonald indicated that he respected the decision of Council and would support a vote made by Council.

Warden MacKenzie stated that he received Councillor Deveaux's resignation from the MTC but has not brought it to Council.

Motion Carried.

Councillor Deveaux formally withdrew his resignation from MTC.

Solicitor Cragg indicated that there is no case law and there is no rule of law on this matter; but, it is an understood or perceived and unspoken duty of Councillors, when appointed to a committee or a board by Council, to represent the views of Council.

#### BUILDING INSPECTORS REPORT RE: LESSER SETBACK

Mr. Kelly read the report for an application for lesser setback application of 25' for property located at Herring Cove. It was indicated the applicant was R.H. Sullivan and the reason for this request was because of the location of the well located on this property.

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

"THAT the request for a lesser setback of 25 feet located at Herring Cove, applicant R.H. Sullivan, be approved by Council." Motion Carried.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

#### Guarantee Resolution

Mr. Kelly read the report indicating the Executive Committee recommend to the Council for approval the Guarantee Resolution for Metropolitan Authority in the amount of \$1,475,830.

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

"THAT Council approve the recommendation for the Guarantee Resolution for Metropolitan Authority in the amount of \$1,475,830." Motion Carried.

# Family Housing Units - Department of Housing

Mr. Kelly read the report indicating that the Executive Committee had met with Mr. Clinton Schofield, Nova Scotia Department of Housing and discussed the possibility of the Department constructing family housing units in the Municipality.

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

"THAT the resolution to request the Department of Housing to undertake a family housing requirement survey in the Municipality be approved." Motion Carried.

# Property Acquisition - Department of Transportation

Mr. Kelly read the report from the Department of Transportation requesting property from the Municipality, approximately 2000 square feet, for road improvement purpose at Oldham Mines Road.

It was moved by Councillor DeRoche, seconded by Councillor Snow:

"THAT Council approve the recommendation to transfer the property to the Department of Transportation for the purpose of road improvements at Oldham Mines Road." Motion Carried.

# Request for District Capital Grant, District 6

Mr. Kelly read the report requesting a District Capital Grant, District 6, in the amount of \$4,000 for improvements to a ball field.

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

"THAT Council approve the request for a District Capital Grant, District 6, in the amount of \$4,000 for the purpose of carrying out improvements to a ball field." Motion Carried.

# Request For District Capital Grant, District 11

Mr. Kelly read the report requesting a District Capital Grant, District 11, in the amount of \$1,206.45 for the Moser River Community Centre.

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

"THAT Council approve the request for a District Capital Grant, District 11, in the amount of \$1,206.45 for the Moser River Community Centre." Motion Carried.

# Request for District Capital Grant, District 10

Mr. Kelly read the report requesting a District Capital Grant, District 10, in the amount of \$5,000 for improvements to recreation lands owned by the Municipality.

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

"THAT Council approve the request for a District Capital Grant, District 10, in the amount of \$5,000 for improvements to County owned recreation property." Motion Carried.

# Request for District Capital Grant, District 14

Mr. Kelly read the report requesting a District Capital Grant, District 14, in the amount of \$2,000 for the purchase of a fire vehicle for the Grand Lake Volunteer Fire Department.

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

"THAT Council approve the request for a District Capital Grant, District 14, in the amount of \$2,000 for the Grand Lake Volunteer Fire Department." Motion Carried.

#### Request for District Capital Grant - District 15

Mr. Kelly read the report requesting a District Capital Grant, District 15, in the amount of \$2,000 for improvements to park and recreation field, Beaver Bank-Kinsac Sports and Recreation Association.

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

"THAT Council approve the request for a District Capital Grant, District 15, in the amount of \$2,000 for phase 1 improvements to park and recreation field, Beaver Bank-Kinsac Sports and Recreation Association. Motion Carried.

#### Request for District Capital Grant, District 16

Mr. Kelly read the report requesting a District Capital Grant, District 16, in the amount of \$2,000 for Acadia Recreation Club.

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

"THAT Council approve the request for a District Capital Grant, District 16, in the amount of \$2,000 for Acadia Recreation Club." Motion Carried.

# Request for District Capital Grant, District 17 & 21

Mr. Kelly read the report requesting a District Capital Grant, Districts 17 & 21, totaling \$1,212.75 for the Cole Harbour Rural Heritage Society.

It was moved by Councillor Mont, seconded by Councillor DeRoche:

"THAT Council approve the request for a District Capital Grant, District 17 & 21, totaling \$1,212.75 for the Cole Harbour Rural Heritage Society." Motion Carried.

# Temporary Borrowing Resolution

Mr. Kelly read the report requesting a temporary borrowing resolution in the amount of \$1,200,000 for the Halifax County Industrial Commission, Lakeside Industrial Mall.

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

"THAT Council approve the request for a temporary borrowing resolution in the amount of \$1,200,000 for the Halifax County Industrial Commission, Lakeside Industrial Mall." Motion Carried.

# SUPPLEMENTARY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

# Alderwood School, Lakeside

Mr. Kelly read the report from the Timberlea and area Lions Club to lease the former Alderwood School at Lakeside. It was indicated that under the terms of the lease, the Lions Club would enter into a ten (10) year lease agreement with the Municipality for \$1.00 per year.

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

"THAT Council approve the recommendation to Council that the Municipality enter into a ten (10) year lease agreement, with option to renew, with the Timberlea and area Lions Club for the former Alderwood School. Motion Carried.

# Sidewalk Construction Agreement #1-E, Cole Harbour

Mr. Kelly read the report indicating that the Executive Committee received Sidewalk Construction Agreement #1-E, Cole Harbour.

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

"THAT Council approve the recommendation for a resolution authorizing the execution of sidewalk construction agreement #1-E with the Department of Transportation for construction of sidewalks in Cole Harbour." Motion Carried.

# Public Land Donation Adjacent to Atlantic Memorial School

Mr. Kelly read the report indicating that the Executive Committee received a report respecting a land donation adjacent to the Atlantic Memorial School, Shad Bay.

It was moved by Councillor Gaudet, seconded by Councillor Larsen:

"THAT this item be deferred to the next session of Council." Motion Carried.

# Request for District Capital Grant and General and District Parkland Grants, District 9

Mr. Kelly read the report requesting District Capital and Parkland Fund Grants, District 9 as follows: District Capital Grant District 9 -\$500.; General Parkland Fund Grant - \$1,000; Distict 9 Parkland Fund Grant - \$1,000 for the purpose of carrying out improvements to the Nathan Smith Park at Chezzetcook. It was moved by Councillor Gaetz, seconded by Councillor McInroy:

"THAT Council approve the recommendation for a District Capital Grant, District 9 in the amount of \$500; a General Parkland Fund Grant - \$1,000; District 9 Parkland Fund Grant - \$1,000 toward carrying out improvements to the Nathan Smith Park, Chezzetcook." Motion Carried.

# Request for District Capital Grant, District 12

Councillor Reid the report requesting a District Capital Grant, District 12, in the amount of \$4,000 for the Middle Musquodoboit Volunteer Fire Department.

It was moved by Councillor Reid, seconded by Councillor DeRoche:

"THAT Council approve a District Capital Grant request, District 12 in the amount of \$4,000 for the Middle Musquodoboit Volunteer Fire Department." Motion Carried.

#### REPORT, RE METROPOLITAN AUTHORITY

Councillor Mont discussed the decision of the Authority to notify the Province and to proceed with the conversion of the garage facility into a medium security facility to accommodate housing of further inmates. Councillor Mont indicated this has to be approved by the Province. They have been notified that construction will start unless the Province indicates otherwise.

# RESOLUTION RE CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS

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

"THAT the Warden and Clerk be and they are hearby Authorized to execute an agreement on behalf of the Municipality of the County of Halifax with the Canadian National Railways with respect to the underground water and sewer pipe crossing agreement at mile 8.11 in the Chester subdivision." Motion Carried.

# COST SHARING METHODOLOGY - COUNCILLOR DEVEAUX

Councillor Mont indicated that the City of Halifax has made it clear that they are not prepared to agree to the new cost sharing methodology and they have shown no desire or inclination to change their minds.

Councillor DeRoche indicated, through his understanding, that the City of Halifax had agreed to the implementation of the new methodology following the implementation of a Transinfo project. Councillor DeRoche stated that the only solution, in the long term, is a change in the legislation. He advocated that Council pursue changes in the legislation which is equitable to all members. It was moved by Councillor DeRoche, seconded by Councillor Poirier:

"THAT this issue be referred to the Executive Committee and a report brought back for further consideration of changes to the legislation for equitable treatment of member units." Motion Carried.

# EMERGENCY ITEMS

# Crosswalk Lighting - Councillor DeRoche

Councillor DeRoche indicated to Council an accident that occurred Thursday, September 20, where if not for the diligence and driving skill of the motorist, a very serious tragedy would have taken place on Highway #7 in the vicinity of the William Ross School.

Councillor DeRoche stated that he received a request to have one of the crosswalks in that area lighted for pedestrians crossing at night. Councillor DeRoche requested that the Department of Transportation be asked to implement lighting at the Highway crosswalk between the Home for Colored Children and the Westphal Trailer court.

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

"THAT the Department of Transportation be requested to implement lighting at the Highway crosswalk between the Home for Colored Children and the Westphal Trailer court." Motion Carried.

Councillor MacKay indicated that it was necessary to have the approval of the Department of Transportation to have an overhead lighting installed, but then it is the Municipality's responsiblity to purchase it and have it erected and provide for the ongoing maintenance.

Mr. Kelly indicated that the Engineering Department has been purchasing the lights. The Power Corporation is then contacted and they install the lights and charge the Municipality with the charge for installation.

# Postal Service, Lake Echo

Councillor DeRoche stated that this was an item he was asked to present by the Deputy Warden, due to his absence. It was indicated that the population is growing rapidly in Lake Echo and there is no additional postal capability left in the area to the extent that residents in that area have to get their mail at the Dartmouth East Postal Station, at Porter's Lake, or, in one situation, the resident has to travel to Waverly.

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

"THAT the Postal Service or Department be petitioned to establish a post office in the Lake Echo area or at least improve the postal service in the area by provision of additional postal boxes." Motion Carried.

# Tier Grouping

Councillor MacKay indicated that, not too long ago, notification was received that Halifax County was moved from Tier 2 to Tier 1. It was indicated that the Council had passed a resolution that a letter would be written to the Honorable Minister Lumley and to the Honorable Minister Sinclair Stevens that we would ask to be taken out of that Tier grouping. From meetings with other Municipal units and also correspendence received, and dialogue with representatives, it was found that the Tier grouping was legislation passed by the House and to effect any changes requires a change in the legislation. Councillor MacKay indicated that, at this time, the other Municipal units will be asking the Minister to review the legislation and have input in the decision making process through the form of presenting a brief or making a formal presentation at the desires of the Minister. At this point in time, Councillor MacKay requested that the Municipality of the County of Halifax join forces with the City of Halifax, the City of Dartmouth, and the Town of Bedford

It was moved by Councillor MacKay, seconded by Councillor Snow:

"THAT the Municipality of the County of Halifax join forces with the City of Halifax, the City of Dartmouth, and the Town of Bedford and ask the Honorable Minister Sinclair Stevens to review the Tier grouping system so that we will be able to make a formal presentation or a brief." Motion Carried.

# CN Right of Way - Councillor Lichter

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

"THAT a letter be written to the Minister of Lands and Forests requesting that the Province will not express any interest in the CN Right of Way lands that have been abandoned by CN and located in Districts 10, 12, and 13 of Halifax County." Motion Carried.

# Notice of Motion of Capital Punishment - Councillor Bayers

Councillor Bayers indicated that he has not been happy or pleased in the last while on the approach that the Halifax County Council has taken on some of the major issues (one being the Nuclear Free Zone).

It was expressed by Councillor Bayers, that any of the major issues that come to Council should be dealt with by this Council and a decision reached. Councillor Bayers indicated that a letter was received from the Mayor of Vancouver, and, also, a letter received by him from Mr. Mike Cox on a Nuclear Free Zone on whether we support it or not in this particular area.

Councillor Bayers stated that this correspondence was received and tabled and has never come back to Council.

Councillor Bayers indicated that at the next council session he will present a motion that the Halifax County Council support the reinstatement of Capital Punishment.

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Warden MacKenzie stated, with regard to the letter from the Mayor of Vancouver that this letter had been received and Council was not required to take further action unless notified.

# Postal Service, Beaver Bank Road

Councillor Margeson indicated that the postal service on the Beaver Bank Road is being upgraded. It was indicated that the people in this area, between Majestic Avenue and Pine Haven Drive, would have to cross the road to get their mail. Councillor Margeson stated that this was a very busy section of highway.

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

"THAT a letter be sent to Mr. Warren, President of the Crown Postal Services with copies to Howard Crosby, MP and Malcolm MacKay, MLA requesting Postal Carrier Service be implemented in that short section of highway being upgraded." Motion Carried.

# Purchasing - Mr. K. R. Meech

Mr. Meech officially informed Council that the Executive Committee, now in conjunction with the District School Board, has authorized an audit of the Purchasing Department, which is a joint Purchasing Department for both the Municipality and the District School Board.

Councillor Wiseman inquired as to who was doing the audit and what it would consist of.

Mr. Meech indicated the audit would be done by the external auditors, Thorne Riddell. The existing policies will be tested against certain purchases that have been made in terms of quotes, tenders, etc; also, the practices and procedures of the purchasing department will be reviewed. Mr. Meech stated the intent was to go back approximately two years and do a random sampling on a number of purchases over that period.

# Removal of Election Signs

Mr. Kelly indicated he received a report from Mr. Cragg with regard to the removal of election signs at the Provincial and Federal level.

Mr. Cragg summarized his report. It was stated that there is no Federal legislation dealing with this matter. Mr. Cragg indicated there is some brief legislation which is found in the Public Highways act. The legislation says that within seven (7) days you must remove signs which outside the boundaries of a city or a town must be located within five hundred (500) feet of a Roadway. Mr. Cragg stated that there are regulations attached to the Public Highways Act which deal with the removal of election signs and states the offender or the candidate is to be fined fifty dollars (\$50). In the Municipal Election's Act there is a section which states that within seven (7) days of the election the candidate shall cause to be removed all signs within the jurisdiction and if not so removed, the clerk has power to withhold the return of the candidate's deposit and if he still is unable to remove the signs the clerk can advise him formally that it must be carried out within another seven (7) days. If they are not removed at this point, he shall be found guilty on summary conviction and is subject to a penalty of up to \$2,500.00 or a default term of not more than six months.

# Addition of Items to the November 6th, 1984 Council Session

Councillor Gaudet - The Atlantic Winter Fair Councillor MacKay - Contract Development Adjacent to the Sackville River Under the Municipal Development Plan

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.