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the addition to the library may begin as soon as possible and that Staff be authorized to proceed with the necessary additional Capital Borrowing.

Motion passed.

### Snow Removal - Herring Cove Road and Spryfield in General

Alderman Wentzell spoke of the situation which presently exists along the Herring Cove Road where the street is plowed and the snow piled along the sidewalk area which happens to be level with the street. He said that children have no where to walk and he referred to an accident which occurred on the street during the past week. He asked that something be done about this problem as prior to the plowing of the street, abuttors had already cleared the sidewalk area only to have it buried under He also said that children are climbing 5 feet of snow. along these high snow banks and sliding down into the He said that news media have been out taking street. pictures of the area and he insisted that something be done to lessen this dangerous situation. He noted that a portion of the Purcell's Cove Road sidewalk has been cleared and he asked that Herring Cove Road be given the same treatment.

His Worship the Mayor suggested that a report be prepared for submission to the Committee of the Whole Council on Wednesday. He said that the Bay Road suffers the same difficulties. He suggested that it might be of benefit to use a snow blower to remove the snow from the sidewalk areas.

Alderman Stapells said that the only portion of the Purcell's Cove Road sidewalk that has been cleared was that adjacent to the South Armdale School and the John W. MacLeod School, which are City property. He also said that the people in these areas are getting increasingly annoyed after expending considerable energy in clearing their sidewalks that they are immediately buried even deeper under snow than before. He said that some property owners are getting tickets for uncleared sidewalks, when they have been done, but covered over by City snow plow equipment.

Alderman Wentzell also felt that something should be done about Carson Street. He asked who is responsible for the courtyard areas within the project and who is responsible for the snow clearance adjacent to the property owned by First City Developments or Park Projects.

His Worship the Mayor said that this will be checked into immediately.

Alderman Stanbury said that this sidewalk problem is universal and spoke of the driveways that are blocked back in after the property owners have cleared them out once.

Alderman Moir felt that some of the difficulties

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are caused by snow plows moving too fast along the streets and causing the snow to be thrown far over the sidewalk areas. He suggested that perhaps now is the time to again consider the institution of the City plowing sidewalks throughout the City. He suggested further that Staff prepare a report on the estimated cost of this service including equipment costs. He said that he advocated this practice some years ago but the Council of the day decided against it.

His Worship the Mayor did not agree and felt that there would be just as many problems with sidewalk snow clearance as there are now, if not more. He felt that someone should take the time and organize youth groups attached to churches to assist the senior citizens by clearing their sidewalks. He said that he was certain that the youth in this City would be only too happy to help out in this way. He felt that it only needs someone to organize the young people. He considered this would be a very worthwhile project for young people to consider.

After further discussion, it was <u>MOVED by</u> <u>Alderman Stapells, seconded by Alderman Wentzell that Staff</u> <u>prepare a report on the whole matter of sidewalk snow</u> <u>clearance for submission to the next meeting of the Committee</u> <u>of the Whole Council.</u> Motion passed.

9:47 p.m. Council adjourned.

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6:55 p.m. Council adjourned.

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CITY COUNCIL - SPECIAL MEETING PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N. S., February 20, 1974 6:50 p.m.

Record

A Special Meeting of the City Council was held on the above date.

After the meeting was called to Order, the members of Council attending, led by the City Clerk, joined in reciting the Lord's Prayer.

Present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman, Aldermen Bell, Connolly, Hogan, MacKeen, Meagher, Moir, Stanbury, Stapells and Wentzell.

Also Present: Acting City Manager, City Solicitor, City Clerk and other Staff members.

The City Clerk advised that the meeting was called to consider an <u>Amendment to the Zoning By-law</u>, <u>Mainland</u> <u>Area</u>.

Public Hearing - Amendment to the Zoning By-law, Mainland Area - R-2 Zone

A Public Hearing was held at this time into the above matter.

The City Clerk advised that the matter had been properly advertised and that no correspondence has been received for or against the amendment.

Mr. Bruce Davidson of the Development Department briefly explained the amendment to members of City Council, which was a change in wording for clarification purposes.

His Worship the Mayor asked if any person present wished to speak in favour of the Amendment.

No person indicated a wish to speak.

His Worship the Mayor asked if any person present wished to speak against the Amendment.

No person indicated a wish to speak.

The matter being before Council, it was MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Connolly that the matter be forwarded to City Council without recommendation. Motion passed.

6:55 p.m. Council adjourned.

WALTER R. FITZGERALD MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN

R. H. STODDARD CITY CLERK SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL CURRENT BUDGET M I N U T E S

> Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N. S. February 27, 1974 7:40 P.M.

Record

A Special Meeting of City Council was held on the above date.

Present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen Bell, MacKeen, Moir, Stanbury, Stapells, Sullivan, Wentzell, Meagher, and Deputy Mayor Hogan.

Also Present: Acting City Manager, City Solicitor, City Clerk, Director of Finance and other staff members.

The City Clerk advised that the meeting was called especially to consider the 1974 Current Budget re the following:

- 1. Total Estimates for 1974
- 2. School Board Estimates
- 3. Tax Rates Ratio between Residential
  - and Business Realty Property
- 4. Tax Rate Business Realty and Residential Realty
- 5. Fire Protection Rate for 1974

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Sullivan, that we now convene to Committee of the Whole. Motion passed.

City Council convened to Committee of the Whole with the same members in attendance.

The Acting City Manager submitted the following adjustments for consideration:

#### Homes For Special Care - Revenue Budget

A staff report dated February 21, 1974, was submitted in which is stated that the \$80,000 revenue originally budgetted for 1974 is low and it is suggested that a figure of \$115,000 would be more realistic.

It was agreed that the revenue budget for Homes for Special Care be \$115,000 for 1974.

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Recreation Department - Maintenance and Operation of the St. Mary's Boat Club Property

A staff report dated February 27, 1974, re the above subject was considered in which was recommended that an additional amount of \$15,000 will be required.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the Archdiocese has agreed to lease the above-noted property for thirty years at a nominal fee of \$1.00 per year for recreational uses to the citizens of Halifax. He stated the City Solicitor is now drawing up an agreement.

Alderman Stanbury stated that the offer is very generous but suggested that in the long-range view we should be thinking in terms of buying something that will belong permanently to the City of Halifax.

# MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that the amount of \$15,000. be added to the budget for the Recreation Department.

His Worship the Mayor expressed his appreciation to Mr. R. Wallace, M.L.A., who was present, for his efforts in having this property offered to the City of Halifax.

In reply to a question from Alderman Stapells, His Worship the Mayor advised that \$5,000 has been put in the budget for salaries re the Billman property on Chocolate Lake, for the first year.

### The motion was then put and passed.

Alderman Meagher referred to the various minor accidents which occur on City sidewalks and stated that the City of Halifax does not have a means of paying for out-ofpocket expenses in these cases. He suggested that there should be some monies in the budget to pay for these small claims.

Alderman Connolly entered the meeting - 7:55 p.m.

The City Solicitor reviewed the legislation governing these cases.

After some discussion, it was agreed that an amount of money be available in the General Government account should City Council decide to draw up a policy in this regard.

Social Planning Grants - Neighbourhood Centre and Red Cross Homemakers

A report dated February 27, 1974, was submitted re the above subject.

The Acting City Manager stated that under the Provincial agreement it is recommended that the grant to the Neighbourhood Centre be increased to \$36,000, a \$14,000. increase, and the Red Cross Homemakers' grant be decreased to \$2,000, a net increase to the Social Planning budget of \$12,000 of which there will be a corresponding increase in revenues of \$9,000, making a net effect of \$3,000 on the budget.

It was agreed that the grant to the Red Cross Homemakers remain at \$4,000. subject to cost-sharing.

Mr. Crowell, Social Planner, stated that the budget of \$16,000 for the Senior Citizens Centre, in his opinion, was not sufficient to continue the operation for the year 1974.

MOVED by Alderman MacKeen, seconded by Alderman Stanbury, that the budget for the Senior Citizens Centre be increased by \$6,000. for a total budget of \$22,000. Motion passed unanimously.

MOVED by Alderman MacKeen, seconded by Alderman Moir, that the grant for the Neighbourhood Centre be increased by \$14,000. Motion passed.

# Works Department - Additional Equipment

A staff report dated February 27, 1974, re the purchase of a 10-ton Effect Vibratory Roller, was submitted.

Mr. Sheflin, Director, Engineering and Works, answered questions from members of City Council.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that the purchase of a 10-Ton Effect Vibratory Roller at \$32,000, be approved. Motion passed with Aldermen Connolly and Meagher opposed.

His Worship the Mayor said the City has been advised of what its share will be and therefore, the amount as provided in the proposed budget can be reduced by \$263,000.00".

It was agreed that an additional amount of \$500,000 be taken from the surplus account and added to general revenue, as recommended by the Acting City Manager.

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8:35 p.m. The Committee agreed to adjourn and reconvene to permit final calculations to be made with respect to the proposed Tax Rates for 1974.

9:00 P.M. - The Committee reconvened with the same members in attendance.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Stapells, that Committee of the Whole Council adjourn and City Council reconvene. Motion passed.

9:10 P.M. - City Council reconvened with the same members in attendance.

### ESTIMATES CIVIC YEAR 1974

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that the estimates for the Civic Year 1974 be fixed at \$58,848,705.00. Motion passed.

# RESOLUTION - SCHOOL BOARD ESTIMATES 1974

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Bell that the gross expenditures for the Board of School Commissioners for the Civic Year 1974 be set at \$23,463,060.00. Motion passed.

# RATIO TAX RATE 1974 - RESIDENTIAL AND BUSINESS

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Wentzell that the Ratio be 45% between Residential and Business which is the minimum permitted under the City Charter. Motion passed.

### TAX RATES 1974

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that the tax rate for the year 1974 be set at \$5.5805 per hundred dollars of assessment and that this rate be applied to the full assessed value of property of a business character and nature and 50% of the total assessed valuation for business occupancy tax purposes and 45% of the assessed value of real property of a residential character or nature. The latter calculation contained in the motion having an effect of \$2.5112 per hundred dollars of residential tax assessment. Motion passed.

#### FIRE PROTECTION RATE 1974

MOVED by Alderman Bell, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hogan that the Fire Protection Rate be set at seven cents (\$0.07) per hundred dollars (\$100.00) of valuation for the year 1974. Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor stated he was extremely pleased with the efforts of members of City Council and staff and expressed his appreciation.

9:20 P.M. - Meeting adjourned.

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WALTER R. FITZGERALD MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN

R. H. STODDARD CITY CLERK CITY COUNCIL M I N U T E S

> Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N. S., February 28, 1974 8:05 p.m.

Record

A meeting of the City Council was held on the above date.

After the meeting was called to order, the members of Council attending, led by the City Clerk, joined in reciting the Lord's Prayer.

Present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman, Aldermen Bell, Connolly, Hogan, MacKeen, Meagher, Moir, Sullivan and Wentzell.

His Worship the Mayor advised that Alderman Stanbury sent her regrets and is not in attendance due to sickness.

# PRESENTATION TO COUNCIL BY ARMY, NAVY AND AIR FORCE VETERANS CITADEL UNIT

Mr. J. Albert Walker, President of the Citadel Unit took great pleasure in presenting to His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council a plate each, especially made for this occasion which contained a photograph of His Worship the Mayor.

Mr. Walker also presented the Mayor with a 2nd Year Medallion on behalf of the Unit, assisted by another member of the Unit.

His Worship the Mayor thanked Mr. Walker and members of the Unit for their gifts on behalf of himself and Council and spoke briefly of the work done by the Unit for the betterment of community life over the years.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION - 1st FAIRVIEW SCOUT GROUP AND MR. CARSON BAXTER

His Worship the Mayor welcomed Mr. Carson Baxter and boys of the 1st Fairview Scout Group to the Council Meeting and the boys were introduced by name to all members of Council.

Mr. Walker of the Citadel Unit presented the Scout Group with a 2nd Year Medallion and wished the boys every success.

#### MINUTES

Minutes of Council Meetings held on February 14 and 20, 1974 were approved on motion of Alderman Meagher seconded by Alderman Bell.

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### APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS, ADDITIONS & DELETIONS

The City Clerk advised that the following items are to be added to the Order of Business:

 20(a) Resubdivision and Modification of the Height Setback - Lot Zl Land Bounded by Granville Street, Sackville Street and Hollis Street
20(b) Appointment of Architects - St. Agnes

His Worship the Mayor suggested that the Appointment of Architects item be dealt with as item 9(b) rather than 20(b).

His Worship the Mayor also suggested that items 15(b) and 15(a) be dealt with as Item 5(c).

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Wentzell that the Order of Business be amended to include the two items listed by the City Clerk and the order of items changed in accordance with the suggestion of His Worship the Mayor. Motion passed.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Wentzell that the Order of Business, as amended, be approved. Motion passed.

#### DEFERRED ITEMS

Amendment - R-2 Zone, Mainland Area

School

This item was forwarded to Council without recommendation following a Public Hearing held on February 20, 1974.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Connolly that the Amendment - R-2 Zone, Mainland Area be approved. Motion passed.

A Formal Resolution was submitted giving effect to the foregoing motion of Council.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Connolly that the Formal Resolution, as submitted, be approved. Motion passed.

Alderman Sullivan had no vote on the item as he was not present for the Public Hearing.

### PURCHASE OF BUSES - HALIFAX TRANSIT CORPORATION

A report was submitted from the General Manager of the Halifax Transit Corporation outlining the reasons why the Board of Directors feels it necessary to purchase four new large buses at this time.

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Council heard from Mr. T. R. G. McKim, General Manager of the Transit Corporation who elaborated on the report submitted.

Alderman MacKeen suggested that it is time the Corporation considered the use of small feeder buses which would shuttle passengers to the large buses on the main routes.

Mr. McKim said that the Board of Directors has given and will continue to give serious consideration to this approach but he felt it was a totally different matter to the one presently before Council.

Alderman Moir agreed with Alderman MacKeen and suggested that at some future time a report be submitted to Council outlining the possible costs associated with a feeder type system and the use of small shuttle buses.

Mr. McKim answered some questions relating to costs of different sizes of buses.

After a short discussion, it was <u>MOVED by Alderman</u> <u>Moir, seconded by Alderman Wentzell that authority be</u> <u>granted for the Halifax Transit Corporation to purchase</u> <u>four, 53 passenger buses at a cost of \$160,000.</u> Motion passed with Alderman MacKeen voting against.

#### BUS TRANSPORTATION - CARSON STREET

A report was submitted from Mr. McKim of the Transit Corporation relating to the request from the Carson Street residents for a bus service into the development.

Mr. McKim outlined his report in some detail and pointed out that some street work must be done to allow space for buses to turn around.

Council also heard from the Director of Engineering and Works who briefly outlined the work which must be done to enlarge the cul-de-sac at Cranberry Court and explained why City Staff considered an alternative location for a turning circle on a portion of the Carson Street School property which will be available in June.

Some concern was expressed by members of Council that the bus service could not be implemented immediately and a suggestion was made that the curbs be removed on Cranberry Court and gravel put down as an interim measure.

The Director of Engineering and Works advised that a report could be submitted to the next meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council containing the costs involved in the suggestion made.

His Worship the Mayor felt that it would be irresponsible to approve the street improvements at this time without knowing the costs involved and he suggested that a

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decision should be made after receipt of the staff report at the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

After considerable discussion, it was <u>MOVED</u> by <u>Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Hogan that the matter</u> <u>be referred to the next meeting of the Committee of the</u> <u>Whole Council and that any recommendation be added to the</u> <u>Order of Business for the Special City Council meeting to</u> <u>be held the same night</u>.

After further discussion, the motion was put and passed.

# TRAFFIC CONTROL - CARSON STREET AND HERRING COVE ROAD

An information report was submitted from Staff relating to safety factors which are underway in response to a brief submitted on behalf of the tenants of Carson Street.

Mr. F. J. Bradbrook, Traffic Engineer, elaborated on the Staff report and advised the measures that have already been taken to improve the hazards at this particular intersection.

Alderman Wentzell said that there are other intersections along the Herring Cove Road which are equally as hazardous as the Carson Street one and he asked that the Traffic Department prepare a report as quickly as possible with respect to measures which can be taken on these. He said that he has asked about this matter on numerous occasions over the past year and one-half. He showed a photograph of a crosswalk sign (overhead) which he considered to be much more satisfactory than those presently used in the City of Halifax and he asked staff to consider the installation of similar signs along the Herring Cove Road.

Some discussion took place with respect to crosswalk markings, their length of life and related matters.

His Worship the Mayor suggested that Council should accept the Staff Report as submitted, knowing that safety precautions are being taken at this intersection, and should request staff to immediately prepare a report relating to other intersections on the Herring Cove Road as reported by Alderman Wentzell.

Council agreed unanimously to the suggestion of His Worship the Mayor.

#### PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

Petition and Letters - Property Owners Gateway Road -Against Sidewalk Construction S/S

The City Clerk submitted the above documents.

Alderman Hogan said that he has received a number of calls with respect to this item and he suggested that Staff

go out and take a look at the street because the residents are of the opinion that the sidewalk should be installed on the other side.

MOVED by Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Connolly that the petition and letters be received and staff be instructed to take another look at the street to see whether the sidewalk would be better located on the opposite side of Gateway Road and report back. Motion passed.

Petition from Property Owners - Kingsmere Court - Against Asphalt Paving, Curb and Gutter

A petition was submitted from property owners on Kingsmere Court against asphalt paving, curb and gutter on that street.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Hogan that the petition be referred to the Committee of the Whole Council and staff be requested to prepare a report on the matter. Motion passed.

Letter Against the Installation of Sidewalk on the W/S of the Herring Cove Road in front of Lot 57

A letter was submitted from a property owner who is against the installation of sidewalk on the west side of the Herring Cove Road in front of Lot 57.

<u>Council agreed to refer the letter to the Committee</u> of the Whole Council for consideration.

### Petition - Residents of St. Michael's Avenue, Spryfield

Alderman Wentzell submitted a petition from the residents of St. Michael's Avenue, Spryfield, expressing concern about the proposed development presented to Council at the last meeting of the Committee of the Whole. He said that the residents do not want Council to make any decision until all implications are known and until they have had an opportunity to express their views.

His Worship the Mayor said that Council will certainly not make any decision until a number of community meetings have been held to which the residents of St. Michael's Avenue will be invited.

### Appointment of Architects - St. Agnes School, Mumford Road

Mr. Charles McManus, Chairman of the Board of School Commissioners addressed Council and referred to negotiations which are still continuing with respect to the insurance on St. Agnes School. He referred to a decision which was made by the School Board at its last meeting that a flexible school facility be constructed on the site of St. Agnes School with the target for completion of September, 1975. He hoped that there would be very little additional

cost involved. He requested Council to approve the appointment of Duffus, Romans, Kundzins and Rounsefell as architects for the new school facility.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the appointment of the firm of Duffus, Romans, Kundzins and Rounsefell be confirmed as architects for the new St. Agnes School facility. Motion passed unanimously.

His Worship the Mayor expressed pleasure that it has been decided to construct a flexible type facility as proposed and thanked Mr. McManus and members of the School Board for their hard work in this matter.

Thanks was also extended to Mr. Flinn, Chairman of the Building Sites Committee of the School Board for his dedicated efforts in this matter.

# REPORT - FINANCE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the Finance and Executive Committee from its meeting held on February 20, 1974 with respect to the following matters:

# Possible Sale of City-owned Lands - Penny Avenue

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Wentzell that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, Lot A, as shown on the sketch attached to the Staff Report of February 11, 1974, Penny Avenue, be sold to Mr. Didier Theriault for the sum of \$288.00; proceeds from the sale to be deposited in the Sale of Land Account. Motion passed.

# Possible Expropriation Settlement - 2295 Barrington Street (Harbour View Tavern)

MOVED by Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, Mrs. Hilda Cosgrove, represented by Mr. A. L. Caldwell, Q.C., of Walker, Dunlop, Bushell & Caldwell, 5212 Sackville Street, Halifax, N. S., be paid the sum of \$47,700, less the advance payment of \$30,000, as settlement in full for all claims arising from the expropriation of the premises located at civic number 2295 Barrington Street; funds to be made available from Account No. 850-969. Motion passed with Alderman Connolly voting against.

# Tax Rebate - 1973 Special Payment

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Bell that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, staff be instructed to make the rebate applicable as a reduction from the second tax billing of 1974, irrespective of change of ownership in the property in the interim, it being understood that this second tax billing is the liability of the owner of record as December 31, 1973. Motion passed.

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Tender - Two-way Radio System for Works, Fire, Transit, Board of School Commissioners and Recreation Department

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, authority be granted to enter into a rental contract with Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Co. Ltd., for Works, Fire, School Board, Recreation and Transit Radio Systems as follows:

Purchase Plan	\$ 184,575.00
Lease Plan	222,440.00
Rental Plan /Mos.	2,958.00
	(60 mos. \$177,480.00)

Motion passed.

#### REPORT - COMMITTEE ON WORKS

Council considered the report of the Committee on Works from its meeting held on February 20, 1974 with respect to the following matters:

### Overhead Bridge - Scotia Square Encroachment

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Bell that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, City Council approve the encroachment licence for the overhead bridge from the North Pad, Scotia Square extending across Cogswell Street to the Trade Mart; the total encroachment area being 1063.3 square feet and the annual rental fee being \$265.83. Motion passed with Alderman MacKeen voting against.

Abandonment of Expropriation of Rights-of-way Over Lands of Irving Oil Co. Ltd., & S. Cunard & Co. Ltd. on Lower <u>Water Street</u>

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, City Council pass formal resolutions abandoning the expropriation of the aforementioned rights-of-way, and instruct the City Clerk to file the Resolutions in the Registry of Deeds. Motion passed.

Formal Resolutions were submitted giving effect to the foregoing motion of Council.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that the Formal Resolutions, as submitted, be approved. Motion passed.

# Provincial-Municipal Cost Sharing for Street Maintenance

Alderman Connolly said that the Director of Engineering and Works, in response to a question asked at the last meeting of the Committee, has ascertained that Main Street in Dartmouth is shared on a 50/50 basis with the Province but that the MicMac Rotary is paid 100% by the Province.

The Director of Engineering and Works explained that the Circumferential Highway is a Provincial Highway and the MicMac Rotary is considered by the Province to be a part of that Highway system. He said that this fact gives him some optimism in future negotiations with the Province.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, City Council approve the streets, as listed in attachments to the Staff Report of January 31, 1974, to form the basis for a new cost sharing agreement between the Minister of Highways for the Province of Nova Scotia and the Corporation of the City of Halifax, and that City Staff be authorized to liaise with the Department of Highways in the preparation of documents and any other requirements necessary for the execution of this agreement by the Department and City Council. Motion passed.

# Tenders for Testing

MOVED by Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Connolly that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, the tender for inspection and testing - 1974 be awarded to Warnock Hersey International Limited in the amount of \$16,815.00. Motion passed.

### REPORT - SAFETY COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the Safety Committee from its meeting held on February 20, 1974 as follows:

# Appointment - Deputy Traffic Authority

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Safety Committee, Mr. Fred Bradbrook, Traffic Engineer, be named Deputy Traffic Authority effective March 1, 1974. Motion passed.

### Increase Overtime Pay - Constables Employed by Private Firms

MOVED by Alderman MacKeen, seconded by Alderman Bell that, as recommended by the Safety Committee, the hourly rate for constables employed by private firms be increased to \$7.50 per hour with a minimum call out rate of \$23.00. Motion passed.

REPORT - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Ordinance No. 163, "Cost of Advertising Notice of Zoning By-law" SECOND READING

MOVED by Alderman MacKeen, seconded by Alderman Connolly that Ordinance Number 163, respecting the Cost of Advertising Notice of the Zoning By-law, be read and passed a Second Time. Motion passed.

Amendment to Ordinance No. 145, "The Payment & Collection of Taxes" SECOND READING

MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Connolly that the Amendments to Ordinance Number 145, Respecting the Payment and Collection of Taxes, as submitted, be read and passed a Second Time. Motion passed.

Amendment to Ordinance No. 130, "The Electrical Ordinance" SECOND READING

MOVED by Alderman MacKeen, seconded by Alderman Bell that the Amendments to Ordinance Number 130, "The Electrical Ordinance" as submitted, be read and passed a Second Time.

Motion passed.

Amendment to Ordinance No. 132, "The Plumbing Ordinance" SECOND READING

MOVED by Alderman MacKeen, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that the Amendments to Ordinance Number 132, "The Plumbing Ordinance", as submitted, be read and passed a Second Time. Motion passed.

Amendment to Ordinance No. 131, "The Building Code Ordinance" SECOND READING

MOVED by Alderman MacKeen, seconded by Alderman Bell that the Amendments to Ordinance No. 131, "The Building Code Ordinance", as submitted, be read and passed a Second Time.

Alderman Moir said it is a good decision to bring the Ordinance up to the 1970 Building Code standard, and said he agreed with the recommendation of staff that the effective date be September 1, 1974, but said he is not content with the fact that buildings over five storeys are not required to have sprinkler systems.

Alderman Moir said he felt Council should approve the amendment which is being considered tonight, but that a meeting should be arranged between the Fire Protection Review Committee and members of City Council to discuss the matter of sprinkler systems in buildings over five storeys so that Council can obtain the opinions of the Committee members in reaching a proper decision in the matter.

The Motion was put and passed and it was agreed that such a meeting as mentioned by Alderman Moir be held and that any amendments to the Ordinance as a result of such a meeting could be introduced at a later date.

#### REPORT - CITY PLANNING COMMITTEE

(a) Traffic Control - Carson Street & Herring Cove Road
(b) Bus Transportation - Carson Street

Council considered the two above noted items under the "Deferred Items" section of the agenda.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

#### Cost Projections - New Police Headquarters

A staff report dated February 25, 1974, entitled "New Police Headquarters - Cost Projections" was submitted.

Mr. D. MacLeod of the Development Department addressed Council advising that a cost review of the budget has been carried out and it appears that projected costs will exceed the Council approval of March 7, 1973 by approximately 3½%, which are outlined in Appendix A of the report. Mr. MacLeod said there is a particular tender which has been received for shelving and staff feels it should be awarded at this time as it may be that the company will not uphold the price quoted.

Following a short discussion, it was <u>MOVED by Deputy</u> <u>Mayor Hogan, seconded by Alderman Meagher that Council approve</u> <u>the award of a contract for quartermaster's store shelving to</u> <u>the low bidder, Pelton and Company Ltd., in the amount of</u> <u>\$8,089.44 and that the remaining items as contained in the report</u> <u>be referred to the next regular meeting of the Committee of the</u> <u>Whole Council for consideration.</u>

Motion passed with Alderman Connolly against.

### QUESTIONS

#### Question Alderman Moir Re: Pigeon Nuisance, Oxford Street

Alderman Moir referred to a nuisance being caused by pigeons on Oxford Street as a result of one of the residents feeding the birds, and said this has now become a public nuisance. Alderman Moir requested that the matter be referred to the Legal Department for action to rectify the situation.

# ADDED ITEMS

# Lot Zl Land Bounded by Granville Street, Sackville Street and Hollis Street, Resubdivision & Modification of the Height Setback

A staff report dated February 21, 1974 was submitted relating to the above noted matter.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Bell that the resubdivision (lot consolidation) of lands bounded by Granville Street, Sackville Street, and Hollis Street forming new Lot "Zl" and the modification of the height setback requirements to permit the construction of a 12-storey office addition to the existing 12-storey Centennial Building as shown on Plan Nos. P200/6227-6235 of Case No. 3009, be approved by City Council.

Motion passed.

9:50 P. M. - Meeting adjourned.

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SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING - MINUTES

> Council Chamber City Hall Halifax, N. S. March 6, 1974 8:10 P. M.

A special meeting of City Council was held on the above date.

After the meeting was called to order, the members of Council attending, led by the City Clerk, joined in reciting the Lord's Prayer.

Present: Deputy Mayor Hogan, Chairman; Aldermen Moir, Wentzell, Stanbury, Connolly, and Meagher.

Also Present: Acting City Manager, City Solicitor, City Clerk, and other staff members.

The City Clerk advised that the meeting was called as a Public Hearing on the matter of the Rezoning of Lots 1, 2, 3, and B-2 Robie Street from R-3 Third Density Residential to C-4 Professional.

The City Clerk further advised that as a result of today's meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council, the following items are to be added to the agenda:

- Case #3012 Application for Lot Consolidation Lands of Saint Mary's University off Robie Street;
- Application for Development Permit Saint Mary's University; and
- 3. Bus Transportation Carson Street.

Public Hearing Re: Rezoning of Lots 1, 2, 3, and B-2 Robie Street from R-3 Third Density Residential to C-4 Professional

A Public Hearing was held at this time into the above noted matter which was duly advertised.

Mr. Peddigrew of the Development Department, with the aid of maps, outlined the location of the rezoning proposal and answered questions from members of Council on the matter.

Alderman Moir requested that staff consider the possibility of closing the median on Robie Street where Robie Street enters Binney Street & Bliss Street to see if this would be a logical move.

His Worship then called for persons wishing to speak in favour of the proposed rezoning.

Mr. H. G. Rounsefell representing the Halifax Professional Centre Ltd., the applicant, addressed Council in favour of the application and outlined the details of the proposal with the aid of maps.

8:15 P. M. - Alderman MacKeen arrives.

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A short questioning of Mr. Rounsefell then ensued with respect to the application.

There being no further persons wishing to speak in favour of the application. His Worship then called for those persons wishing to oppose the rezoning application.

The City Clerk at this time submitted and read a letter dated March 5, 1974 from Mrs. Rose Gillespie which opposed the rezoning application due to increased traffic which the proposed development will create and increased parking problems which will result therefrom.

Alderman Moir requested that the letter be referred to the Traffic Authority and that Council be advised of what is taking place with respect to points raised therein.

There being no persons wishing to oppose the application, His Worship declared the matter to be before Council. 8:20 P. M. - Alderman Sullivan arrives.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Connolly that the matter be referred to the next regular meeting of City Council without recommendation. Motion passed.

CASE #3012 - APPLICATION FOR LOT CONSOLIDATION - LANDS OF SAINT MARY'S UNIVERSITY OFF ROBIE STREET

The above noted item was placed on tonight's agenda as a result of today's meeting of the City Planning Committee.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the application for lot consolidation to create Lot "L" and that approval of Lots F-l and H-l as shown on Plan No. P200/6249 of Case No. 3012, be granted by City Council. Motion passed.

### APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT - SAINT MARY'S UNIVERSITY

The above noted item was placed on tonight's agenda as a result of today's meeting of the City Planning Committee.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, City Council approve the issuance of a development permit in accordance with Section 538A of the City Charter, to facilitate the construction of a proposed library building for Saint Mary's University on Lot "L", as shown on Plan No. P200/6249 of Case No. 3012. Motion passed.

#### BUS TRANSPORTATION - CARSON STREET

The above noted item was added to tonight's agenda as a result of today's meeting of the Safety Committee.

MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Connolly that, as recommended by the Safety Committee, that Alternative #2 involving the provision of a turning circle at the end of the existing pavement on Carson Street in the area of the Connector Road now under construction at a cost of \$6,726.00 and to be charged to Account #427-JA008, be approved by City Council. Motion passed.

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# 8:25 P. M. - Meeting adjourned.

# HEADLINES

> DEPUTY MAYOR L. C. HOGAN CHAIRMAN

R. H. STODDARD CITY CLERK

Council Chamber City Hall Halifax, N. S. March 14, 1974 8:10 P. M.

A meeting of City Council was held on the above

date.

After the meeting was called to Order, the members of Council attending, led by the City Clerk, joined in reciting the Lord's Prayer.

Present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen Bell, Connolly, MacKeen, Meagher, Moir, Stanbury, Stapells, Wentzell, Sullivan, and Deputy Mayor Hogan.

Also Present: Acting City Manager, City Solicitor, City Clerk, and other staff members.

# MINUTES

Minutes of City Council meetings held on February 27, and 28, and March 6, 1974, were approved on Motion of Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Bell.

APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS - ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

At the request of the City Clerk, Council agreed to add:

20(a) - Staff Report on Tender No. 74-27 for Storm Drainage.

At the request of the City Clerk, Council agreed to delete:

15(b) - Dentith Road Shopping Centre.

At the request of Alderman Wentzell, Council agreed to add:

20(b) - Carson Street Bus Scheduling 20(c) - Halifax Natal Day

At the request of the Acting City Manager, Council agreed to defer:

10(d) - Taxation - Day Care Centres & Nursery Schools.

MOVED by Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Moir that the agenda, as amended, be approved. Motion passed.

#### DEFERRED ITEMS

Rezoning - Lots 1, 2, 3, and B-2 Robie Street from R-3 Residential Zone to C-4 Professional Zone

The Public Hearing on the above noted matter was held on March 6, 1974.

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MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Meagher that Lots 1, 2, 3, and B-2 Robie Street as shown on Plan No. P200/6189 of Case No. 3010, be rezoned from R-3 Third Density Residential to C-4 Professional by City Council.

Alderman Moir noted that at the Public Hearing he requested that staff supply Council with a report regarding the advisability of closing the median on Robie Street at Binney Street and Bliss Street and said he is again making this request.

Aldermen Bell, Stapells, and Sullivan had no vote on this item as they were not present at the Public Hearing.

The Motion was then put and passed.

A formal Resolution was submitted giving effect to the foregoing Motion of Council.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the Formal Resolution be approved. Motion passed.

### PUBLIC HEARINGS & HEARINGS

matter.

Hearing Re: Appeals Against the Development Officer's Decision to Approve a Minor Variance of the Southeast Sideyard Requirement at 25 Westgate Drive (to cover the swimming pool)

A hearing was held at this time into the above noted

A staff report dated March 11, 1974 was submitted in which it was recommended that the Development Officer's decision be confirmed by City Council.

Mr. B. Davidson of the Development Department addressed Council advising that what is being appealed is the decision of the Development Officer in permitting a swimming pool cover at Civic No. 25 Westgate Drive to remain as located (6.5 feet from the south east lot line. He advised that this is a deficiency of 1.5 feet on the side yard requirement. Mr. Davidson pointed out that the structure meets all the requirements of the By-law with this exception.

Mr. Davidson was then questioned by members of City Council.

Mr. Thompson representing the applicant, addressed Council and circulated a brochure which gave details of the structure in question, and advised that the covering was erected for reasons of safety and cleanliness. He pointed out that if it had been built 1.5 feet further to the west, it would meet all the requirements of the By-law saying this would not change its appearance. He said the structure does not block the light of other properties, it is fire proof, and noted that of the area circulated by staff, only three persons appealed the decision of the Development Officer. Mr. Thompson then requested that the decision of the Development Officer be upheld. Mr. Thompson then answered questions put forth by members of City Council.

Mr. Alex J. McKinnon of 23 Westgate Drive addressed the Committee opposing the decision of the Development Officer saying he has no objections to the swimming pool but only to the appearance of the structure. Mr. McKinnon said the building resembles an air craft hanger or a wharehouse saying he was of the opinion it would be more attractive than the covering which has been built.

Following a questioning of Mr. McKinnon, Mr. R. E. Buell addressed Council appealing the decision to grant the minor variance saying that his point of view is much the same as that expressed by Mr. McKinnon. He said it is the aesthetic appearance of the building which he is opposed to and suggested the brochure which has been circulated is very misleading. He said it has the appearance of a commercial structure and also said the acoustic qualities are very poor in that there is an echoing affect when the pool is in use. Mr. Buell suggested that if such buildings are permitted in a residential area, then the governing By-law should be changed.

His Worship advised at this time that the City Solicitor will be giving consideration to such a change and will be reporting back to Council concerning the By-law.

Mr. Buell was then questioned by members of Council following which, Mr. Charles Carlson of 1 Shaw crescent addressed Council also appealing the Development Officer's decision also saying it is hard to compare the actual structure with the pictures displayed in the circulated brochure. Mr. Carlson said he found it disturbing to find that the City has such by-laws that will permit the construction of such a building, and also pointed out that the Deeds of the various properties in this area do not permit such a structure. Mr. Carlson said the building is not aesthetically pleasing to the neighbourhood.

His Worship suggested that if the various Deeds contain covenants, that the proper action of the residents would be to consult a lawyer for advice.

A discussion and questioning of staff ensued, and it was <u>MOVED by Alderman MacKeen</u>, seconded by Alderman Stapells that the appeals against the Development Officer's decision to approve a Minor Variance at Civic No. 25 Westgate Drive which permits a swimming pool cover to remain as located (6.5 feet from south east lot line), be upheld.

Alderman Stapells in seconding the Motion said he hoped that staff would undertake a study regarding the size of peripheral use on building lots and particularly on single family lots. Alderman Stapells suggested that a building of the size of the one in question should not be permitted in the back yard of a single family lot.

Alderman Moir also felt that staff must look at the By-law as it relates to permitting such buildings on lots particularly in single family residential areas, and hoped that Council would look seriously to making a change in the By-law to prevent this from happening in the future.

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His Worship referred to possible covenants contained in the Deeds of the properties in this area, and questioned whether Council could permit the minor variance before this cleared up, and it was advised by the City Solicitor that Council has no responsibility regarding this matter.

After further discussion, the Motion was put and

lost.

It was MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hogan that City Council confirm the decision of the Development Officer in permitting the swimming pool cover at Civic No. 25 Westgate Drive to remain as located (6.5 feet from south east lot line) as shown on Plan No. P200/6211 of Case No. 3013.

Motion passed with Aldermen MacKeen & Stapells against.

### PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

Petition Re: Residents of Lady Hammond Road to Rezone North Side Lady Hammond Road between Bright Street and Memorial Drive from C-2 Zone to R-2 Zone

A petition signed by 316 residents in the area of Lady Hammond Road was submitted requesting that Council rezone the lands on the north side of Lady Hammond Road between Bright Street and Memorial Drive from C-2 General Business to R-2 Residential.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Wentzell that the petition be referred to staff for a report to be submitted at the next regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council.

In reply to a question from Alderman MacKeen regarding the matter of Building Permits, His Worship advised that the City Solicitor will cover all aspects of the matter in the report to be submitted.

The Motion was then put and passed.

Petition Re: Residents St. Michael's Avenue and Drysdale Road Re: 400 Acre Development, Spryfield Area

A petition dated February 22, 1974 from residents in the area of St. Michael's Avenue and Drysdale Road was submitted opposed to a proposed shopping centre in this area. The petition opposed having to pay for possible improvements which may result therefrom and expressed the hope that any public hearing on such a proposal will be amply advertised.

Alderman Wentzell advised that at the last regular meeting of Council, a copy of the above noted petition was submitted at which time Council agreed that no decision would be made on any such proposal until a number of community meetings have been held and that any public hearing would be fully advertised. Alderman Wentzell said the residents are still very much concerned and would like to speak on the matter.