

costs involved. He stated that teachers are paid \$15.00 to \$20.00 per hour, in cities even higher. He stated say it is a 30 hour course at \$20 hour. That is \$600. He said the registration fee would be around say \$60.00. This shows a net profit of \$60.00. He stated that the problem is not getting enough net made to pay everything. He stated that there are some courses that pay for themselves but unfortunately, there are others that do not.

Councillor Smiley stated that Mr. Michael mentioned the process of working with administrative agencies. She stated that she wished to make mention of a meeting she attended back when the Blue Water Association was formed. She attended a Seminar of Community Features Programs in the Province. She stated that it was quite an eye opener to hear the Chairman of the Windsor Committee stand up and talk about one of the options that they exercised. This being the Self Employment Option. She stated that this was a matter where a person on Social Assistance or on employment insurance is eligible for special funding in order to start their own small business. Some very good applications came in and were approved and these people started their business but needed help in bookkeeping, accounting, marketing and basic skills required to operate a small business. She stated that even further on in the process, they developed that these people were lacking the basic skills such as reading and math. She stated that it is exciting to hear you speak about the directions you are wishing to proceed in. She mentioned the Latch Key Program for children. She stated that woman on Social Assistance need that after school care as well as day care and the economics of a community school.

Councillor Cooper stated that with regard to the agreement that was reached for the Eastern Passage Community School, there was a number of areas where there were potentials for conflict between the regular program and the community school program. He asked how Mr. Michael anticipated that these concerns would be addressed and the effect of one upon the other.

Mr. Gordon Michael stated that part of this is that sometimes education can move ahead too fast. He stated that we have to educate the Public School Teachers and Principals which are moving into a new society and advise of what we are trying to do. He stated that he felt this just needs sitting down.

Councillor Cooper asked with regard to fiscal lines, do you have an objective when you put on a program to reach a certain level of income funding for that.

Mr. Michael stated that we have tried to recoup 70-80% of what we put on. He stated that the Province sets criteria for certain

courses, for ex. 8 people to a course).

Councillor Cooper stated he realized there was extreme pressures on buildings, he asked if the Board recently considered going on a twenty-four hour operation on their buildings to rearrange upkeep, maintenance or whatever to enhance the use as what they are trying to do.

Mr. Lloyd Gillis stated that regarding a 24 hour basis, no consideration has been given to it. He stated that they did have a building that had night shift. He stated that this wasn't being done to allow buildings to be opened longer.

Councillor Cooper asked how many latch key operations were in the County at present.

Mr. Gordon Michael answered that there were about 20.

Councillor Cooper asked how criteria was set.

Mr. Gordon Michael stated that they worked the principals out first, they worked in the community to see how many were interested, and then put it on.

Deputy Warden Ball thanked Mr. Gillis and Mr. Michael for making their presentation.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Councillor Sutherland, seconded by Councillor Randall

"THAT this meeting adjourn."
MOTION CARRIED.

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OF THE
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COUNCIL SESSION

February 5, 1991

PRESENT WERE: Deputy Warden Ball, Chairman
Councillor Meade
Councillor Poirier
Councillor Fralick
Councillor Deveaux
Councillor Adams
Councillor Bayers
Councillor Smiley
Councillor Reid
Councillor Horne
Councillor Merrigan
Councillor Morgan
Councillor Eisenhauer
Councillor MacDonald
Councillor Boutilier
Councillor Sutherland
Councillor Richards
Councillor McInroy
Councillor Cooper

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. K. R. Meech, Chief Administrative Officer
Mr. G. J. Kelly, Municipal Clerk
Mr. Fred Crooks, Solicitor
Ms. Rosalyn Smith, Development Division

The meeting opened with the Lord's Prayer. Mr. Kelly called the roll.

APPOINTMENT OF RECORDING SECRETARY

It was moved by Councillor Sutherland, seconded by Councillor Fralick

"THAT Christa Pettipas be appointed as Recording Secretary."
MOTION CARRIED.

4TH SACKVILLE BOY SCOUT TROOP

Deputy Warden Ball stated that the 4th Sackville Boy Scout Troop was present to resume citizenship pins and extended a welcome to the troop and their leaders.

Councillor MacDonald introduced the members of the Sackville Boy Scout Troop and presented each member with a County pin.

Deputy Warden Ball thanked Councillor MacDonald.

LETTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Department of the City Clerk, City of Toronto, re resolution passed by City of Toronto Council with regard to the recent decision by the CBS to close its Toronto French-language TV Bureau.

Mr. Kelly advised that this was for information purposes.

It was moved by Councillor Eisenhauer, seconded by Councillor Richards

"THAT this letter be received."
MOTION CARRIED.

Department of Transportation & Communications re paving of Lake Shore Drive, Lawrencetown, under the 15 year paving policy.

It was moved by Councillor Fralick, seconded by Councillor Richards

"THAT this letter be received."
MOTION CARRIED.

Department of Transportation & Communications re reduction of speed limit along Trunk 3 in the vicinity of the Conrad Apartment Building turn, Cranberry Lake.

It was moved by Councillor Poirier, seconded by Councillor Meade

"THAT this letter be received."
MOTION CARRIED.

Town of Antigonish re motion passed by Town Council with respect to the Goods & Services Tax.

It was moved by Councillor MacDonald, seconded by Councillor Deveaux

"THAT this letter be received."
MOTION CARRIED.

Public Works Canada re Surplus Federal Property, Seaforth, Halifax County.

It was moved by Councillor Richards, seconded by Councillor McInroy

"THAT this letter be received."
MOTION CARRIED.

Councillor Richards asked if letters of correspondence from the Town of Antigonish and City of Toronto, warranted some action on Halifax County Council's part.

Deputy Warden Ball stated that the one specifically on Toronto says "any necessary action". He stated that we may determine that the necessary action is in action.

Councillor Eisenhauer stated that with regard to the motion from the City of Toronto, an issue similar to this about two Council sessions ago was discussed which we did not support. He stated that with regard to the motion of the Town of Antigonish, the big question is if the programs under the 14 years are tax exempt. He stated that they are requesting that it be zero-rated. He stated that it was to his understanding that anything zero-rated would be exported out of the country. He stated that he did not think the motion will stand as it is.

Deputy Warden Ball stated that, it was up to Members of Council to decide whether or not a motion was necessary.

Mr. Kelly stated that a staff report could be obtained to clarify the information contained in the Town of Antigonish resolution. It was moved by Councillor Reid, seconded by Councillor Beveaux

"THAT this matter be referred to the Executive Committee for action if recommendation of that Committee deemed necessary."

MOTION CARRIED.

SUPPLEMENTARY LETTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Theresa Milligan, Black Point, re the Solid Waste Management Plan

Mr. Kelly requested that this letter be tabled.

It was moved by Councillor Meade, seconded by Councillor Adams

"THAT this letter be received."
MOTION CARRIED.

It was moved by Councillor Meade, seconded by Councillor Poirier

"THAT this letter be forwarded to the Metropolitan Authority."
MOTION CARRIED.

Deputy Warden Ball asked if the last Supplementary Agenda Item could be discussed at present.

The Committee agreed.

RESOLUTION ON CANADIAN AIR TRANSPORTATION POLICY

Mr. Kelly advised that he had circulated to members of Council a resolution which was submitted by Councillor Len Goucher, of the Town of Bedford with respect to this resolution.

It was moved by Councillor McInroy, seconded by Councillor Boutilier

"THAT this letter be received."
MOTION CARRIED.

PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

1. FILE NO. CA-CH/W-08-90 - AMENDMENTS TO THE COLE HARBOUR/WESTPHAL LAND USE BY-LAW

Councillor Cooper stated that more discussion took place re this matter at the PAC meeting on February 4, 1991. He stated that he would like to take this opportunity to indicate that the Planning Advisory Committee has made the recommendation that this item be deferred because the proposed changes would not achieve the original objective of the amendment.

It was moved by Councillor Cooper, seconded by Councillor Fraick

"THAT this item be deleted from the agenda until such time as it is brought back by the Planning Advisory Committee."
MOTION CARRIED.

2. APPLICATION NO. CA-EP/CE-33-90-06 - AMENDMENTS TO THE LAND USE BY-LAW FOR EASTERN PASSAGE/COW BAY RE: C-5 (MIXED USE) ZONE.

It was moved by Councillor Deveaux, seconded by Councillor Cooper

"THAT a public hearing on this application be held on February 25, 1991."
MOTION CARRIED.

3. FILE NO. CA-EP/CE-35-90-06 - AMENDMENTS TO THE LAND USE BY-LAW FOR EASTERN PASSAGE/COW BAY RE: APPLICATION BY ULTRAMAR CANADA INC.

It was moved by Councillor Deveaux, seconded by Councillor Sutherland

"THAT a public hearing on this application be held on February 25, 1991."
MOTION CARRIED.

4. FILE NO. IA-849-01-91-09 - AMENDMENTS TO THE LAND USE BY-LAW FOR PLANNING DISTRICTS 8 & 9

It was moved by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Horne

"THAT A public hearing on this application be held on February 25, 1991."

MOTION CARRIED.

Councillor Boutilier stated that he thought there would be information coming from the PAC meeting February 4, 1991 to Council concerning the plan amendment that was scheduled and a public participation session held for planning Districts 8 & 9 through the Lawrencetown Plan. He stated that at PAC, discussion took place and it was the unanimous consent of Planning Advisory Committee that we not proceed with the plan amendment for District 8 & 9 Lawrencetown Plan. He stated that it is tabled indefinitely with PAC. He asked if any Councillors wished clarification.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

1. National Fire Symposium

Mr. Kelly outlined the report advising that the Executive Committee has received a request from the Fire Advisory Board to provide funding for representatives of fire departments to attend the National Fire Symposium in Ottawa in February, funding to be cost shared with the respective fire departments.

It was moved by Councillor Sutherland, seconded by Councillor Horne

"THAT funding be provided in the Executive Office budget, courses and seminars, to share the cost of five fire department representatives to attend the National Fire Symposium with the provision that there be no more than one representative from any one fire department."

MOTION CARRIED.

Councillor Deveaux asked if there was a limit on how many would attend.

Deputy Warden Ball stated that there was a limit of five. Councillor Deveaux asked which departments had representatives attending.

Deputy Warden Ball stated that he believed there were representatives from Hubbards, Herring Cove, Black Point, Eastern Passage, and maybe LWF.

Councillor Deveaux asked if anybody else could attend if they paid

the full cost.

Deputy Warden Ball stated they could attend. He stated that memos were forwarded to all departments suggesting that if any fire departments showed an interest in the program, that some cost sharing might be arranged. He advised that it came back on a first come, first serve basis. He stated there was originally six departments but one came back after the deadline.

Councillor Horne asked if \$700 per person would be the amount cost shared.

Deputy Warden Ball stated it would be \$700 per person, 60/40 cost shared.

2. Purchasing Policy Manual

Mr. Kelly advised that the Executive Committee recommended this to Council for approval.

It was moved by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor MacDonald

"THAT the Purchasing Policy Manual for Halifax County Municipality be approved."

Councillor Morgan asked whether anything was provided to give priority when providing goods and services to businesses paying taxes within Halifax County.

Mr. Meech stated there was no provision for this in the Purchasing Policy. He stated that within the last year, that subject was reviewed and debated at Council. He stated that at that time, it was not an agreement that we wanted to incorporate in the purchasing practice.

Councillor Morgan stated he was not aware that debate took place at Council with regard to this.

Mr. Meech stated he did some research in which a recommendation was made that this not be incorporated in the Purchasing Policy. He stated that this position was upheld in the end by Council.

Councillor Meade stated that in June 1989, it was raised in Council. He stated that it was referred back to the Executive Committee in July 1989.

Mr. Meech stated he would investigate this.

Councillor Morgan asked that Council give this consideration. He stated that because of the small percentage of businesses located in Halifax County, we do not want to indicate that goods and services being provided would be exclusive to those businesses. He

stated that in order to encourage increased tax assessment, we should endorse this principle.

Councillor Boutilier asked if there were any groups outside of Halifax County that would fall under this policy.

Mr. Meech advised this would include the Rehab Centre and Ocean View Manor.

Councillor Boutilier stated if a purchasing policy is going to be implemented, groups should be placed under the policy when in the process of implementation, not after the policy has been implemented.

Mr. Meech stated this is the intent. He stated this gives the Board a certain amount of jurisdiction as it relates to the management and administration of the Rehab Centre.

Councillor Boutilier stated that he noticed the volunteer fire departments did not fall under this. He advised of previous problems. He asked why they wouldn't be placed under this.

Mr. Meech stated that the intent is to try and encourage them to utilize this policy. He stated that there seems to be some concern and reluctance at the present time.

Councillor Boutilier reiterated why a policy would be implemented first and then only look for people to fall under it afterwards.

Mr. Meech stated that a policy has been in place the last number of years. This was a method to provide some more detail and more clarification as to the practices and procedures to be followed in keeping with the policy.

Councillor Boutilier asked what the amount would be that would not have to go through Executive or through a recommendation by Council for approval.

Mr. Meech stated approximately \$50,000 and this would be approved by himself. He stated that whether it be the Purchasing Coordinator or himself, they have to as well follow the purchasing practice and procedures.

Councillor Boutilier expressed concern with regard to money expended that would be able to by-pass the Executive or Council. He expressed concern with the Purchasing Coordinator having awarding authority in the bid value of up to \$30,000. He stated that was a fairly large sum of money.

Mr. Meech stated that there would be reports on a regular basis indicating what tenders were awarded.

Councillor Boutilier asked when bids come in, is there a policy within the Municipality that informs the unsuccessful bidders.

Mr. Meech stated that they were advised.

MOTION CARRIED.

3. Sidewalk Maintenance Construction Agreement

Mr. Kelly outlined the report which included an up to date list of all sidewalks in the Municipality subject to a maintenance agreement with the Department of Transportation.

It was moved by Councillor Sutherland, seconded by Councillor Deveaux

"THAT the Sidewalk Maintenance Construction Agreement =1-Y between Halifax County Municipality and the Department of Transportation and Communications be approved."

MOTION CARRIED.

4. Vehicle Acquisitions - 1991/1992

Mr. Kelly outlined the report.

It was moved by Councillor Meade, seconded by Councillor Bayers

"THAT the amount of \$51,300 be transferred from the vehicle reserve fund for vehicle acquisitions 1991-92 be approved."

MOTION CARRIED.

5. Request for Loan - Seabright Volunteer Fire Department

Mr. Kelly outlined the loan request contained in the report.

It was moved by Councillor Fralick, seconded by Councillor Meade

"THAT the loan request in the amount of \$200,000 for the Seabright Volunteer Fire Department for purchase of a pumper fire vehicle be approved. The loan will be advanced over a ten (10) year period of principle and interest with the Municipality reserving the right to levy an area rate in default of principle and/or interest."

MOTION CARRIED.

Councillor Boutilier questioned what procedure was followed to determine the need for a new fire vehicle.

Councillor Fralick stated that in conjunction with the Fire Service Development Officer reviewed the requirements for the area and it was determined that the price would be approximately \$175,000-\$180,000. He stated that the community is looking at today with

tomorrow in mind.

HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Kelly outlined the report.

It was moved by Councillor Meade, seconded by Councillor Peirier

"THAT property at Queensland, owned by Joanne Corbett be approved for registration as a municipal heritage property."
MOTION CARRIED.

BOARD OF HEALTH REPORT

Mr. Kelly outlined the report stating that the County Board of Health received a report from the Department of Health & Fitness concerning a water quality survey in the Cherrybrook area. He advised that conclusions and recommendations were attached.

It was moved by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Merrigan

"THAT the conclusions and recommendations as attached be endorsed; that the Montague Road and Lake Major areas be considered at the same time in consultation with the Department of Health & Fitness; and that this be placed on a priority list for servicing."
MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE RE NUTRIENT CONTENT OF LAKES (MANDAVILLE'S REQUEST)

Mr. Kelly advised that Mr. Shalom Mandaville at a previous Council session requested that a Committee be established with respect to this particular item.

Councillor MacDonald stated that there are some lakes that are in very bad shape. He stated that we should assist in cleaning up these lakes. He, therefore, supported the request.

It was moved by Councillor MacDonald, seconded by Councillor Deveaux

"THAT the Committee be a volunteer Committee."

Councillor Sutherland stated that we should provide assistance to Mr. Mandaville's group in attempting to clear up this part of the environment.

Councillors Sutherland, Horne and Meade volunteered to serve on the Committee.

Councillor McInroy stated that we should consider a certain number of non-council appointees to the Committee. He stated that there are three people who have expressed an interest to him to serve as a member on this Committee.

Deputy Warden Ball suggested that Councillors be given the opportunity over the next couple of weeks to determine if anybody from their community would be interested in serving on this Committee.

The Committee agreed.

MOTION CARRIED.

COUNCILLOR BAYERS: FOREST MANAGEMENT FUNDING

Councillor Bayers stated that he asked the Warden to withdraw this item.

ITEM WITHDRAWN.

COUNCILLOR HORNE: SIDEWALKS - HOLLAND ROAD & BROOK STREET

Councillor Horne stated that he wished to obtain sidewalks in this area. He stated that in 1988, the residents of these particular two streets approved an area rate which they are paying now for sidewalks. He stated that a preliminary estimate was taken and that met the approval of the community.

It was moved by Councillor Horne, seconded by Councillor Reid

"THAT the Minister of Transportation & Communications be requested to conduct a field survey for the purpose of constructing sidewalks on Holland Road and Brook Street, Wellington, Halifax County."

Councillor Morgan asked if the area rate was for sidewalks that are currently on a highway portion or have they been paying an area rate for two years for installation of sidewalks on Holland Road.

Councillor Horne stated that this was specifically for Holland Road and Brook Street.

MOTION CARRIED.

URGENT AGENDA ITEMS

1. Councillor Deveaux - Garbage Strike.

Councillor Deveaux stated that his concern was the extra cost that would be with regard to the landfill garbage collection. Mr. Meech stated that he believed as of this week, things were moving a lot faster. He stated that there are not as many delays at the landfill site. He stated that most times we are able to pick the garbage up on the designated day. If not, it is picked up the following day. With respect to the alleged additional cost to be experienced by the contract, the reading of our contract suggests on the surface that maybe we do not have any legal obligation. He stated that we have indicated to the contractors that they should identify a document of additional costs that they have experienced as a result of the strike and submit these to us. He stated that we are waiting to see if the authority is prepared to accept some financial responsibility for additional costs that have come about as a result of the strike action against the authority. Mr. Meech stated that he did not have any dollar figures available at the present time. He stated that we have to determine if we have any legal responsibility.

2. Councillor Meade - Incineration

Councillor Meade outlined the letter from SMART (St. Margaret's Bay Area Recycling Team) re incineration.

It was moved by Councillor Meade, seconded by Councillor Poirier

"THAT Halifax County not make a decision on incineration until public meetings are held in local communities with public opinion taken into account on any decision."

Deputy Warden Ball stated he suggested to Councillor MacDonald when the meeting takes place on Tuesday regarding this matter, with the Metropolitan Authority, that Halifax County take the position the Municipality requests that at least three more public meetings be held on the matter so that the public would be given the opportunity to give input before a final decision is made.

Councillor MacDonald stated that at this time, he did not think this should be endorsed. He stated that this would be too lengthy a process.

Councillor Morgan stated that he understood why Council was receiving these type of letters. He stated that he has no difficulty with people expressing their opinion. The difficulty with these expressions of opinion, however, is that it seems that each group wants their opinion to become a part of Halifax County Council's agenda. He stated he believed it was the Metropolitan Authority's responsibility. He stated the motion put forward by Councillor Meade should not be passed. He stated that along the lines of the recommendation with regard to additional meetings, Council should encourage Metropolitan Authority to conduct these

meetings. He stated that we should not hold support for the solution for Solid Waste Management. He stated that he supported a variety of methods for disposal of waste products and that not any one method would be the answer. He advised of other municipalities having problems with getting people to operate the incinerators. He stated that this would result in going to composting totally or some other alternative method. He stated if Mr. Meade amended the motion giving the Metropolitan Authority a little bit of leadway to the mandate we have already given to them, he would support it.

Councillor Eisenhauer stated that to his understanding, it was not delegated to Council to make a decision. He stated he required some clarification. He felt if Halifax County was going to allow Metropolitan Authority make the decision, public speakers would not be required. He stated that expressions of Council should be forwarded to the Metropolitan Authority as well as consultants on contract and let them make the decision.

Councillor Deveaux stated he agreed with Councillor MacDonald. He stated if public hearings are to be held, he hoped it would not hold up the process. He stated time is of the essence. He stated at least one meeting should be conducted in Halifax County to allow residents to share their opinion.

Councillor Boutilier stated he could not support the motion. He stated not so long ago, the SMART group was a volunteer committee endorsed by this Council. He suggested that SMART go directly to Metropolitan Authority. He stated when the process of recycling was started, it was agreed we would look at the facts open mindedly. He stated a proposal has to be drafted up that the four municipal units would be able to support. He stated the bottom line is that Metropolitan Authority has to consider the cost. He stated this is a very serious factor. He reiterated he could not support the motion.

Councillor Smiley stated she had an opportunity a couple of years ago to do a conceptional drawing proposed by the Nova Scotia Power Corporation for the Blue Nose Project. She stated she would never forget the 6,000 acres that were reserved for ash coming out of this plant. She stated this was along the riverbank of Sheet Harbour. She stated she supported Councillor Meade's motion.

Councillor Horne expressed concern with SMART's recommendation. He felt Council should not be supporting it. He stated that he did not think SMART was saying they were against incineration. He felt they were requesting more information to be given. He stated he has been involved with trying to decide whether incineration is a good way to go. He stated he has talked to many individuals from the Department of Environment. He stated they, themselves, are not sure. He stated they feel the technology is advanced enough to prove that incineration is a safe way to dispose of wastes. He

stated the question comes down to how well the Metropolitan Authority would run an incinerator. He stated they at the present time are coming in with new legislation re meeting certain requirements for incineration and that is to reduce the air pollutants down to as much as 94% of what they are now. He stated he would like to hear more about incineration. He stated you hear that in some areas, incineration is working well while in other areas, it is not working at all. He stated that this is the conflict. He stated that Halifax County and the Metropolitan Authority should ensure that a good portion of waste is recycled. He felt there should be some composting legislation brought in against the reuse of disposable items in the province or make companies look after disposables. He stated it does show incineration is the cheapest way to go. He stated he did not feel we were going to get any further ahead and that Metropolitan Authority should make the decision.

Councillor Fralick stated recently he read an article in an incinerator that was burning garbage which was supposed to heat a hospital. He stated millions of dollars were spent setting this project up with more millions being spent trying to correct it afterwards. He stated he hopes Metropolitan Authority will have answers on this because the dump will be in Halifax County as well as the toxic ash. He stated Halifax County Council should be extremely careful of what is approved. He felt Metropolitan Authority was pushing this a little bit too swift. He felt there should be more meetings on this matter.

Councillor Poirier stated this is the level of government people can reach and get to. She stated these individuals have every right to get to County Council. She stated we have every reason to sit back and listen to these people. She asked if any member of Council really knew what Halifax County was getting into or did they really know what incineration was doing. She stated that it is always the same story that the municipal level of government has to do the dirty work. She stated a lot of people that go to these meetings take such an interest in them, that they bring out points that we do not bother to find out about. She advised of a situation in Europe where cow's meat was affected due to this. She stated she respected the individuals for bringing to Council's attention the things that we are overpassing because of time and money. She supported the motion.

Councillor Cooper stated the information on which we will be making our decisions should be available to all residents of Municipality to see if they agree with our decisions. He stated that all information has to be looked at. He requested an amendment to the motion be made stating that the information should be made available to all residents of the Municipality.

Councillor Meade clarified the motion. He stated that given the size of Halifax County, there should be at least three meetings

held in Halifax County possibly in St. Margaret's Bay, Sackville and Eastern Passage.

Deputy Warden Ball stated he had difficulty with the motion because on one hand SMART is not against incineration but they have included it in the motion. He stated the motion infers that the Municipality go on record as not endorsing incineration. He stated he believed the organization went on record stating that they did not support incineration. He stated we may be able to support more public input but Council should not take the stand on this because they, as well, do not know what the best option is.

Councillor Boutilier felt it should be endorsed that we have more additional public meetings.

Councillor Horne stated that ash created by incinerators should be removed through the proper use of scrubbers and technology available. He stated that he did not think we would be bearing any toxic materials in the landfills. He gave an explanation.

Councillor MacDonald stated that he would be attending the meeting with Metropolitan Authority on incineration (February 5, 1991). He felt that there is sufficient material available. He stated that he would go to the meeting with the intention to have further discussion on incineration before it is adopted.

Councillor Morgan stated that SMART puts the position across very forcibly. He suggested that instead of endorsing a motion that rejects incineration, we should be endorsing a motion that rejects using the current landfill after June 1994. He stated the whole issue here is what will be done with solid waste after June 1994. He stated we are not going to put it in the Sackville area. He stated that these groups should support their own agenda. He stated that if we continue to support groups for a particular purpose, we are going to end up with a lot of items to make decisions on at Council sessions. He stated it should be left to Metropolitan Authority to make the decision.

MOTION DEFEATED.

3. Councillor Smiley - Sign Placement

Councillor Smiley identified a "No Man's Land" between the communities of Mushaboom and Sheet Harbour. She stated that residential development is spreading out from Sheet Harbour and a small settlement has sprung up several miles from the village. They are on the Sheet Harbour telephone exchange but receive mail from the Tangier Post Office. They have been informed that because of the 9-1-1 Emergency System being implemented in the near future, they will require clarification of identification of their small community.

It was moved by Councillor Smiley, seconded by Councillor Sutherland

"THAT a letter be forwarded to the Department of Transportation & Communications requesting that a sign be erected at the boundary of Mushaboom and Sheet Harbour, that this settlement be known as "Grassy Lake Corner."
MOTION CARRIED.

MINOR VARIANCE APPEAL - 7:00 P.M.

Ms. Roslyn Smith, Development Department, stated that she was present to present a minor variance appeal of Mr. Jack Hadley of 40 Mountain Maple Drive, Maplewood Subdivision, Timberlea. Mr. Hadley's application was to request permission to permit the location of his existing storage shed one foot from the rear property line instead of the required four feet as established by the Land Use By-law. Mr. Hadley applied for this minor variance on November 26, 1990. The application was reviewed and a site visit was conducted on November 30, 1990. The site visit revealed that the shed was approximately 12 inches from the rear property line and 14 inches from the side property line. She stated that it was also determined that the request was not minor and, in addition, the difficulty experienced resulted from the intentional disregard for the requirements of the Land Use By-law. Therefore, the application was rejected by the Development Officer. She stated that she would like to point out that the existing shed was constructed without the mandatory development permit. She advised that staff became aware of the situation through a complaint and advised Mr. Hadley to submit the required permit applications.

Slides were shown of front, rear, side, of property indicating distances from property lines.

She advised that after receipt of Mr. Hadley's appeal, another site visit was conducted which revealed that Mr. Hadley had relocated the shed, now being one foot from the rear property line and four and one half feet from the side yard line. She advised since the rejection was repealed, the decision is up to Council.

Questions from Council

Councillor Deveaux asked if there were any complaints from any of the neighbors.

Ms. Roslyn Smith advised before the application was made, a complaint was received from one neighbor.

Speakers in Favor

Mr. Jack Hadley, property owner, was present to speak on this matter. He stated that he has moved his shed according to the complaints received 4.5 feet away from the side property line but had not moved it from the rear property line. He stated that this would create a situation where the shed would have to be turned. He advised that this would damage the shed.

Questions from Council

Councillor McInroy asked why the shed would have to be turned.

Mr. Jack Hadley advised that it would be easier to move it that way because it is setting on 4 inch slabs.

Councillor McInroy stated it looked to be a small shed.

Mr. Jack Hadley advised the shed was 8 x 8.

Councillor McInroy asked how heavy the shed would be.

Mr. Jack Hadley advised the shed was approximately 400 lbs.

Councillor Merrigan asked how high the fence was around his property.

Mr. Hadley advised the fence was six feet under regulations.

Speakers in Opposition

None.

Decision of Council.

Councillor Poirier stated that Mr. Hadley has tried to rectify the situation. She stated that it is not on a solid foundation so in the long run, if there were any major complaints, she felt they could be rectified if necessary.

It was moved by Councillor Poirier, seconded by Councillor Merrigan

"THAT the Minor Variance Appeal =MV-29-02-90 by Mr. Jack Hadley be approved."

Councillor McInroy stated that there was no reason why the shed could not be located 4 feet from the property line. He stated that it is clear that this can be complied with. Councillor McInroy stated that the by-law in this regard should be upheld. He stated that he did not support the motion.

Councillor Merrigan stated he realized a regulation was in place. He felt the shed should be right up against the fence. He stated

that the man cannot put the shed right in the middle of his property.

Councillor Poirier stated this is not a normal structure of a building, it is not on a foundation. She stated many people have these located in their backyards. She felt there should be more allowance in setting them up.

Councillor Morgan stated he agreed with Councillor Merrigan's statement and wished to support the minor variance.

It was moved by Councillor Sutherland, seconded by Councillor Smiley

"THAT a recorded vote be taken."
MOTION CARRIED.

<u>COUNCILLORS</u>	<u>FOR</u>	<u>AGAINST</u>
Councillor Meade	X	
Councillor Poirier	X	
Councillor Fralick	X	
Deputy Warden Ball		X
Councillor Deveaux	X	
Councillor Adams	X	
Councillor Bayers	X	
Councillor Smiley	X	
Councillor Reid	X	
Councillor Horne	X	
Councillor Merrigan	X	
Councillor Morgan	X	
Councillor Eisenhauer	X	
Councillor MacDonald	X	
Councillor Boutilier	X	
Councillor Sutherland		X
Councillor Richards	X	
Councillor McInroy		X
Councillor Cooper	X	

16 IN FAVOR.

3 AGAINST.

MOTION CARRIED.

ADDITION OF ITEMS TO THE FEBRUARY 19, 1991 COUNCIL AGENDA

There were no addition of items to the February 19, 1991 Council agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Councillor Adams that Council adjourn.

Time of Adjournment: 8:00 p.m.

COUNCIL SESSION

February 19, 1991

PRESENT WERE: Warden Lichter, Chairman
Councillor Meade
Councillor Poirier
Councillor Fralick
Deputy Warden Ball
Councillor Deveaux
Councillor Bates
Councillor Adams
Councillor Randall
Councillor Smiley
Councillor Reid
Councillor Horne
Councillor Morgan
Councillor Snow
Councillor Eisenhauer
Councillor MacDonald
Councillor Boutilier
Councillor Harvey
Councillor Sutherland
Councillor Richards
Councillor McInroy

ALSO PRESENT: G. J. Kelly, Municipal Clerk
K. R. Meech, Chief Administrative Officer
Alan Dickson, Solicitor

OPENING OF COUNCIL - THE LORD'S PRAYER

The meeting opened with the Lord's Prayer. Mr. Kelly called the roll.

APPOINTMENT OF RECORDING SECRETARY

It was moved by Councillor Sutherland, seconded by Councillor Snow

"THAT Christa Pettipas be appointed as Recording Secretary."
MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Councillor Harvey, seconded by Councillor Fralick

"THAT the January 15, 1991 meeting minutes be approved & circulated."
MOTION CARRIED.

LETTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE

1. Department of Lands and Forests Re Provincial Acquisition of Lands, Lawlor's Point, Cole Harbour

Mr. Kelly outlined the above mentioned letter.

It was moved by Councillor Bates, seconded by Councillor Richards

"THAT the letter be received."
MOTION CARRIED.

2. City Clerk's Department Re Resolution - Recycling of Bell Canada Telephone Books

Mr. Kelly outlined the above mentioned letter.

It was moved by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Meade

"THAT the letter be received."
MOTION CARRIED.

3. Department of Transportation and Communications Re Improvements to Shoulders of the Old Beaverbank Road, Sackville

Mr. Kelly outlined the above mentioned letter.

It was moved by Councillor Sutherland, seconded by Councillor MacDonald

"THAT the letter be received."
MOTION CARRIED.

4. Municipality of East Hants Re Cost of Police Protection - Class IV Communities

Mr. Kelly outlined the above mentioned letter.

Warden Lichter advised that this was an item on the agenda and would be discussed when the topic arose.

It was moved by Councillor Richards, seconded by Councillor Adams

"THAT the letter be received."
MOTION CARRIED.

5. Edmonds Landscape Service Re Solid Waste Management

Mr. Kelly outlined the above mentioned letter.

Warden Lichter advised that this was an item on the agenda as well for discussion.

It was moved by Councillor Horne, seconded by Councillor Meade

"THAT the letter be received."
MOTION CARRIED.

6. Allan Smith Re Incineration of Garbage

Mr. Kelly outlined the above mentioned letter.

It was moved by Councillor Deveaux, seconded by Councillor Snow

"THAT the letter be received."
MOTION CARRIED.

7. Ecology Action Centre - "It's Not Garbage" Coalition Re Opportunity Given Through Public Information Session held on January 30, 1991

Mr. Kelly outlined the above mentioned letter.

It was moved by Councillor Bates, seconded by Councillor Adams

"THAT the letter be received."
MOTION CARRIED.

SUPPLEMENTARY LETTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE

1. Edmonds Landscape Services Re Solid Waste Management through Recycling, Composting and Waste Reduction as Opposed to Incineration

Mr. Kelly outlined the above mentioned letter.

It was moved by Councillor Deveaux, seconded by Councillor Meade

"THAT the letter be received."
MOTION CARRIED.

2. Department of Housing Re Amalgamation of City of Dartmouth Housing Authority and Halifax County Regional Housing Authority to form the new Dartmouth/Halifax County Regional Housing Authority effective February 1, 1991

Mr. Kelly outlined the above mentioned letter. He advised the present members on the housing authority as County representatives have been appointed to the new Board for the duration of their current terms. He advised that the individuals names and the expiry date of their terms were included for information purposes.

It was moved by Councillor Boutilier, seconded by Councillor Sutherland

"THAT the letter be received."
MOTION CARRIED.

Councillor Boutilier asked if it would be appropriate for Halifax County to request that five members be appointed to the new Board after expiration of current terms.

Councillor Richards asked if there was any indication from the Minister of Housing of the amalgamation of Housing Authorities.

Warden Lichter responded that he was not aware of the change.

Councillor Richards stated that he was not impressed with the process.

Councillor MacDonald stated he had spoken with the Director of Housing in relation to this matter. He questioned if this change would mean better service for the Municipality.

It was moved by Councillor Boutilier, seconded by Councillor MacDonald

"THAT a letter be forwarded to the Department of Housing requesting clarification on the composition of the new Dartmouth/Halifax County Regional Housing Authority and that the five individuals who now serve on the Housing Authority as County representatives continue to serve on the new Board."

Councillor Morgan stated there were quite a number of individuals in Halifax County who were on eligibility lists with regard to housing. He asked what criteria would be used from now on. He stated if authorities were amalgamated, he would like clarification on how this would work. He stated that these concerns should be made known to the Department of Housing.

MOTION CARRIED.

3. Town of Clark's Harbour Re Supporting the Role of Canadian Government and Canadian Troops in Support of United Nations

Resolution to drive Saddam Hussein and Iraq out of Kuwait and to Restore Kuwait's Rightful Government

Mr. Kelly outlined the above mentioned letter.

It was moved by Councillor Deveaux, seconded by Councillor Horne

"THAT the letter be received."
MOTION CARRIED.

It was moved by Councillor Horne, seconded by Councillor Deveaux

"THAT Halifax County Municipality go on record as supporting the role of the Canadian Government and the Canadian Troops in the Persian Gulf in support of the United Nations Resolution to drive Saddam Hussein and Iraq out of Kuwait and to restore Kuwait's rightful government, and that this resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister, Federal Minister of Defense, Local M.P., Premier of Nova Scotia, and MLA of the area."
MOTION CARRIED.

4. Petition - Incineration

Mr. Kelly advised of a petition received with regard to incineration.

It was moved by Councillor MacDonald, seconded by Councillor Meade

"THAT this petition be received."
MOTION CARRIED.

1ST GIRLGUIDES - SACKVILLE

Warden Lichter welcomed the 1st Girl Guides of Sackville to the meeting.

Councillor MacDonald stated that the girlguides were present to earn their citizenship badges. He then presented each member with a County Pin.

Warden Lichter asked Council's permission to discuss Item 3 of the Supplementary Agenda regarding Solid Waste Management.

Council agreed.

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT- WARDEN LICHTER

Mr. Kelly read into the record the report provided by Warden Lichter with respect to Solid Waste Management.

The report prepared by Warden Lichter advised that as a result of receiving and viewing relevant documents with regard to this matter, viewing of video tapes on composting and on incineration, discussions with Mort Jackson and Gerry Isenor, and a visit to "Agripost" composting facility in Dade County, Florida, the following was concluded:

He advised in the report that he respected the decisions of the Town of Bedford and City of Dartmouth to favour incineration of 40% of waste. He advised in the report he understood their desire of balancing the need to protect the environment with the need to cut costs to property taxpayers. He understood the position Halifax County took recently in which their decision ruled out incineration for the time being and also ruled out the building of a central composting facility achieving the following:

1. Satisfying that segment of the public that see incineration as dangerous.
2. Removing the possibility of an unwanted facility locating in the City of Halifax: The incinerator.
3. Requiring a larger landfill, possibility assuring that the recipient of this most unwanted, although necessary facility, will be the Municipality of Halifax County.

He stated in the report that he also respected Council's desire to have incineration examined as a possible component. He advised there were no guarantees at the present time that incineration would not cause environmental problems nor were there any guarantees that costs would not escalate after start-up of an incinerator.

The possible impact of 5B of the Recommendations on the 1990 Budget as follows:

City of Halifax	\$2,082,332
City of Dartmouth	1,049,368
Town of Bedford	181,350
County of Halifax	1,243,476

Councillor Deveaux stated that he supported the recommendations outlined in the report. He stated that he did not know what the extra cost would be. He asked if it was sensible to purchase land for a landfill site.

Mr. Meech advised they were looking for a site that would be appropriate for fifteen (15) years.

Councillor Deveaux asked if there were any figures available that would indicate what Halifax County would save.

Warden Lichter stated that using 1990 as an example, Halifax County Municipality would save approximately \$1.2 million dollars.

It was moved by Councillor Deveaux, seconded by Councillor Morgan

"THAT recommendations as follows outlined in the report be approved:

1. Since Metropolitan Authority has called for proposals for building an incinerator, but to Council's knowledge has not called for similar proposals to build a central waste composting facility, that Council request that such proposals be called from any and all interested parties and that all proponents clearly demonstrate that their composting facilities will meet the more stringent Canadian environmental standards than the present U.S. Standards and in addition they clearly state the capital costs and annual operating costs of such facilities.

2. Once Metropolitan Authority has received proposals for incinerators and for central composting facilities these proposals be compared carefully and if one or the other (incinerator/central waste composting) can not demonstrate that it can meet the environmental standards that option be rejected.

Should both kinds of proposals meet environmental guidelines then the less expensive shall be accepted.

3. Metropolitan Authority proceed with the selection of the largest possible landfill required so that the present landfill would be closed on schedule in 1994 and that if a larger landfill is selected than would be required than the lifespan of such landfill would be expended.

4. That Metropolitan Authority assures that no untreated garbage is placed in the new landfill.

5. In addition to the compensation package to the "host communities", the "hosting municipality" be offered the following incentives:

- a. No tipping fees for either residential or commercial waste be charged on garbage originating within the boundaries of the "host municipality".
- b. The entire cost of operating the Solid Waste Management Division of the Metropolitan Authority be borne by the three "non-host" municipalities.

Councillor Bates asked if the second suggestion was asking that proposals be put on for central composting facilities. He stated it was his understanding that this was to be mixed.

Warden Lichter advised that composting was at present being used in North America. He stated that the standards in the country would be met. He advised that he did not really know the impact of this.

Councillor Bates stated that discussions with Mort Jackson indicated to him that Halifax County may not be able to meet the standards the Canadian Government has set down for mixed composting of organic wastes.

Warden Lichter stated that he discussed this issue with Mort Jackson as well. He felt Halifax County could meet Canadian Government standards.

Councillor Bates stated this led back to the option of incineration.

Warden Lichter replied that the composting plan would determine whether or not standards would be met.

Councillor Bates stated that Council should proceed with caution. He stated that Council would be diverting 5% of the total waste stream. He reiterated that this led back to incineration. He asked if Council was going to delay what they would end up with anyway - incineration.

Warden Lichter advised of a video he viewed with regard to incineration. He stated that the video showed that these plants were far from burning the "stuff". He stated this was the delimita.

Councillor Bates stated that in the final analysis, some governments do approve incinerators. He stated there was no question whether or not they met standards. He stated that there had to be a decision on the landfill site closing in 1994.

Councillor Morgan stated he had a question with regard to item 1. He asked whether or not Halifax City had an area they were offering

for composting.

Warden Lichter stated he did not think they were offering anything. He stated that the only waste management facility to his understanding was located in Bedford.

Councillor Morgan asked if the sites being considered were public information.

Warden Lichter stated that it has not been determined where sites would be located.

Councillor Morgan referred to #5 of the recommendations. He asked if there was some acceptance for incentives.

Councillor Boutilier felt Recommendation 5 would not be supported. He stated that he had some resignation with regard to supporting the motion. He asked which direction Council would take if the motion at present was endorsed by Council but rejected by Metropolitan Authority.

Councillor Boutilier asked if Warden Lichter was suggesting that Council endorse incineration. He expressed concern with regard to health problems as a result of this.

Warden Lichter responded that proposals he obtained for both incineration and composting to determine the respective costs before any decision is made.

Councillor Boutilier stated that proposals have been received by Metropolitan Authority for incineration. He stated that if Council does not have proper proposals, they should call for both with regard to incineration and composting. He stated that he could not see any incentives for the City of Halifax, City of Dartmouth, or Town of Bedford. He reiterated that he did not support the motion. He stated that a lot of people were unaware of the landfill site closing. He stated that he could not determine if incineration was good or bad. He stated that Council was unaware of the costs.

Deputy Warden Ball asked what the possibility would be to delay the February 26, 1991 meeting with Metropolitan Authority to hold public meetings. He stated that this would give Council the opportunity to advertise to the public. He stated that he did not know if it was possible to hold two or three meetings before February 26, 1991.

Warden Lichter suggested that this issue be deferred until the February 26, 1991 meeting. He stated that Metropolitan Authority would delay the meeting if Halifax County requested to hold public

meetings.

Deputy Warden Ball stated that one important thing here with respect to incineration was financial impact. He felt this information should be presented.

Warden Lichter stated regardless what direction Council proceeded, this matter would be extremely expensive.

Councillor Snow stated that he could concur with the report other than incineration. He stated that he had not read enough information as yet to make a decision.

Councillor MacDonald stated that he had no problem with the Metropolitan Authority looking at composting and bringing the results forth. He stated that if it can meet the standards of the Federal Government, so be it. He stated that he hoped the landfill site mentioned would not be placed in Halifax County.

Warden Lichter stated that at the present time, they did not know if incineration or a composting site would exist.

Councillor MacDonald suggested that Halifax County have one public meeting before February 26, 1991.

Councillor Eisenhauer stated that he had problems with the definition of a landfill site.

Councillor Harvey stated that the proposal before Council was very attractive. He stated that Item 1 was attractive politically. He stated that he was afraid this would delay things. He stated that Halifax County had one luxury and that was land as an asset. He stated that there may be no need to go with incineration as a small area was being dealt with. He stated that if the landfill site at present is to be replaced, some kind of landfill operation would be required.

Councillor Meade stated there was a 99% chance the site would be located in Halifax County. He asked what would happen if the recommendations being proposed were turned down at the February 26, 1991 meeting. He asked if the Metropolitan Authority would require Council's decision immediately.

Warden Lichter felt that they had an obligation to Halifax County taxpayers to protect them.

Councillor Meade expressed concern in reference to the listing. He stated that the one thing that was not listed was the cost of operating incineration on a yearly basis.