

# The Municipality of the District of **BARRINGTON**

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Barrington Municipal Council, held in the Council Chambers, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington, N.S., on Wednesday, October 11, 2000.

The meeting was called to order by the Warden at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present:

- Warden Sterling Belliveau
- Deputy Warden Fred Bower
- Councillor Angus Atkinson
- Councillor Eddie Nickerson
- Councillor Wayne Smith
- Councillor Steven Stoddart
- Councillor Tina Wickens
  
- Brian Holland, Municipal
- Lesa Rossetti, Deputy Clerk

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by S. Stoddart and seconded by T. Wickens that the minutes of the regular meeting held September 13, 2000 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried.

## WATERFRONT DEVELOPMENT CONCERNS

Mr. Carl Smith and Mr. Wayne Nickerson, members of the Waterfront Development Committee, appeared before the meeting. Mr. Smith and Mr. Nickerson both expressed concerns regarding the tender which was recently advertised in the Coast Guard Newspaper for the development of the Walking Trail. The motion made by the Waterfront Development Committee clearly indicated that the rail bed was to be graded off and leveled with the low spots being filled with pit run gravel then topped with Class "A". The advertisement and the tender information provided to contractors stated that the rail bed was to be topped with "crusher stone or dust" (not Class "A"). The Waterfront Development Committee members requested to know who changed the tender specifications and requested an explanation.

The Clerk reported that the advertisement was faxed to him from the Chairman of the Waterfront Development Committee, Mr. Ken Anthony and the ad was placed. The information prepared for contractors on the tender was also prepared by Mr. Anthony and forwarded to the office for distribution.

It was suggested by members that these concerns should be taken back to the Waterfront Development Committee for further discussion and clarification.

Mr. Smith and Mr. Nickerson informed Council that they felt this tender should not be awarded and that a new tender should be called.

Moved by T. Wickens and seconded by F. Bower that the Municipal Clerk contact the Municipal Solicitor to determine what needs to be done to revoke the tender for the Walking Trail since the tender documents were not consistent with the decision of the Waterfront Development Committee and the Clerk is to report his findings to the Waterfront Development Committee and councillors.

Motion carried unanimously.

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## HELIPORT LANDING SITE

Mr. Robbie Newell of Eugene Newell & Sons Construction Ltd. appeared before the meeting. Mr. Newell advised that he was aware of the fact that the municipality has committed \$25,000.00 to develop a Heliport Landing Site on Brass Hill. He advised that he, and Jason Vallis who is employed by EMC and is a member of two volunteer fire departments in the area, feel that additional funding will be required to complete the project.

Mr. Newell and Mr. Vallis are therefore willing to place an article in the newspaper informing the public of the project and requesting financial support. Additional funding will be applied towards the installation of lights and wind socks. Mr. Newell advised members that his company is willing to donate \$500.00 towards this project.

No opposition was expressed by members regarding the fundraising efforts proposed by Mr. Newell and Mr. Vallis.

## MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

### Yarmouth Airport

The Clerk reported that a letter has been received, from Fraser Howell, in response to our letter dated September 15, 2000 regarding the future of the Coast Guard Helicopter Service. Mr. Howell advised that it is their opinion that the writer of the article is referring to comments made by the Federal Government when they made the announcement relative to the Coast Guard Helicopter Base closure reprieve. They indicated at that time that the base closure would not occur until at least the arrival of the new Cormorant helicopters in Nova Scotia. Mr. Howell advised that they will continue to monitor the status of the Base and they have done some preliminary research in respect to effective alternates to the existing service. They intend to make the future of the helicopter base an issue during the upcoming federal election.

### Physician Recruitment

The Clerk advised that on Friday afternoon, October 6, 2000, he received a telephone call from Dr. David Webster of Yarmouth. Dr. Webster has advised that there is a group of 12 - 15

physicians in the Shelburne and Yarmouth area who are willing to provide service to the Barrington area on an interim basis during Dr. Blair's suspension. The provision of this service will require doctors to leave their own practices for a period of a couple of days each month. It has been suggested that the Department of Health be requested to pay the overhead costs at Dr. Blair's practice while these physicians are providing medical service to our community.

The Clerk also informed Council that he has also received a telephone call from Dr. John O'Connor who is presently practicing in Fort McMurray, Alberta. Dr. O'Connor is interested in returning to the area and wishes to know if he qualifies for the \$20,000.00 incentive package provided by the municipality.

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by T. Wickens that the Department of Health be requested to pay the overhead costs at Dr. Blair's practice while these physicians are providing medical service to our community and a copy of this letter be forwarded to the Premier, MLA, Minister of Health and the Minister of Finance.

Motion carried.

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Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by A. Atkinson that the Clerk explore all options to find money, within the budget, to pay for overhead costs associated with several physicians operating Dr. Blair's practice, until we receive word from the Department of Health.

Moved by S. Stoddart and seconded by T. Wickens that the above motion be amended to indicate that the Municipal Council will cover the cost of overhead expenses for a three month period if we have not heard from the Department of Health prior to that time.

Motion carried.

The new amended motion is as follows:

"...that the Clerk explore all options to find money within the Budget to pay for overhead costs associated with several physicians operating Dr. Blair's practice for a three month period, if we have not heard from the Department of Health prior to that time."

The original motion was then put to a vote as amended.

Motion carried.

By general consensus, it was agreed that the Municipal Clerk contact Dr. John O'Connor and inform him that he does qualify for the Municipal Incentive Package.

Beach Signage

It was reported that signs for local beaches have been prepared and will be delivered to us within the next few days. Once received, signs will be posted as soon as possible.

Family Violence Early Intervention Project

Councillor Smith noted that it was the decision of Council, at their meeting held September 13, 2000, that a copy of the letter received from the Honourable Michael Baker regarding the Family Violence Early Intervention Project be forwarded to Mike Leighton for his comments. Councillor Smith requested to know whether a response has been received.

Councillor Smith was advised that no response has been received to date.

## C.S.I. SEWER STUDY REPORT

Mr. John Lam of ABL Environmental Consultants Ltd. appeared before the meeting. Mr. Lam began by explaining that his company looked at the whole island and considered various options to provide sewer services.

It is the recommendation of ABL that the Municipal Council proceed with the least cost options which is a pressure sewer collection system with central sand-filtered treatment plant for sewer treatment plant #1 and sewer treatment plant #2. All costs indicated below include an allowance for engineering and contingencies but do not include land and legal costs. It is recommended that the project be undertaken in three (3) phases.

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### PHASE I - Upgrade Clark's Harbour's sewer treatment plant and collection system.

1.1 Proceed with negotiations with the Town of Clark's Harbour to obtain agreement, in principle, to allow connection of adjacent municipal areas to Clark's Harbour collection and treatment systems.

1.2 Proceed with design of the required modifications of the Clark's Harbour Sewer Treatment Plant and Collection System to suit the service of adjacent municipal areas.

#### Estimated capital costs for Phase I:

Collection System:	\$1,989,100.00
Clark's Harbour Collection:	\$350,000.00
Treatment System:	\$700,000.00
Total Phase I Cost:	\$3,039,100.00

NOTE: (1) The pressure sewer collection system costs includes the cost of septic tanks as this is not carried in the treatment system costs.

### Phase II - Proceed with Sewer Treatment Plant #1

2.1 Select central sand filter with pressure sewer as the servicing option with the lowest capital costs.

2.2 Proceed with design of Sewage Treatment Plant #1 and collection system for areas identified.

Estimated Capital Costs for Phase II:

Collection System:	\$2,952,700.00
Main Pump Station:	\$240,000.00
Treatment System:	\$1,200,000.00 (sand filter)
Total Phase II Cost:	\$4,392,700.00

NOTE: (1) The pressure sewer collection system cost does not include the cost of septic tanks as this cost is carried in the treatment system cost.

Phase III - Proceed with Sewage Treatment Plant #2

3.1 Select central sand filter with pressure sewer as the servicing option with the lowest capital costs.

3.2 Proceed with the design of Sewage Treatment Plant #2 and collection system for areas identified.

Estimated Capital Costs for Phase III:

Collection System:	\$1,549,200.00
Main Pump Station:	\$240,000.00
Treatment System:	\$1,200,000.00 (sand filter)
Total Phase III Cost:	\$2,989,200.00

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NOTE: (1) The pressure collection system costs does not include the cost of septic tanks as this cost is carried in the treatment system cost.

Moved by S. Stoddart and seconded by T. Wickens that the Municipal Clerk contact the Town of Clark's Harbour and request that the Municipality of Barrington be permitted to connect adjoining communities to their sewage treatment plant and collection system, and if they are willing to allow us to do this, ask if they are interested in submitting a combined infrastructure request to upgrade their sewer system.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Lam was then thanked for appearing before Council and making his presentation.

## 2000 TOURIST BUREAU REPORT

The Visitor Information Centre Manager, Diane Smith, appeared before the meeting and gave a report on the operation of the Visitor Information Centre for the period May 29, 2000 to September 30, 2000. In advance to the meeting each member of Council was provided with a

copy of her written report.

Mrs. Smith informed Council that the visitor count this year was 6,290, phone and written requests totaled 533 and clickers totaled 662. (Clickers are people that stop to use the parking area, phone booth and museums but did not come into the centre for information.) This results in a total of 7,485 recorded visitors to the Barrington Visitor Information Centre for the year 2000.

Mrs. Smith advised that the general feeling of our visitors is that they enjoy our scenery and local people very much. They love spending time at the local wharfs and our beaches. Talking with the local fishermen and lighthouse keepers are a treat. The fact that there is little traffic and plenty of space seems to be very inviting. The only negative comments were about inadequate road signs and the lack of ocean front accommodations.

She advised that it is very easy to interest travelers who stop. Telling them about the area and letting them know about the slow pace of life and how you can walk a white sandy beach which stretches for miles with very few people around sparks great interest. The lighthouses are something every visitor wants to learn more about. Cape Island boats and the fishing communities along the coast are another big attraction.

Mrs. Smith was thanked for appearing before council and making her report.

## PROCLAMATIONS

### Science and Technology Week 2000

The Warden reported that a letter has been received from the Science and Technology Awareness Network requesting council to officially proclaim the week of October 13-22, 2000 as "Science and Technology Week 2000".

There being no objections expressed by members the Warden declared October 13-22, 2000 as "Science and Technology Week 2000" in the Municipality of Barrington.

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### Leave a Legacy Week

The Warden advised that a request has been received from the Canadian Association of Gift Planners requesting the municipality to declare October 21-29, 2000 as "Leave a Legacy Week".

There being no objections expressed by members, the Warden declared October 21-29, 2000 as "Leave a Legacy Week" in the Municipality of Barrington.

## CORRESPONDENCE

CFIA

The Clerk reported that a response has been received from the Canadian Food Inspection Agency Office regarding their possible move from the area. The letter advised that the Canadian Food Inspection Agency, in its efforts to be efficient in the utilization of its resources, is constantly undergoing reviews, with office consolidations being one such area.

The CFIA accommodations in Shelburne County are currently being reviewed as they presently have two (2) offices, one in Barrington and one in Shelburne. There is a Government of Canada building available in Shelburne being vacant which they are presently considering. Coupled with the fact that the Department of Fisheries and Oceans is expanding its workforce in Barrington and needs the space that they presently occupy, the Shelburne location is certainly a viable option.

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by S. Stoddart that the Municipal Clerk and Warden meet with C.D. Comeau, Acting Inspection Manager, to discuss the losses the Municipality of Barrington will face if their office is moved to Shelburne and to determine when a final decision will be made on this matter.

Motion carried.

Native Issue

The Clerk reported that a copy of a letter has been received, which was sent by Senator Gerald Comeau to the Municipality of Yarmouth. Senator Comeau advised that he is interested in all matters which affect ocean resources and would have been pleased to attend the September 6, 2000 Press Conference held in Yarmouth, but only learned about the event from subsequent media coverage.

Proposed Fire Prevention Act

In advance to the meeting, each member was provided with a copy of the response received from the Fire Marshall regarding the proposed Fire Prevention Act. This letter was circulated for information purposes only.

Traffic Count at Causeway

The Clerk reported that, as per Council's request, the Department of Transportation has now carried out a traffic count in the vicinity of the causeway. The count was carried out during the week of September 18-25, 2000 and showed a daily average of 8,981 vehicles.

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Barrington Arena Fundraising Committee

The Clerk reported that a request has been received from the Barrington Arena Fundraising Committee requesting a donation from the Municipality of Barrington for an amount equivalent to two hours ice time for their annual event "Carnival on Ice".

Moved by T. Wickens and seconded by W. Smith that the request from the Barrington Arena Fundraising Committee be approved and that the Committee be provided with a donation for the

amount equivalent to two hours ice time for this event.

Motion carried.

#### Signage at South Side and Hawk Point

The Clerk reported that a letter has been received from Mr. Gerard Chisholm of the Department of Transportation and Public Works. Mr. Chisholm has advised that South Side and Hawk Point signs are now in stock and will be erected when time permits.

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by W. Smith that a letter of thanks be written to Mr. Gerard Chisholm for his cooperation in having these signs prepared and erected.

Motion carried.

#### Request from Sherose Island Amateur Sports Association

The Clerk reported that a letter has been received from Mr. Glyn Hennigar, President, Sherose Island Amateur Sports Association. Mr. Hennigar advised that due to getting the fields ready to be officially opened this year, they had expended in excess of \$100,000.00. They are therefore requesting a one year grace, in meeting their commitment to the municipality of \$2,000.00, which they feel confident they can pick up next year, as long as the fundraisers are successful.

Moved by S. Stoddart and seconded by T. Wickens that a letter be written back to Glyn Hennigar, President, Sherose Island Amateur Sports Association, informing him that the Association made a commitment to the municipality to make annual payments to repay a loan, which was provided interest free, and the Municipal Council would appreciate payment as per the signed agreement, dated September 1998.

Motion carried.

#### Road Width to Schools

The Clerk reported that a response has now been received from the Department of Education regarding the width of a road on which a school bus may travel. The Department has advised that there is no specification for street widths on which a school bus may travel. The safety of school bus routes is a School Board responsibility and is determined by the Coordinator of Pupil Transportation for each Board.

The Board also has the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board as a resource to help determine whether a road is suitable for school buses. In addition the Department would also use the Nova Scotia Department of Transportation and Public Work's staff in order to evaluate a road's suitability for school buses.

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#### B.M.H.S. Retrofit

The Clerk advised that a letter has been received from the Department of Education, in response



to our letter dated August 24, 2000, indicating our support for a retrofit at Barrington Municipal High School.

The letter advised that the school is among a number of schools being considered for renovations/upgrade projects by the government. They are in the process of carrying out a study of all capital requirements in the province and following completion of that, in early winter, the Minister will be in a better position to determine where the Barrington Municipal High School stands on a priority list.

#### Seniors Assistance Program

The Clerk advised that a report has been received from Tina Belcher, Coordinator for the Seniors Assistance Program 2000. The letter advised that the Seniors Assistance Program has acquired 100 clients to date. Compared to stats from previous years, the program has experienced a 30% increase in clients booked for services already and they are averaging about 20-25 clients per month, being serviced.

#### REPORT OF WARDEN

The Warden provided a brief update on his activities since the last meeting.

#### UNSM Conference

He informed members that he attended the UNSM Conference held last month and two of our three resolutions presented, received support of the UNSM. The resolution to call for the reinstatement of dual licence plates failed to receive the support of members.

#### Assessment Costs

On April 16, 2000, the Nova Scotia Minister of Finance announced that the cost of Assessment Services will be recovered from municipal units beginning April 1, 2001. A discussion paper was presented to members at the recently held FCM Conference, indicating the proposed Assessment Cost Recovery and municipal involvement in assessments.

The cost recovery proposed is a method being used by the provincial government to reduce the provincial deficit, passing these costs on to municipal units in the province. In the end, the same taxpayer must still pay these costs regardless of which level of government imposes them. The Assessment Services Cost Recovery will cost the municipality an additional \$110,000.00 per year.

Moved by W. Smith and seconded by E. Nickerson that a letter be drafted by the Clerk, to the Minister of Municipal Affairs, expressing our displeasure with the proposed Assessment Services Cost Recovery proposal. Copies of this letter will be forwarded to the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities, the MLA, Minister of Finance and the Premier.

Motion carried.

## COMMITTEE AND BOARD REPORTS

### Public Works Committee

#### Bay Vista Apartments

Moved by W. Smith and seconded by S. Stoddart that the Tri County Housing Authority be asked to remove the sign on the Bay Vista Apartments indicating that it is a Senior Citizen's Complex.

Motion carried.

#### Barrington Regional Curling Club

It is proposed that the following changes be made to the lease for the Barrington Regional Curling Club:

1. The term of the Lease will begin on November 1, 2000 and will terminate on the 31st day of October 2020.
2. Paragraph 5 - Rent: The rent shall include the mortgage payment for which the tenant is responsible.
3. Paragraph 6 - Use of Premises: This paragraph will be changed to read "The Tenant agrees to use the premises primarily for the purposes of a community curling club and fundraising activities thereof."
4. Paragraph 9 - Services: This paragraph will be changed to read " The Tenant will pay for all services consumed by the Tenant on the leased premises except the following municipal services: sewer, water and snow removal."

The remainder of the lease remains unchanged.

Moved by W. Smith and seconded by T. Wickens that the Lease for the Barrington Curling Rink, as amended, be approved by Council and forwarded to the Barrington Regional Curling Club for signing.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### Curling Club Construction Progress

WHEREAS it is necessary to provide a dehumidification system for the Barrington Regional Club;

THEREFORE it is moved by W. Smith and seconded by F. Bower that the municipality purchase a 7 ½ horse power dehumidifier from Fixair Inc., if Fixair Inc. will give a written guarantee that they will replace the equipment at their cost if it is not of sufficient size to perform satisfactorily.

Motion defeated.

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Some discussion then took place regarding the tendering policy and the inference that the tendering process was not followed.

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by W. Smith that the municipality tender for a dehumidification system to be installed in the Barrington Regional Curling Rink.

Motion defeated.

Upon the request of two councillors the division was recorded.

FOR	AGAINST
Sterling Belliveau	Angus Atkinson
Eddie Nickerson	Fred Bower
Wayne Smith	Steven Stoddart
	Tina Wickens

It was agreed that this matter be tabled for the time being and dealt with later in the meeting.

Proposed Court Room Modifications - Barrington Municipal Building

WHEREAS the Municipality of Barrington wishes to maintain court services within the municipality;

THEREFORE it is moved by W. Smith and seconded by F. Bower that the municipality respond to the Department of Justice's suggested modifications to the Barrington Municipal Court Building, as per their request, and ask what commitment they will make if these modifications are completed.

Motion carried.

Culvert at O'Connell Property

Moved by W. Smith and seconded by S. Stoddart that the municipality write to Mr. Gerard Chisholm, Area Supervisor, Department of Transportation, requesting that the culvert at the property of Mr. & Mrs. Roy O'Connell in Barrington Passage be cleaned out as soon as possible and that a copy of this letter be sent to Mr. & Mrs. Gregory Nickerson and to Mr. & Mrs. Roy O'Connell.

Motion carried.

Sale of Grill at Arena

Conflict of Interest

Councillor E. Nickerson declared conflict of interest, vacated his seat and proceeded to the spectator area.

Moved by W. Smith and seconded by A. Atkinson that the grill that is surplus equipment at the Barrington Municipal Arena be sold to Dorothy Penney for the amount of \$600.00, plus. H.S.T.

Motion carried.

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Councillor E. Nickerson returned to his seat.

District Funds

Moved by W. Smith and seconded by F. Bower that a grant of \$3,800.00 be provided to the Woodside Cemetery Company from the District #4 Contingency Fund.

Motion carried.

Upon request of two councillors the division was recorded:

FOR                      AGAINST

Angus Atkinson	Tina Wickens
Sterling Belliveau	
Fred Bower	
Eddie Nickerson	
Wayne Smith	
Steven Stoddart	

Samuel Wood Museum Signs

Moved by W. Smith that the municipality pay for the construction and installation of three (3) signs for the Samuel Wood Museum in Wood's Harbour out of the Tourist Signage Funding that is provided in the Municipal Budget.

Moved by T. Wickens and seconded by A. Atkinson that the above motion be deferred until such time as all other museums in the municipality are contacted to determine whether they are interested in receiving similar signs.

Motion carried.

Terry Fox Day

Deputy Warden Bower reported that he presented Mr. Jack Fry with a certificate acknowledging his 20th year in participating in the annual Terry Fox Fun.

## Western Counties Regional Library

Deputy Warden Bower provided the Clerk with minutes of the annual meeting of the Western Counties Regional Library and requested that they be copied for members.

### Hiring Committee

#### Arena Canteen Attendant

Moved by A. Atkinson and seconded by F. Bower that the municipality hire the applicant who accumulated the most points on the Interview Score Sheets, regardless of what applicant it may be.

Motion carried.

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Moved by A. Atkinson and seconded by F. Bower that the municipality hire Dawn Johnson for the position of Arena Canteen Attendant.

Motion carried.

Moved by A. Atkinson and seconded by W. Smith that the municipality designate Falyn Goreham as the first alternate for the position of Arena Canteen Attendant and Marsha Newell as the second alternate for the position.

Motion carried.

### Recreation & Facilities Management Committee

#### Terry Fox Run

WHEREAS this is the 20th year for the Terry Fox Run held in our area to assist in raising funds for research in the treatment of cancer;

AND WHEREAS Leona Mae Devine has helped organize the Terry Fox Run in Wood's Harbour, one of the most successful runs in Nova Scotia, for many years now;

AND WHEREAS Crandell Nickerson is the highest fundraiser in our area and the third highest fundraiser in the Province of Nova Scotia;

THEREFORE it is moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by W. Smith that the Municipality of Barrington recognize the contributions of these two volunteers by providing them with a Certificate of Appreciation for their efforts in participating in and organizing the Terry Fox Run in Wood's Harbour.

Motion carried.

RFANS Regional Rep

WHEREAS members wish to support the Recreation & Facilities Association of Nova Scotia;

THEREFORE it is moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by S. Stoddart that the Recreation & Facilities Manager be permitted to act as representative on the RFANS Board for the South Shore Region.

Motion carried.

Finance and Administration

Camp Site Lease

WHEREAS Mr. Arley Kendrick has applied to assume the camp site formerly held by Mr. Delbert Kendrick;

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THEREFORE it is moved by S. Stoddart and seconded by W. Smith that the municipality enter into a lease agreement with Mr. Arley Kendrick for the camp site formerly held by Mr. Delbert Kendrick.

Motion carried unanimously.

Annual Employee Increments

WHEREAS Richard Thorburne has completed another year's service as Ice Maker at the Barrington Municipal Arena;

THEREFORE it is moved by S. Stoddart and seconded by A. Atkinson that Richard Thorburne receive his annual increment in the amount of \$0.50/hr.

Motion carried unanimously.

Probationary Period

WHEREAS Michelle DeSantis has completed her six month's probationary period as Tax Clerk and received a satisfactory performance evaluation;

THEREFORE it is moved by S. Stoddart and seconded by W. Smith that Michelle DeSantis be approved as a permanent employee in the Tax Clerk position in the Municipal Office.

Motion carried.

Conflict of Interest

Warden Sterling Belliveau declared conflict of interest, vacated his seat and proceeded to the spectator area.

The Chair was then turned over to the Deputy Warden.

WHEREAS Luella Belliveau has completed her six month's probationary period in the position of Accountant in the Municipal Office and received a satisfactory performance evaluation;

THEREFORE it is moved by S. Stoddart and seconded A. Atkinson that Luella Belliveau be approved as a permanent employee in the position of Accountant in the Municipal Office.

Motion carried.

Warden Sterling Belliveau then returned to his seat and resumed the Chair.

Green Hill Senior Citizens Request

Moved by S. Stoddart and seconded F. Bower that the municipality provide a grant of \$1,200.00 out of the Contengency Fund for District #4, to the Green Hill Senior Citizens Club for the purpose of purchasing and installing a new airtight wood stove.

Motion carried.

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Upon request of two councillors the division was recorded:

FOR	AGAINST
Angus Atkinson	Tina Wickens
Sterling Belliveau	
Fred Bower	
Eddie Nickerson	
Wayne Smith	
Steven Stoddart	

Fort St. Louis

WHEREAS the municipality is interested in development of tourism;

THEREFORE it was moved by S. Stoddart and seconded by F. Bower that the Clerk find out if Lamont Lovitt is willing to lease land at Fort St. Louis, to the municipality, for the purpose of reconstruction of the fort; and if so, the Parks Canada Office at Annapolis Royal will be contacted to see who has the plans indicating what the fort originally looked like and put together a package to bring to Council with the intent that the municipality will pursue the reconstruction of the fort through whatever government programs may be available.

Motion carried unanimously.

GUARANTEED LINE OF CREDIT - BAY SIDE HOME

It was agreed that this matter be deferred to the next meeting of Council.

## SCHOOL ZONE

WHEREAS the highway entrance to the new Forest Ridge Academy School is only a short distance from a ninety degree corner which is the only highway entrance from the east into Barrington;

AND WHEREAS another highway intersects Highway #3 at midpoint of this ninety degree corner;

AND WHEREAS Barrington Municipal Council feels that without proper warning signage, this has created a dangerous situation to both vehicular and pedestrian traffic;

THEREFORE it is moved by S. Stoddart and seconded by F. Bower that the Municipal Council request the Department of Transportation and Public Works to install "School Zone" signs on the highway on the western side of the school and a "School Zone" warning sign and "School Zone" signs on the highway on the eastern side of the school and a "School Zone" sign on the Villagedale Road.

Copies of this letter are to be forwarded to Lee Stark, Department of Transportation, MLA, Minister of Transportation, Mr. Joe Mundell Jr. and Mr. Allan Swim.

Motion carried.

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## LIGHTHOUSE SIGNAGE

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by W. Smith that the Baccaro Lighthouse sign be relocated to provide better direction to the Baccaro Lighthouse.

Motion carried.

## WHITE LILY CEMETERY & ATLANTIC HALL

The Clerk reported that a letter has been received from Mrs. Mildred Cox, Treasurer of the White Lily Cemetery Club. She is requesting financial assistance to assist with improvements to the cemetery. Estimated cost of improvements is \$3,092.45, plus H.S.T.

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by A. Atkinson that \$1,500.00 from the Contingency Fund from District #7 be awarded to the White Lily Cemetery Club.

Motion carried.

Upon request of two councillors the division was recorded:

FOR                      AGAINST



Angus Atkinson            Tina Wickens  
Sterling Belliveau  
Fred Bower  
Eddie Nickerson  
Wayne Smith  
Steven Stoddart

It was reported that the Atlantic Hall located at The Hawk is requesting financial assistance to assist with maintenance and upkeep of their hall.

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by A. Atkinson that \$1,500.00 from the Contingency Fund for District #7 be awarded to the Atlantic Hall to assist with maintenance and upkeep of the hall.

Motion carried.

Upon request of two councillors the division was recorded:

FOR	AGAINST
Angus Atkinson	Steven Stoddart
Sterling Belliveau	Tina Wickens
Fred Bower	
Eddie Nickerson	
Wayne Smith	

#### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROGRAM

The Clerk reported that it is necessary for us to upgrade our Public Participation Program Resolution so that it will be consistent with the Municipal Government Act.

Moved by T. Wickens and seconded by F. Bower and carried:

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WHEREAS Part VIII of the Municipal Government Act, Chapter 18 of the Statutes of Nova Scotia 1998, requires a Council to adopt a public participation program concerning the preparation, review and amendments of planning documents;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Municipality of the District of Barrington does hereby adopt the following public participation program:

1. The Council shall provide for public input by holding one or more public participation meetings and the meetings shall be held prior to Council giving notice of intention to adopt planning documents.
2. Notice of any public participation meeting shall be published in a newspaper circulating in the Municipality of the District of Barrington and by posting a notice in the Municipal Office. This notice shall state the time, date and place of meeting and the hours during which planning documents may be inspected by the public.

3. The purpose of the public participation meeting shall be to provide an opportunity for the public to comment, make suggestions, discuss and receive information with respect to the planning documents.
4. Members of the public may express their views, comments and suggestions verbally, or in writing, and all interested persons will be given the opportunity to have their views and comments and suggestions heard.
5. The meeting shall be conducted by the Planning Advisory Committee, and the Committee shall report to the Council the views of the public as expressed at the public participation meeting by means of a written report.

## BUNKER GEAR

As previously approved by Council, the municipality will be purchasing twenty-eight (28) bunker suits, four for each of the seven volunteer fire departments.

The fire departments would also like to order some accessories at the same time and are requesting that the municipality pay for the total purchase and then the municipality in turn bill each fire department for their portion, over and above the \$28,000.00 approved by Council.

Moved by S. Stoddart and seconded by W. Smith that the Municipality of Barrington purchase the twenty-eight bunker suits and accessories and that the fire departments be billed for the amount in excess of \$28,000.00.

Motion carried.

## CONTINUATION OF COMMITTEE AND BOARD REPORTS

### Public Works

#### Curling Club Construction Progress

The purchase of the dehumidification system from Fixair Inc. was once again discussed.

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It was suggested that the dehumidifier could be discussed by members of the Curling Club Construction Progress Committee at their next meeting to be held on October 17, 2000. It was also suggested a representative from Fixair Inc. should be present at the Finance Committee Meeting to provide additional information on the dehumidifier.

Moved by S. Stoddart and seconded by T. Wickens that additional information be obtained regarding the 7 ½ horse power dehumidifier provided by Fixair Inc. and that this information be brought to the next Finance Committee Meeting.

Motion carried.

Moved by T. Wickens and seconded by F. Bower that the Finance Committee be authorized to purchase the dehumidification system from Fixair Inc. if members feel that the proposed system meets the requirements of the Curling Club.

Motion carried.

## COUNCILLOR'S COMMENTS

Since this is the last Council Meeting before the Municipal Elections to be held on October 21, 2000, each member was given an opportunity to say a few words.

## ADJOURNMENT

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by S. Stoddart that there being no further business to be dealt with that the meeting adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 p.m.

Motion carried.