Scotia Square Stage IX - South Apartment Building

The above noted item was forwarded to City Council without recommendation.

A supplementary staff report dated June 15, 1976 was submitted on the subject matter.

The Acting City Manager requested that staff be given more time to research the entire matter in order to inform Council on the subject in detail. Mr. Calda suggested the item be deferred to the next regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council.

Alderman Meagher requested that the Downtown Committee have some input on the matter and Alderman Moore requested that Council be informed as to the number of storeys in the apartment buildings presently existing on the Street.

Council then agreed that the item be placed on the agenda of the next regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council.

Possible Televising of City Council Meetings

MOVED by Alderman Hanson, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, Halifax Cablevision Limited be granted permission to video-tape Committee of the Whole on June 23rd as a test run and that further programming be subject to Council review of the June 23rd test. Motion passed.

Proposed North End Fire Station

The following is the recommendation of the City Planning Committee:

"That the proposed North End Fire Station sketch plans be approved by Council in order that the architect may commence detailed design drawings omitting the provision of parking on the Board of School Commissioners' land."

Deputy Mayor Connolly suggested the recommendation should end after the word "drawings" and His Worship concurre saying the drawings should be proceeded with and staff report back as quickly as possible on the matter of parking.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that the proposed North End Fire Station sketch plans be approved by Council in order that the architect may commence detailed design drawings and that staff be requested to report to Council as soon as possible on the matter of parking.

Motion passed.

Application for Rezoning from R-2 Residential General Zone to C-2 Commercial General Zone - 5687-91 Duffus Street, Lands of Hector Ian MacGregor

The above noted item was forwarded to City Council without recommendation.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Moore that a date be set for a public hearing to consider the application to rezone Civic No. 5687-5691 Duffus Street, lands of Hector Ian MacGregor from R-2 Residential General to C-2 Commercial General, as shown on Plan No. P200/7383 of Case No. 3311.

Following a questioning of staff the Motion was put and passed.

The City Clerk advised it would be necessary to check the timing required for the advertisements, and Council agreed that the City Clerk advise of the public hearing date at the next Committee of the Whole Council meeting.

Application for Subdivision - Upper Randall Park Subdivision Lot 148 (Civic No. 225-27) Main Avenue

The above noted item was forwarded to City Council without recommendation.

The Acting City Manager in referring to the request made at the Committee of the Whole meeting, advised that staff were unable to find the records requested.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that the application for subdivision of Lot 148 (Civic Nos. 225-227) Main Avenue to create Lots 148A and 148B, as shown on Plan No. P200/7408 of Case No. 3310, be granted by City Council.

Motion passed.

Appeal of Development Officer's Decision to Refuse a <u>Minor Variance at 5550</u> Inglis Street

The above noted item was forwarded to City Council without recommendation with the request that staff determine what concessionary changes would be made by the owner and the contractor in the aesthetic harmonization with the residential area if City Council was to concede to the modification and to report to the next regular meeting of City Council.

A staff report dated June 16, 1976 was submitted on the matter.

Deputy Mayor Connolly spoke to the matter and <u>MOVED</u>, seconded by Alderman Moore that the appeal of the Development Officer's decision to refuse a minor variance at 5550 Inglis Street, Halifax, Nova Scotia, be upheld by City Council and that the variance be granted.

A discussion and questioning of staff ensued following which the Motion was put and resulted in a tie vote, three voting for the same and three voting against it.

The Chairman cast his vote against the Motion and declared same to be lost, the effect of which is to refuse the minor variance request. Modification of Zoning By-law - Lot Frontage and Lot Area, Quarry Road

MOVED by Alderman Hanson, seconded by Alderman Moore that the application to modify the lot frontage and lot area of the lot on Quarry Road, as shown on Plan No. 1 of Case No. 3304, be refused by City Council.

MOVED by Alderman Stanbury, seconded by Deputy Mayor Connolly that the matter be deferred to the next regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council.

The Motion to defer was put and lost.

Following a short discussion, the original Motion was put and passed with Deputy Mayor Connolly and Alderman Stanbury against.

Council

June 17, 1976

MOTIONS

Motion of Alderman Walker Re: Rescission of Motion of City Council of May 13, 1976, respecting the Former Captain William Spry School

MOVED by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Moore that City Council rescind its Motion of May 13, 1976 instructing staff to invite development proposals for the development of the former Captain William Spry School.

Discussion ensued on the matter and His Worship suggested Council may wish to see what affect the proposed alignment of Dunbrack Street and the connection to the proposed North West Arm bridge crossing has on the land in question.

<u>The Motion was put and passed with Deputy</u> Mayor Connolly against.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Recommendations from Tax Concessions & Grants Committee

A report dated June 17, 1976, was submitted from the Tax Concessions and Grants Committee containing various recommendations.

Children's Hospital

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that a grant in the amount of \$72,500.00 be approved for the Izaak Walton Killam Hospital. Motion passed.

Victoria Order of Nurses

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that a grant in the amount of \$4,000.00 be approved for the Victoria Order of Nurses. Motion passed.

Sisters of the Good Shepherd

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderma Stanbury that a grant in the amount of \$2,920.00 be made to the Sisters of the Good Shepherd.

Following a discussion, the Motion was put and passed with Deputy Mayor Connolly and Alderman Moore against.

Home of the Guardian Angel

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that a grant in the amount of \$2,880.00 be approved for the Home of the Guardian Angel.

Motion passed with Deputy Mayor Connolly and Alderman Moore against.

M.O.V.E.

As recommended by the Tax Concessions and Grants Committee, Council agreed that no grant be approved for M.O.V.E.

St. Joseph's Childrens Centre

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that a grant in the amount of \$23,600.00 be made to St. Joseph's Childrens Centre.

Following a questioning of staff, the Motion was put and passed.

Concern-Debt Counselling

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that a grant in the amount of \$1,000.00 be made to Concern-Debt Counselling.

Following a short discussion, the Motion was put and passed with Deputy Mayor Connolly against.

His Worship questioned whether the total number of grants approved are within the budget of the Committee, and the Director of Finance replied in the affirmative.

QUEST IONS

Question Alderman Stanbury Re: Employee Dismissal

Alderman Stanbury said she would like to receive a report outlining the reasons for the recent dismissal of the Superintendent of Parks & Grounds. Alderman Stanbury said it would also be nice to be advised when major changes are made within the staff establishment in order that members of Council would be better informed.

Question Deputy Mayor Connolly Re: Fire Hazard -Point Pleasant Park

Deputy Mayor Connolly in referring to the recent closure of Point Pleasant Park, questioned what determination is made to close the park because of fire hazards, and whether the fire hazard is as great in the park as it is in the forest which is not patrolled.

A short discussion ensued and Deputy Mayor Connolly said he was not questioning whether or not the park should have been closed but was inquiring whether the same hazard exists as would exist in forest lands.

His Worship suggested that Council should be informed on the matter and also questioned whether Point Pleasant Park, Fort Needham, and Flemming Park are bound by an order of closure issued by the Minister.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion Alderman Meagher Re: Amendment Ordinance #116 Alderman Meagher gave notice that at the next regular meeting of City Council to be held on June 29, 1976, he proposes to introduce an amendment to Ordinance #116. Alderman Meagher advised that the purpose of the amendment is to change the scale of fares in the Ordinance to comply with action previously taken at tonight's meeting by Council.

ADDED ITEMS

Tender #76-64 - Bryanwood Environmental Service Company

A staff report dated June 15, 1976, was submitted relating to the above noted matter.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Walker that City Council consent to the assignmen' of contract in this matter from Bryanwood Environmental Services Company to Underwater Tel Eye Canada (1975) Ltd

Motion passed.

Fencing of Billman Property

The above noted item was added to the agenda at the request of Alderman Hanson.

MOVED by Alderman Hanson, seconded by Alderman Moore that City Council authorize staff to proceed with the construction of a line fence on the west side of the Billman property between Chocolate Lake and Melwood Avenue at sole City expense.

Alderman Hanson then outlined the reasons why such a fence is necessary.

Following debate of the item and a questioning of staff, the Motion was put and passed with Deputy Mayor Connolly and Alderman Stanbury against.

In reply to a question, His Worship advised that the tender bids for the project would come before Council.

Financing of Foster Parent Care

The above noted item was added to the agenda at the request of Alderman Walker.

Alderman Walker said he would like to bring before Council a question of desparity in the financing of foster parent care. He advised that from 1970 to 1976, there has been a provincial decrease of 1,267 wards throughout the Province. Alderman Walker advised that at the present time, some foster parents receive only \$3.00 to \$4.50 per day for for the responsibility which is on a 24 hour basis compared to a day care centre which receives \$6.50 per day on an eight hour basis.

Alderman Walker said he would like to make a Motion that Council petition the Minister of Social Services for the Province of Nova Scotia to bring the payment of foster parent and boarding home care up to the daily amount given day care centres.

His Worship suggested Council should receive a staff report on the matter.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that the item be referred to City staff for report and recommendation. Motion passed.

11:25 P. M. - Meeting adjourned.

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MAYOR EDMUND L. MORRIS CHAIRMAN

G. I. BLENNERHASSETT (Mrs.) CITY CLERK

Council Chamber City Hall Halifax, N. S. June 23, 1976 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 Connolly, Chairman; and Aldermen Stanbury, Sullivan, Shannon, Downey, Meagher, and Moore.

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

The Chairman advised that the meeting was called as a public hearing with respect to the following items:

- Closure of a Portion of Kempt Road between Hood Street and the C.N.R. Overpass and a portion between Commission Street and the C.N.R. Overpass;
- 2. Official Street Lines as follows: "To alter and confirm the southern, eastern, and northern official street lines of Kempt Road from Hood Street to approximately 640 feet northeastwardly"; and
- Rezoning of Lots A-1, and A-2, Civic No. 5750-70 South Street, Lands of Halifax Professional Centre Limited, from R-3 Residential Multiple to C-2 Commercial General.
- Public Hearing Re: 1. Closure of a portion of Kempt Road between Hood Street and the C.N.R. Overpass, and a portion between Commission Street and the C.N.R. Overpass, & 2. Official Street Lines as follows:

"To alter and confirm the southern, eastern and northern official street lines of Kempt Road from Hood Street to approximately 640 feet northeastwardly

A public hearing was held at this time with respect to the above noted items which was duly advertised.

Mr. C. L. Dodge of the Development Department, addressed Council and outlined the proposal for which the public hearing was called and also outlined a proposed rearrangement of lands on Kempt Road consisting of lands of Atlantic Concrete Limited and the City of Halifax which staff are hopeful will take place.

Mr. Dodge then responded to questions put forth by members of Council.

The Chairman then called for those persons wishing to speak in favour of the proposed street closures and street line changes.

Mr. David of Reid of 1175 Studley Avenue, addressed Council representing MacDonalds Foods Ltd., saying that their Company is in favour of the proposal. In referring to lands of the Company in the area in question, he advised that in their original agreement, it was indicated that MacDonald Foods Ltd. would be given an opportunity to purchase the additional lands which will become available as a result of the proposed street line changes. Mr. Reid said that MacDonalds is in favour of the proposals.

There being no further persons wishing to speak in favour of, the Chairman called for those wishing to oppose the proposal.

Mr. Richard Criegan addressed Council representing Atlantic Concrete Ltd. and advised that the Company which he represents has taken part in the negotiations with respect to the re-arrangement of lands on Kempt Road as outlined by City staff. Mr. Criegan said that these negotiations have not yet been concluded with respect to the proposed transfer of lands saying that as a result, his client must take the position that should these negotiations not proceed, there are some serious problems regarding the operation of Atlantic Concrete that would be caused by the proposed changes.

Mr. Criegan then displayed a sketch of the area and outlined the operation of Atlantic Concrete Ltd under the existing conditions. Mr. Criegan suggested that if the service road leading from Hood Street to their property were closed as proposed, Atlantic Concrete would not have access to their hopper as they presently do. He said this would require considerable re-organization and reconstruction of the plant in order to gain access to Kempt Road. Mr. Criegan noted that the extension of the service road would only become the property of Atlantic Concrete if the negotiations are completed.

Mr. Criegan suggested his client should not be put in a position by the City where he must purchase land saying that if all the proposals are approved, the Company would theoretically be landlocked.

In reply to a question, Mr. Criegan suggested that so long as his client can continue on the operation without incurring expenses and difficulties, they may be amenable to the alteration of street lines.

Mr. Criegan then responded to questions put forth by members of Council.

There being no further persons wishing to speak against the proposals, the Chairman declared the item to be before Council.

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Moore that the item be forwarded to the next regular meeting of City Council without recommendation.

Motion passed.

Public Hearing Re: Rezoning of Lots A-1 and A-2, Civic No. 5750-70 South Street, Lands of Halifax Professional Centre Limited, from R-3 Residential Multiple to C-2 Commercial General

A public hearing was held at this time into the above noted matter which was duly advertised.

Mr. Boyd Algee of the Development Department, addressed Council and, with the aid of a map, outlined the area in question and the intended purpose which is an at-grade parking lot for approximately 57 cars.

Mr. Algee also referred to a staff report which was circulated at tonight's meeting dated June 23, 1976 which contains an agreement between the applicant and the City relating to an at-grade parking lot only.

Alderman Shannon in referring to the staff report, said she could not see where the agreement stipulates that the facility is to be "at-grade".

Mr. Algee noted that Item #1 of the agreement does not say "at-grade" but said this could be corrected.

Mr. Algee further responded to questions put forth by members of Council.

The Chairman then called for those persons wishing to speak in favour of the proposal.

Mr. Keith Allen, General Manager of Halifax Professional Centre, the applicant, addressed Council in favour of the proposed rezoning. Mr. Allen said the object of the Centre is to operate a short term parking lot and to fulfill a need which exists. Mr. Allen advised that the Company has planned a development for the site but indicated it is not prepared to proceed with same at this time. He said the Professional Centre is coming to Council with a temporary use for parking saying the company has agreed to all the conditions put forth by staff.

Mr. Allen said it is not intended to retain the area as a parking lot indefinitely but suggested it would be a contribution to the general area if approved.

Dr. Lubetsky, the owner of the parking lot adjacent to the one in question, addressed Council in favour of the application. Dr. Lubetsky referred to the proposal that the surface of the lot be gravel and suggested that Council give consideration to asphalt which would help to eliminate dust problems. Dr. Lubetsky said he did not oppose the application.

There being no further persons wishing to speak in favour of the application, the Chairman called for those persons wishing to oppose same.

Mr. B. McCrae addressed Council on behalf of the Ward #1 Residents Association opposed to the rezoning application. Mr. McCrae advised that at a Board of Directors meeting held on June 15, the Board and the Executive, with two abstensions, voted unanimously to oppose the rezoning. Mr. McCrae said there is a great portion of the old south end community in the Ward which is zoned R-3 and said a great deal of the land consists of speculative land holdings.

Mr. McCrae said that if there is to be a neighbourhood plan and the recommendations of the M.D.P.C. are to be followed, the proposed rezoning should not be approved. He suggested this type of zoning will provide an incentive to speculative land holders not to maintain present housing.

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Mr. McCrae said that if the approval of the application is to set a precedent, **this wo**uld certainly be of concern to the Ward Association. Mr. McCrae requested Council give careful consideration to the matter suggesting that anything that will provide an incentive for speculative land holders is not in the interest of stability.

Mr. McCrae then responded to questions put forth by members of Council.

There being no further persons wishing to speak against the rezoning application, the Chairman declared the matter to be before Council.

MOVED by Alderman Moore, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that the item be forwarded to the next regular meeting of City Council without recommendation.

Motion passed.

9:30 P. M. - Meeting adjourned.

HEADLINES

Public Hearing Re: 1. Closure of a Portion of Kempt Road between Hood Street and the C.N.R. Overpass, and a portion between Commission Street and the C.N.R. Overpass &

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> DEPUTY MAYOR DENNIS CONNOLLY CHAIRMAN

G. I. BLENNERHASSETT (Mrs.) CITY CLERK

Council Chamber City Hall Halifax, N. S. June 29, 1976 8:05 P. M.

date.

A meeting of City Council was held on the above

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; Deputy Mayor Connolly, and Aldermen Walker, Hanson, Sullivan, Downey, Moore, Meagher, Shannon, and Stanbury.

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

PRESENTATION TO CITY OF HALIFAX - C.F.B. HALIFAX CREST - (by Base Commander, Capt. Peter J. Traves)

Captain Peter J. Traves, Base Commander of C.F.B. Halifax, addressed Council and said that as Base Commander, it has been his pleasure during his term of command, to meet and talk to many Officers, professionals, merchants, and citizens of Halifax. Captain Traves said he has always found the good will exhibited towards the military population to be quite outstanding and suggested that the rapport between the military and the citizens of Halifax is perhaps the best example of any in Canada at present.

Captain Traves said the history of the military and the people of Halifax is a very long one and noted with interest that out of every 11 working men and women in the Metro area, one is employed at Base Halifax and that one out of every 4 citizens of the City are in some way connected with the military.

In recognition of this, Captain Traves then presented to the City the new Crest of C.F.B. Halifax which was recently approved by Her Majesty the Queen, as a symbol of the warmth and good will that exists between the citizens and the military based in Halifax.

His Worship requested in accepting the valued and treasured presentation, if members of Council would give assent to allow that the Crest be placed on the wall of the Council Chamber for evermore.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Moore that the Crest of C.F.B. Halifax be displayed in the Council Chamber for evermore. Motion passed.

PRESENTATION OF PLAQUE - TRAINING SHIP TEXAS CLIPPER -GALVESTON, U.S.A.

Alderman Moore advised that last Thursday, he attended aboard the Training Ship the Texas Clipper and was presented with a plaque by Rear Admiral J. W. Smith who was on board and the Commanding Officer Captain John Lane. The Plaque reads as follows:

"Presented to the City of Halifax by the Moody College of Marine Sciences and Maritime Resources on behalf of the Bicentennial City of Galveston, 1976 Centennial-Bicentennial Cruise of T/S Texas Clipper"

Alderman Moore advised that the home port of the ship is Galveston which has a population of approximately 67,000 and was founded by a Canadian. Alderman Moore further advised that he spoke with the Mayor of Galveston via Satellite and assured His Worship that the plaque would be displayed in the halls of Halifax City Hall. Alderman Moore then presented the plaque to the City Clerk.

His Worship said that City Council is very proud to accept the plaque through Alderman Moore saying it will be displayed in the entrance passageways of City Hall along with other splendid gifts that have been presented to the City.

MINUTES

Minutes of City Council meetings held on June 17 and 23, 1976, were approved on Motion of Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Moore.

APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS, ADDITIONS & DELETIONS

At the request of the City Clerk, Council agreed

to add:

- 9(a) Petition Re: Residents of Linden Street requesting Parking be restricted to one side of the Street;
- 20(a) Appointment Deputy Development Officer
- 20(b) General Liability Insurance
- 20(c) July 13, 1976

20(d) - Provincial Cost Sharing - Social Planning Budget

At the request of the City Clerk, Council agreed to defer item 10(k) - "Demonstration Project - Neighbourhood Improvement Program" to the next regular meeting of City Council.

The City Clerk also advised that item 15(i) - "Application for Lot Approval - Speedy Propane" should read "Application for Final Approval of Parcel "F", Lands of Fairview Development Limited, Barrington Street."

His Worship the Mayor - Hospital Services

His Worship read the following from a memo addressed to members of City Council under date of June 29, 1976:

"Members of City Council will recall that Council received last July a report entitled "Dilemma" from the Board of the Civic Hospital and referred it to staff for review.

In October, a meeting was held with the then Ministers of Health and Social Services concerning the general subject of rationalization of hospital and health care facilities. Conversations have been continued with the new Minister and Deputy Minister of Health.

I wish to advise now that conversations have been commenced between the Boards of the Civic Hospital and the Halifax Infirmary to discern and evaluate the feasibility and practicability of combining and improving the public services they now provide as separate institutions. Three joint sub-committees have been asked to examine in detail specific matters that would be involved and to report to their respective boards in approximately two weeks' time. Professional and non-professional staffs of both hospitals are being advised of and consulted in these sub-committee meetings.

I am persuaded that with goodwill on both sides, these conversations, with which the Minister of Health concurs, can lead to agreeable resolution and thereby could become an important step in a more effective and efficient rationalization of hospital services to the people of our City.

No undertakings or further announcements will be made without consideration by the full Board of the Civic Hospital and opportunity for prior detailed review and assent by City Council." - 302 -

DEFERRED ITEMS

Closure of Portion of Kempt Road between Hood St. & C.N.R. Overpass

A public hearing was held on the above noted item on June 23, 1976.

Deputy Mayor Connolly felt that this item and the one which follows on the agenda could be dealt with together and suggested they should be deferred until further information is received from staff with respect to negotiations which are taking place with respect to the proposed rearrangement of lands in the area.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that the matter be deferred pending receipt of a staff report relating to negotiations which are taking place. Motion passed.

Official Street Lines:

To Alter and Confirm the Southern, Eastern, & Northern Official Street Lines of Kempt Road from Hood Street to approximately 640 feet Northeastwardly

A public hearing was held respecting the above noted matter on June 23, 1976.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that the item be deferred pending receipt of a staff report relating to negotiations which are taking place. Motion passed.

Rezoning of Lots A-1 & A-2, from R-3 Residential Multiple to C-2 Commercial General Zone - 5750-70 South Street -Lands of Halifax Professional Centre Limited

A public hearing was held with respect to the above noted matter on June 23, 1976.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that the application to rezone Lot A-1 and A-2, Civic No. 5750-70 South Street, lands of Halifax Professional Centre Limited, from R-3 Residential Multiple to C-2 Commercial General, as shown on Plan No. P200/7266 of Case No. 3270, be approved by City Council subject to an agreement with the applicant on the use of the property as an at-grade parking lot.

Mr. Algee of the Development Department said a request was made at the public hearing that the agreement indicate that the parking lot would be "at-grade" and advised that this has now been included in the agreement.

The City Clerk advised that His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Walker, Hanson, and Lawrence could not vote on the item as they were not present at the public hearing.

Alderman Meagher requested that at a future time, the City Solicitor advise Council as to whether the Deputy Mayor should take the Chair during the vote in the case where the Deputy Mayor was the Chairman at the public hearing.

The City Solicitor advised that he would look into the matter.

<u>The Motion was put and passed</u> with Alderman Shannon voting against. <u>PUBLIC HEARINGS, HEARINGS, ETC.</u> Appeal of Development Officer's Decision to Refuse a Minor Variance - 3224 Union Street

A staff report dated June 22, 1976, was submitted relating to the above noted matter.

Mr. Boyd Algee of the Development Department addressed Council and, with the aid of a map, outlined the area in question and reviewed the staff report submitted on the matter. Mr. Algee responded to questions put forth following which, a short discussion ensued on the matter.

Mr. Michael Gould, the owner and applicant, addressed Council and put forth the reasons for requesting the minor variance.

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Moore that a minor variance of the front yard requirement at 3224 Union Street, be granted by City Council for the purpose of allowing the construction of a single car garage to be located 3.73 feet from the street line on Union Street.

Motion passed.

Appeal of Development Officer's Decision to Refuse a Minor Variance - 100 Sunnybrae Avenue

A staff report dated June 25, 1976 was submitted.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Moore that a minor variance of the side yard and distance from other buildings requirements of the Zoning Bylaw be granted at 100 Sunnybrae Avenue to allow a 10' x 12' storage shed to be located 2' from the east property line and 5'6" from the existing dwelling located at 100 Sunnybrae Avenue.

His Worship questioned whether the applicant was present and wished to speak but there was no response from the gallery.

The Motion was put and passed.

PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

Petition Re: Residents of Linden Street Requesting Parking be restricted to one Side of the Street

A petition dated June 23, 1976, was submitted relating to the above noted matter.

MOVED by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Deputy Mayor Connolly that the petition be referred to staff for review and report. Motion passed.

REPORT - FINANCE & EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the Finance and Executive Committee from its meeting held on June 23, 1976 as follows:

Dartmouth Natal Day, August 4, 1976, Half Holiday for Civic Employees

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Finance & Executive Committee, City Council not declare Wednesday, August 4, 1976, as a Civic half holiday but that Civic employees be granted a half holiday in honor of Dartmouth Natal Day. Motion passed.

Recommendations: City Clerk

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Walker that, as recommended by the Finance & Executive Committee:

Council April 29, 1976

- the August 4, 1976 regularly scheduled Committee of the Whole meeting be rescheduled to take place on Tuesday, August 3, 1976, at 2:00 p.m.;
- a public hearing to consider the rezoning of Civic No. 5687-91 Duffus Street from R-2 Residential General to C-2 Commercial General, be set for August 3, 1976 at 8:00 p.m.; and
- a public hearing to consider Case No. 3308, rezoning from R-2 to C-2, Lot 95 (Civic Nos. 5508-12) Stairs Place, be set for August 3, 1976 at 8:00 p.m.

Motion passed.

Call for Tenders - City Property 5203 Duffus Street

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that, as recommended by the Finance & Executive Committee, the City call for tenders for disposal of the land and building, or building only, situated at 5203 Duffus Street with the proviso that bidders on the building only be required to level the site to the City's satisfaction following removal of the building. Motion passed.

Tender 76-61 - Microfilming Equipment - Halifax Police Department

MOVED by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Hanson that, as recommended by the Finance & Executive Committee, a contract be awarded to Bell & Howell Co. Ltd., to provide microfilming equipment for the Police Department at a total cost of \$30,682.50. Motion passed.

Kearney Lake Beach Relocation - Purchase of Properties

MOVED by Alderman Hanson, seconded by Alderman Moore that, as recommended by the Finance & Executive Committee, the City purchase Lots Al and A2 from Mr. & Mrs. Wheatley and Lots A3 and A4 from Mr. & Mrs. Merriam for the sum of \$4,550 to each owner. Funds are available for this purpose from the land Acquisition for Municipal Purposes Account 806 449 HAF09. Motion passed.

Handover Agreement - Gordon B. Isnor Manor

MOVED by Alderman Downey, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that, as recommended by the Finance & Executive Committee, the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the agreements on behalf of the City of Halifax.

Motion passed.

Tender 76-78-84 - Sale of Surplus Vehicles

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Finance & Executive Committee, authority be granted to sell each vehicle to the highest bidder indicated by an asterisk as outlined in the staff report of June 14, 1976, and, if any of the bidders fail to purchase any of the vehicles, their deposit of 10% be retained and the unit sold to the next highest bidder.

Motion passed.

Tenders 76-56, 76-57(R), 76-58(R), 76-59(R), 76-63(R), 76-70(R), and 76-71 - New Replacement Equipment (Eng. & Works)

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, authority be granted to award a contract to the lowest bidders meeting specifications as indicated by an asterisk on the summary attached to the staff report of June 17, 1976, and approval to transfer the necessary funds from the equipment reserve account for the replacement equipment. Motion passed.

Possible Expropriation - Sewer Easement - 371 Bedford Highway

The following is the recommendation of the Finance & Executive Committee:

"That Council authorize the expropriation of the easement shown as Parcel 62, Plan TT-22-21830, and also authorize staff to submit an application to the Attorney General requesting possession of the easement on or before July 9, 1976."

A supplementary Confidential staff report dated June 25, 1976, was submitted on the item.

MOVED by Alderman Moore, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that Council authorize the expropriation of the easement shown as Parcel 62, Plan TT-22-21830, and also authorize staff to submit an application to the Attorney General requesting possession of the easement on or before July 9, 1976, and that Council authorize an offer of compensation of \$2,570.00 to Irving Oil Limited for easement interest in Parcel 62, Plan TT-22-21830, and that the Formal Resolution be approved.

Motion passed.

Possible Expropriation - Sewer Easement - 492-94 Herring Cove Road

The following is the recommendation of the Finance and Executive Committee:

"That Council authorize the expropriation of Easement A, shown on Plan TT-22-22010 as attached to the staff report of June 15, 1976, and also authorize staff to submit an application to the Attorney General requesting possession of the easement on or before July 9, 1976."

Two supplementary confidential staff reports were submitted on the matter, one dated June 29, 1976 and the other dated June 25, 1976.

Following a questioning of staff, it was MOVED by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Hanson that Council authorize the expropriation of Easement A, shown on Plan TT-22-22010 as attached to the staff report of June 15, 1976, and also authorize staff to submit an application to the Attorney General requesting possession of the easement on or before July 9, 1976, and that Council authorize an offer of compensation of \$2,300 to Irving Oil Company Limited for the easement interest in Easement "A", Plan TT-22-22010, and that the formal resolution be approved.

Motion passed.

Demonstration Project - Neighbourhood Improvement Program

The above noted item was referred to the next regular meeting of Council during the approval of the Order of Business.

Possible Acquisition - 2574 Barrington Street - Seaway Tavern

The following Motion was PUT AND LOST at the Finance & Executive Committee meeting:

"That the property of Seaway Tavern (1966) Limited known as Civic No. 2574 Barrington Street, be purchased for the amount shown in the staff report of June 14, 1976 as settlement in full."

Alderman Moore made reference to discussions which took place at the Committee of the Whole and said the area in question was designated some time ago by the City as being one of redevelopment and said that in the ensuing years, all of the property surrounding the establishment in question was purchased. Alderman Moore said that the City has acquired all other properties in the area with the exception of one or two, saying the price which has been negotiated is less than the asking price of 1973.

Alderman Moore noted that the City has received two appraisals and <u>MOVED</u>, seconded by Alderman Hanson that the property of Seaway Tavern (1966) Limited known as Civic No. 2574 Barrington Street, be purchased for the medium price between the two appraisals as outlined in the staff report of June 14, 1976, as settlement in full.

His Worship advised that a member of Council has advised that the owners of the property have indicated that the lower of the two prices was acceptable, and Alderman Walker said that he received a call from the owner of the property who indicated that the lower of the two appraisals would be acceptable.

<u>MOVED</u> by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Deputy Mayor Connolly that the matter be deferred and referred back to staff to renegotiate a better price.

Alderman Shannon said she was not sure the City wants the furnishings to be included in the price suggesting these can easily be sold by the owner. Alderman Shannon also noted that the redevelopment area has been in existance for twelve years saying the owner purchased the property within that time suggesting he was well aware of what existed at the time the property was bought. Alderman Shannon also said there is a great difference between the assessment and the purchase price and felt the item should be referred back to staff.

The Motion to defer was put and passed with Aldermen Moore and Downey against.

The City Manager requested clarification as to what is being requested and Alderman Shannon indicated staff was to negotiate a better price.

His Worship suggested the burden of the Motion to defer is that the information brought to Council tonight was not known to Council members prior to the meeting and that Alderman Shannon wants confirmation of the best possible acquisition price. - 309 -

REPORT - COMMITTEE ON WORKS

Council considered the report of the Committee on Works from its meeting held on June 23, 1976, as follows:

Solid Waste Disposal

MOVED by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Alderman Moore that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, the City of Halifax agree to accept for incineration solid waste from present County Districts #1-5, at an annual rate not to exceed 7,000 tons total with effect from July 1, 1976, until December 31, 1976, and that this matter be reviewed immediately prior to December 31, 1976 to decide a future course of action, and that His Worship be authorized to communicate Council's decision to those concerned.

A lengthy discussion ensued on the matter following which, the Motion was put and passed with Aldermen Stanbury and Sullivan against.

Local Improvement Charges - North Side Cogswell Street -(Trinity Church)

The above noted item was forwarded to City Council for the purpose of receiving a staff report.

MOVED by Alderman Downey, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the Trinity Church and the City negotiate a reduced price for the local improvement **project** on the north side of Cogswell Street.

Deputy Mayor Connolly said he had a great deal of feeling for what the Motion is attempting to do but suggested that if special negotiations are to take place in this case, the same appeal is open to any other property in the City who is affected by local improvement charges.

The City Manager noted that staff have been requested to prepare a further report and advised that such a report is not yet ready.

The City Solicitor, in referring to the Motion, suggested it may not be a valid motion saying charges are to be charged on the same basis to all members of the class and that special exceptions could not be made.

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Alderman Meagher suggested that because of the location of the Church property, it became involved in the process of widening Cogswell Street and felt the Church was placed in a difficult position. Alderman Meagher said he would like the City Solicitor to look at the point that the Church was a victim of progress saying this is a point that must be considered.

MOVED by Alderman Moore, seconded by Alderman Hanson that the matter be deferred for a further staff report on the matter.

The Motion to defer was put and passed.

Extension of Project Manager Contract Infiltration Reduction Program - Phase II

MOVED by Alderman Moore, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, City Council authorize an additional expenditure of \$110,000 from Account 808-DDA01 Infiltration Reduction Program for engineering fees on Phase II of this program.

Motion passed.

Fencing - Green Acres Playground

The above noted item was forwarded to City Council without recommendation.

An information report dated June 29, 1976, was submitted relating to the above noted matter.

The City Manager said she is advised there are funds in the Capital Account for the project.

MOVED by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that an amount of \$3,800.00 be approved for a four (4) foot boundary fence around the Green Acres Playground, a distance of approximately 310 lineal feet.

Deputy Mayor Connolly asked that in the near future, Council receive a report relating to the City's position and policy regarding fencing around City property which abuts private property.

Discussion ensued on the matter and Alderman Moore requested that such a report refer to the difference between a line fence and a boundary fence.

Motion passed with Deputy Mayor Connolly against.

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REPORT - CITY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the City Planning Committee from its meeting held on June 23, 1976, as follows:

Role of Landmarks Commission

MOVED by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Alderman Sullivan, that the role of the Landmarks Commission in identifying and protecting landmarks be referred to the Municipal Development Plan Committee to be dealt with in the process of implementing the Objectives and Policies for the Municipal Development Plan. Motion passed.

Modification of Zoning By-law Requirement at 2728 Deacon St.

Alderman Sullivan asked if there were any legal implications if the application was refused if the property meets all the conditions, has been recommended for approval by staff and there are other duplexes on the street. The City Solicitor stated that the City has never been subject to a legal action on a matter of this type and he is not aware of an action that might be taken if the application is refused.

MOVED by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Stanbury, that the modification of the Zoning Bylaw requirements to increase the number of habitable rooms to 9 from the permitted 5, to allow the dwelling located at 2728 Deacon Street to remain as a duplex, be refused by City Council. Motion passed with Aldermen Sullivan and Downey voting against.

Modification of Lot Frontage at 6846 Chebucto Road

Alderman Meagher stated that he objected to the statement in the staff report dated June 3, 1976, referring to the condition that the front yard be increased to 19.0' to accommodate proposed widening along the south side of Chebucto Road. He requested that the condition be imposed for aesthetic reasons rather than for the proposed widening.

MOVED by Alderman Hanson, seconded by Alderman Moore, that the application to modify the lot frontage of Civic No. 6846 Chebucto Road as shown on Plan No. P200/7431 of Case No. 3327 be approved by City Council under condition that the front yard be increased to 19.0' from the existing street line (approximately 14.0' from the proposed street line). Motion Passed. Rezoning Lot 95 from R-2 Zone to C-2 Zone - 5508-12 Stairs

Place - DATE FOR HEARING

This matter was dealt with earlier in the meeting under item 10 (a) -- Recommendations - City Clerk.

Subdivision of 2549-53 Brunswick Street to form Lot A and Residual Land (Parcel B)

MOVED by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Alderman Sullivan, that Council approve the subdivision of Civic Nos. 2549-2553 Brunswick Street, lands of J. and M. Rosinski, to form Lot A and residual land known as Parcel B, as shown on Plan No. P200/7451 of Case No. 3338. Motion passed with Aldermen Stanbury and Deputy Mayor Connolly voting against.

Application for Approval of Lot 2-Cl Pinewood Terrace

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Moore that Council approve:

Lot 2-C-l as a residential building lot, and,

2. Lot B-C as residual land,

on Pinewood Terrace, as shown on City of Halifax Plan No. 00-12-21691. Motion passed.

Realignment of North Barrington Street

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Walker, that His Worship the Mayor arrange with DND for a presentation to Council members of the CFB Stadacona-Dockyard Base Development Plan and that a decision of the alignment for North Barrington Street be deferred until after this presentation. Motion passed.

Halifax Metro Centre Limited

MOVED by Alderman Moore, seconded by Alderman Hanson, that:

- the amount of \$34,500 be budgeted for the balance of 1976 for staff and promotion of Halifax Metro Centre Limited, costs that are the responsibility of the operator of the facility, i.e., the City of Halifax;
- an amount be set up for this activity and the one position plus \$10,000. be transferred to that account from 002 - City Manager; and
- the balance of the funds, \$24,500. be provided under the provisions of Section 201(1) of the Halifax City Charter.

Motion passed with Deputy Mayor Connolly, Aldermen Shannon and Stanbury voting against.

Application for Final Approval of Parcel "F", Lands of Fairview Development Limited, Barrington Street

A staff information report dated June 28, 1976, was submitted in which was stated that the Province of Nova Scotia had completed an expropriation of lands in the subject area which included Lot F and the approval of Lot F is not now necessary.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Moore, that, in view of the commencement of expropriation proceedings by the Province of Nova Scotia, no action be taken. Motion passed.

Application for Lot Approval - Northwest Arm - Lindwood Holdings Property

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Moore, that the Lindwood Holdings Limited property on the Northwest Arm, located between the Maplewood property and the City parkland property, be approved as a residential building lot as shown in Case No. 3280. Motion passed.

MOTIONS

Motion - Alderman Meagher Re: Amendment to Ordinance No. 116, Respecting the Regulation of Vehicles Transporting Passengers for Hire - FIRST READING

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Deputy Mayor Connolly, that the following amendment to Ordinance Number 16, Respecting the Regulation of Vehicles Transporting Passengers for Hire, be now read and passed a First time:

"1 The Third Schedule to said Ordinance Number 116 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:

THIRD SCHEDULE

NINETY CENTS initial charge, up to 1/12 mile;

FIVE CENTS each 1/12 mile;

FIVE CENTS each 36 seconds waiting time;

Five Minutes grace to be allowed on pick-ups;

THIRTY CENTS each additional passenger;

Hourly driving rates by arrangement between driver and passenger, without meter - SIX DOLLARS per hour;

ONE DOLLAR each trunk;

- THIRTY CENTS for each piece or luggage handled by the driver;
- TEN CENTS for each parcel or bag of groceries handled by the driver;

Children under five years of age shall be carried FREE when accompanied by an adult;

Special Rates for the conveyance of children to and from school may be made by private arrangement with the owner or driver of the motor vehicle. "

Motion passed.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Improved Employee Insurance Plan

A staff report dated June 21, 1976, was submitted.

The City Manager asked that formal approval be given that members of City Council may join the plan.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that City Council accept the improved employee insurance plan as set out in the staff report dated June 21, 1976, and authorize staff to proceed. Motion passed.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, that members of City Council who wish to participate in the plan be required to pay the total cost. There was no seconder to the motion.

MOVED by Alderman Hanson, seconded by Alderman Moore, that members of City Council have access to the insurance plan under the same conditions as civic employees. Motion passed with Alderman Meagher voting against.

Purchase of New Motorcycles

A staff report dated June 16, 1976, was submitted.

Mr. Messenger, Purchasing Department, advised that there is a local dealer in Halifax who will service the motorcycles. He stated that the vehicles are f.o.b. Montreal and the City will have to pay the freight from Montreal.

MOVED by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that six of the motorcycle units, as described in the staff report dated June 16, 1976, be purchased from Fred Deely at a total cost of \$23,250.00; the necessary funds being transferred from the Equipment Reserve Account for this purpose. Motion passed.

Expropriation - Half Interest in Land and Water Lot - Upper Water Street

A confidential staff report dated June 24, 1976, was submitted.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Walker, that Council authorize an offer of compensation of \$17,500 to Franklyn Service Co. Limited for its half interest in the subject land and water lot. Motion passed.

QUESTIONS

Ouestion Alderman Sullivan Re: Remuneration for School Crossing Guards

Alderman Sullivan requested that staff submit a report to the next meeting of Committee of the Whole Council for discussion re the costs for paying school crossing guards on in-service days during the school year.

Question Alderman Sullivan Re: Tenders for Sodding of the Allen Property

Alderman Sullivan asked when tenders would be called re the sodding of the Allen property. Mr. Calda advised that it would take place within ten days.

Question Alderman Sullivan Re: Back Lane - Livingstone Place

Alderman Sullivan asked when the back lane at Livingstone Place would be started.

Question Alderman Sullivan Re: Vacant Building at 2878-2880-2882 Barrington Street

Alderman Sullivan noted that in a recent staff report it is indicated that the building at 2878-80-82 Barrington Street is 'open' and asked if there has been any further communication from the owner.

Question Alderman Sullivan Re: Throughway on Leaman Street

Alderman Sullivan asked for a staff report re negotiations with two property owners for purchase of property for a throughway on Leaman Street.

Question Alderman Walker Re: Sign Encroachment on Cogswell

Alderman Walker referred to a sign encroachment on Cogswell Street and stated that the sign still exists and the owner does not have a permit. He asked what the status of the matter is. The City Solicitor advised that he would submit a report to the next meeting of Committee of the Whole Council.

Question Alderman Walker Re: Feasibility of Helicopter Service in the Metro Area

Alderman Walker asked when a staff report could be expected on the feasibility of helicopter service within the Metro Area. His Worship indicated that a report will be submitted to the next meeting of the Safety Committee.

Question Alderman Meagher Re: Increase in Payments to _____ City of Halifax Pensioners

Alderman Meagher noted that he had raised this matter during budget discussions and it was subsequently referred to the Retirement Committee. He asked if the Retirement Committee were prepared to report on an increase in pensions to those who had not received an increase. His Worship indicated that a report would be submitted to the next meeting of Committee of the Whole Council.

Question Alderman Hanson Re: Improvements at 9 Princeton Avenue

Alderman Hanson asked when work would commence on improvements at 9 Princeton Avenue. Mr. Calda advised that work had started but was discontinued because of a shortage of materials.

Question Alderman Hanson Re: Curb at 10 Fenerty Road

Alderman Hanson asked when the curb at 10 Fenerty Road would be repaired and also noted that this section of

Fenerty Road has not been swept. He asked why it was not swept and would it be swept.

Question Alderman Hanson Re: Brook Along Coronet Avenue

Alderman Hanson asked if the brook along Coronet Avenue could be cleaned up. Mr. Calda advised that the brook runs across private property and it is the responsibility of the owners to clean it up.

Question Alderman Hanson Re: Barricades at Dingle Park

Alderman Hanson stated that he was aware that it was a Council directive that instituted the barricades at the Dingle Park. He stated that he was not pleased with the type of barricade used and asked if they could be removed.

Mr. Calda noted that the present barricades are of a temporary status and described a different type of barricade which might be more acceptable.

Question His Worship the Mayor Re: Boutilier's Landing

His Worship asked if the City has completed all the work intended to be done at Boutilier's Landing this year. Mr. Calda replied in the negative and stated that a staff report will be submitted in this regard.

Question Alderman Downey Re: Basketball Court at George Dixon Centre

Alderman Downey asked when the basketball court will be constructed at the George Dixon Centre. The City Manager stated a report will be issued in this regard.

Question Alderman Downey Re: Building at 2116 Brunswick St.

Alderman Downey stated that the building at 2116 Brunswick Street was closed by the Board of Health and was supposed to be demolished within six months. He stated the

building is still boarded up and there is an odour coming from the building. His Worship advised that a report will be submitted.

Question Alderman Downey Re: Instructor for George Dixon _____ Centre

Alderman Downey stated that the George Dixon Centre has been without a recreation instructor for about two to three months and asked when the vacant position would be filled. His Worship advised that a report will be issued.

Question Alderman Shannon Re: Painting of Pedestrian Crosswalks

Alderman Shannon asked how the painting of pedestrian crosswalks is proceeding.

Question Alderman Shannon Re: Tree Spraying

Alderman Shannon asked why the tree spraying was done on Saturday, what were they spraying, why was the man wearing a mask, why were the residents not instructed to close their windows, what was he using and what was he spraying against. Mr. Calda advised that the trees have to be sprayed when the time is right which means it had to be done on the weekend and it was not necessary that windows be closed and children removed from the area of the spraying. He further stated that a report will be issued.

Question Alderman Shannon Re: Reusing of Sod Laid at the Metro Centre Site

Alderman Shannon asked if the City would be reusing the sod laid at the Metro Centre site. Mr. Calda stated that it would be reused on other City projects.

Question Alderman Shannon Re: Cost of Relocating Services for the Metro Centre

Alderman Shannon asked for a report on the costs involved in relocating services for the Metro Centre. His Worship advised that he would request such a report from the Directors of Metro Centre. - 321 -

Question Alderman Shannon Re: Handling of Tenders for ______ Metro Centre Projects

Alderman Shannon asked that Council be informed how tenders are being handled for Metro Centre projects. Alderman Moore advised that the tenders are being advertised publicly and are open tenders.

Question Alderman Walker Re: Building on Artz Street

Alderman Walker stated that there are three buildings on Artz Street below Barrington Street and between Barrington Street and the railway, the center building is an eyesore to the general public as the roof has completely collapsed. He asked if the City owns the building and if it can be torn down. His Worship advised that this matter will be considered forthwith.

ADDED ITEMS

Appointment of Deputy Development Officer

A staff report dated June 22, 1976, was submitted.

Deputy Mayor Connolly asked if Council would be establishing a policy by appointing a Deputy rather than an Acting Development Officer. The City Solicitor stated that under the Planning Act someone must make decisions re minor modifications and, in the Development Officer's absence, it is desirable to have someone make these decisions to that the public can be serviced. He suggested that the term 'deputy' was selected as it is the more conventional term.

It was agreed that this matter be referred to the next meeting of Committee of the Whole Council for further discussion.

General Liability Insurance

A staff report dated June 28, 1976, was submitted.

Mr. Messenger advised that, with the program recommended by staff, there is a total aggregate deductible of \$6,250. which was negotiated after the report was written.

MOVED by Alderman Moore, seconded by Alderman Walker, that authority be granted to place the coverage with Simpson Hurst Ltd./Royal Insurance Ltd. for \$30,200 for a one year period subject to a \$250.00 deductible on P.D. claims with Royal Insurance adjusting all claims. Motion passed with Deputy Mayor Connolly voting against.

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A staff information report dated June 29, 1976, was submitted.

His Worship stated that the reason this matter was added to the agenda was for discussion as to whether a public official holiday should be granted on the day on which Her Majesty the Queen and Prince Philip visit the City of Halifax. Discussion took place re the estimated cost of the holiday which would be approximately \$54,779.59 for the City of Halifax and costs related to the various businesses throughout the City if such official holiday was declared. Discussion also ensued re being hospitable to those who do come to the City and that Her Majesty not be welcomed by a silent City.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Hanson, that City Council not declare July 13, 1976, as an official holiday in the City of Halifax but that employers be requested to allow their staffs to join in the welcome to Her Majesty the Queen and Prince Phillip. Motion passed.

Provincial Cost Sharing - Social Planning Budget

A staff report dated June 28, 1976, was submitted.

Deputy Mayor Connolly asked if staff could look at the transfer of some grants in lieu of, from the Provincial Government to the Social Services budget so that Federal monies might be available if there are some difficulties.

Deputy Mayor Connolly retired from the meeting at 11:45 p.m.

Mr. Crowell, Social Planner, stated that staff do not feel that any cuts below those suggested in the staff report would adversely affect people to the extent where the savings on the left hand side of the budget would be more than balanced on expenditures on the right hand side. He stated that the budget is down to the finest projection acceptable as far as programs in the City of Halifax are concerned.

He stated that staff have been advised by the Province earlier this date, regarding neighbourhood services in the North end, that the City could proceed with cautious optimism that word would be received tomorrow that the Centre would not have to close completely.

His Worship suggested that a motion be added to the staff recommendations re the Neighbourhood Centre.

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Downey that:

- The City continue to negotiate with the Province for the same level of cost sharing for actual costs for Homes for Special Care, General Assistance and that the Province be urged to cost share in the revised projection for Core Administration and Special Projects.
- 2) Should the Province not agree to the above terms, then City Council strongly urge the Province to make arrangements whereby the City would continue to receive the usual 50% contribution of the Federal Government for these programs.
- 3) City Council request staff to report back as soon as it becomes clear on the exact amount of any reduction in revenue which may result from the negotiations with the Province, and, in the interim, that staff be authorized to continue to provide programs at the levels provided by City budget.

4) That City Council include an authority to staff to continue the Neighbourhood Centre, if required, at City expense until midnight July 7, 1976, the date of the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned - 11:50 p.m.

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G. I. BLENNERHASSETT CITY CLERK

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N. S. July 15, 1976 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 Shannon, Downey, Meagher, Sullivan, Stanbury, Walker, Hanson, Moore and Lawrence.

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

MINUTES

Minutes of the City Council meeting held on June 29, 1976, were approved on Motion of Alderman Moore, seconded by Alderman Hanson.

APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS, ADDITIONS & DELETIONS

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

5(a) - Demonstration Project - Neighbourhood Improvement Programs

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

- 20(a) Administrative Order No. 17, respecting "The Functions, Duties & Responsibilities of the Health Department" -- FIRST READING
- 20(b) Funding Land Use Survey Proposal

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20(c) - Matrimonial Counselling Association

At the request of Alderman Downey, Council agreed to <u>add</u>:

20(d) - Neighbourhood Improvement Program Area

The Order of Business, as amended, was approved.

COMMENDATIONS TO STAFF -- ROYAL VISIT

His Worship stated that immediately upon the departure of Her Majesty the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh, he caused an official commendation to be issued on Council's behalf, through the City Manager to City staff, and through the Chief of Police to the Halifax Police Department.

His Worship asked Council to authorize special commendations to the following civic employees, that the City Manager convey such special commendations on behalf of City Council, and furthermore, that record of the special commendations be made in each of the personal files:

Elizabeth Jamieson, principal secretary in the Mayor's office and an employee of the City for thirty-eight years, who witnessed on Tuesday, July 13, 1976, the fourth Royal family visit to the City of Halifax as a civic employee. His Worship stated that he thought it personally, as Mayor, a peculiar tribute to Elizabeth Jamieson that the City Manager should have designated her as one of the two co-ordinators for the City's involvement in the planning of Her Majesty's visit. He stated that virtually Miss Jamieson's whole life has been given over to the quiet and unostentatious service of the people of Halifax and, as Mayor for twenty-one months, he is familiar with Elizabeth Jamieson's rare and unsung performance of service to the City. He stated he thought it a particular honor that the City Manager intended for so senior an employee that she should have designated her as co-coordinator.

<u>Michael Bowser</u>, an Administrative Assistant trainee attached to the City Manager's office and designated by the City Manager as co-coordinator with Elizabeth Jamieson, whose responsibility it was to co-ordinate the City's arrangements as a City government and administration and, in His Worship's judgement, did it with a rare calm and with complete success.