

HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY

HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL MINUTES JULY 8, 2003

PRESENT:

Mayor Peter J. Kelly
Deputy Mayor Harry McInroy
Councillors: Steve Streach
Gary Hines
Keith Colwell
Ron Cooper
Brian Warshick
Condo Sarto
Bruce Hetherington
Jim Smith
John Cunningham
Jerry Blumenthal
Dawn Sloane
Sue Uteck
Sheila Fougere
Russell Walker
Diana Whalen
Linda Mosher
Stephen Adams
Brad Johns
Robert Harvey
Len Goucher
Reg Rankin
Gary Meade

STAFF:

Mr. George McLellan, Chief Administrative Officer
Mr. Barry Allen, Acting Municipal Solicitor
Ms. Vi Carmichael, Municipal Clerk
Ms. Sherryll Murphy, Legislative Assistant;

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1. INVOCATION

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. with Deputy Mayor McInroy leading the invocation.

Councillor Johns extended sympathies to the families of Mr. Glen Miller, an HRM employee of eighteen years, and Mr. Glen Slaunewhite, Beaverbank, a Councillor with the former County of Halifax. Council then observed a moment of silence in honour of these gentlemen.

Councillor Cooper presented four students to members of Council. Eva Mari Gunderson, Maja Julnes, Ole Saeter Hoksnes, all of Norway and Lindsay Smith of Cole Harbour. He went on to note that the Norwegian students were in Nova Scotia preparing a video project in cooperation with students from Auburn High School. Councillor Cooper indicated that the topic of the project is connections between Norway and Nova Scotia during World War II. Accompanying the students was Mr. Ray MacLeod, teacher of media studies at Auburn High School.

Councillor Uteck raised an objection to the Family Home Evening proclamation and requested that in future proclamations to be endorsed by Halifax Regional Council be provided to Council prior to the meeting.

Councillor Sloane congratulated all those involved for a job well done in making the Canada Day celebrations such a success.

Councillor Blumenthal invited all those concerned about the closing of banks to attend a meeting with the Bank of Montreal to be held at the Nova Scotia Community College on Monday, July 14, 2003.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION - Mr. Delphis Roy

Councillor Brad Johns made a presentation to Mr. Delphis Roy, a resident of District 19, recognizing his contribution to the Halifax Regional Municipality and the former County of Halifax while serving on a number of different committees. Councillor Johns thanked Mr. Roy for his dedication.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - June 24, 2003

MOVED by Councillor Blumenthal, seconded by Councillor Sloane that the minutes of Halifax Regional Council for June 24, 2003 be approved, as distributed. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS

AND DELETIONS

Additions:

- 12.1 Councillor Hetherington re: Greater Halifax Partnership (GHP) & Halifax Regional Development Agency (HRDA)
- 12.2 Membership Selection Committee - Appointment to Regional Planning Community Stakeholder Committee
- 12.3 Property Matter - Minor Acquisition - Kearney Lake Beach
- 12.4 Property Matter - Tax Sale of 33 Maitland Street

Deletions:

- 9.3.1 Presentation - Carlton House Preservation Society

At the request of Councillor Cunningham:

- 10.4.3 Weekend Violence in Dartmouth

Information Item:

- 1. Proclamation - Family Home Evening

Councillor Adams requested that Information Item # 1 be brought forward to the Regional Council agenda for July 15, 2003.

MOVED by Councillor Hetherington, seconded by Councillor Sarto that the agenda, as amended, be approved. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- 4. **BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES**
- 5. **MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION** - None
- 6. **MOTIONS OF RESCISSION** - None
- 7. **CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS** - None
- 8. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

8.1 By-law V-100, Respecting Amendments to Various By-Laws Respecting the Inclusion of Measures to Permit Inspectors to Invoke the Lien Provisions of the Municipal Government Act

- This matter received First Reading at the Regional Council meeting held on June 10, 2003. A copy of By-law Number V-100 Respecting Amendments to various By-laws Respecting the Inclusion of Measures to Permit Inspectors to Invoke the Lien Provisions of the Municipal Government Act, was before Council for consideration.

Mr. Allan Wayne, General Manager, Community Projects, addressed Council briefly reviewing the proposed amendments and responding to questions from members of Council.

The Mayor called three times for persons wishing to speak in favour of or against the proposed amendments.

Hearing none, it was **MOVED by Councillor Cunningham, seconded by Councillor Warshick that the public hearing be closed. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

MOVED by Councillor Hetherington, seconded by Councillor Cunningham that Council approve By-law Number V-100 respecting amendments to various By-laws regarding the inclusion of measures to permit inspectors to invoke the lien provisions of the Municipal Government Act, as circulated to members of Council for this meeting. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

8.2 Case 00414 - Amendments to the Bedford Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS) and Land Use By-Law (LUB) respecting the Main Street Commercial (CHC) Zone

- This matter received First Reading at the Regional Council meeting held on June 17, 2003.

Ms. Thea Langille-Hannah, Planner, gave a brief presentation outlining the proposed amendments and responding to questions from members of Council. A copy of the presentation is on file.

The Mayor called three times for persons wishing to speak in favour of or against the proposed amendments.

Hearing none, it was **MOVED** by Councillor Blumenthal Cunningham, seconded by Councillor Uteck that the public hearing be closed. **MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

MOVED by Councillor Goucher, seconded by Councillor Hetherington that, as recommended by the North West Community Council, Regional Council adopt the amendments to the Bedford Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law as contained in Attachments "A" and "A-1" of the staff report dated April 24, 2003. **MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

8.3 Case 00398 - Amendments to the Beaver Bank, Hammonds Plains and Upper Sackville Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS) and Land Use By-Law (LUB) - Beaver Bank Villa Site

- This matter received First Reading at the Regional Council meeting held on June 17, 2003.

Ms. Thea Langille-Hannah, Planner, gave a brief presentation outlining the proposed amendments and responding to questions from members of Council. A copy of the presentation is on file.

The Mayor called three times for persons wishing to speak in favour of or against the proposed amendments.

Hearing none, it was **MOVED** by Councillor Blumenthal Cunningham, seconded by Councillor Adams that the public hearing be closed. **MOTION PUT AND PASSED**

MOVED by Councillor Johns, seconded by Councillor Rankin that, as recommended by the North West Community Council, Regional Council approve the amendments to the Beaver Bank, Hammonds Plains and Upper Sackville Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law as contained in Attachments "B" and "C" of the staff report dated May 20, 2003. **MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

9. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

9.1 Correspondence - None

9.2 Petitions

9.2.1 Petition - Councillor Cunningham - Poor Condition of Pavement Surface of Vanessa Drive from Corner of Slayter Street to the Dead End

Councillor Cunningham submitted a petition on behalf of residents of Vanessa Drive regarding the condition of the pavement surface of Vanessa Drive from the corner of Slayter Street to the dead end has deteriorate as a result of snow removal, street cleaning machinery and local traffic.

9.2.2 Petition - Councillor Blumenthal - Traffic Concerns on Hennessy Place

Councillor Blumenthal submitted a petition on behalf of residents of Hennessy Place regarding traffic concerns.

9.3 Presentations

9.3.1 Carlton House Preservation Society

This matter was deleted from the agenda during the setting of the agenda.

10. REPORTS

10.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

10.1.1 Tender 03-040R, Mainland Common Ballfield Construction

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Councillor Streach declared a Conflict of Interest advising that a member of his family is involved with the successful bidder. Councillor Streach left the meeting.

- A staff report dated May 27, 2003 prepared for Dan English, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, was before Council for consideration.

MOVED by Councillor Whalen, seconded by Councillor Walker that Halifax Regional Council award Tender No. 03-040R to TurfMasters Landscaping Ltd., for materials and services specified at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$547,009.40, plus net HST, for a total amount of \$582,176.63 from Capital Account # CPC00814 - Mainland Commons Upgrades, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications Section of the May 27, 2003 staff report.

A lengthy discussion ensued with staff responding to a number of questions.

Councillor Warshick commented that the proposal before Council this evening differed from that which was discussed during the Capital Budget. He pointed out that it was his understanding that the field which would be developed on the Mainland Common would be a Class A field. This proposal falls short in that the amenities (i.e. lighting, bleachers, press box, etc) are not included in the tender price.

Councillor Warshick pointed out that the Beazley field in Dartmouth could be developed to a Class A field. He suggested that this matter should be referred back to staff for a report as to best use of the monies involved and whether it would not be more reasonable to bring an existing field to Class A standard.

A further discussion ensued with Councillor Hetherington requesting a report from staff listing all the playing fields in the municipality, their condition and exactly what work is required to bring all fields to a usable standard.

In response, Mr. McLellan indicated that staff would bring forward an information report on the status of the review of the playing fields immediately following the summer break.

MOVED by Councillor Warshick, seconded by Councillor Sloane that this matter be deferred for one week for a report from staff to as to whether or not it would be best to bring one field to a Class A standard and then begin to budget for a second field in next year's budget.

The MOTION TO DEFER WAS PUT AND DEFEATED.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Councillor Streach returns to the meeting.

10.1.2 Tender 03-052, West Region, Tender 03-051, East Region and Tender 03-053, Central Region, Asphalt Patching of Streets

- A staff report dated July 2, 2003 prepared for Dan English, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, was before Council for consideration.

MOVED by Councillor Rankin, seconded by Councillor Fougere that Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Award Tender No. 03-052, Asphalt Patching, West Region, to Basin Contracting Ltd. for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$245,500, plus net HST for a total of \$261,283 from Operating**

Account R731-6399, Patching, Contract Services, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of the July 2, 2003 staff report.

2. **Award Tender No. 03-051, Asphalt Patching, East Region, to Ocean Contractors Ltd. for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$169,500 plus net HST for a total of \$180,397 from Operating Account R731-6399, Patching, Contract Services with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of the July 2, 2003 staff report.**
3. **Award Tender No. 03-053, Asphalt Patching, Central Region, to Dexter Construction Ltd. for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$208,900 plus net HST for a total of \$222,330 from Operating Account R731-6399, Patching, Contract Services with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of the July 2, 2003 staff report.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10.1.3 Tender 03-054, East Region, Tender 03-055, West Region and Tender 03-056, Central Region, Concrete Sidewalk, Curb & Gutter Repairs

- A staff report dated July 2, 2003 prepared for Dan English, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, was before Council for consideration.

MOVED by Councillor Fougere, seconded by Councillor Sarto that Halifax Regional Council:

1. **Award Tender No. 03-054, Concrete Sidewalk, Curb & Gutter Repair - East Region, to Ocean Contracting Ltd., for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$86,575, plus net HST for a total of \$92,141 from Operating Account R740-6399, Concrete Sidewalks, Contract Services, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of the July 2, 2003 staff report.**
2. **Award Tender No. 03-055, Concrete Sidewalk, Curb & Gutter Repair - West Region, to Sackville Trenching (2002) Ltd., for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$143,183, plus net HST for a total of \$152,388 from Operating Account R740-6399, Concrete Sidewalks, Contract Services with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of the July 2, 2003 staff report.**

3. **Award Tender No. 03-056, Concrete Sidewalk, Curb & Gutter Repair - Central Region, to Lafarge Canada Inc., for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$52,415, plus net HST for a total of \$55,785 from Operating Account R740-6399, Concrete Sidewalks, Contract Services with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of the July 2, 2003 staff report.**

After a brief discussion the **MOTION WAS PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

10.1.4 Tender 03-237, Full Depth Reclamation, Various Locations - Central & East Region

- A staff report dated July 2, 2003 prepared for Dan English, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, was before Council for consideration.

MOVED by Councillor Hines, seconded by Councillor Smith that Halifax Regional Council award Tender No. 03-237, Full Depth Reclamation, Various Locations - Central and East Region to Dexter Construction Company Limited for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$1,466,440 (excluding HST), the amount of \$1,147,100 plus fully recoverable HST for a total of \$1,147,100 from Account No. CQ200449, Aerotech Business Park: Street Paving and \$319,340 plus net HST for a total of \$339,870 from Account No. CZR00357, Resurfacing, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of the July 2, 2003 staff report.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10.1.5 Tender 03-247, Left Turn Lane, Hammonds Plains Road at Bluewater Road - Central Region

- A staff report dated July 2, 2003 prepared for Dan English, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, was before Council for consideration.

MOVED by Councillor Goucher, seconded by Councillor Rankin that Halifax Regional Council award Tender No. 03-247, Left Turn Lane - Hammonds Plains Road at Bluewater Road - Central Region to Lafarge Canada Inc. for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$134,800, plus net HST for a total of \$143,467 from Account No. CTU00470, Hammonds Plains Road Intersection Upgrades, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of the July 2, 2003 staff report.

Following a brief questioning of staff, the **MOTION WAS PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

10.1.6 Tender 03-251, Rutledge Street, Paving and New Sidewalk - Central Region

- A staff report dated July 2, 2003 prepared for Dan English, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, was before Council for consideration.

MOVED by Councillor Goucher, seconded by Councillor Hetherington that Halifax Regional Council:

1. **Approve the recovery of Local Improvement Charges to be applied to the general area rate of District 21 for the installation of new concrete sidewalk on Rutledge Street by a rate to be established in By-Law S-412 which was presented to Council on June 10, 2003.**
2. **Award Tender No. 03-251, Paving and New Sidewalk - Rutledge Street to Basin Contracting Limited for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$319,720, plus net HST for a total of \$340,275, from Account No. CJR00956, New Sidewalk and Account No. CZR00357, Resurfacing, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of the staff report dated July 2, 2003.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10.1.7 Kings Road (Private Road) Bridge - Wellington

- A staff report dated July 2, 2003 prepared for Dan English, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, was before Council for consideration.

MOVED by Councillor Hines, seconded by Councillor Goucher that Halifax Regional Council:

1. **Staff be directed to provide assistance to the residents for the construction of a one-lane bridge on Kings Road, a private road, such assistance not to exceed \$140,000.**
2. **The bridge be attached to land for which clear title has been acquired,**

3. **Upon completion of the bridge, title and responsibility of the bridge be transferred to an official registered body created by the residents,**
4. **Approve in principle and begin the formal process for the adoption of By-Law Number L-116, Respecting Charges to Provide for the Constructing of a One-Lane Bridge on Kings Road, a Private Road, Thereby Allowing for the Reestablishment of Full Fire Service, attached to the July 2, 2003 staff report and the assignment of Local Improvement Charges for full recovery of HRM's financial assistance.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10.1.8 Cost Shared Paving of Subdivision Streets - Construction Agreement No. 2003-14

- A staff report dated July 2, 2003 prepared for Dan English, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, was before Council for consideration.

MOVED by Councillor Meade, seconded by Councillor Rankin that Halifax Regional Council authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to sign the cost sharing agreement attached to the July 2, 2003 staff report, Construction Agreement No. 2003-14, with the Nova Scotia Department of Public Works and Transportation (NSDOT&PW), including the following streets:

**Country Lake Drive, Lake Echo
Minna Drive, Hammonds Plains
Cheshire Lane, Hammonds Plains
Paddington Way, Hammonds Plains
McDonald Lake Drive, Hatchet Lake
Bayview Drive, White's Lake**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Noting that the level of funding received from the Province was disappointing, Councillor Rankin **MOVED, seconded by Councillor Colwell the Mayor forward a letter to the Honourable Michael Baker, Minister of Transportation and Public Works, urging the Province to reconsider the level of funding for the paving of subdivision streets to at least \$1.2 million, particularly given that the municipality has committed in the area of \$2 million to street improvements.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10.1.9 Reserve Business Cases 2002 / 2003

- A staff report dated July 2, 2003 prepared for Dan English, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, was before Council for consideration.

MOVED by Councillor Cooper, seconded by Councillor Goucher that Halifax Regional Council:

1. **Approve the reserve business cases and transfers to the Strategic Growth Reserve and MetroPark Parkade Reserve as outlined in the attachments to the July 2, 2003 staff report.**
2. **Approve the updated reserve business case for the Service Improvement Reserve as outlined in the attachment to the July 2, 2002 staff report.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Referring to the municipality's parking garage, Councillor Uteck requested a status update on the garage following the summer break.

10.1.10 Interim Award Policy - 2003

- A staff report dated June 20, 2003 prepared for George McLellan, Chief Administrative Officer, was before Council for consideration.

MOVED by Councillor Blumenthal, seconded by Councillor Hetherington that Halifax Regional Council:

1. **Approve a policy to facilitate the award of tenders during the summer break. The proposed award policy would allow the CAO to award tenders on the following basis during the period of summer recess of Halifax Regional Council:**
 - **The tender is awarded to the lowest responsible bidder meeting specifications.**
 - **The award is not to a sole source.**
 - **Award of Call for Proposals where a standard procurement process has been followed and the contract is awarded to the best overall submission.**

- Where the funds and program have been approved by Council.
2. The CAO be authorized to approve all purchase and sale of property provided the terms of the Transaction comply with the Real Property Transaction Policy approved by Regional Council on October 8, 2002.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10.2 NORTH WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL

10.2.1 Sackville Rivers Association - Bedford-Sackville Greenway

- A report from Councillor Len Goucher, Chair, North West Community Council, dated June 19, 2003, was before the Council for consideration. Council also received a document entitled "Sackville River Trail What are we looking for by way of support from our Councillors", brochures re The Fort Sackville Walkway and the Bedford-Sackville Greenway.

Indicating that North West Community Council had received and been very impressed by the presentation from the Sackville Rivers Association, it was **MOVED by Councillor Harvey, seconded by Councillor Johns that Regional Council support the goals of the Bedford-Sackville Greenway to the Recreation Department. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

10.3 HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

10.3.1 Case H00105 - Application by Beechville United Baptist Church, 1135 St. Margaret's Road, Beechville, for Heritage Registration

- A report from Allan MacLellan, Chair, Heritage Advisory Committee, dated June 27, 2003, was before the Committee for consideration.

MOVED by Councillor Rankin, seconded by Councillor Meade as recommended by the Heritage Advisory Committee, Regional Council:

- 1) **Set the date of Tuesday, August 26, 2003, for a Heritage Hearing to consider the heritage registration of the Beechville United Baptist Church, Cemetery and pathway to Lovett Lake, Beechville.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10.4 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

10.4.1 Councillor Sloane - information item #5, "Malfunctioning Parking Meters" - June 24, 2003

- At the request of Councillor Sloane, this matter was moved from the June 24, 2003 Information Items to this evening's agenda.

Councillor Sloane referred to a number of concerns regarding malfunctioning parking meters which have been discussed in the local papers. She asked the frequency of meter repairs.

Ms. Catherine Sanderson, Manager, Revenue briefly reviewed the June 24, 2003 Information Report noting that the backlog of malfunctioning meters has been cleared up and that approximately 10 malfunctioning meters are reported daily which are dealt with within 24 hours. Ms. Sanderson and Mr. Dave Cormier, Team Lead, General Revenue & Payment Processing, then responded to questions from members of Council.

A discussion ensued with the following points being made:

- The public would benefit from an education process regarding the protocol to report faulty meters (i.e. where the number on the meter is located, where to call, what information to provide when calling)
- A phone number affixed to the meter to call regarding faulty meters would be very useful to the public
- Given that the reversing of meter heads would impact only three people, and the inaccessibility of meters when there are snow banks has the potential to impact 1900 people, staff should review their position in this regard

Councillor Walker provided staff with information regarding an alternative to the use of meters.

Councillor Hetherington, referring to tickets issued by Special Constables in private parking lots, noted that the Municipality endorsed these special constables, however, they did not monitor the functioning of the meters in these private lots. He went on to request that staff look at having the Halifax Regional Municipality's technician maintain the meters located in private lots.

In response to a concern raised by Councillor Uteck that the Commissionaires check to ensure the meter is operable before issuing a ticket, Ms. Sanderson indicated this was the practice and committed to reinforcing this practice with the Commissionaires.

10.4.2 Councillor Cooper - Retaining Wall, 921 Cole Harbour Road

Councillor Cooper addressed Council noted that there was a small piece of property along Cole Harbour Road which has a 45E slope. The Councillor indicated that the slope made it impossible to cut the grass along this portion of road. He noted that other areas along that road having the same characteristics has a retaining wall. Councillor Cooper indicated he would like this matter resolved.

MOVED by Councillor Cooper, seconded by Councillor Sloane that staff bring forward a report outlining a way in which to resolve the difficulties in cutting grass at 921 Cole Harbour Road. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10.4.3 Councillor Cunningham - Weekend Violence in Dartmouth

This matter was deleted from the agenda during the setting of the agenda.

11. MOTIONS - None

12. ADDED ITEMS

12.1 Councillor Hetherington re: Greater Halifax Partnership (GHP) & Halifax Regional Development Agency (HRDA)

- This matter was added to the agenda at the request of Councillor Hetherington.

Noting that this request had been prompted by the survey Councillors had recently received from the Greater Halifax Partnership, **MOVED by Councillor Hetherington, seconded by Councillor Sarto that staff provide a report to Council, following the summer break, addressing whether or not the municipality is receiving value for the money spent in funding both the Greater Halifax Partnership and the Halifax Regional Development Agency. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

12.2 Membership Selection Committee - Appointment to Regional Planning Community Stakeholder Committee

- A report submitted by Mayor Peter J. Kelly, Chair, Membership Selection Committee dated July 8, 2003 was distributed to members of Council.

MOVED by Councillor Blumenthal, seconded by Councillor Hetherington that Councillor Walker be appointed to the Regional Planning Community Stakeholder Committee to fill an unexpired term to February, 2004. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

12.3 Property Matter - Minor Acquisition - Kearney Lake Beach

- This matter was considered at an In Camera session held earlier today and was now before Council for ratification.

MOVED by Councillor Whalen, seconded by Councillor Walker that:

1. **Council authorize a withdrawal of up to \$5,500.00 from the Parkland Reserve Account to cover the purchase of parcels “X” and “Y”, shown in Attachment “A”, for Parkland purposes from Mary Ann and Brayne McGrath for the sum of \$3,000.00 plus legal survey and HST expenses.**
2. **This report may be released to the public after the closing date of July 31, 2003.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

12.4 Property Matter - Tax Sale of 33 Maitland Street

- This matter was considered at an In Camera session held earlier today and was now before Council for ratification.

MOVED by Councillor Hetherington, seconded by Councillor Sarto that:

1. **Council approve a minimum bid for tax sale on 33 Maitland Street Assessment #1145851 of \$64,000 in accordance with Section 141(3) of the Municipal Government Act.**
2. **Council approve the delegation of this authority to the Chief Administrative Officer for all future requests of the Treasurer to set a minimum bid on a tax sale as per Section 31(1)(e) of the Municipal Government Act.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

13. NOTICES OF MOTION

13.1 Notice of Motion - Councillor Hines re By-law 115, an amendent to By-law 100

Councillor Hines gave Notice of Motion of his intention, at the next regular meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on July 15, 2003, to introduce First Reading of By-Law L-116, an

amendment to By-law L-100, respecting charges to provide for the construction of a one-lane bridge on Kings Road, a private road, thereby allowing for the re-establishment of full fire service.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Vi Carmichael
Municipal Clerk