Dartmouth, N. S.

September 3/85.

Regularly called meeting of City Council held this date at 7:30 p.m.

Present - Mayor Brownlow

Ald. Romkey Sarto Beeler Peters Levandier Crawford Withers DeMont Greenwood Stubbs Hawley Greenough Hetherington Bregante City Solicitor, M. Moreash City Administrator, C. A. Moir Deputy City Clerk, G. D. Brady.

On motion of Ald. Sarto and Bregante, Council approved the minutes of meetings held on August 20th and August 27th.

Members of Council have received copies of a letter from the President of the company, Valley View Signs, with respect to the City's requirement for the use of CSA-approved signs.

Ald. Crawford asked why this item has come to Council in this way, and Mr. Moir explained that since copies of the letter went to the Aldermen, he felt it would be advisable to place the item on the agenda. Both Mr. Turner (Building Inspector) and the Solicitor have been asked to respond to the points raised in the letter. Mr. Turner has been working to clear up problems associated with non-compliance by this company with the CSA requirement, and as time permits, all of the signs sold will be checked out to make sure they are acceptable under the provisions of the City by-law. In cases where the signs do not comply, permits will not be issued for them.

Having received this explanation from Mr. Moir, Council received and filed the letter from Valley View Signs, dated Aug. 23/85, on motion of Ald. Crawford and Sarto.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. Crawford and Sarto that a letter from Valley View Signs, dated Aug. 23/85, be received and filed.

On motion of Ald. Bregante and Sarto, Council gave second approval for an over-expenditure in the

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SECOND APPROVAL: STREET PATCHING

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amount of \$40,000., as required for street patching in 1985. First approval was given at the Aug. 27th meeting of Council.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. Bregante and Sarto that Council give second approval for an over-expenditure in the amount of \$40,000., as required for street patching in 1985.

In accordance with a policy decision made some time ago by Council, to acquire lands within the Lake Major watershed as they become available for sale, Mr. Moir has submitted a report on a parcel of land owned by the Ernst family on Upper Governor Street (100 acres), which is available for the City to purchase at the total price of \$80,000. or \$800 per acre. Mr. Moir has recommended that Council authorize the purchase of this property at the settlement price of \$80,000. The property has been appraised by Pat King Appraisals and the indicated market value is \$800. per acre. Ald. Romkey and Sarto moved the adoption of the recommendation.

Ald. Crawford said he was under the impression that most of the land required in the Lake Major area had been acquired by the City, and he questioned the price being asked for land that is further away from Lake Major than some of the other holdings the City has already purchased. Mr. Moir explained that land designated within the black line on the plan circulated, is all included as being necessary to protect the watershed. If the City does not act to provide this kind of watershed protection, the only other alternative is to provide a purification plant for the water system, the cost of which would be considerably greater than the land acquisition costs.

Other members who spoke on the motion were generally in support of it, and Ald. Stubbs felt that if there is an urgency to protect the watershed lands, perhaps expropriation should be considered. Mr. Moir noted that the lands are being designated for protection by the Minister of the Environment, but prior to doing so, letters had to go out to all the land owners in the

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area, advising them to this effect.

Ald. Hetherington asked that in future, when reports come to Council with regard to watershed land acquisitions, they include cost figures for legal and survey fees and for appraisal costs.

The vote was taken on the motion and it carried.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Romkey and Sarto that Council authorize the purchase of the Ernst property, located in the Lake Major watershed, for the settlement price of \$80,000.,as recommended by Mr. Moir in his report of Aug. 27/85.

Council agreed to deal next with an item added to the agenda, a second report from Mr. Moir on land available for purchase in the Lake Major watershed area, owned by James Edward Slawter. The exact acreage of this land holding has yet to be determined, but the owner is prepared to sell his land to the City for \$800. per acre. Mr. Moir has recommended that Council approve the acquisition of this property, subject to a detailed survey indicating the exact acreage; the cost of the survey to be undertaken by the City.

This recommendation was adopted, on motion of Ald. Hawley and Greenough.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Hawley and Greenough that Council adopt Mr. Moir's recommendation on the acquisition of the Slawter property, in the Lake Major watershed, at the price of \$800. per acre.

A report from Mr. Moir was before Council on the property at 1 Church Street, which is now for sale at an asking price of \$300,000. Mr. Moir's recommendation is that the City not negotiate for this property, since there are no immediate plans for any development in that area.

Ald. Crawford and Levandier moved that Mr. Moir continue to negotiate for the purchase of 1 Church St. Both members felt that the property in question is an integral part of the downtown redevelopment program and therefore important in any land consolidation required to encourage and promote development. Other members tended to agree with this position, although they were

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not willing to support the purchase of the land at the present asking price of \$300,000. Ald. Peters suggested that a price in the range of \$150,000. would be more realistic and perhaps acceptable.

When the vote was taken on the motion, it carried with Ald. Sarto voting against.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Crawford and Levandier that Mr. Moir continue to negotiate for the purchase of the property l Church Street.

COMPUTER SYSTEM

A report from Mr. Moir was considered on the City's computer system, with the recommendation to Council that the City engage the services of DMR and Associates, computer specialists, to conduct a survey of our present equipment, and to make recommendations as to the direction in which we should be proceeding relative to future computer requirements and services.

Ald. Withers and Greenwood moved the adoption of the recommendation. Ald. Levandier said he was opposed to the motion and some members tended to agree with his opinion that consultants should have been engaged before we reached this point with the computer system, rather than 'after the fact'. Ald. Hetherington said he would like to see the survey completed by the end of this year, and Mr. Moir noted that the company will be asked to try to meet that goal.

The vote was taken on the motion and it carried.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Withers & Greenwood that Council adopt Mr. Moir's recommendation to engage the services of DMR & Associates, to conduct a survey of the City's present computer system.

LAND: 382 WINDMILL RD. Mr. Moir has reported to Council on City-owned land at 382 Windmill Road (Lot A-1) which the Non-Profit Housing Society wish to acquire as the location for some of the housing units they have received approval for in 1985. Mr. Moir has recommended that Lot A-1, comprised of 38,640 sq. ft., be sold to the Society for its current appraised value, somewhere in the area of \$56,000. to \$58,000. Ald. Hetherington and Bregante moved the adoption of the recommendation.

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> MOTION: Moved by Ald. Hetherington & Bregante that Council approve the sale of Lot A-1 at 382 Windmill Road, to the Non-Profit Housing Society, as recommended by Mr. Moir, for the current appraised value, somewhere in the area of \$56,000. to \$58,000.

VIDEO APPLICATION: 9 LAWRENCE ST. On motion of Ald. Crawford and Hetherington, Council indicated an objection to an application for a license to operate a retail video outlet at 9 Lawrence Street (Apt. 102), this location being not properly zoned for this purpose. The property at 9 Lawrence St. is presently zoned R-3 Zone.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. Crawford & Hetherington that Council indicate an objection to an application for a license to operate a retail video outlet at 9 Lawrence St., this property being zoned R-3 and therefore not properly zoned for this purpose.

VIDEO APPLICATION: 23 BRULE ST.

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NO SMOKING BY-LAW: C-557

Council for third reading, first and second readings having been given at the Council meeting of August 27th.

By-law C-557 (No Smoking By-law) was before

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The motion was opposed by Ald. Levandier, Hetherington and Greenwood, who considered the by-law to be an infringement on individual rights, plus an enforcement problem for the City. Members in favour felt that the by-law will serve as a deterrent without being unduly restrictive, especially since the mandatory requirement for separate non-smoking areas has not been included. Ald. Stubbs noted that many of the locations covered in the by-law do not permit smoking already, such as retail outlets, buses, etc.

When the vote was taken on third reading, it carried with Ald. Peters, Levandier, Hetherington and Greenwood voting against.

MOTION: Third reading given to By-law C-557, the Non-Smoking By-law.

By-law C-555 has been prepared, amending the Pension By-law to include Library employees and School Board employees other than teachers. These amendments have been requested by the Pension Committee, and Mr. Moreash has recommended in his accompanying report to Council that the by-law be given three readings.

It was moved by Ald. Greenough and Hetherington and carried that leave be given to introduce the said By-law C-555 and that it now be read a first time.

It was moved by Ald. Withers and Sarto that By-law C-555 be read a second time. Motion carried.

Unanimous consent was given by Council for third reading of the by-law.

It was moved by Ald. Greenough and Sarto and carried that By-law C-555 be read a third time and that the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign and seal the said by-law on behalf of the City.

MOTIONS: Three readings given to By-law C-555, to amend the Pension By-law.

A report has been submitted to Council by Mr. Lukan on the proposed establishment of a new I-4 (Metal Salvage) Zone, as requested by the Industrial Commission. The report recommends that staff be instructed to hold

BY-LAW C-555: PENSION BY-LAW AMENDMENTS

METAL SALVAGE ZONE

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an information meeting and secondly, that October 15th be set as the date for public hearing of:

a) the required M.P.S. amendment b) the Land Use By-law amendment

Ald. Sarto and Greenwood moved the adoption of the Planning Dept. recommendation. Ald. Stubbs asked that a second look be taken at the minimum lot size requirement of 5,000 sq. ft., which she suggested is rather small and could result in problems later. Mr. Lukan made a note of her request. The motion carried.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. Sarto and Greenwood that Council adopt the Planning Dept. recommendation with respect to the proposed establishment of an I-4 Zone (Metal Salvage Zone).

The following notices of motion were given for the next regular Council meeting:

1) Ald. Hetherington:

WHEREAS Alpine Drive is under construction for sewer pipes and also for repaving this year; BE IT SO RESOLVED that the twenty property owners on Alpine Drive have the \$130. street opening permit fee for sewer laterals, waived.

- 2) Ald. Levandier:
 - (a) WHEREAS the new senior citizens' building will be occupied in the new year;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that money be included in the 1986 capital budget for the placement of overhead crosswalk lights in appropriate locations, to facilitate the residents of the new building.

(b) WHEREAS North Street, Edward Street and Church Street paved and concrete surfaces have been allowed to deteriorate over the past several years;

AND WHEREAS it appears these streets have been overlooked;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that staff be authorized to give a cost estimate on the reconstruction of these streets;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that monies be placed in the 1986 capital budget for this work.

3) Ald. Crawford:

That lines of communication be opened with with senior levels of government, for an immediate, forthright discussion with respect to an early solution to the MicMac Rotary, either by an overpass or some other intelligent solution that can be implemented to move the traffic and ease the congested traffic situation which is being compounded daily at the Rotary entrances, and it does not appear that this congestion will be relieved for some time to come.

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REQUEST: CLOSURE OF LOUISE COURT

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Council agreed to add an item dealing with a request from the Dartmouth Senior Citizens Service Centre, for permission to close Louise Court on Sat., Sept. 14th (and on the alternate dates of Sept. 20 & 21, if required) to accommodate a fundraising barbeque planned for the hours of 7:30 p.m. to midnight on that date.

Council approved this request, on motion of Ald. Crawford and Stubbs.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Crawford and Stubbs that Council approve a request from the Dart. Senior Citizens Service Centre, for permission to close Louise Court on Sat., Sept. 14th (or Sept. 20 & 21 as alternate dates) to accommodate a fundraising barbeque between the hours of 7:30 p.m. and midnight.

Ald. Hetherington's inquiries concerned 51 Esson Road, where nothing has been done about water coming off the ballfield, and enforcement required for the No Parking signs at the top of Renfrew Street.

Ald. Levandier asked to have attention given to the sidewalk in need of improvement in front of the properties at 67 and 71 Wentworth Street.

Ald. Bregante asked to have the dog patrol in the Belmont/Carleton Street area. He also asked if Hershey Road has been included in the spot paving program. Mr. Fougere said if there are potholes on that street, it is included.

Ald. Romkey asked if a walkway was planned between Collins Grove and Hillsburn Court. Mr. Fougere said that one is included in the development agreement. He will check to see what progress has been made in determining the status of the walkway.

Ald. Romkey asked what can be done about the Collins Grove properties where the curbs project into driveways. Mr. Fougere said the City can arrange to have the driveways lined up with the curbs in these cases.

Ald. Romkey asked that the T.M.G. look at the need for a crosswalk sign over the street at the Mount Edward Road/Spring Ave. intersection.

INQUIRIES: ALD. HETHERINGTON

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Ald. Romkey's final inquiry pertained to the MicMac Rotary and where the City stands with the Province at this point, as far as improvements to the Rotary are concerned. The Mayor noted that he has sent a letter to the Minister of Transportation, requesting a briefing from their staff. He referred to the priorities set by Council with respect to the Rotary, and pointed out that improvements to it are designated as a priority item in the Provincial Transportation Study. He agreed to try to obtain some kind of verbal commitment that Council will be given a briefing by department staff on the Rotary.

Ald. Withers' first inquiry was about the large pile of earth at 275 Windmill Road, where a boy was recently hurt. The Mayor asked to have this inquiry left with staff for a report.

Ald. Withers asked about the report requested on Lakeview Ave. Mr. Fougere noted that when the report was requested in June, it was to be within a sixty-day time period.

Ald. Withers also referred to a request he made at the August meeting about crosswalk painting on Albro Lake Roade at Ernest Ave.; he asked to have staff reminded of this request.

Ald. Greenough asked if anything can be done to get the contractor back on the sidewalk project on the section of Caledonia Road Extension from Dumbarton Ave. outbound. Mr. Purdy agreed to contact the company.

Ald. Greenough's second question was about the closure of Maple Drive and why it was required. Mr. Purdy explained that a water line is being installed in the middle of the Maple Drive/Braemar Drive intersection and it was felt that the closure of Maple Dr. to through traffic would be required.

Ald. Greenough had another inquiry pertaining to the Braemar Drive project, and provision for driveway access for some residents on Braemar Drive so they are able to get their cars off the street. Mr. Purdy said

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that efforts will be made to accommodate residents under these circumstances.

Ald. Stubbs asked if the City had any investments with either of the two banks that recently went out of business in Alberta. Mr. Fougere said there was some money invested with one of them, but it appears that we will be able to get it back. Ald. Stubbs requested a further report, and the Mayor noted that Council is expecting to receive a list of the banks and trust companies with whom City funds are invested.

Ald. Crawford was concerned that there has been no progress with the installation of the sound system in the Council Chamber; he suggested that staff have been 'stone-walling' on this matter. Mr. Fougere noted that the report which came to Council indicated that it would be 12 weeks before the new system could be delivered and the delivery date is still about a month away. He said there has been no attempt on the part of any staff members to delay this project.

Ald. Crawford was also concerned about the delay in completion of the traffic study for the City, and asked if there is any further information on it. Mr. Lukan said it was his understanding that it would be ready sometime in September.

Ald. Crawford requested a copy for members of Council, of a report on the recent boat accident which occurred in the area of Braemar Drive where the lake had been lowered to facilitate street construction.

Ald. Crawford asked if the proposal to create a parkade in the Wentworth Street area, could be brought forward and pursued further now, in view of the on -street parking that is taking place all through this section of the City.

Ald. Crawford's final inquiry concerned the condition of the walls and hallways in the City Hall building, which have deteriorated and look very bad in their present state; he asked if something is going to be done to improve these conditions.

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DELEGATES: N.S. MUNICIPALITIES CONFERENCE

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The Mayor brought to Council's attention the upcoming Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities Conference, which begins on Sept. 11th, noting that Dartmouth is entitled to five voting delegates to the conference. The delegates selected were: Mayor Brownlow, Ald. Greenwood, Bregante, Levandier and Withers. The last three names were chosen following a vote by secret ballot, Ald. Crawford being the other name placed in nomination. The Mayor asked that members wishing to attend, notify his office.

Meeting adjourned.

Brady, Deputy City Clerk.

City Council, Sept. 3/85

ITEMS:

- 1) Letter: Valley View Signs, page 1. 2) Second approval: Street patching, page 1. 3) Land: Lake Major (Ernst), page 2. 4) Land: Lake Major (Slawter), page 3. 5) Land: 1 Church St., page 3. 6) Computer system, page 4. 7) Land: 382 Windmill Rd., page 4. 8) Video applications: 9 Lawrence St., page 5. 23 Brule St., page 5. 95 Caledonia Rd., page 5. 9) No Smoking By-law: C-557, page 5 & 6. 10) By-law C-555: Pension By-law amendments, page 6. 11) Metal Salvage Zone, page 6. 12) Notices of motion: Ald. Hetherington, page 7. Levandier, page 7. Crawford, page 7. 13) Request: Closure of Louise Court, page 8. 14) Inquiries: page 8 to 10 incl.
- 15) Delegates: N. S. Municipalities conference, pg. 11.

Dartmouth, N. S.

Regularly called meeting of City Council held this date at 7:30 p.m.

Present - Mayor Brownlow

Ald. Sarto Beeler Crawford Levandier DeMont Withers Stubbs Greenwood Hawley Greenough Bregante Hetherington City Solicitor, S. Hood Acting City Administrator, B. Smith.

PETITION: STREET IMPROVEMENTS CLEVELAND CRES.

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Council agreed to first add to the agenda, a petition from Cleveland Crescent residents, seeking to have the original dry rock wall replaced along the front of Dr. Forsyth's property, rather than having it replaced with a gabion wall. This wall replacement is required in conjunction with the street construction project in progress on Cleveland Crescent.

Ald. Levandier and Withers moved approval of the request from the residents. Council then heard Mr. Allan Robertson on behalf of the residents, and he explained why Dr. Forsyth, whose property is involved, has not signed the petition. Dr. Forsyth felt it would be improper for him to sign since it is his property that would benefit directly from the request. He does feel, however, that the dry rock wall would be more consistent with the character of the neighborhood and would be in keeping with the wishes of the other residents on the street.

Ald. Hawley was concerned that a precedent will be set in this instance if the regular policy of providing gabion walls is not adhered to. He also questioned the additional cost of a dry rock wall, and was advised by Mr. Fougere that the cost will be about double. Ald. Hawley also questioned the double standard of providing one type of wall in some sections of the City, and a more expensive type in others. Ald. Levandier said a street like Cleveland Crescent is unique in its character and should be retained as such, even if there is some additional cost involved.

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Ald. Levandier was concerned about the delay in completing this contract, pointing out that residents have been inconvenienced for a considerable period of time already by the construction. He asked that a letter be forwarded to Municipal Contracting, requesting that they expedite the project.

In general, Council felt that the request from the residents is warranted in this instance, and Ald. Greenough suggested that similar requests, under other circumstances, will have to be judged on their own merits also. The vote was taken on the motion and it carried.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. Levandier and Withers that Council approve the request from Cleveland Crescent residents, to have a dry rock wall constructed in front of Dr. Forsyth's property, rather than a gabion wall.

(Ald. Withers left the meeting at this point in the agenda.)

The Mayor expressed concern about the criticism of staff being reported in the press in connection with the City's investment policies. He went on to clarify the position taken by Council with respect to investment procedures, noting that staff have adhered to the decision of Council by investing only with banks and trust companies, as directed. As far as the Northland Bank is concerned, it is still open for business and if they are not successful in the sale of the bank, the Federal Government will intervene and depositors will get their money back from the bank.

He then proceeded to clarify the actual amount of the City's surplus at the present time, in view of the various figures being quoted in press releases. The actual surplus stands at 4.3 million dollars and other funds being referred to are in reserve accounts and comprised of consolidated operating accounts that do not constitute an actual surplus. Money received in the form of tax payment is also available for investment under our present twice-yearly billing arrangement.

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Mr. Smith also provided additional information on the total funds available for investment at this point in the year. Ald. Stubbs raised a number of questions about the qualifications of investment personnel and Mr. Smith responded to these questions. She was also critical of the auditing firm that prepares the City's financial statements. She said it is time a consultant was called in to give the City some advice on money matters. Ald. Greenough did not agree with the point of view expressed by Ald. Stubbs, suggesting that the financial management of the City has taken us from a point of being in deficit positions to the present situation, where we have the benefit of surplus funds and can use these to our advantage in keeping the tax rate at a reasonable level.

Ald. Crawford was also upset about figures being quoted in the press, noting that the surplus position of the City made it possible to assist the School Board with an additional allocation of \$500,000. this year as a result. He felt this point should not be overlooked.

The Mayor provided Council with information on another item, namely, the reported relocation of the regional MOT offices from Dartmouth to Moncton. He has made several contacts about this matter and has been given assurance that to date, no such decision has been made. The Mayor will be informed of any change in the status of this matter and will be writing to the Minister in charge to indicate the concerns of the City.

A report from Mr. Moir was considered on the subject of a proposed walkway through the City park area between Montebello Estates and the Ian Forsyth School; such a walkway would shorten the distance substantially for children attending the school.

Mr. Moir's recommendation is that Council authorize the construction of this walkway and the fencing for it, at an estimated cost of \$13,800.60, and further, that the Engineering Dept. make application

WALKWAY: IAN FORSYTH SCHOOL

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under a 'Make Work Program' to clear additional brush in the area shown on the plan which accompanies the report.

Council approved this recommendation, on motion of Ald. Sarto and Greenough.

<u>MOTION</u>: Moved by Ald. Sarto and Greenough that Council approve Mr. Moir's recommendations contained in a report on the proposed walkway through the City park area located between Montebello Estates and the Ian Forsyth School.

Tenders have been received as follows for Contract 85-24 (Waverley Road storm drainage):

> L. J. Casavechia Contracting Ltd. \$86,800.00 Harbour Construction Co. Ltd. 89,595.00 Gael General Contractors & Developers 104,515.00 Woodlawn Construction Co. Ltd. 105,830.00 Sun Construction Co. Ltd. 115,460.00 Seaport Contractors Ltd. 169,410.00

It has been recommended that the low bid from L. J. Casavechia Contracting Ltd. be accepted, and the tender was awarded by Council, as recommended, on motion of Ald. Greenough and Sarto.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. Greenough and Sarto that the low bid, received from L. J. Casavechia Contracting Ltd., be accepted for Contract 85-24, as recommended.

On motion of Ald. Sarto and Crawford, Council received and filed a report from Mr. Fougere on Lakeview Ave., prepared at the request of Ald. Withers at the July 16th Council meeting. The report indicates that this street will be included in the list of streets for reconstruction, to be presented to Council for consideration in the 1986 Capital Budget estimates.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. Sarto and Crawford that Council receive and file a report from Mr. Fougere on Lakeview Ave., dated Sept. 5/85.

PROPOSED NEW MPS SUB-COMMITTEES

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REPORT:

LAKEVIEW AVE.

Council has been asked to approve proposed lists of members to serve on MPS Sub-Committees, as outlined in Mr. Lukan's report to Council, dated Sept. 3/85. The composition of these Sub-Committees was approved by Council, on motion of Ald. Levandier and Hetherington.

AWARD TENDER: CONTRACT 85-24

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MPS BACKGROUND PAPER: INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITY

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Copies of the MPS background paper on Industrial Activity in Dartmouth have been circulated to members of Council for information and any input they may wish to have. The Mayor noted that the Metropolitan Authority would like to obtain copies of the paper and Mr. Lukan agreed to make them available.

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Ald. Levandier was concerned about those sections of the paper which refer to the idea of revenue-sharing from industrial development, suggesting that Dartmouth would stand to lose from any such regional approach, in view of the successful industrial park we have been able to establish and the taxation revenue being derived from it. Ald. Crawford indicated his concern about this point as well, and referred to a resolution in this connection that will be placed on the floor at the upcoming Union of N. S. Municipalities conference. He urged members of Council, especially those delegates representing the City, to oppose the resolution, as it was opposed by the Dartmouth representatives when it was introduced at the regional meeting held to prepare resolutions. He felt that Dartmouth has to be parochial where this subject is concerned.

Ald. Crawford and Stubbs moved that the paper be received and filed for information. Ald. Hawley at first suggested that Council should have a full explanation of the points contained in the paper, but later agreed to meet with Mr. Steve Smith of the Planning Dept., who prepared the report, and discuss it with him. Ald. Hetherington and Beeler encouraged members of Council to attend the MPS Review Committee meetings, which are open to the public. Ald. Hetherington suggested that notices of these meetings be posted in the Aldermen's room and in the lobby at City Hall, as a means of promoting them further. The motion carried.

> <u>MOTION</u>: Moved by Ald. Crawford and Stubbs that the MPS background paper 'Industrial Activity in Dartmouth', be received and filed for information.

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At the request of Ald. Greenwood, Council agreed to add an item dealing with the need for a crosswalk guard on Windmill Road at the street leading in to Shannon Park School (Nootka Ave.). An over-expenditure in the amount of \$1,500. would be required to provide a guard at this location for the rest of 1985, and Ald. Greenwood moved that first approval be given for this amount. The motion was seconded by Ald. Greenough and it carried.

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Moved by Ald. Greenwood & Greenough that first approval be given for an over-expenditure in the amount of \$1,500., to provide a crosswalk guard on Windmill Road at Nootka Ave.

Ald. Hetherington asked to have crosswalk lines painted in at Southdale School and on the highway in front of Woolco where there are no traffic lines at all at present.

On motion of Ald. Greenwood and Crawford, Council adjourned to meet in Committee.

Bruce Smith, Acting City Administrator.

City Council, Sept. 10/85

ITEMS:

- 1) Petition: Street improvements, Cleveland Cres., pg. 1
- 2) Walkway: Ian Forsyth School, page 3.
- 3) Award tender: Contract 85-24, page 4.
- 4) Report: Lakeview Ave., page 4.
- 5) Proposed new MPS sub-committees, page 4.
- 6) MPS Background Paper: Industrial Activity, page 5.

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Dartmouth, N. S.

September 17/85.

Regularly called meeting of City Council

held this date at 7:30 p.m.

Present - Deputy Mayor Sarto

Ald. Romkey Levandier Peters Beeler DeMont Withers Hawley Greenough Bregante Hetherington Greenwood City Solicitor, M. Moreash Acting City Administrator, B. Smith.

Three items were added to the agenda, as follows:

1) Tender: Contract 85536E

2) Tender: Demolition of buildings, 113 Lakecrest Drive.

3) Sewer: Waverley Road.

Council agreed to deal first with a letter received from the Dartmouth Forest Hills Residents Association (Phase 5 & 6), concerning problems with cats and dogs in that area of the City. On motion of Ald. Hetherington and Hawley, the letter was referred to Dr. Sinanan for a report back to the next meeting of Council. Dr. Sinanan was present when this item was before Council and commented briefly on the difficulty in dealing with cat problems.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Hetherington & Hawley that a letter from the Dartmouth Forest Hills Residents Assn., re problems with dogs and cats, be referred to Dr. Sinanan for a report to the next meeting of Council.

Monthly reports recommended from Committee, were

approved as follows:

- 1) <u>Social Services</u> (Aug.): approved on motion of Ald. Levandier and Hawley.
- 2) <u>Development Officer</u> (Aug.): approved on motion of Ald. Romkey and Hetherington.

Ald. Levandier asked for information on the status of the report Mr. Mettam is working on with respect to development in the downtown core of the City. Mr. L'Esperance agreed to check on the inquiry.

Ald. Levandier asked to be provided with any reports that have been prepared on the subject of amalgamation and straightening of City boundaries.

Ald. Withers asked about the subdivision applications pertaining to the parcels of land required for sidewalk installation on Woodland Ave. Mr. L'Esperance explained the procedures required in this connection.

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Ald. Withers said he had hoped to see the contract awarded and work started on this project by now.

- 3) <u>Building Inspector</u> (Aug.): approved on motion of Ald. Hetherington and Bregante.
- 4) <u>Minimum Standards</u> (Aug.): approved on motion of Ald. Bregante and Levandier.
- 5) <u>Fire Chief</u> (Aug.): approved on motion of Ald. Greenough and Withers.

Ald. Hetherington commented on sections of the report submitted by the Fire Chief, dated Sept. 12/85 and prepared in response to a request for information on false alarms. He questioned some of the points contained in the report, and wanted to know why the new alarm system has not cut down on the number of false alarms as expected. He said he would like to have some additional information on this aspect and what false alarms are costing the City.

6) <u>Dog Control</u> (July): approved on motion of Ald. Hetherington and Hawley.

Ald. Greenough brought to the attention of Council, a recent incident in the Locks Road area where a woman was bitten by cross and vicious dogs. One of the dogs is no longer in the neighborhood, but the other is still there and continues to be a threat to children who are walking back and forth on their way to school.

Dr. Sinanan said he was familiar with the incident, and went on to explain the difficulty his people have in apprehending an animal in this kind of situation. They have patrolled the area for hours at a time, in an effort to catch the dog running at large, but they are unable to take it out of the house or to enter the house for such a purpose. Members were concerned that the patrol officer does not have the power to take the dog away and have it destroyed, when it has already bitten someone.

Mr. Moreash explained the legal implications involved, pointing out that amendments to the Dog By-law are being drafted to try and overcome the present problem of being unable to seize dogs that are dangerous and vicious.

Both Ald. Hetherington and Bregante wanted to have the Dog By-law strengthened as quickly as possible, and were concerned that Council seems to be unable to act in situations where irresponsible owners allow their dogs to attack people. Ald. Levandier was in favour of taking action immediately to deal with the Lock Road situation, and moved that a court order be sought by the City Solicitor, to permit the dog patrol officer to take the dog away and have it destroyed. The motion was seconded by Ald. Greenough.

Several times during this discussion, the Solicitor advised Council that the matter should be dealt with further in camera, and Ald. Hawley and Withers moved in amendment that Council go in camera for the item. The amendment carried with Ald. Levandier voting against.

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- 7) Tourism Director (Tourist Bureau registrations for August/85 and to date): approved on motion of Ald. Bregante and Hawley.
- 8) Summary, Revenue & Expenditures to Sept. 4/85: received and filed on motion of Ald. Hetherington and Greenwood.

MOTIONS: To approve monthly reports, as detailed above and on pages 1 & 2 of these minutes.

On motion of Ald. Greenwood & Hetherington,

in the amount of \$1,500. for a crosswalk guard (for the

rest of 1985) on Windmill Road, at the entrance to

Shannon Park School.

MOTION:

SECOND APPROVAL: CROSSWALK GUARD WINDMILL ROAD Council gave second approval for an over-expenditure

FIRST APPROVAL: CROSSWALK GUARD MOUNTAIN AVE.

that Council give second approval for an over-expenditure in the amount of \$1,500. for a crosswalk guard on Windmill Road. At the request of Ald. Hawley and on his motion, seconded by Ald. Greenough, Council gave first approval

Moved by Ald. Greenwood & Hetherington

for another over-expenditure in the amount of \$1,500. for a crosswalk guard on Mountain Ave., at the point where the stairs come down from Helene Ave. and children cross to go down Valleyford Road to school.

> Moved by Ald. Hawley & Greenough MOTION: that Council give first approval for an over-expenditure in the amount of \$1,500. for a crosswalk guard on Mountain Ave., at the point where the stairs come down from Helene Ave.

With Council's concurrence, Ald. Bregante asked to have an item referred to the T.M.G. for report back to the first October meeting of Council. The item involves a request for a flashing amber light that pedestrians can control with a button, where the overhead crosswalk is located on Pleasant Street at Crawford.

Ald. Romkey also referred to the T.M.G., for report back as soon as possible, a request for a sequence in the traffic lights on Portland Street (at Portland Estates) that will allow children and other pedestrians to get safely across the street.

On motion of Ald. Hetherington and Withers, Council indicated no objection to an application for a retail video outlet at 12 Jackson Road (Jackson Grocery).

EO OUTLET: 12 JACKSON RD.

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SEASE: SEACOAST TOWERS

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Hetherington and Withers that Council indicate no objection to an application for a video outlet at 12 Jackson Road (Jackson Grocery).

Council was asked to approve a lease with Seacoast Towers for 600 sq. ft. of space to be used as a storefront location in the downtown area, required in connection with the M.P.S. Public Participation Program. This space will be leased for \$700. per month and funds have been provided in the 1985 operating budget for the expenditure. Mr. Lukan and the Acting City Administrator have recommended approval.

Council approved the lease of space in the Seacoast Towers building, as recommended, on motion of Ald. Withers and Romkey.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. Withers and Romkey that Council approve the lease of space in the Seacoast Towers building, as recommended, for use as a storefront location downtown, required in connection with the M.P.S. Public Participation Program.

The following tenders have been received for Contract 85536E (Burnside Business Park: Roads):

Municipal Contracting Ltd.	\$463,130.
Steed & Evans Ltd.	526,285.
Standard Paving Maritimes Ltd.	543,520.

Acceptance of the low bid, submitted by Municipal Contracting Ltd., has been recommended and Council awarded the tender to the low bidder, on motion of Ald. Greenough and Romkey.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. Greenough and Romkey that the tender for Contract 85536E be awarded to the low bidder, Municipal Contracting Ltd., as recommended.

AWARD TENDER: T DEMOLITION OF BUILDINGS the dem 113 LAKECREST DR.

Tenders have been received, as follows, for the demolition of buildings at 113 Lakecrest Drive:

Mills Heavy Hauling Ltd.	\$1100.
H.S. Walker Construction Ltd.	1250.
Fred M. Dunphy Excavating & Con-	
struction Ltd.	1800.

Acceptance of the low bid, received from Mills Heavy Hauling Ltd., has been recommended to Council, and the tender was awarded, as recommended, on motion of Ald. Hetherington and Hawley.

AWARD TENDER: CONTRACT 85536E

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RESOLUTION 85-58: SEWER, WAVERLEY RD.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Hetherington & Hawley that the tender for demolition of buildings at 113 Lakecrest Drive, be awarded to the low bidder, Mills Heavy Hauling Ltd.

On motion of Ald. Greenough and Hawley, Council approved Resolution 85-58, which provides for connection with the sewer at 707 Waverley Road, this work to be done by the City and charged as a lien against the property. Approval of the resolution has been recommended by the City Solicitor in her accompanying report to Council, dated Sept. 13/85.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. Greenough and Hawley that Council approve Resolution 85-58, providing for connection with the sewer at 707 Waverley Road, this work to be done by the City and charged as a lien against the property.

Ald. Hawley asked Council to consider some arrangement for security guards (or guard) to be placed on duty in the section of Caledonia Road where sidewalks are being installed and children are having to walk out in the street while construction is taking place. He referred to the large number of children who have to walk on Caledonia Road to get back and forth to school, and stressed that something must be done to give them some protection until the project is finished, estimated to take about two more days.

Ald. Romkey felt that the contractor should bear the responsibility for protection and not the City. Ald. Hawley said he will be meeting on site with the City Engineer on Sept. 18th, and he moved that Council give authorization at this time for an over-expenditure to cover the cost of a security guard (or guards), if in the opinion of the City Engineer, one is required and if the contractor is unwilling to accept responsibility for this cost. The motion was seconded by Ald. Greenough and it carried.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. Hawley & Greenough that Council give authorization at this time for an over-expenditure to cover the cost of a security guard (or guards), if in the opinion of the City Engineer, one is required, and if the contractor is unwilling to accept responsibility for the cost.

CALEDONIA RD. PROJECT

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Ald. Hetherington referred to a section of Rodney Road that has been torn up for a long time by the contractor, Municipal Contracting, and he asked if there is any way the City can act to have this contractor complete the projects throughout the City that have been started by the company and then left unfinished. He discussed this point with the Solicitor and suggested that someone from the Engineering Dept. should make it clear to the company that they will not be awarded other tenders until Eney complete projects already underway in Dartmouth.

On motion of Ald. Hetherington and Hawley, Council adjourned to meet in camera.

> Bruce Smith, Acting City Administrator.

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ITEMS:

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- 1) Letter: cat & dog nuisance, page 1.
- 2) Monthly reports, page 1 to 3 incl.
- 3) Second approval: crosswalk guard, Windmill Rd, pg. 3.
- 4) First approval: ", Mountain Ave., pg. 3.
- 5) Video outlet: 12 Jackson Rd., page 3.
- 6) Lease: Seacoast Towers, page 4.
- 7) Award tender: Contract 85536E, page 4.
- 8) Award tender: Demolition of bldgs., 113 Lakecrest
- Drive, page 4.
- 9) Resolution 85-58: Sewer, Waverley Rd., page 5.
- 10) Caledonia Rd. project, page 5.