

LOCATION: CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: MAYOR J. SAVAGE
ALDERMEN SARTO, THOMPSON
BILLARD, MACFARLANE
CONNORS, LEVANDIER
PYE, WOODS, HAWLEY
GREENOUGH, BREGANTE
HETHERINGTON, WITHERS
MCCLUSKEY

CITY ADMINISTRATOR: J. BURKE
CITY SOLICITOR: M. MOREASH
DEPUTY CITY CLERK: G.D. BRADY
DEPARTMENT HEADS & ASSISTANTS

INVOCATION

The meeting opened with the Invocation

WELCOME - GIRL GUIDES

The Mayor welcomed to the meeting, Girl Guides from the First Dartmouth (Christ Church) and Fifth Dartmouth (St. Peter's) Guide troops, with their leaders.

VIDEO PRESENTATION - ECOLYTE

A video presentation followed, showing a recently-developed disposable plastic, called 'ecolyte'. Products made of this new material are able to be broken down over a period of time, through exposure to the elements, and the benefits of this feature, in terms of garbage disposal, were explained in the presentation.

RECOGNITION - DARTMOUTH STRING ENSEMBLE

The Mayor acknowledged the accomplishment of the Dartmouth string ensemble, a group of young musicians who have just won a gold award for their performance at the Anglo-International Music Festival in England. They will be arriving from London on the evening of April 6th, and the Mayor asked that any members of Council able to do so, welcome them home at the Halifax International Airport. A telegram of congratulation was previously sent to them through the Acting Supt. of Schools.

POINT OF PRIVILEGE

Ald. McCluskey rose on a point of privilege, to bring to Council's attention, the problems of vandalism and harassment that are of concern to residents of Cairn Street. She requested that the entrance to the park abutting Cairn Street, be closed, and that a Police Dept. report on the situation, with suggested solutions, be submitted through Mr. Burke's office. Her request was duly noted.

1.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: To approve the minutes of meetings held on March 1, 8, 22 and 29th.

Moved: Ald. Hetherington
Second: Ald. McCluskey
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

2.0 BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES

With reference to the March 8th minutes and Council action in revoking the Taxi Drivers License of Charles Diggs, Ald. Connors advised that Mr. Diggs has been found not guilty of the dangerous driving charge, which formed the basis for revocation of his license. Mr. Diggs now intends to challenge Council's decision, and notice of intended action has been served on the City; the court application is presently scheduled for June 2/88.

DECLARATION OF BIAS

At this point, members of the Taxi Commission declared a bias on this item and withdrew from their places on Council. The following Aldermen withdrew: Ald. Hetherington, McCluskey, Sarto, Pye and Greenough.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Ald. Bregante also withdrew from his place on Council and declared a conflict of interest, being the manager of a taxi company in the City.

Ald. Connors asked the Solicitor whether or not it is within the power of Council to reconsider the decision of March 8th. Mr. Moreash was not able to give Council a legal opinion on the question at this time, but suggested the matter be discussed in camera, due to the litigation aspect.

Ald. Connors asked to have this in camera item included with next week's Council agenda, at which time an opinion can be received from the Solicitor for consideration.

All members returned to their places and the meeting continued.

With reference to the March 29th minutes and the proposed Water Utility study, Ald. Greenough asked if Council is to be informed of the cost of any study before it is undertaken. Mr. Burke said that Council will be informed.

3.0 PETITION

3.1 SKATEBOARDS

PETITION:
SKATEBOARDS

A petition bearing about 340 names was before Council, having been received from people who support the concept of a City-sponsored skateboard park. Provincial legislation is in the process of being enacted to prohibit skateboarding on streets.

Speakers on behalf of the petition were Andy Sawler and Mark Delamere. Mr. Sawler pointed out that the City already provides facilities for other sports, such as soccer, baseball and hockey. He felt that skateboarding is a sport that deserves the same consideration. It would be a safer sport in a park, and removed from City streets.

Ald. Hetherington presented a second petition, with 200 signatures, also requesting a safe and proper place for skateboarding. He and other members of Council indicated their support for the petitions.

Mr. Atkinson was asked to comment, and he advised Council that a report is being prepared by his department, suggesting a number of options for skateboarding. The report can be ready for next week's Council meeting.

Members were willing to have the report from the Parks & Recreation Dept. included in the April 12th agenda for consideration. Ald. Hawley asked if the report includes a reference to BMX bicycles, as he had previously requested. Mr. Atkinson said it does.

MOTION: To receive the petitions presented and to pass them to staff, to be placed on file.

Moved: Ald. Greenough
Second: Ald. Hetherington
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

This item will be back on the April 12th agenda. The Mayor invited those people present for the item to attend the April 12th meeting.

4.0

PUBLIC HEARING

4.1

STREET CLOSURE - PORTION OF MT. EDWARD ROAD

STREET
 CLOSURE:
 MT. EDWARD
 ROAD

RESOLUTION
 88-03

This date was set by Council for public hearing in connection with the proposed closure of a portion of Mount Edward Road, at the end of Cranberry Lake, described as Parcels MER-1 and LD-1A. Resolution 88-03 has been prepared to accomplish this street closure; accompanying Schedule "A" gives the land description.

The Mayor declared the public hearing to be open and called for speakers in favour of the street closure.

Mrs. Kitty Wylie, 13 Langdon Drive, presented a petition of support for the street closure, bearing 43 signatures of area residents. She circulated several pictures of the area, to show the condition of it, pointing out to Council that there is a continuing problem with garbage being dumped there, along with the problems of traffic and dust from the roadway in the summer months. The residents she represented are all in favour of the street closure.

Mr. Doug Trider also supported the street closure and the creation of a park at this location. He commented on the historical significance of the land on which the roadway is situated, being a former trail used by native people and later, by

the military. He suggested that some kind of memorial plaque would be appropriate on the spot, once a park has been created there. Ald. Hawley later requested that this suggestion be referred to the Museum Board for consideration.

The Mayor called twice more for any speakers in favour, and hearing none, he called three times for speakers wishing to be heard in opposition to the street closure. There were no speakers against, and the public hearing was declared to be closed.

MOTION: To close the public hearing on the Mount Edward Road street closure, Parcels MER-1 & LD-1A.

Moved: Ald. Levandier
Second: Ald. Bregante
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

MOTION: To approve Resolution 88-03, closing the portion of Mount Edward Road so designated.

Moved: Ald. Sarto
Second: Ald. Levandier

Council was generally in favour of the street closure, and the only concern was about the traffic at Main and Ridgecrest, and the impact on this traffic pattern. It was noted by Mr. Fougere that traffic lights have been installed at the intersection, with a turning lane, to improve traffic control at that point.

Ald. Woods asked about the County lands adjacent to the area of the street closure, suggesting there should be some consultation and joint planning with the County, if zoning is compatible. Ald. Sarto and Thompson felt that with the street closure, it will now be feasible to proceed with the dredging and rehabilitation of Cranberry Lake, as originally planned. Ald. MacFarlane said he would like to have a Police Dept. report on problems with garbage dumping in areas of the City, this being one such location where it has been an on-going problem.

The vote was taken on the motion.

In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

5.0 DELEGATIONS & HEARINGS OF PROTEST

6.0 THIRD READING - BY-LAW C-650 - TAX EXEMPTION - ASSN. FOR
WOMEN'S RESIDENTIAL FACILITIES

THIRD
READING:
BY-LAW C-650

By-law C-650 (Tax exemption, Venite Court, Assn. for Women's Residential Facilities) was before Council for third reading. First and second readings were given this by-law at the March 29th meeting.

MOTION: That By-law C-650 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.

Moved: Ald. Pye
Second: Ald. Sarto

Ald. Hetherington was opposed to third reading, but other members who spoke on the motion, were in support of the tax exemption for Venite Court. Ald. Hetherington considered Venite Court to be a commercial operation, in the same way as any other apartment units, but Ald. Connors did not agree with this opinion. He saw it as a charitable operation, in conjunction with Adsum House, in providing living accommodation for women at the low end of the socio-economic scale.

The vote was taken on the motion.

In Favour: Ald. Sarto, Thompson
Billard, MacFarlane
Connors, Levandier
Withers, McCluskey
Pye, Woods, Hawley
Greenough
Against: Ald. Bregante & Hetherington
Motion Carried

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7.0 REPORTS7.1 CITY ADMINISTRATOR7.1.1 TENDER - CONTRACT 88-05 - STREET RECONSTRUCTION

TENDER:
CONTRACT
88-05

Report from the City Administrator on tenders received for Contract 88-05, street reconstruction, Marvin Street and Cameron Street.

Mr. Burke has recommended the awarding of the tender to the lowest bidder, Municipal Contracting Ltd., with a bid price of \$279,525.; completion time, 20 weeks.

MOTION: To award the tender for Contract 88-05 (street reconstruction, Marvin and Cameron Streets) to the lowest bidder, Municipal Contracting Ltd., as recommended.

Moved: Ald. Sarto
Second: Ald. Greenough
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

7.1.2 TENDER - SUPPLY AND PLANTING OF TREES

TENDER:
TREES

Report from the City Administrator on tenders received for the supply and planting of trees in the 1988 tree-planting program.

Mr. Burke has recommended the awarding of tenders as per the motion which follows.

MOTION: To award tenders for the planting and supply of trees, as recommended:

- 1) Supply & planting: Japanese Cherry, to the lowest evaluated bidder, Terra Nova Landscaping; total tendered price of \$13,720.
- 2) Supply & planting: Red Maple, to the lowest evaluated bidder, Elmsdale Landscaping; total tendered price of \$5,250.

- 3) Supply & planting: Norway Maple, to the lowest evaluated bidder, Elmsdale Landscaping; total tendered price of \$5,100.
- 4) Supply & planting: Austrian Pine, to the lowest evaluated bidder, Green Thumb Landscaping; total tendered price of \$1,888.
- 5) Supply & planting: Flowering Crab, to the lowest evaluated bidder, Green Thumb Landscaping; total tendered price of \$1,073.
- 6) Supply only: Japanese Cherry, to the lowest evaluated bidder, Terra Nova Landscaping; total tendered price of \$4,200.
- 7) Supply only: Red Maple, to the lowest evaluated bidder, Lorraine Landscaping; total tendered price of \$2,255.
- 8) Supply only: Norway Maple, to the lowest evaluated bidder, Elmsdale Landscaping; total tendered price of \$1,500.

Moved: Ald. Withers
Second: Ald. Bregante
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

Ald. Levandier and Sarto requested a list of the locations where the trees are to be planted. Ald. Sarto said he hoped they would be equitably allocated throughout all of the wards.

7.1.3

TENDER - EQUIPMENT, PARKS & RECREATION

TENDER:
EQUIPMENT
PARKS & REC.

Report from the City Administrator on tenders received for equipment for the Parks & Recreation Dept.

Mr. Burke has recommended the awarding of tenders as per the motion which follows.

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In Favour: All
Against: None
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Mr. Burke has recommended the awarding of tenders as per the motion which follows.

MOTION: To award tenders for equipment for Parks & Recreation Dept., as recommended:

- 1) Vibratory roller: to the lowest evaluated bidder, Coastal Rentals; total tendered price of \$10,891.
- 2) Air compressor: to the lowest evaluated bidder, Atlantic Compressed Air; total tendered price of \$1,465.
- 3) Rain Trains (2): to the lowest evaluated bidder, Eastern Turf; total tendered price of \$2,750.
- 4) Sickle mowers (2): to the lowest evaluated bidder, Eastern Turf; total tendered price of \$2,700.
- 5) Tractor mowers (2): to the lowest evaluated bidder, Eastern Turf; total tendered price of \$8,598.

Moved: Ald. McCluskey
Second: Ald. Bregante
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

7.1.4 TENDER - COMPUTER HARDWARE

TENDER:
COMPUTER
HARDWARE

Report from the City Administrator on tenders received for computer hardware. Mr. Burke has recommended the awarding of tenders as per the motion which follows.

MOTION: To award tenders for computer hardware, as recommended:

- 1) 21 only VT320 Video Terminals: to the lowest evaluated bidder, Hamilton/Avent; total bid price of \$13,650.
- 2) 1 only LA 120 Decwriter III Printer/ Terminal: to the lowest evaluated bidder, Hamilton/Avent; total bid price of \$3,752.
- 3) 1 only LA 100 Printer Send/Receive Terminal: to the lowest evaluated bidder, Hamilton/Avent; total bid price of \$3,069.

- 4) 6 only LA 75 Receive only Printers: to the lowest evaluated bidder, Hamilton/Avent; total bid price of \$5,994.
- 5) 1 only Letter Quality Printer: to the lowest evaluated bidder, Data Terminal Mart; total bid price of \$2,475.

Moved: Ald. Hetherington
Second: Ald. MacFarlane
In Favour: Ald. Connors, Sarto
 Thompson, Billard
 MacFarlane, Withers
 McCluskey, Pye, Woods
 Hawley, Greenough
 Bregante, Hetherington

Against: Ald. Levandier
Motion Carried

Ald. Hawley had questions about the allocation of the computer hardware items, noting that the library is in need of additional computer equipment. Mr. Burke provided information on the assessment of need and determination of priority that the Information Services Steering Committee undertakes on a regular basis. He said the list of units required and being allocated could be re-examined, and Ald. Hawley requested the re-examination.

Ald. Woods had several questions he wanted to have addressed, pertaining to (a) computer literacy among staff; (b) the allocation of computers among city departments; and (c) the capacity of the VAX 8500 and an assessment of future computer expectations. The Mayor suggested that a report in response to Ald. Woods' items of inquiry could come to Council at a later point in the year.

7.2 SOLICITOR

7.2.1. TAXI LICENSE APPEAL - DAVID CALDWELL

DECLARATION OF BIAS

Members of the Taxi Commission, who have previously rendered a decision on the revocation of a Taxi Driver's License, held by Mr. David Wm. Caldwell, declared a bias on this item, and withdrew from their places on Council. Aldermen declaring a

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bias were: Ald. Hetherington, McCluskey, Sarto, Pye and Greenough.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Ald. Bregante declared a conflict of interest on this item, being the manager of a taxi company in the City, and he also withdrew from his place on Council.

The Solicitor informed Council of the appeal by David William Caldwell from a decision of the Taxi Commission to revoke his taxi drivers license #513, for a two-year period, until Feb. 3, 1990. This decision of the Commission upheld the action of the License Inspector, in revoking the license as of Feb. 3/88.

Copies of the notice of appeal, dated March 9/88, were circulated to all members of Council, together with other documentation relating to this appeal. The Mayor reviewed the procedures to be followed in the appeal process.

Both Mr. Caldwell and Cst. Gary MacDonald, the License Inspector, were present for the appeal. Cst. MacDonald proceeded with his presentation to Council, in which he provided detailed information on Mr. Caldwell's history and the reason for revocation of his license, following a charge of possession of a restricted drug, for the purpose of trafficking, under Section 42 (2) of the Food & Drug Act, for which he was convicted. As a result of this conviction and another (trafficking under Section 42 (1) of the Food & Drug Act), Mr. Caldwell was given 2 months plus one year probation for each, these sentences to run consecutively. He served a little over two months in the Halifax County Correctional Center, at the conclusion of which, his license was revoked.

Questions to Cst. MacDonald from members of Council were concerned with the implications of the narcotics conviction in relation to Mr. Caldwell's record as a taxi driver. From the questioning, it did not appear that any offences took place during the performance of his duties as a taxi driver, and Cst. MacDonald stated that '. . . there were no complaints about his taxi operation otherwise'.

Mr. Caldwell then had the opportunity to present his appeal. He stated that he has given up drugs in order to earn a living and get his life in order. He provided letters of recommendation received from the manager of the Bluebell Taxi company, and from the manager of the Scotia Square Shell station, both commending his work with their companies and in the case of the Bluebell Taxi company, offering to hire him back on as a driver (if he is able to have his license reinstated).

Questions to Mr. Caldwell from members of Council were about other jobs he has had in the past, his education, and the reliance that can be placed on his stated intention to change his life and to give up any involvement with drugs. He stated that while he was at the Correctional Center, he participated voluntarily in a drug program, but does not consider that he needs the help of such a program now. He noted that he is on probation, and said his Probation Officer could not be present because he lives in Bridgewater.

Council adjourned to give further consideration to the appeal, and later reconvened, when the following decision of Council was rendered by the Mayor:

"Council finds that the Taxi Commission was correct in removing the license of David William Caldwell, given the evidence at the time. However, in view of Mr. Caldwell's attempts at rehabilitation, Council orders that his license be reinstated, on November 2nd, 1988. Council also recommends very strongly that Mr. Caldwell go to the Drug Dependency Commission for a two-year rehabilitation program."

9.0 NOTICES OF MOTION

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OF MOTION

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

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1) Ald. Woods

WHEREAS the Planning staff was asked to consider taking 7% of the land for recreational use as a condition for the subdivision of a particular property on Ferguson Road;

AND WHEREAS, during the discussions of subdivision alternatives, staff learned that the City currently owns a 5,000-foot parcel of land on Ferguson Road;

BE IT RESOLVED that staff from the Engineering, Planning and Parks & Recreation Departments, examine this City-owned property, with a view of developing it for recreational purposes, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the approximate \$4,000. accruing to the City from the subdivision of the above-mentioned property, be set aside for the development of the Ferguson Road recreation space.

2) Ald. MacFarlane

(a) WHEREAS many streets in the City of Dartmouth are curbed with asphalt;

AND WHEREAS this procedure is an unsatisfactory substitute for concrete, due to the lack of durability;

AND WHEREAS there is a perennial need for repair to asphalt curbing, due to local winter conditions and snow removal activity;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Engineering Dept. prepare cost estimates for the replacement of all asphalt curbing in the City, to be included in capital budget estimates over the next five years, on a priority recommended by staff through technical evaluation and assessment.

(b) WHEREAS new sidewalk construction is necessary in many areas of the City;

AND WHEREAS the present policy of charging residents of abutting properties has the effect in many instances of unfairly charging those who do not benefit;

AND WHEREAS this amounts to discrimination against abutting property owners in neighbourhoods needing sidewalks for reasons of safety;

AND WHEREAS resistance to the policy prohibits a comprehensive sidewalk construction program;

BE IT RESOLVED that the City revise this policy so that the expense of sidewalk installation will be funded by the City's capital works program.

(c) WHEREAS existing provincial legislation prohibits the imposition of neighborhood speed limits in the 25 - 40 km range;

AND WHEREAS the provincial limit of 50 km exceeds the safety requirements of most residential streets;

BE IT RESOLVED that Dartmouth City Council ask the Minister of Transportation for the Government of Nova Scotia, to enact legislation permitting municipalities a local variation in this province-wide requirement, in order that local traffic officials may impose and enforce a more realistic speed limit on residential streets.

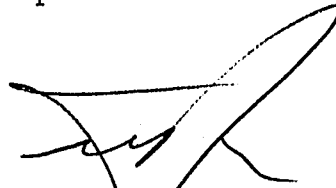
(d) WHEREAS the City of Dartmouth has no provision for the regulation and control of pesticides;

AND WHEREAS the indiscriminate use of spraying apparatus by commercial or private operators, poses a chemical health hazard;

BE IT RESOLVED that the City's Legal Department prepare a by-law which will be compatible with provincial legislation and reinforce a municipal role, as exemplified by other Canadian municipalities.

Before adjournment, the Mayor reminded members of Council about registration for the FCM conference which takes place in Halifax during the first week in June.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 p.m.



G. D. Brady,
Deputy City Clerk.

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ITEMS:

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ALDERMEN SARTO, THOMPSON
CONNORS, LEVANDIER
WITHERS, MCCLUSKEY
PYE, WOODS, HAWLEY
GREENOUGH, MACFARLANE
BREGANTE, HETHERINGTON

MEMBER ABSENT: ALD. BILLARD

CITY SOLICITOR: M. MOREASH
ACTING CITY ADMINISTRATOR: B. SMITH
DEPARTMENT HEADS & ASSISTANTS

RECOGNITION: VOLUNTEERS

At the beginning of the meeting, presentations were made by the Mayor to community volunteers, in recognition of their years of outstanding service in the volunteer field. Receiving presentations from Mayor Savage, were:

Brenda Fortune
Sally Johnston
Jessie James
Mae MacDonald

It was noted that Mae MacDonald is Dartmouth's Volunteer of the Year, and will receive an award at a ceremony on April 18th, during Volunteer Week.

PRESENTATION: HERITAGE PLAQUE

A second presentation followed, by the Chairman of the Heritage Advisory Committee, Carmen Moir, to Alan MacGibbon and Carole Goddard, representing the Big Brothers/Big Sisters organization. A heritage plaque, to be mounted on the building at 86 Ochterloney Street (where the Big Brothers/Big Sisters organization is located in Dartmouth), was unveiled and formally presented to the representatives. The plaque reads: 'Registered Heritage Property - 1863'.

Mr. Moir noted that this is the fourth such plaque to be presented and there are 48 more buildings designated to receive heritage plaques.

Present for this item, in addition to the Aldermanic representatives, were: Mrs. Joan Payzant, Mr. Harry Chapman, and Mr. Vaughn Munroe, members of the Heritage Advisory Committee.

Council agreed to deal at this time with a report from the Heritage Advisory Committee, item 3.3.1 on the agenda.

3.3.1 INVENTORY OF HERITAGE PROPERTIES

INVENTORY:
HERITAGE
PROPERTIES

The Heritage Advisory Committee, assisted by the City and the Dept. of Tourism & Culture, has completed an inventory of heritage properties in Dartmouth, a record of approx. 300 properties in Dartmouth built prior to 1914 (or having sufficient heritage or architectural features after 1914).

The Committee has recommended that Council adopt the inventory as the official Heritage Inventory on Heritage Buildings, and that it be used as a record for future heritage registration and heritage planning.

Presentation of the Committee's recommendation was made by Carmen Moir, the Chairman, and the binders, containing the inventory, were shown to Council by Patricia Richards, the Secretary to the Committee.

MOTION: To adopt the recommendation of the Heritage Advisory Committee, which is, that Council adopt the inventory presented as the official Heritage Inventory on Heritage Buildings, and that it be used as a record for future heritage registration and heritage planning.

Moved: Ald. Connors
Second: Ald. MacFarlane
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

The Mayor expressed appreciation to Mr. Moir and members of the Heritage Advisory Committee for their work and effort on the City's behalf, in the preservation of heritage buildings.

TAXI LICENSE:
C.C. DIGGS

At this point in the meeting, members of Council went in camera to render a decision on the taxi driver's license of Charles Christopher Diggs. Members who serve on the Taxi Commission did not take part in this in camera item, and Ald. Bregante did not take part either, because of a conflict of interest, previously declared when this item was before Council at the March 8th meeting. Those

Taxi Commission members who did not withdraw to take part in the in camera item, were: Ald. Pye, McCluskey, Sarto, Greenough and Hetherington.

When Council reconvened, the Mayor presented the decision taken in camera, which was as follows:

That in view of the acquittal of Mr. Charles Christopher Diggs on a dangerous driving charge, Council has reconsidered its decision with respect to Mr. Diggs' taxi driver's license, and orders that his license be reinstated.

1.0 REPORT FROM AUDITORS - 1987 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

1987
FINANCIAL
STATEMENT

The Auditors were present to review the City's 1987 Financial Statement with Council. Present from Doane Raymond were: Rollie Jamieson, John Mallowney and Ben Kennedy.

Members of Council previously received copies of the Financial Statement and they were also provided with a summary at this time. The summary was used in the presentation, given by Mr. Mallowney, with the assistance of Mr. Kennedy, who projected the overhead slides.

Following the presentation, members were given the opportunity to ask any questions of the Auditors and members of City staff, present for this item.

Ald. Levandier was concerned about the impact of unresolved assessment appeals, and the \$800,000. provision the City has had to make because of them. He said this concern must be communicated to the Assessment Dept.

Further in this connection, Ald. McCluskey asked about a motion she introduced, seeking to have a change in the Assessment Act that would require assessment appeals to be heard at the local level in the year in which they are filed. Mr. Smith advised that the change proposed in the motion has been discussed with the Dept. of Municipal Affairs.

The Mayor also gave assurance that the Minister of Municipal Affairs and the Deputy Minister, have been informed of concerns raised by Ald. Greenough about the valuation allowance requirement, which the City had to rate for this year for the first time. Ald. Greenough said this concern must continue to be pursued.

Ald. Connors had a number of questions and points he wanted to have addressed further; these concerned:

- 1) tax collection practices and consideration of the interest rate on outstanding taxes in this connection.
- 2) he requested that members of Council receive copies of the management letter that is to be received from Doane Raymond, as referred to by Mr. Mullowney.
- 3) what is being projected this year for unfunded debt, as opposed to funded debt? (page A-4C).
- 4) Council should be considering a refinement of the City's investment policy with respect to short-term investments (liability for service awards, page A-5) in order to maximize the rate of return through long-term investments instead.
- 5) Clarification of the figures applicable to the Dartmouth District School Board (page A-20) and what these figures include.
- 6) Further explanation of the item 'Contributions in aid of construction' (page A-18) and information on the agreement with Portland Estates relative to this item.
- 7) How is the staff allocation to the Water Utility decided, and were less staff than required being allocated in years past? (page A-14)
- 8) Asked to have the School Insurance fund looked at as a source from which monies could be expended for costs associated with vandalism damage to schools.

Ald. Withers had a question about the ferry service operation and the \$106,000. shortfall noted for the Woodside ferry. Mr. Smith noted that the Woodside service was projected to operate at a deficit for its first three years of operation. Information was provided on capital costs required to alter the Halifax ferry terminal when the new Woodside service was introduced.

Ald. Woods raised several questions relating to page A-13 and the Water Utility operation. In particular he asked about the anticipation of a water rate increase, this observation having been made when Mr. Mullowney presented the Water Utility figures. Questions from Ald. Pye, Sarto and MacFarlane were answered by the Auditors and staff.

MOTION: To approve the 1987 Financial Statement, as presented.

Moved: Ald. Hetherington
Second: Ald. Hawley
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

3.1.1 SKATEBOARDS

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Council agreed to deal next with the Skateboard item, for which there were a number of people present in the Council Chamber.

Mr. Atkinson has prepared a report on skateboarding and a free-style facility for this sport, recommended by the City Administrator for the Gray Arena, to be erected for a twenty-week period, at a total cost of \$27,580., subject to a grant of \$5,800. being received from the Nova Scotia Sports & Recreation Commission.

After Mr. Atkinson had presented his report to Council and provided additional details on it, a motion was introduced, with a change in location from the Gray Arena, as recommended, to the Bowles Arena.

MOTION: To adopt the recommendation on the erection of a free-style skateboarding facility, to be located at the Bowles Arena, for a 20-week period. Total cost of the facility: \$27,580., subject to a grant of \$5,800. from the N. S. Sports & Rec. Commission.

Moved: Ald. Pye
Second: Ald. Hetherington

Ald. Connors asked about bus service to the Bowles Arena, and whether it would be adequate for young people wanting to use the facility. He also asked about protective equipment. Mr. Atkinson advised that helmets, elbow pads and knee pads will be required.

Ald. Hawley felt a canteen and equipment concession should be considered, and Ald. Sarto suggested that if there is a concession, the rental of skateboards should also be included as an item of consideration.

Ald. MacFarlane brought up two points raised by the Recreation Advisory Board: (1) will all age levels and all levels of proficiency in skateboarding, use the facility at the same time; and (2) is the suggested \$1. admission charge enough in the case of adults who use the facility.

Ald. McCluskey asked for a reaction from young people present, who will be using such a facility, and Council heard from Andy Sawler, who did not feel that a free-style facility would be used by skateboarders.

Council felt there should be further consultation with the skateboarders by Mr. Atkinson, before a decision is made on the recommendation, and that they should also have the opportunity to comment on the point about accessibility to the Bowles Arena (as compared with the Gray Arena) via transit. Ald. Withers requested a comment as well on the supervision aspect, noting that the supervisor is only going to receive \$4. an hour for his or her services. Council agreed to have Ald. Hetherington and Sarto take part in discussions between Mr. Atkinson and the skateboarders.

MOTION: To defer a decision on the skateboarding recommendation, until Mr. Atkinson, Ald. Sarto and Hetherington, can consult further with the skateboarders.

Moved: Ald. Greenough
Second: Ald. Sarto
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

This will be the first item on the April 19th agenda.

2.0

MONTHLY REPORTS

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REPORTS

The monthly reports, forwarded to Council without recommendation from Committee, were presented for approval.

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2.i) Social Services - Caseload & Statistics (March)

MOTION: To approve the Social Services
Caseload & Statistics report
for March, 1988.

Moved: Ald. Sarto
Second: Ald. McCluskey
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

Ald. Hetherington requested that a letter be forwarded to the Social Services Director, with a copy to Mr. Burke, asking for information as to whether or not the City is paying social assistance to people living in boarding houses that are not licensed as such. In the event that something happened, under these circumstances, the City could be held liable. The Mayor suggested that an opinion from the Solicitor would be advisable as well.

2.ii) Development Officer (March)

MOTION: To approve the Development
Officer's report for March,
1988.

Moved: Ald. McCluskey
Second: Ald. Greenough
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

Ald. Levandier expressed concern about the subdivision application involving Lots 1 to 98, adjacent to Lake MicMac at the Rotary. He felt the Development Officer's report should not be approved without deletion of this application, although it was pointed out that the application is in order for R-1 development in a Holding Zone (the zoning presently on this parcel of land). However, the land is shown on a Provincial plan for designation as part of a Regional Park, and therefore, Provincial approval will be required in order for the development to proceed.

Council was advised by Cathy Spencer of the Planning Dept. that a report on this application will be coming to Council within the next couple of weeks, and the application will also go to the Lakes Advisory Board for their comment and recommendation.

Ald. MacFarlane asked if the development permit for an Esso station at the corner of Portland Street & Eisener Drive, will be going to the Lakes Advisory Board. Mr. Turner advised that the plans will go to the Board.

2.iii) Building Inspection (March)

MOTION: To approve the Building
Inspection report for March,
1988.

Moved: Ald. Sarto
Second: Ald. McCluskey
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

2.iv) Minimum Standards (March)

MOTION: To approve the Minimum
Standards report for
March, 1988.

Moved: Ald. Hawley
Second: Ald. Withers
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

Ald. Hetherington had an inquiry about 13 Belmont Ave. The Solicitor advised that a course of action on this property is still under consideration. Ald. Hetherington requested a report by next month on the decision.

Ald. Connors indicated his intent to present a motion on the Hare Lane property in the Ward 3 list, but Mr. Turner provided information on what is being done by the owner to renovate the building at this address. The owner is presently waiting for a number of approvals he requires, including a response to his RRAP application. Ald. Connors was willing to withdraw his motion for a month, in view of the information he received and pending some concrete action on the part of the owner in the interim.

Ald. McCluskey requested an inspection of the property at the rear of the new building on Wyse Road on the former A.&W. property, and at the rear of A. & B. Tire. She also asked that attention be given to the garbage and debris scattered over the entire area around the

Circumferential off-ramp, at Woodland Ave. Mr. Fougere was asked to contact the Dept. of Transportation, since this highway is a provincial responsibility.

2.v) Fire Chief (March)

MOTION: To approve the Fire Chief's report for March, 1988.

Moved: Ald. McCluskey
Second: Ald. Bregante
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

Ald. Hetherington asked about the spring burning program, and requested that particular attention be given to the area above MOT and the Nova Scotia Hospital, when burningⁱⁿ that area is taking place.

2.vi) Dog Control (Feb.)

MOTION: To approve the Dog Control report for February, 1988.

Moved: Ald. Greenough
Second: Ald. Sarto
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

3.0 REPORTS

3.1 CITY ADMINISTRATOR

3.1.2 LAKE SAFETY PATROL TENDER

LAKE SAFETY
PATROL TENDER

A report prepared by Police Chief Trider on tenders for the Lake Safety Patrol, concludes with a recommendation from the City Administrator that the tender be awarded to Mr. Mark Ring, for the years 1988 and 1989, at a cost of \$49,900.

MOTION: To adopt the recommendation on the awarding of the tender for the Lake Safety Patrol to Mr. Mark Ring, for the years 1988 and 1989, at a cost of \$49,900.

Moved: Ald. Levandier
Second: Ald. Greenough
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

3.2 SOLICITORS3.2.1. LEASE OF LAND - CANADA POST

LEASE OF
 LAND:
 CANADA POST

A further report was before Council from the City Solicitor on the matter of leasing land on Portland Estates Blvd. to Canada Post, for the location of a postal kiosk to serve area residents.

Accompanying the report were copies of a petition that Canada Post circulated in Portland Estates, indicating the support of residents for the postal kiosk concept in their area. In light of the fact that such a petition was circulated, and supported by the residents, Council was asked to indicate whether or not a neighborhood meeting is still considered to be necessary. The other alternative at this point is to set a date for the public hearing required in order to be able to lease the land to Canada Post, as required in accordance with Section 139 of the City Charter.

Ald. Hetherington advised Council that the residents signed the petition because the other option Canada Post gave was for them to collect their mail at the Dartmouth East Postal Station, and the postal kiosk in their own area was considered to be preferable.

MOTION: To set May 3rd as the date
 for public hearing of the
 proposed lease of land to
 Canada Post for a postal
 kiosk in Portland Estates.

Moved: Ald. Hetherington
Second: Ald. Thompson
In Favour: Ald. Sarto, Thompson
 Connors, Levandier
 Woods, MacFarlane
 Withers, McCluskey
 Hawley, Greenough
 Bregante, Hetherington

Against: Ald. Pye
Motion Carried

3.4 HYDROPLANE COMMITTEE3.4.1 FERRY SERVICE - AUGUST 6 & 7, 1988

FERRY
SERVICE:
AUG. 6 & 7

The Schooner Grand Prix Hydroplane Society has requested that Council (a) authorize the discontinuance of regular ferry service for Sat., August 6th and Sunday, August 7th, 1988; and (b) authorize the use of two Dartmouth ferries for afternoon charter use by paid spectators, as a free cruise, in conjunction with the race events that will be taking place on those two days.

MOTION: To approve the two requests from the Schooner Grand Prix Hydroplane Society, with respect to (a) the discontinuance of regular ferry service on August 6th and 7th; and (b) the use of two Dartmouth ferries for afternoon charter use, as proposed by the Society, in conjunction with the Grand Prix race events.

Moved: Ald. Connors
Second: Ald. Bregante
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

1.0 MOTIONSMOTIONS 1.1.1 ALD. MCCLUSKEY - REVIEW OF POLICY - CLUB/GROUP ASSISTANCE

ALD. MCCLUSKEY

MOTION: WHEREAS the City of Dartmouth has adopted an Affirmative Action Policy;
AND WHEREAS the City believes in equal opportunity for all citizens;
AND WHEREAS the City provides assistance by way of grants to groups and agencies within the City;
AND WHEREAS City Council is not familiar with the by-laws of the clubs/groups applying for assistance, and indeed, whether the by-laws/policies of the clubs/groups contain sections which are discriminatory;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the by-laws and/or policies of any club/group applying for assistance, be reviewed before any assistance is given.

Members who spoke on the motion were not opposed to it, but did not feel that this kind of comprehensive assessment of organizations could be carried out this year by the Grants Committee, the committee suggested to implement the intent of the motion.

The Mayor suggested that Carolyn Thomas of the Human Rights Commission could be helpful in defining discriminatory practices on the part of any group or organization making application to the City for grants or financial assistance in other forms. Ald. Connors felt the new Human Rights Committee, in the process of being appointed, might also serve a useful function in this regard.

Council agreed that for this year, the Grants Committee should only be expected to establish that the organizations applying for grants are aware of and adhere to Human Rights principles. In future years, the kind of assessment called for in the motion will come into effect (ie. as of June of 1988). Council was willing to have the motion proceed on the basis of this understanding.

MOTION: For this year, the Grants Committee members will satisfy themselves (As Revised) that organizations applying for grants are aware of and adhere to Human Rights principles. As of June, 1988, the intent of the motion (as stated on page 11 of these minutes) will come into effect.

Moved: Ald. McCluskey
Second: Ald. MacFarlane
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

2.0 NOTICES OF MOTION

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

1) Ald. Woods

WHEREAS lodging houses have become an undesirable element in the residential fabric of Ward 5;

AND WHEREAS the Lodging House By-law C-414 is not adequate to allow for the proper development and control of rooming or lodging houses;

BE IT RESOLVED that staff be directed to review the regulations and requirements of By-law C-414, with the intent of legislating more effective control over the entire matter of rooming and lodging houses;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that staff, in this review, give particular consideration to: the number of parking spaces, the ratio of bathrooms to occupants, hard-wired fire alarm systems, room area per person, and especially, methods which will expedite the process by which violations are prosecuted;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that staff treat this matter with utmost haste, in the event that a change in the Land Use By-law is necessary.

2) Ald. Levandier

BE IT RESOLVED that an overhead cross-walk light be installed at a safe location near Nantucket Manor (in accordance with T.M.G. review of the site), and that funding come from the 1988 capital allocation for overhead lights.

3) Ald. MacFarlane

WHEREAS the MacCulloch lands on Lake MicMac remain privately-owned, with their future status undertermined;

AND WHEREAS these lands represent one of the few remaining tracts of available lake-land in Dartmouth;

AND WHEREAS these lands are part of the Shubenacadie Canal system, and a key access point to other parklands;

AND WHEREAS it has been demonstrated that the people of Dartmouth wish to have these lands reserved for park and passive recreational purposes.

BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Dartmouth immediately commence negotiations with the owners for the purchase of these lands, and their preservation for passive recreational purposes in future years.

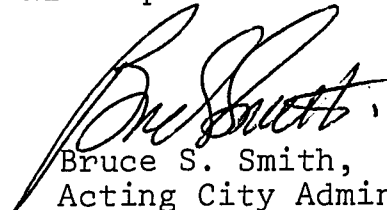
4) Ald. Withers

THAT WHEREAS enforcement of By-law C-342, Minimum Standards of Use & Maintenance of property, is unacceptable, due to being slow and restrictive in nature;

AND WHEREAS this contributes of the ineffectiveness of such by-law;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legal Dept. review the process and recommend to this Council, possible solutions or amendments to By-law C-342 which would lead to more effective enforcement of such by-law.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 p.m.


Bruce S. Smith,
Acting City Administrator.

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APRIL 19, 1988

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BILLARD, MACFARLANE
CONNORS, LEVANDIER
PYE, WOODS, GREENOUGH
BREGANTE, HETHERINGTON

MEMBERS ABSENT: ALDERMEN WITHERS
SARTO, HAWLEY

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MAY

BE IT RESOLVED that City Council forward a request to the Minister of the Environment to ask that the Minister have his department review the matter, with a view to adopting measures on a province-wide basis, to promote awareness and discourage the public from leaded fuel consumption.

Ald. Billard had three points he wished to have brought to the attention of the Minister in connection with the motion, the first, with reference to dispelling the criticism commonly associated with a reduced horsepower output resulting from the use of unleaded fuel; secondly, the rising use of diesel fuel and its impact on the environment; and thirdly, how much lower base levels of lead in the environment could be achieved if drivers were all to convert to the use of unleaded fuel.

Moved: Ald. MacFarlane
Second: Ald. Greenough
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

3.0

ENQUIRIES AND ANSWERS

ALD. MCCLUSKEY

Ald. McCluskey made the following inquiries:

- 1) what is the situation with the Windmill Road property, acquired for a Ramada Inn development? The Mayor reported on the inquiry. The deadline for commencement of this development is in June.
- 2) when will the clean-up start in the downtown? Mr. Fougere said it should be underway early in May.
- 3) what can be done about the use of litter containers on Portland Street by people for their own garbage disposal? Mr. Fougere will bring the inquiry to the attention of the Works Dept.
- 4) why are lights not being turned on at tennis courts where they are available, to permit people to play tennis after dark? This inquiry was directed to the Recreation Dept., with the request that lights be used this season at courts where they are provided.

ALD. HETHERINGTON Ald. Hetherington made the following inquiries:

- 1) asked about the report requested from the Police Chief (T.M.G) as to certain improvements that could be made at the Five Corners intersection.
- 2) he asked about the Pleasant Street lot next to the Woodside Ferry Terminal, and the possibility of having it hydro-seeded if there are no plans for its development. Mr. Bayer will contact I.E.L. in this connection.
- 3) Could the Dept. of Transportation be contacted and asked to have reflectors put on the jersey barrier along the section of the Circumferential Highway that runs from the Bear Trap to Gaston Road. Ald. Hetherington said the section of highway is dark and dangerous at night. Mr. Bayer made note of the request.
- 4) directed to the Water Utility Committee; a request for a copy of Doane Raymond report of December, 1983, and the draft report submitted at that same time.
- 5) he asked about the tender for work on Grant Street. Mr. Purdy advised that work is being done on the design. Ald. Hetherington asked to be further informed when the tender is ready to be called.
- 6) he asked to have a Stop sign at Randall Street and Esson Road identified with a marking on the pavement that will bring it to the attention of drivers; also, to have the street lighting upgraded in the same area so the Stop light can be seen more readily at night.
- 7) asked who is responsible for locating the Morris Drive sign on Akerley Blvd. Ald. Hetherington said the sign is about 200 feet too far down the road, and people are turning into Tim Horton's for the Morrie Drive turn. He asked to have the inquiry looked into further.

ALD. WOODS

Ald. Woods made three inquiries, the first, concerning the Waste Disposal By-law and the amendment requested to deal with waste containers. The Solicitor advised that it is prepared in draft form and has been forwarded to Mark Bernard for his comments.

Secondly, Ald. Woods asked for a fairer time allocation on the lights at Primrose Street and Albro Lake Road, so that traffic on both streets has a more equal opportunity to get through the intersection.

Thirdly, Ald. Woods asked for information on the status of the property at the end of Leaman Drive, where a playground is being created. Also, how can we go about rezoning the property? Mr. Fougere made note of the inquiry.

ALD. BILLARD

Ald. Billard asked when there will be a clean-up of the debris left behind from snow plowing during the winter. Mr. Fougere advised that this clean-up has been started.

Ald. Billard had a specific inquiry in this connection about a pile of gravel left behind on Prince Albert Road, in the area of property owned by Mr. Duncan. He asked that next winter, snow be dumped over the bank instead and down onto the Provincial Transportation property, and not onto Mr. Duncan's property, as occurred this year.

Ald. Billard asked to have attention given by the Parks & Recreation Dept. to the unsightly condition of a city property at the corner of Prince Albert Road and Nowlan Street. He said the entire lot there should be landscaped. (Ald. Billard later gave notice of motion in this connection.)

ALD. PYE

Ald. Pye asked that Parks & Recreation Dept. give consideration to changing the evening hours for the Primrose Street Park to 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. (from the present hours of 7:00 to 10:00 p.m.), in view of problems with young people in the park during the later-evening hours.

Ald. Pye asked about the consolidation of City by-laws into a handbook, and the status of this project. The Solicitor advised that both she and Mr. Moreash have been too busy lately to do much work on the project.

ALD. THOMPSON

Ald. Thompson felt there should not be any delay in getting the pollution control legislation through the Legislature. If required, amendments to it could be made later. His comment was in response to an earlier inquiry from Ald. Connors about the legislation.

Ald. Thompson's second inquiry was about welcome signs at entrances to the City. The Mayor advised that Mr. Murray Gouin is donating three signs and it is now a matter of designing bases for them and deciding whether or not they are to be illuminated. It is planned, however, that they will be in place in time for this year's tourist season.

Ald. Thompson asked about the fire station report, and was advised by Mr. Burke that the Fire Chief is now in the process of reviewing proposals from consultants. The item will come to Council after that in due course.

ALD. LEVANDIER

Ald. Levandier requested that some type of agreement be formalized on the City lot adjacent to Alderney Manor, which is used for overflow parking.

Ald. Levandier asked if the new building at 61 Hazlehurst Street is compatible with existing zoning. He asked to have the inquiry checked out by the Planning Dept., and to be informed (also to have Ald. Connors informed). He was concerned about debris from the construction site, and asked that it be attended to and cleared away from the site.

Ald. Levandier asked that a large hole in the street at Hazlehurst and Old Ferry Road, be attended to and the necessary street improvement made.

He requested an estimate from the Engineering Dept. for a strip of asphalt or concrete sidewalk at the side of the property at 54 Jamieson Street, where the occupant of this home has to use a ramp for his wheelchair and the strip of sidewalk would improve accessibility to the house for him.

ALD. GREENOUGH

Ald. Greenough had three inquiries. The first concerned the sequence of the lights at Main and Major, and the need for a flashing green interval from Major onto Main Street. Mr. Bayer agreed to look at the possibility of activating the right-turn arrow for this traffic movement, which was not intended to come into effect until highway improvements there are completed.

Ald. Greenough's second inquiry was about the lights at Caledonia and Main Street, and the need for a sequence change that will permit Caledonia Road traffic to get through the intersection, especially during heavy morning conditions when there is a major problem for cars from this direction. Mr. Bayer made a note of the request.

Ald. Greenough asked when the street-painting program will get underway, and that when it does, consideration be given to some uniformity in the painting of crosswalks. At present, there is no consistency in their designation.

ALD. MACFARLANE Inquiries made by Ald. MacFarlane were:

- 1) is a report coming to Council on capital budget spending to date, and any savings achieved? Mr. Burke explained that the report has been delayed, pending the receipt of official confirmation in writing of the Provincial grant. Once that formal ratification has been received, the report will be forthcoming to Council.
- 2) he asked that consideration be given to the problems with the fence along the Circumferential Highway (in the area of the Westphal Plaza and Harris Road) being cut, and people crossing the highway at points where this has occurred. He would like to know if corrective measures, similar to those taken with the fence on the Victoria Road Extension, could be taken in this instance. Mr. Fougere will take the inquiry under consideration.
- 3) he asked about the dumping of sludge from the County sewage treatment plant into the City sewer system. The Mayor advised that this is an item he has for discussion with Mr. Burke, and they will try to have a report for Council in two weeks time.
- 4) he asked about the establishment of a City Traffic Division. Mr. Bayer said he hopes to have a report on this matter to Mr. Burke by the middle of next week.

ALD. CONNORS

Ald. Connors made the following inquiries:

- 1) asked when Council will deal with the Water Utility budget. Mr. Burke replied that it will probably be within the next three weeks. This year, the main concentration was to get the capital and operating budgets to Council early as a priority. Next year, the intent is to have the Water Utility budget presented earlier as well.
- 2) Ald. Connors referred to concerns expressed at the public meeting on the pollution control charge, with respect to the legislation that will provide for a special reserve fund to be established in Dartmouth. He felt the legislation should be reviewed again by staff and it should be tightened up in this regard, before it receives approval in the legislature. (Ald. Thompson later commented on this point, as per the notation on page 5 of these minutes.)

The Mayor explained some of the difficulties we are facing in presenting the City's legislation at this time, until contact can be made with the MLA for Dartmouth South who was to have presented the bill.
- 3) further to the request made for information on a payment to Portland Estates in connection with a trunk sewer extension, Ald. Connors asked that Council be provided with any other information on contracts between the City and Portland Estates, over and above the information already requested.
- 4) asked about the status of parking restrictions approved in June of last year for certain downtown residential areas. Mr. Burke advised that the necessary signs are to be ordered at once and arrangements made to have the signs erected as soon as they are ready.
- 5) asked when the pedestrian crosswalk light is to be activated at the signals at Maple and Ochterloney Streets. Mr. Bayer to check on this inquiry.

- 6) Ald. Connors informed Council of vandalism problems that occurred on Fri., April 15th, following a dance at the MicMac Aquatic Club. He asked that concern and displeasure be communicated to the Club, with a request that patrons be controlled in future; also, that the Police Chief report on the effectiveness of police control, following the Friday-night dance at MicMac this week.

1.0 REPORTS

1.1 CITY ADMINISTRATOR

1.1.1 CONTRACT 88-06 - CURB & SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION

CONTRACT 88-06: A report was before Council from Mr. Burke on CURB & SIDE- tenders for Contract 88-06 (curb & sidewalk recon- WALK CONSTRUCTION struction on Dundas Street, King Street, Ochterloney Street, Bligh Street & Pelzant Street).

Mr. Burke recommends that the tender be awarded to the lowest bidder, Sun Construction Co. Ltd., with a bid price of \$197,790.; completion time: 22 weeks.

MOTION: To award the tender for Contract 88-06 (curb & sidewalk reconstruction) to the lowest bidder, Sun Construction Co. Ltd., with a bid price of \$197,790., as recommended by the City Administrator.

Moved: Ald. Connors
Second: Ald. Greenough
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

1.1.2 CONTRACT 88-07 - STREET CONSTRUCTION

CONTRACT 88-07: Report from the City Administrator considered on STREET tenders for Contract 88-07 (street reconstruction, CONSTRUCTION Highwood Street and Medford Street).

MAY

Mr. Burke recommends that the tender be awarded to the lowest bidder, Ocean Contractors Ltd., with a bid price of \$207,000.; completion time: 18 weeks.

MOTION: To award the tender for Contract 88-07 (street reconstruction) to the lowest bidder, Ocean Contractors Ltd., with a bid price of \$207,000.

Moved: Ald. McCluskey
Second: Ald. Hetherington
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

2.1 WYSE ROAD BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

2.1.1 WYSE ROAD PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT STUDY - CONSULTANTS REPORT

WYSE ROAD
PLANNING &
DEVELOPMENT
STUDY

Members of Council have received copies of the Wyse Road Planning & Development Study report, prepared by consultants Sperry/MacLennan, in association with the DPA Group Inc., Landscape Architects Ltd., and Engineering Associates Ltd.

In an accompanying report to Council, the Chairman of the Wyse Road BIDC, Ald. Withers, has recommended that the report be tabled and referred to the businesses in the community within the district, for their comments. Further, that the Wyse Road BIDC hold the meeting and report back to Council by May 17, 1988.

MOTION: To adopt the recommendation that the Wyse Road Planning & Development Study report be tabled, and referred to the businesses in the community within the district, for their comments. Further, that the Wyse Road BIDC hold the meeting (May 2nd), and report back to Council by May 17, 1988.

Moved: Ald. Hetherington
Second: Ald. MacFarlane
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

Presentation of the report to Council was made by Ald. Connors, in the absence of Ald. Withers.

Ald. Woods raised a point about representation in this process from residents in the abutting areas, and Ald. Connors gave assurance that all such questions and concerns will be adequately addressed when the report comes back to Council on May 17th.

Members of Council asked to receive notice of the meeting with area businessmen, planned for May 2nd, the time of the meeting and its location. The request, made by Ald. Greenough, was duly noted.

NOTICES OF MOTION

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The Mayor permitted two further notices of motion to be given at this time, for the next regular Council meeting.

ALD. BILLARD

Ald. Billard

- 1) WHEREAS the brook running from MacRae Ave. area, has long been a collector of litter, and a danger to children;
AND WHEREAS the City-owned land through which it runs will be developed for recreational purposes, in the not-too-distant future;
BE IT RESOLVED that the City Engineering Dept. proceed to install pipe, the length of the brook, from Portland Street to the back of the properties on MacRae Ave.
- 2) WHEREAS the condition of the two City-owned lots at the corner of Nowlan Street and Prince Albert Road, are in poor and unsightly condition;
AND WHEREAS there appears to be no specific budget category for landscaping of undeveloped land;
BE IT RESOLVED that City staff prepare a cost estimate for landscaping these lots in the current fiscal year.

MOTION: To meet in camera for additional items of business.

Moved: Ald. Hetherington
Second: Ald. Thompson
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

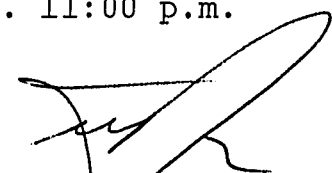
Council later reconvened in open meeting to ratify the decisions taken in camera.

RATIFY ACTION TAKEN IN CAMERA

MOTION: To ratify the action taken by Council while meeting in camera.

Moved: Ald. Hetherington
Second: Ald. MacFarlane
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at approx. 11:00 p.m.



G. D. Brady,
Deputy City Clerk.

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DARTMOUTH CITY COUNCIL

APRIL 26, 1988

LOCATION: CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
TIME: 7:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: MAYOR J. SAVAGE
ALDERMEN SARTO, THOMPSON
BILLARD, MACFARLANE
LEVANDIER, CONNORS
WITHERS, MCCLUSKEY
PYE, WOODS, HAWLEY
GREENOUGH, BREGANTE
HETHERINGTON

CITY ADMINISTRATOR: J. BURKE
CITY SOLICITOR: M. MOREASH
DEPUTY CITY CLERK: G.D. BRADY
DEPARTMENT HEADS & ASSISTANTS

The Mayor noted that Council will adjourn before 8:30 p.m., in order to meet with the Dartmouth District School Board. Council will go in camera before adjournment to deal with one item of business.

POINT OF PRIVILEGE - ALD. MCCLUSKEY

Ald. McCluskey rose on a point of privilege to ask about the food allowance provided in Dartmouth for pregnant mothers. Mr. Burke advised that a major report will be coming to Council from Social Services and the point raised by Ald. McCluskey will be addressed in the report.

GUARD RAIL - CORNER OF NORTH & WENTWORTH

Ald. Hetherington noted that he has received a memo on the subject of a request for a guard rail at the corner of North and Wentworth Streets; he asked that the memo be directed to the Works Dept. instead.

SEA SELL PROMOTION

The Mayor thanked Ald. Hawley for representing Council on the Sea Sell promotion, as part of the group that went from Dartmouth.

- 1.0 REPORTS
- 1.1 CITY ADMINISTRATOR
- 1.1.1 TENDER FOR COMPRESSOR

TENDER:
COMPRESSOR

A report from Mr. Burke was before Council on tenders

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received for one only 175 CFM compressor for use by the Water Dept. Mr. Burke recommends that the tender be awarded to the lowest evaluated bidder, Atlantic Compressed Air Ltd., for a total net value of \$12,036. after trade.

MOTION: To award the tender for a 175 CFM compressor (Water Dept.) to the lowest evaluated bidder, Atlantic Compressed Air Ltd., for a total net value of \$12,036. after trade, as recommended.

Moved: Ald. Sarto
Second: Ald. Hetherington
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

1.1.2 TENDER - VEHICLES

TENDER:
VEHICLES

Report from Mr. Burke on tenders for the supply of various vehicles for use by a number of City departments. In all cases, Mr. Burke has recommended the awarding of the tender to the lowest evaluated bidder.

MOTION: To award the tender in all cases to the lowest evaluated bidder, as follows:

- 1) 3/4 Ton Van - Forbes Chev Olds Ltd.: total tendered price after trade \$10,806.
- 2) Two 1-ton 4 x 4 crew cabs - Forbes Chev Olds Ltd: total tendered price after trade \$38,340.
- 3) One 1/2-ton pick-up - Dartmouth Dodge Chrysler Ltd: total tendered price after trade \$10,007.
- 4) Two 1-ton 4 x 4 (complete with snow plow & salt hopper) - Forbes Chev Olds: Total net price after trade \$53,452.
- 5) 3/4-ton 4 x 4 pick-up - Forbes Chev Olds: total tendered price after trade \$16,563.
- 6) One 1-ton 4 x 4 dual rear wheel with dump - Chebucto Ford Sales: total tendered price after trade \$21,205.
- 7) One-ton cab & chassis - Forbes Chev Olds: total tendered price after trade \$13,805.

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- 8) Two down-sized extended cab pick-ups - Forbes Chev Olds: total tendered price after trade \$20,726.
- 9) One down-sized van - Dartmouth Dodge Chrysler: total tendered price of \$12,976.
- 10) Five down-sized five-passenger vans - Chebucto Ford Sales Ltd: Total tendered price after trade \$71,105.

Moved: Ald. McCluskey
Second: Ald. Sarto
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

1.1.3 TENDER - SUPPLY OF JANITORIAL SERVICES (WOODSIDE FERRY TERMINAL)

TENDER:
 JANITORIAL
 SERVICES
 WOODSIDE
 TERMINAL

Rport from the City Administrator (R. Fougere, D. Rix) on tenders received for janitorial services, (complete with equipment & cleaning supplies) for a two-year period, for the Woodside Ferry Terminal.

Mr. Burke recommends that the contract be awarded to Allied Maintenance, the lowest bidder, for a price of \$32,850.

MOTION: To award the tender for janitorial services, for the Woodside Ferry Terminal, for a two-year period, to the low bidder, Allied Maintenance, for a price of \$32,850., as recommended.

Moved: Ald. Greenough
Second: Ald. MacFarlane
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

Ald. Hetherington asked to have the services of Allied Maintenance monitored, to make sure they are providing a good level of service. Mr. Burke noted that the experience with the firm at this location has been good so far.

1.1.4 TENDER - FUEL OIL SUPPLIES

TENDER:
 FUEL OIL
 SUPPLIES

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Ald. Bregante declared a conflict of interest on the

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item dealing with tender for fuel supplies. His wife is Area Administrator for Ultramar Canada Ltd. He withdrew from his place on Council.

Mayor Savage also declared a conflict of interest on the same item, by reason of the fact that his son is a Manager for Cunard's company. He left the chair and asked the Deputy Mayor to chair the meeting while the tender for fuel oil supplies was under consideration. Both the Mayor and Ald. Bregante withdrew to sit in the gallery for this item.

A report from Mr. Burke was presented on tenders received for the supply of furnace oil, diesel fuel and three types of gasoline, as required for the various City departments.

Mr. Burke recommends the awarding of the tender to the lowest all-around evaluated bidder, Esso Petroleum Products.

MOTION: To award the tender for fuel oil supplies to Esso Petroleum Products, the lowest all-around evaluated bidder, based on the following discounts:

- 1) Furnace oil - discount of 11.25 cents
- 2) Diesel fuel - discount of 12.40 cents
- 3) Regular leaded gas - discount of 9.35¢
- 4) Regular unleaded gas - discount of 9.85¢
- 5) Hi-test unleaded gas - discount of 9.9¢

Moved: Ald. Greenough
Second: Ald. McCluskey
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

Ald. Billard had questions about the saving, if any, that the tender represents over what was budgeted for fuel supplies. Mr. Burke advised that the total saving over 14 months is \$107,000. He provided a breakdown of information on this saving, which was circulated to members of Council.

Ald. MacFarlane commended the saving that has been achieved in this item, but he asked what consideration is being given to the use of unleaded fuel by the city wherever possible. Mr. Burke said that as fleet replacements come along, the point about using unleaded fuel will be kept in mind.

The Mayor and Ald. Bregante returned to their places on Council.

1.1.5 WEED INSPECTOR

WEED
INSPECTOR

Report from Mr. Burke (L. Atkinson) on the appointment of a Weed Inspector for the City, as required under the Nova Scotia Weed Control Act.

Mr. Burke recommends the appointment of Mr. Wm. Howe, the Head Gardener with Parks & Recreation Dept., replacing Adrian Denhertog, who is on Long Term Disability.

MOTION: To approve the appointment of Mr. William Howe as Weed Inspector for the City, as recommended.

Moved: Ald. MacFarlane
Second: Ald. Hetherington
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

1.1.6 SKATEBOARDS

SKATEBOARDS

A supplementary report on skateboarding, from Mr. Burke (prepared by Mr. Atkinson) was circulated. The report deals with several aspects of the subject, including location of a City facility, supervision, liability, ramps, and funding.

Mr. Burke recommends that a skateboard facility, incorporating a 1/2-pipe and free-style ramps, be erected in the Bowles Arena, for the summer months, for a total cost of \$25,000., subject to a grant of \$8,000. being received from the Nova Scotia Sports & Recreation Commission.

MOTION: To adopt the recommendation that a skateboard facility be erected in the Bowles Arena, for the summer months, for a total cost of \$25,000., subject to a grant of \$8,000. being received from the N. S. Sports & Recreation Commission. Facility to provide the two ramps described above.

Moved: Ald. Sarto
Second: Ald. Withers
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

Ald. Hetherington and McCluskey commended the young people who came forward to Council with their request for a skateboard facility; Mr. Atkinson was also thanked for working with them to produce an acceptable recommendation.

Ald. Woods asked if the facility will be ready by the time the Provincial legislation is proclaimed, prohibiting skateboards on streets. He asked to have the project expedited with this in mind.

1.2 MAYOR

1.2.1 ATLANTIC COAST GAMES - TASK FORCE - HALIFAX/DARTMOUTH METROPOLITAN AREA AS FIRST HOST

ATLANTIC
COAST GAMES

Members have received copies of a letter to the Mayor from Mr. Peter Green, on the subject of proposed Atlantic Coast Games, for which a Task Force has been set up to report on the concept to Sports Nova Scotia. The possibility of having the metropolitan area host the first Atlantic Games is being explored.

MOTION: To receive and file the letter from Mr. Green, dated March 24/88.

Moved: Ald. Hetherington
Second: Ald. Greenough
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

Ald. Levandier indicated his opposition to the idea of Atlantic Coast Games and any participation on the part of the City. Other members were reluctant to give any kind of approval in principle at this point in time.

1.3 SOLICITORS

1.3.1 POLICE COMMISSION BY-LAW AMENDMENT

POLICE
COMMISSION
BY-LAW
AMENDMENT

Proposed By-law C-651, to amend the Police Commission By-law, in accordance with amendments to the Police Act, was presented for approval. Under the amendment, the size of the City Police Commission will be reduced to six members of City Council, plus one appointment by the Attorney General of Nova Scotia.

MOTION: That leave be given to introduce the said By-law C-651 and that it now be read a first time.

Moved: Ald. Levandier
Second: Ald. Greenough
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

MOTION: That By-law C-651 be read a second time.

Moved: Ald. Withers
Second: Ald. Hetherington

Ald. Sarto noted that the term of office for Police Commission members is not stated in the by-law. He felt this point should be addressed by the Solicitor.

MOTION: To defer the by-law in second reading for clarification of the point raised by Ald. Sarto about the term of office for Police Commissioners. Deferral is for one week.

Moved Ald. Sarto
Second: Ald. Pye
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

- 1.4 PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DEPT.
 1.4.1 APPLICATION TO BUILD - ULTRAMAR SERVICE STATION & CAR WASH - 10 HIGHFIELD PARK DRIVE

BUILDING
 PERMIT:
 ULTRAMAR
 STATION

Report from Mr. Bayer on an application for permit to build a service station/car wash at 10 Highfield Park Drive, submitted by Ultramar Canada Inc. Estimated value: \$500,000.

Mr. Bayer recommends approval, subject to compliance with the comments noted in his report of April 18/88.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Ald. Bregante declared a conflict of interest on this item, by reason of the fact that his wife is an Area Administrator for the Ultramar company. He withdrew from his place on Council while the item was being considered.

MOTION: To approve the application for permit to build a service station and car wash at 10 Highfield Park Drive, as submitted by Ultramar Canada Inc.

Moved: Ald. Greenough
Second: Ald. MacFarlane
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

Ald. Woods asked to have the application go before the Lakes Advisory Board, in view of the location being in proximity to Albro Lake. Ald. Billard requested that the item be on the April 27th agenda of the Lakes Advisory Board, with accompanying reports. He suggested that approval of the application should be contingent to compliance of the company with L.A.B. environmental requirements.

MOTION: To meet in camera in order to deal with an item on City liability.

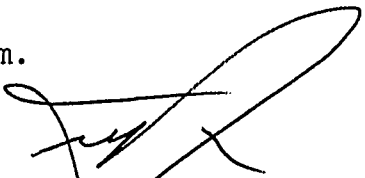
Moved: Ald. Hetherington
Second: Ald. MacFarlane
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

Having reconvened in open meeting, Council ratified the action taken while meeting in camera.

MOTION: To ratify the action taken while meeting in camera.

Moved: Ald. Sarto
Second: Ald. Bregante
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.


G. D. Brady,
Deputy City Clerk.

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Second: Ald. MacFarlane
In Favour: All
Against: None
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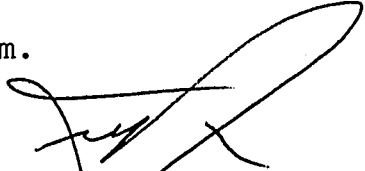
Moved: Ald. Hetherington
Second: Ald. MacFarlane
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

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MOTION: To ratify the action taken while meeting in camera.

Moved: Ald. Sarto
Second: Ald. Bregante
In Favour: All
Against: None
Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.



G. D. Brady,
Deputy City Clerk.

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