

SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

November 1, 2001

A Special Meeting of Council was held at 8:25 p.m., in the Conference Room, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington, N.S., with the following members present:

- Warden Sterling Belliveau
 - Councillor Angus Atkinson
 - Councillor Louise Halliday
 - Councillor Dwayne Hunt
 - Councillor Wayne Smith
- Brian Holland, Municipal Clerk

Absent were members Deputy Warden Eddie Nickerson due to work commitments, and Councillor Fred Bower.

WATERFRONT DEVELOPMENT FRAM APPLICATION

The Waterfront Development Committee which had met earlier this evening has recommended to Council that an application be made for funding under the Fisheries Restructuring and Adjustment Measures Program administered by the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency. The Committee would like to make application for a project at McGray Avenue in North East Point which also includes a concrete walkway across the Cape Sable Island Causeway. The Committee wishes to use the funding that was previously approved by Council for the McGray Avenue Project as the Municipality's contribution towards this application for funding.

Moved by W. Smith and seconded by A. Atkinson that the South West Shore Development Authority submit an application on behalf of the Municipality for funding under the Fisheries Restructuring and Adjustment Measures Program in the amount of \$366,685.00, total cost of the project. This project will include the McGray Avenue Project previously presented to Council and a Causeway Walking Trail, which will join the project being completed at McGray Avenue to the Barrington Bay Trail, with the Municipality's contribution towards this project being \$110,005.50.

Motion carried.

Moved by W. Smith and seconded by D. Hunt that the funding previously approved for the Waterfront Development Project at McGray Avenue be used as the Municipality's contribution towards the Fisheries Restructuring and Adjustment Measures Project Application being made for the McGray Avenue and Causeway Walking Trail Project.

Motion carried.

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LEE KEATING LETTER

Warden Pat Nickerson had previously drafted a letter to the Honourable Michael Baker regarding the appeal made by Mr. Lee Keating regarding the decision of Justice David Gruchy in the Freedom of Information Hearing held in January of 2001. This letter requested two (2) things of the Minister. One, that he stop all financial support of the program to move toward a just settlement for falsely accused employees and not to appeal the decision of Justice David Gruchy. Second, request the province withdraw all support, financial and otherwise, from R.C.M.P. Operation Hope. This letter was previously circulated to members for their information and consideration.

There followed some discussion regarding both of these requests and the implications of each.

It was generally agreed by members that the second request being made was of some concern as it implied that there was no truth whatever to the allegations of abuse that were made. Members did not wish to imply this in their request. As a result it was generally felt by members that the letter should be re-drafted to indicate more accurately the sentiment of Council.


Moved by D. Hunt and seconded by W. Smith that the Municipality draft and send its own letter to the Honourable Michael Baker, Minister of Justice for the Province of Nova Scotia, urging him not to appeal the decision of Justice David Gruchy in Lee Keating's Freedom of Information Hearing of January 2001, and that this letter be copied to Mr. Lee Keating and to the other municipal units in Shelburne County.

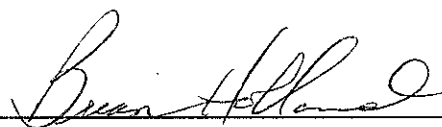
Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by D. Hunt that the meeting adjourn at 8:48 p.m.

Motion carried.


Warden


Secretary for the Meeting

Copied for Councillors on November 5, 2001 by Sharon Brannen.