Town of Victoria
Regular Meeting
Dec. 15, 1997



A regular meeting of Council took place on the above date at 7:45 p.m. with Mayor Glenn Clarke presiding and the following members of Council in attendance:

DEPUTY MAYOR	ARTHUR BURKE
COUNCILLORS	NORMAN PENNEY
	FRED BALDWIN
	SIDNEY ANTLE

Chief Eugene Cole and Executive Chief Mike Penney were in attendance at this meeting. They are looking for approval from the Town to apply to the Office of the Fire Commissioner to continue to perform Fire and Emergency related services if and when they become necessary. It was moved by Deputy Mayor Arthur Burke and seconded by Councillor Norman Penney to approve the above request of the Fire Department.

MOTION CARRIED

The Clerk was asked to do up a letter of approval for the Fire Department.

Chief Cole also mentioned the Victoria Fire Department Bylaws and that he did not get the approved copy from Council. The Clerk was asked to look after this for the Fire Dept.

The minutes of December 1st, 2nd. and 9th were read and on the minutes of December 1st. it was decided to strike out paragraph 4 on page 6 regarding the Town's Manager's retirement, page 1 on minutes of Dec. 9th, strike out them and through in paragraph 1 regarding the loan refinancing. With no other errors or no omissions, it was moved by Councillor Norman Penney and seconded by Councillor Sidney Antle that the minutes be adopted as read.

MOTION CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

DEPUTY MAYOR ARTHUR BURKE; His concerns on who will operate the snowplow after Jan. 1/98 if there is a bad storm and Dave King needs a replacement. Discussion was held and it was moved by Councillor Norman Penney and seconded by Councillor Fred Baldwin that notices will be placed in store windows in the Town for a snowplow operator at a rate of pay of $10.00 per hour and will just be on a call in basis.

MOTION CARRIED

2. Dr. Randell and the well on Snook's Road. It was moved by Deputy Mayor Arthur Burke and seconded by Councillor Fred Baldwin to give use of the well on Snook's Road over to Dr. Randell until

such time he sells his property and moves away, then the well and the land the well is on reverts back to the Town of Victoria. Dr. Randell will maintain the well and pay all costs, light bill, maintenance to the pump, etc. This agreement will come into effect January 1st., 1998.

MOTION CARRIED

3. The Town Plan and has it been typed and sent to St. John's. The Clerk stated that it was sent last week to the appropriate departments of Government.

COUNCILLOR FRED BALDWIN; Mr. Loyola Griffin and a seperate water line to his property. This will be looked at next Spring.

COUNCILLOR NORMAN PENNEY; The Horse Pasture on Swansea Road and their request for the renewal of the lease for the land by the Town. The Clerk was asked to get the application completed and sent to Department of Government Services and Lands.

2. The Mayor's meeting with Donald Inniss and Eileen Rose and them applying for another grant under Youth Services Canada. Mayor Clarke stated he met with them and if and when they receive the grant they will be working out of Eastern College in Carbonear. He also stated that Mr. Inniss will be bringing reports to Council in the new year on the past Youth Services Program and Victoria Community Development.

3. Councillor Penney stated that he would like to be Council's liason on the Victoria Community Development. It was moved by Councillor Fred Baldwin and seconded by Councillor Sidney Antle that Councillor Norman Penney be Council's liason on the Victoria Economic Development.

MOTION CARRIED

MAYOR GLENN CLARKE; The ditching on Bear Freeway and why was it cancelled until next Spring. This was postponed because of the weather.

2. He mentioned B & K Carpet and their tax arrears. The Clerk was asked to contact Credit Control Services and ask to have action taken on this account.

3. He asked why the hurry with the motion for seperate ballot for Mayor. He would have liked to have imput in this motion.

4. Meeting with Hon. Art Reid. It will be held next Tuesday, Dec. 23rd., at 7:30 p.m. in the Chambers. The Clerk was asked to do up an agenda, for the meeting.

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS

The following bills and accounts were presented to Council for payment:

NEWFOUNDLAND POWER	$5,235.94

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS CONT'D

CREDIT CONTROL SERVICES	$229.69
NEWTEL COMMUNICATIONS	427.41
VICTORIA IRVING	18.23
W. G. GARLAND	6.44
COMFORT INN	341.87
WATER ANALYSIS LAB.	69.00
TOWN OF CARBONEAR	1,104.00
CLARKES SUPPLY LIMITED	271.78
C.B.N. INCINERATOR ASSN.	1,423.25
ROBINSON BLACKMORE	40.25
BUTTS TRUCKING	285.20
NF. & LAB. ASSN. FIRE CHIEFS & F.	40.83
VOCM RADIO NFLD.	161.00
AVALON INDUSTRIAL	195.85
W. F. MORNEAU & ASSOCIATES	605.10
DEPT. OF WORKS, SERVICES & TRANSPORT	5,520.00
	$15,975.84

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Arthur Burke and seconded by Councillor Fred Baldwin that the bills be paid as presented to Council.

MOTION CARRIED

The Clerk was asked to get three quotes for gas from the three businesses in the Town.

Also, call for 3 prices for excavation work in the Town.

CORRESPONDENCE

DIANNE WHALEN, AVALON DIRECTOR, NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR FEDERATION OF MUNICIPALITIES; A thank you for support in her being elected as Avalon Director.

TRINITY CONCEPTION PLACENTIA HEALTH FOUNDATION; A remainder regarding the 9th Annual Telethon planned for Oct. 4th., 1998 and asking towns to budget for their contribution.

MICHAEL DEAN; Looking for employment with the Town. His application will be placed on file should work become available in the future.

THE MUSIC FESTIVAL ASSOCIATION OF TRINITY-CONCEPTION; Asking for financial assistance for their 1998 Festival. It was moved by Deputy Mayor Arthur Burke and seconded by Councillor Sidney Antle to sponsor 1/4 page ad in their programme booklet at a cost of $25.00 the same as last year.

MOTION CARRIED

PHILIP HISCOCK, HISCOCK'S WELDING; He is looking for a reduction in his 1997 business tax because he only has a part-time business

in the Town. He is presently paying $265.50 for business tax which is based on the value of the building. It was moved by Councillor Norman Penney and seconded by Councillor Fred Baldwin to reduce Mr. Hiscock's business tax bill for 1997 to $170.00 which is the minimum tax in the Town.

MOTION CARRIED

DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE; Regarding Earles Brothers Fisheries and their request for a snow crab processing license. The Town of Victoria sent a letter of support for Earles. Deputy Mayor Burke and Councillor Antle were invited to Earles when Hon. Art Reid announced that the snow crab license would be issued to Earles Brothers Fisheries. It was decided to send a letter of congratulations to this company.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

No report, the Town Manager was on holidays.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Severance Pay for the Town Manager who is retiring Dec. 31/97. It was moved by Councillor Fred Baldwin and seconded by Councillor Norman Penney to resind the motion on page 2 of minutes dated Mar. 31, 1997. This motion gave vacation time, sick leave, severance pay and statutory holidays to the Town Manager and Town Clerk the same as the Union Contract.

MOTION CARRIED

The Finance Committee is working on the 1998 Budget and it was decided to wait until the meeting with Hon. Art Reid and also the possible restructuring of all the Town's water/sewer and paving loans before the budget is completed.

The Town Management Committee will wait until the new year to look at the street lighting in the Town.

NEW BUSINESS

DEPUTY MAYOR ARTHUR BURKE; A Christmas Party, turkeys and bonuses for the full time employees. It was moved by Deputy Mayor Arthur Burke and seconded by Councillor Sidney Antle that the Town Manager, Town Clerk and David King be given a turkey and $100.00 bonus for Christmas. Also, that there be a little party on Christmas Eve for the employees and Councillors.

MOTION CARRIED

COUNCILLOR SIDNEY ANTLE; Is the Town tendering the insurance for 1998? The Clerk called Mr. Wayne Burke of Baine Johnson Insurance and he stated that the insurance would not be any higher in 1998 and could possibly be lower.

COUNCILLOR FRED BALDWIN; A representative from Council on the

C.B.N. Incinerator Assn. This will be done at the next Council meeting.

MAYOR GLENN CLARKE; A retirement party for the Town Manager. It was decided to discuss this at another meeting and make the plans at that time.

2. Arthur Curnew and his tax arrears. Social Services is paying from November 1997 onwards on current taxes. Mr. Curnew wants to pay $50.00 per month on the arrears until the balance is paid in full. It was moved by Deputy Mayor Arthur Burke and seconded by Councillor Fred Baldwin to approve for Mr. Curnew to pay the $50.00 per month on his tax arrears and his first payment will be in January 1998.

MOTION CARRIED

The Clerk spoke with Mr. Roland Parsons and he is asking Council to pay part of his bill for hire of a backhoe. He hired the backhoe to repair a leak in his water line which was his responsibility. It was decided that no compensation would be given because the leak was not on the Town's side of the line.

With no other business, it was moved by Councillor Norman Penney and seconded by Councillor Arthur Burke that the meeting adjorn at 10:40 p.m..

SIGNED:

GLENN CLARKE
MAYOR

SHARON SNOOKS
TOWN CLERK

Town of Victoria
Regular Meeting
Dec. 1, 1997

A regular meeting of Council took place on the above date at 7:35 p.m. with Deputy Mayor Arthur Burke presiding and the following members of Council in attendance:

COUNCILLORS	FRANK CLARKE
	FRED BALDWIN
	NORMAN PENNEY
	SIDNEY ANTLE
	CLIFFORD HARRIS

Mayor Clarke was absent due to work commitments.

VISITORS BUSINESS

Chief Eugene Cole was in attendance at the meeting and presented the 1998 Fire Department Budget along with letters for correspondence. He was told that the requests of the Fire Dept. would be looked at later in the meeting.

Mr. Daniel Mercer was in attendance and presented a letter to Council regarding a street light for his area on Murray's Hill. He was told that this would be discussed later in the meeting.

Mr. Harold A. Cole and Mr. Ewart Long were also at the meeting regarding the Horse Pasture on Swansea Road. Apparently the lease is up on this land and they are asking Council to renew the lease. Mr. Cole is President of the Horsemen's Association and Mr.Long is Secretary. Wayne Dean and Allan Layden are also members of the Association. Discussion was held and it was decided to contact the appropriate Government department and to lease this land for the Horsemen Association.

Mr. Hubert Burden was at the meeting regarding the refinancing of the Town's loans that are presently with N.M.F.C. and C.M.H.C.. The Town is looking at borrowing from a chartered bank in Carbonear approximately $1,400,000.00. This would pay off all loans except the current loan for Pye's Road, Ash's Lane and Snook's Road. Mr. Burden presented the schedule of payments from 5 to 10 years with the Bank of Commence who gave the lowest interest rate. The approximate payment on a 10 year loan would be $15,484.00 per month. Mr. Burden will also contact the bank to see if the Town can finance some new equipment on this loan. It was decided to wait until Mayor Clarke is at a meeting and then a decision will be made by Council whether or no to refinance all the loans through the Bank, or to stay with Government.

All the visitors left the meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and it was moved by Councillor Norman Penney and seconded by Councillor Sidney Antle that the minutes be adopted as read.

MOTION CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

COUNCILLOR NORMAN PENNEY; The meeting with Salmon Cove. The Clerk stated that she is waiting for a reply from Salmon Cove on a date for the meeting.

2. Dr. Randell and the well on Snook's Road. The Clerk stated that there is a letter in correspondence from Dr. Randell.

3. The meeting with Victoria Development Corp. and Mayor Clarke. It was decided to wait until Mayor Clarke is at the next meeting to discuss the outcome.

COUNCILLOR FRED BALDWIN; Mr. Wylie Clarke and the repairs to his laundry room. He stated that this is being done by Victoria Carpet Shoppe.

2. The Christmas Party for the volunteers associated with Council. Councillor Baldwin stated that it was a success and about 80 people attended this function with the cost $200.00.

COUNCILLOR FRANK CLARKE; The problem with dogs roaming in the Town. It was decided to advertise again for a Dog Catcher. The Clerk was asked to do up a notice to put in the store windows in the Town.

2. He asked if the letter was sent to Hon. Art Reid regarding Council's dissatisfaction with the 1998 Assessment Roll. The Clerk stated that the letter was faxed last week.

3. The Town Manager's request to stay on in 1998. This will be discussed in New Business.

COUNCILLOR CLIFFORD HARRIS; The ditching on Bear Freeway and that it is not done to date. Discussion was held on this project and it was moved by Councillor Frank Clarke and seconded by Councillor Fred Baldwin to cancel this work until next Spring due to the weather.

MOTION CARRIED

2. Stone for Coles Road and that it was not put on the road to date. Tell David King to put some crushed stone on Coles Road.

COUNCILLOR SIDNEY ANTLE; The ditching for Coles Road. This was done by Department of Works, Services and Transportation.

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS

The following bills and accounts were presented to Council

for payment:

ROBINSON BLACKMORE	$40.25
WORKS, SERVICES & T.	5,520.00
WORKS, SERVICES & T.	15.45
	$5,575.70

It was moved by Councillor Frank Clarke and seconded by Councillor Fred Baldwin that the bills be paid as presented to Council.

MOTION CARRIED

The Clerk was asked in the future to include what we pay to N.M.F.C. for debt charges on the bills and accounts listing.

CORRESPONDENCE

NLFM INFONOTE; Looking for support for the Town of Channel-Port aux Basques on the issue of the relocation of Marine Atlantic's head office. It was moved by Councillor Frank Clarke and seconded by Councillor Fred Baldwin to write a letter of support for Channel-Port aux Basques to have the headquarters of Marine Atlantic relocated to this Town.

MOTION CARRIED

VICTORIA FIRE DEPARTMENT; Their 1998 Budget. Discussion was held and the figures were reviewed by Council. It was decided to set up a meeting with the Executive of the Fire Department and Council for early in the New Year to go over the budget among other things.

VICTORIA FIRE DEPARTMENT; Requesting bunker suits so that every Fireman would be equipped with one. This will be looked at when the 1998 Budget is being done.

VICTORIA FIRE DEPARTMENT; Requesting repairs to the Fire Truck, maintenance to the body as well as a fresh coat of paint. This will also be looked at budget time.

VICTORIA FIRE DEPARTMENT; Requesting repairs to the Fire Hall door, the hinges are coming off. It was decided that Deputy Mayor Burke will meet with Chief Cole tomorrow to look at the door.

2615 VICTORIA ARMY CADETS; Asking for support by purchasing parade rifles for the Cadets. Discussion was held and it was decided to look at this budget time. The Clerk was asked to call Carolyn Baldwin.

AMENDED NOISE REGULATIONS; They were reviewed and the Clerk was asked to send a copy to the R.C.M.P.

DANIEL MERCER; Asking Council to take over his street light

which he is paying for at the present time. Mr. Mercer lives on Murray's Hill. This request was passed to the Town Management Committee to check.

MR. THOMAS PENNEY; Application for exemption from Poll Tax for 1991 and 1992. He has included the necessary information for exemption. It was moved by Councillor Frank Clarke and seconded by Councillor Clifford Harris that Mr. Penney be exempted as requested by him.

MOTION CARRIED

R.C.M.P.- CHILDREN'S WISH CHRISTMAS TREE; Looking for support to change a red bulb on the tree in front of the headquarters in Hr. Grace to a white bulb. The white bulb is a $100.00 donation. It was moved by Councillor Frank Clarke and seconded by Councillor Clifford Harris to send $100.00 to the R.C.M.P. in Hr. Grace for this worthwhile cause.

MOTION CARRIED

MR. ABEL PRIDDLE; Application for employment with the Town. It was decided to set up a new file for these applications that will be used when a worker is chosen for outside.

C.B.N. JOINT COUNCILS; Annual Christmas Dinner at the Victoria Lions Club on Dec. 12th. It was moved by Councillor Fred Baldwin and seconded by Councillor Frank Clarke that all Council and staff attend this dinner. The Clerk was asked to call and confirm.

MOTION CARRIED

COUNCILLOR CLIFFORD HARRIS OPPOSED THE MOTION

DR. R. C. RANDELL; Agreeing to takeover the well on Snook's Road. Discussion was held and it was moved by Councillor Frank Clarke and seconded by Councillor Norman Penney to extend any action on the well on Snook's Road until December 31/97.

MOTION CARRIED

It was decided that the Water & Sewer Regulations will have to be amended in the future.

MRS. FRANCES VATERS; An apology for a statement she made concerning Mr. Phil Hiscock driving the Town truck. She stated that she did not see the truck, but was told and Phil Hiscock was mistaken for David King.

VICTORIA FIRE DEPARTMENT; Miss Victoria Fire Queen Heidi Clarke has been invited to enter the Miss Teen Newfoundland and Labrador Contest to be held in St. John's from Feb. 26th to March 1st.. She is asking the Fire Department to sponsor her and with limited funds they are asking the Town. The cost is $150.00 which covers registration, transportation, meals, etc. It was moved by Councillor Clifford Harris and seconded by Councillor Fred Baldwin to pay the $150.00 to Heidi Clarke.

MOTION DEFEATED

KEYIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE; Asking Council to take Justin Deering on to do his 10 week work-term in the office with the Town Clerk. It was approved by Council.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES Councillor Clifford Harris of the Town Management Committee told Council that he will be going around the Town as soon as possible regarding the street lighting.

Deputy Mayor Burke of the Finance Committee told Council that they had a meeting last week regarding the 1998 Budget. The information is being compiled to get the budget completed as soon as possible.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

There is no report because the Town Manager is on holidays.

NEW BUSINESS

COUNCILLOR NORMAN PENNEY; He received a complaint from Allan Slade regarding Church Road not being sanded for the school bus. The sanding is not being done by Town employees early enough to accommodate the buses. This will be checked by the Town Manager.

2. Loyola Griffin and his request for a seperate water line. His water is being turned off everytime water is turned off for tax arrears to the two other houses who are on the same line. It was decided that the Planning Committee will look at this for Council.

COUNCILLOR FRANK CLARKE; He wants his name removed as Council's liason with the Victoria Economic Development.

2. It was moved by Councillor Frank Clarke and seconded by Councillor Fred Baldwin that there would be a seperate ballot for Mayor in the next election.

It was moved by Councillor Fred Baldwin and seconded by Councillor Frank Clarke that the motion be amended to include the position of Deputy Mayor on a seperate ballot along with Mayor.

MOTION DEFEATED

The main motion was voted on.

MOTION CARRIED

COUNCILLOR SIDNEY ANTLE; A request from Edward Priddle for a street light in the vicinity of his property, Evely's Lane. This will be looked at by the Town Management Committee.

2. Mrs. Ruby Summers and a complaint about snow clearing for Gary Summers in front of his property. She is looking after the

property while he is away and had the driveway plowed by a private contractor. When she went back to his house the Town snowplow had blocked the driveway again. Discussion was held and there is not much that can be done when the roads are being plowed in the Town after a snowfall.

3. Complaints about Harold Slade and others throwing snow from their property out in the road. This is illegal and if it happens again the people in question will be notified.

DEPUTY MAYOR ARTHUR BURKE; The Five Year Capital Works Program and the priority for 1998. The deadline for the Town Plan to be in St. John's is December 12th. It was decided to set up a meeting with Harris and Associates and the Finance Committee for December 9th to go over the plan. The Clerk was asked to call the Town Manager to be at the meeting.

2. The Town Manager's retirement at the end of the year and that he wants his $3,500.00 severance pay put into his RRSP account as soon as possible. Discussion was held and it was decided to check to see the best way to give him the money without him being penalized by UI.

3. Hiring on a part-time worker to begin work January 1, 1998. It was decided to call a special meeting tommorrow night to discuss this matter and it will be held at 7:30 p.m.

With no other business on the agenda, it was moved by Councillor Norman Penney and seconded by Councillor Sidney Antle that the meeting adjorn at 12:40 p.m.

SIGNED:

GLENN CLARKE
MAYOR

SHARON SNOOKS
TOWN CLERK

Town of Victoria
Regular Meeting
Nov. 17, 1997

A regular meeting of Council took place on the above date at 7:40 p.m. with Mayor Glenn Clarke presiding and the following members of Council in attendance:

DEPUTY MAYOR	ARTHUR BURKE
COUNCILLORS	CLIFFORD HARRIS
	SIDNEY ANTLE
	NORMAN PENNEY
	FRED BALDWIN
	FRANK E. CLARKE

VISITORS BUSINESS

Roy Cole, Arthur P. Cole and Allan Layden were in attendance at the meeting regarding the ditch on Main Highway in the vicinity of Coles Road. They want Department of Works, Services and Transportation to clean out the ditch. Discussion was held and the Town Manager was asked to contact Tom Porter tomorrow. With no other business, the gentlemen left the meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and the following errors were noted, page 5, in new business and #4 for Councillor Norman Penney, he stated that the Town Manager did not tell him that he wanted to remain working after December 31 because of financial reasons. Page 1, paragraph 1, regarding Mrs. Ruby Summers and amending the Noise Regulations to include street sports, get exact wording of Councillor Frank Clarke from the tape of the meeting of Nov. 3rd. With no other errors and no omissions, it was moved by Deputy Mayor Arthur Burke and seconded by Councillor Norman Penney that the minutes be adopted as read.

MOTION CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

DEPUTY MAYOR ARTHUR BURKE; He asked if the meeting was set up with the Town of Salmon Cove. The Clerk stated that she spoke with Jackie and she will let us know after their next meeting of November 24th.

2. Dr. Randell and the well on Snook's Road. The Clerk explained that she wrote Dr. Randell and he will have a letter to Council for the next meeting explaining about the well. The Clerk was asked to call John Moore at Municipal Affairs to find out if we can legally turn over the well to Dr. Randell.

3. Olive Butt's cost for backhoe rental to dig a new water line on her property. The Clerk stated that the bill which the Town decided to pay for Mrs. Butt is included with Butt's Trucking bills which are in bills and accounts.

COUNCILLOR FRED BALDWIN; He stated that he found the annual convention very informative and that it was a good session for new councillors.

MAYOR GLENN CLARKE; Wylie Clarke's damage to his hot water boiler and flooring in his laundry room and did we get a price to do the repairs. This was not done to date, but Councillor Fred Baldwin will have this straightened out as soon as possible.

2. Albert W. Burke and his tax arrears. The Clerk stated that the adjustment was made from the last meeting and now the account is paid in full. Discussion was held on Patrick Hynes, the former owner of Mr. Burke's property and the arrears of Mr. Hynes when Mr. Burke purchased the property. It was moved by Councillor Frank Clarke and seconded by Councillor Sidney Antle to send to Credit Control the $327.59 bill of Mr. Patrick Hynes for collection.

MOTION CARRIED

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS

The following bills and accounts were presented to Council for payment:

SHARE TEL	$38.25
ST. JOHN AMBULANCE	1274.00
NEWFOUNDLAND POWER	5169.71
CLARKES SUPPLY LIMITED	883.28
VICTORIA IRVING	33.80
ROBINSON-BLACKMORE	70.84
C.B.N. INCINERATIOR ASSN.	1423.25
AVALON INDUSTRIAL	80.50
FRANK'S AUTO REPAIRS	632.50
PENNEY'S TRANSPORT & COURIER	61.41
FEDERATION OF MUN.	3.44
BUTT'S TRUCKING	2704.97
W. G. GARLAND LTD.	12.08
CONCORD PAVING	852.15
ITT FLYGT	258.75
NEWTEL MOBILITY	138.07
AVALON TRANSFER	25.30
DEPT. WORKS, SERVICES & T.	5520.00
	$19,182.50

It was moved by Councillor Frank Clarke and seconded by Deputy Mayor Arthur Burke that no bills be paid, the Town employees be laid off on Friday and that an Emergency meeting be called with Dept. of Municipal Affairs to assign an administrator to devise a business structure for the Town.

Councillor Clarke explained the reasoning behind his motion, taxes are not being collected as they should be by Town employees. Deputy Mayor Burke stated that the Town should be able to collect all taxes and that we do not need an administrator from Municipal Affairs. Discussion was held and it was decided that David King would turn off water tommorrow and the Town Manager would drive the garbage truck. There was no further discussion on the main motion.

MOTION DEFEATED

It was moved by Deputy Arthur Burke and seconded by Councillor Norman Penney that the bills be paid as presented to Council when money is available to pay them.

MOTION CARRIED

COUNCILLOR FRANK CLARKE OPPOSED THE MOTION

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was received for consideration by Council:

TENDERS FOR DITCHING ON BEAR FREEWAY; Tricon Services - $517.50 just to dig the ditch and $655.50 to dig ditch and remove fill. **Butt's Trucking** - $1,035.00 to dig ditch and remove fill. Discussion was held on these prices and the work. It was moved by Councillor Frank Clarke and seconded by Deputy Mayor Arthur Burke to approve Tricon Services to do the backhoe work on Bear Freeway.

MOTION CARRIED

MISS CINDY CLARKE; Looking for work to qualify for EI benefits. Her name will be placed on file and if work becomes available she will be considered at that time.

Discussion was held on the people looking for work in the Town. The Town Manager and Town Clerk were asked to do up an application under the Job Creation Program and get it in to Municipal Affairs as soon as possible.

THE FIVE YEAR CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM FROM DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL AND PROVINCIAL AFFAIRS; The Town Planning Committee and the Finance Committee are to get together to prepare the Five Year Plan as soon as possible.

C.B.N. JOINT COUNCILS; Notification of a meeting at the Bay Roberts Town Hall on November 27th at 8 p.m.

VICTORIA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION; They are applying for another Youth Service Canada Project for the young people of Victoria and asking Council to consider getting involved to help the youth of this community. Discussion was held and it was decided that Mayor Clarke will meet with Don Inniss and Eileen Rose to discuss Council's concerns and see what they are looking for from the Town.

DEPARTMENT OF GOVERNMENT SERVICES AND LANDS; Informing Council that as of December 31, 1997 this department will no longer be responsible for the design of private onsite sewage disposal systems and water supplies. This is being transferred to the private sector.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Deputy Mayor Arthur Burke told Council that there will be a Finance Committee meeting next week to go over the new 1998 Budget format.

The Clerk stated that she is still waiting for the figures on water/sewer and paving from C.M.H.C. and N.M.F.C.. Council is looking at refinancing all the Town's loans through one of the chartered banks in Carbonear.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

The Town Manager wants to be considered by Council to stay on in 1998 for 2 to 3 months because of his financial situation. He was told that this will be considered by Council.

The Clerk stated that she had several complaints about broken bottles and garbage on the Old Track Road, especially behind Hector Powell's property. Council decided that if a Job Creation Grant is forthcoming, the track would be cleaned up. There were also concerns about hunters discharging firearms within the boundary of the Town and that possibly there should be signs placed around Town banning such activity.

NEW BUSINESS

DEPUTY MAYOR ARTHUR BURKE; A verbal request from **Tony Baldwin, King's Road for a street light in the vicinity of his new house.** This will be checked by the Town Management Committee.

2. Carl Moore and his complaint that the Town is not giving him backhoe work, but giving it to a company outside the Town. Discussion was held and it was decided to give him work in the future if the Town needs to hire a backhoe.

COUNCILLOR SIDNEY ANTLE; The road to Ronald Slade's house and the residents there would like Council to take over the road. Mayor Clarke mentioned that there is an agreement on file signed by the residents on this road that Council would maintain the road, clear the snow and pick up the garbage and these things are being done at the present time. Council sees no reason to take over the road when these things are being done for the residents.

2. **Dog Control in the Town.** It was decided to advertise for a dog catcher with the same rate of pay as the last time, $25.00 per dog.

COUNCILLOR FRANK CLARKE; Scott King and the tax arrears on his property, Rattles Road. It was decided to write Mr. King and give him until January 1, 1998 to have his account paid up to December 31, 1997. Mr. Tony Harris was mentioned and he will be sent to Credit Control.

2. **Meeting with Hon. Art Reid.** The Clerk called George Sweeney and he is looking after this and the meeting should be in St. John's before the end of this year.

COUNCILLOR FRED BADLWIN; The 1998 Assessment Roll and the errors associated with it. It was decided to write Hon. Art Reid on Council's dissatisfaction with the errors and the decreases in property values.

COUNCILLOR NORMAN PENNEY; He talked with **Roy Clarke who lives on Coles Road and Mr. Clarke is not pleased with the work done on this road.** It was decided to put some crushed stone on Coles Road this week.

2. **Leonard Parsons and his request for a street light in the vicinity of his house, Church Road Extension.** This will be looked at by the Town Management Committee.

MAYOR GLENN CLARKE; Voting on a representative from Council to serve on the C.B.N. Incinerator Assn. This will be done before the end of the year.

2. He mentioned **Councillor Frank Clarke and him doing a history of Municipal Government in Victoria.** He congratulated him on this venture and offered support from himself and Council with any information that was available to help with the history.

3. **A party for volunteers associated with Council such as the Fire Department, Recreation Commission, etc.** The Civic Functions Committee will take care of the preparations for this function. It was decided at the same time to have the presentations of the 20 year pins and watches. A picture will be taken of the presentation which will be featured in the Compass along with a write-up on the occasion.

4. He stated that he talked with the Chief regarding the Fireman's Ball and Mr. George Sweeney not being invited to represent Hon. Art Reid.

5. **A picture of the new Council.** The Clerk was asked to get a price to have the picture taken and the cost to frame the picture.

6. He reported on the **Annual Municipal Convention** and that there were lots of issues discussed at the various seminars. The problems with the 1998 Assessment Roll, Regionalization, Government's commitment to restore the MOG in the future and a representative on the Federation of Municipalities for small Towns. Also, lobbying to ban video lottery machines in Towns was discussed at the convention.

7. **The cost for Councillors to attend the annual convention.** The Finance Committee was asked to implement a plan regarding deducting from remuneration by Councillors wanting to attend future conventions. The Clerk was asked to have a copy of the regulation regarding remuneration for all Councillors for the next meeting.

With no other business on the agenda, it was moved by Councillor Norman Penney and seconded by Deputy Mayor Arthur Burke that the meeting adjorn at 11:35 p.m.

SIGNED:

GLENN CLARKE
MAYOR

SHARON SNOOKS
TOWN CLERK

Town of Victoria
Regular Meeting
Nov. 3, 1997

A regular meeting of Council took place on the above date at 7:35 p.m. with Mayor Glenn Clarke presiding and the following members of Council in attendance:

DEPUTY MAYOR	ARTHUR BURKE
COUNCILLORS	NORMAN PENNEY
	FREDERICK BALDWIN
	FRANK CLARKE
	SIDNEY ANTLE
	CLIFFORD HARRIS

The Town Manager was absent due to other commitments.

VISITORS BUSINESS

Mrs. Ruby Summers was in attendance at the meeting regarding kids playing sports in front of her house. They are making noise and disturbing the peace. She asked if Council had Noise Regulations in place and if they include this sort of activity. Our Noise Regulations do not include kids playing sports on the streets in the Town. Discussion was held and it was moved by Councillor Frank Clarke and seconded by Councillor Arthur Burke to amend the Noise Bylaws to include restrictions on street sports on all streets in the Town.

MOTION CARRIED

The Clerk was asked to send a copy to the R.C.M.P.

Mr. Scott Penney was in attendance at the meeting regarding pavement for the remainder of Pryme Avenue. Mayor Clarke mentioned that Council is trying to get water and sewer funding transferred to paving, but to date this has not been done. Also, Council has not decided which roads will get priority. Mr. Penney was told that if funding is available, Pryme Avenue will be considered at that time.

Mr. Harold Slade was also in attendance at the meeting. He thanked Council for the promptness of putting in his water line. He mentioned the residental portion of the building that he owns and that he do not intend to proceed with the Bed and Breadfast until next Spring. He is informing Council that he may rent out this portion of the building this Winter. He also mentioned the fire hydrant in front of the building and that he will be applying to Council next Spring to have it moved to another area.

With no more visitors business, they all left the meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and the following error and omission were noted, page 6; suggestion of a meeting with Hon. Art Reid, not set up a meeting. Omission on page 4, bills and accounts, should be included that Mayor Clarke vacated

the chair for the passing of the bills, taken over by Deputy Mayor Burke. With no other errors or omissions, it was moved by Deputy Mayor Arthur Burke and seconded by Councillor Norman Penney that the minutes be adopted as read.

MOTION CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

COUNCILLOR NORMAN PENNEY; Dr. Randell and the well on Snook's Road. Discussion was held on what to do with this well. It was moved by Councillor Frank Clarke and seconded by Deputy Mayor Arthur Burke to contact Dr. Randell and Mrs. Daphne Higdon advising that they must hook on to the water and sewer system. The deadline will be November 30th and after this date Council will not be doing any repairs to the pump.

MOTION CARRIED

2. Town of Salmon Cove and a meeting with them regarding the new sewer line. Discussion was held and it was decided to set up a meeting before the end of this year. The Town Planning Committee to get the cost from Harris and Associates for the connection to Salmon Cove's sewer system.

The Clerk was asked to call Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs regarding the Five Year Plan and how do we apply for funding. The Town Planning Committee was asked to get together with Harris and Associates to see what we need done next year. The Clerk will set up a meeting with Hon. Art Reid as soon as possible.

COUNCILLOR FRED BALDWIN; Jeffery Clarke and Wylie Clarke and the damage done to their property during the water and sewer installation on Pye's Road. Mr. Pat Mullins went to see Jeffery Clarke and Councillor Fred Baldwin will check on Wylie Clarke's concerns.

2. The shots on Whites Road for Cyril Whyte Jr. and that it is attached to the Town Manager's report. It shows that he can get sewer to his property, but it would be costly.

3. Veteran's Party on November 9th and that preparations are being made for this social.

4. Incinerator Association representative from Council. This will be done later in the meeting.

COUNCILLOR FRANK CLARKE; The property tax arrears and are they sent to Credit Control for collection. The Clerk stated that this was done last week.

2. Albert W. Burke and his property tax arrears incurred from former property owner Patrick Hynes. The Clerk stated that she checked the records and $327.59 was owed by Mr. Hynes when Mr. Burke purchased this property in 1993. It was moved by Councillor

Fred Baldwin and seconded by Councillor Norman Penney to forgive $327.59 for Mr. Albert W. Burke on his property tax arrears.

MOTION CARRIED

COUNCILLOR ARTHUR BURKE ABSTAINED FROM VOTING
COUNCILLOR FRANK CLARKE OPPOSED THE MOTION

COUNCILLOR CLIFFORD HARRIS; He asked if the **Town Clerk did the First Aid course this past Saturday and Sunday at the Fire Hall.** She stated that she completed the course and enjoyed doing it.

2. **The bumps in the pavement** and were they done. The Clerk stated that they were done on Friday.

COUNCILLOR SIDNEY ANTLE; **Tyrone Griffin's driveway** and was it done to his satisfaction. Councillor Fred Baldwin explained that crushed stone was placed on Mr. Griffin's driveway to build it up with the road.

2. **Meeting with Hubert Burden to go over debt charge restructuring.** The Clerk explained that she spoke with Mr. Burden and will meet with him first when the figures are received from N.M.F.C. and C.M.H.C. then he will go over all the information and meet with Council.

COUNCILLOR ARTHUR BURKE; **Mrs. Olive Butt and Council paying for the backhoe she hired to dig up her water line.** The Clerk stated that she was contacted, but to date she has not sent in the bill for payment.

2. **Mr. Grayson Clarke and the interest on his tax arrears.** The Clerk stated that a bill and letter was sent to Mr. Clarke.

MAYOR GLENN CLARKE; He stated that the **1998 Assessment Roll** has been received and there are a lot of increases and decreases in properties in the Town.

2. **The Lions Santa Claus Parade.** It was decided to put a float in the parade. The Town Manager will look after this for Council.

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS

Mayor Clarke vacated the chair and Deputy Mayor Clarke took over this part of the meeting. The following bills and accounts were presented to Council for payment:

IVAN'S PAINT AND WALLPAPER	$133.40
NEWFOUNDLAND TELEPHONE	401.28
NEWFOUNDLAND TRACTOR	279.01
DWYER'S PLUMBING	187.05
W. F. MORNEAU & ASSOCIATES	570.30
ROBINSON-BLACKMORE	40.25
GROUCHY'S LIMITED	615.48
EMCO LIMITED	44.85

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS CONT'D

OPTIMUM SERVICES	739.56
D. C. ALTERNATOR & STARTER	264.44
WORKS, SERVICES & TRANSPORTATION	5,520.00
	$8,795.62

It was moved by Councillor Frank Clarke and seconded by Councillor Sidney Antle that the bills be paid as presented to Council.

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Clarke took over the remainder of the meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was received for consideration by Council:

HEART AND STROKE FOUNDATION; A thank you for participating in this year's Mayor's March on Heart Disease.

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION, CARBONEAR; Asking for a donation towards their Annual Poppy Campaign. It was decided to place $10.00 in the poppy box that was placed in the office by the Legion.

TIDY TOWNS; A thank you to the Town for participating in the Tidy Towns campaign this past Summer and enclosing a certificate in recognition of the Town's extensive trails.

THE COMPASS AND CHVO; Christmas greetings from the Town in both medias. It was moved by Councillor Frank Clarke and seconded by Councillor Arthur Burke to approve to send Christmas greetings through the Compass and CHVO.

MOTION CARRIED

MELVIN, CAROL, DAVID AND DEBBIE PARSONS; Regarding the billing for the basement apartment in their home. Melvin and Carol own the home and David and Debbie are living in the basement, but they do not pay rent. There is no separate entrance and both couples use upstairs and downstairs. Also, David and Debbie are having financial problems and are asking Council to forgive the $300.00 for 1997. It was moved by Councillor Fred Baldwin and seconded by Deputy Mayor Arthur Burke to delete the $300.00 water and sewer billing for David and Debbie Parsons for 1997.

MOTION CARRIED

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Councillor Fred Baldwin of the Town Planning Committee stated that he had a short meeting last week and will have a report for the next meeting.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

The estimate to alleviate the flooding problem for Mr. Wade Baldwin and the total cost is $3,411.29.

The estimate to alleviate the problem for Mr. Gary Antle which would be a ditch on King's Road is $803.76.

Discussion was held and it was moved by Councillor Clifford Harris and seconded by Councillor Fred Baldwin that the Town Manager and Town Planning Committee get two prices from backhoe owners and if the prices are within reason, go ahead with the work for Wade Baldwin and Gary Antle.

MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

COUNCILLOR NORMAN PENNEY; The low water pressure on Rattles Road. It was decided that a booster station for this area be a priority when funding is available from Government.

2. Mr. Roy Clarke and a complaint about the potholes on Coles Road. This was given to the Town Manager today along with complaints about Gully Path Road.

3. Mrs. Ruby Summers flooding problem. He checked this with Deputy Mayor Burke last week and cannot see any problem on Mrs. Summers property with flooding, only from recent excessive rainfall.

4. The Town Manager and the rumors that he asked him to stay after December 31, 1997. He stated that he did not ask him to stay on after this date, but that the Town Manager did approach him on the subject with regards to him staying on until next Spring because of financial reasons. Mayor Clarke stated that he was approached by the Town Manager also to remain working until June 1998. Discussion was held and it was decided to discuss this next meeting when the Town Manager is here and it will also be looked at by the Town Management Committee.

COUNCILLOR FRANK CLARKE; The policy on destroying Council records and when they should be burned. He mentioned it because after seven years Council papers are destroyed and important information on it's history is also being destroyed. Discussion was held and it was moved by Councillor Frank Clarke and seconded by Councillor Norman Penney that no more Council papers would be destroyed in the future.

MOTION CARRIED

COUNCILLOR CLIFFORD HARRIS; The ditch in the vicinity of Roy Cole's. The Town Manager to call Department of Transportation to have this done before the Winter sets in.

2. Mr. Hunter Dearing and his appeal against his property tax billing. The Clerk stated that she is trying to get this done

along with the three other appeals she has on file. She will call Assessment Division tomorrow.

COUNCILLOR SIDNEY ANTLE; A call from Mr. Cyril White, Highway East regarding the street light Council removed in the vicinity of his property. Discussion was held on street lighting in the Town and it was decided that the Town Management Committee look at all street lighting in the Town again, especially the dark spots and bring back a report to the next meeting.

DEPUTY MAYOR ARTHUR BURKE; Taxes owing for 1997 and the collection of these taxes. The Clerk presented a sheet with some names with large balances. Discussion was held and it was stated that the Town Manager and Town Clerk must collect all tax arrears immediately.

MAYOR GLENN CLARKE; The Fireman's Ball and the presentation of the 20 year pins and watches. He stated that no pictures were taken of the men receiving their pins and watches and that he did not know until the presentations that Council was responsible for getting someone from Goverment to present the pins. It was decided to invite the Fire Chief, the Executive and the men who received 20 year pins and the retired Fire Chiefs who received watches to the next Council meeting for the presentations again. There will be pictures taken and it will go in the Compass with a write-up on the occasion.

2. The annual convention in Gander on Nov. 14 and 15th. He stated that he would like to attend this convention. There are very important things that will be discussed at that time. It was moved by Councillor Clifford Harris and seconded by Councillor Sidney Antle that Mayor Clarke attend the convention in Gander. Also, expenses, for Mayor Clarke and Councillor Fred Baldwin be paid.

MOTION CARRIED

The registation for the two spouses will be taken from remuneration of Mayor Clarke and Councillor Baldwin. Also, Mayor Clarke and Councillor Baldwin will bring back their expense bills for payment.

With no other business on the agenda, it was moved by Councillor Sidney Antle and seconded by Councillor Fred Baldwin that the meeting adjorn at 12:00 p.m.

SIGNED:

GLENN CLARKE
MAYOR

SHARON SNOOKS
TOWN CLERK

Town of Victoria
Regular Meeting
October 18, 1997

A regular meeting of Council took place on the above date at 2:00 p.m. with Mayor Glenn Clarke presiding and the following in attendance:

DEPUTY MAYOR	ARTHUR CLARKE
COUNCILLORS	NORMAN PENNEY
	FREDERICK BALDWIN
	SIDNEY ANTLE
	CLIFFORD HARRIS

VISITORS BUSINESS

Residents of Country Road, namely William Dean, Terrance Penney, Lisa Green, Donna Sutton and Paula Swain were at the meeting. They wanted to know if Country Road would be paved this year. Mayor Clarke explained that there is funding remaining from the water and sewer Infrastructure funding of around $70,000.00 and Council is trying to have this funding changed to paving, but to date this has not been done. The residents stated that they have already written Hon. Art Reid, but to date have not received a reply. The Clerk was asked to call George Sweeney to see if the letter was received and to check again on the allocation of the funding from water and sewer to paving.

Mr. Tom Harris of Harris and Associates was also at the meeting. He reported on the water and sewer project for Ash's Lane and Pye's Road that has been completed except for the shouldering. He passed around a report done by Fred Baldwin regarding the damage done to Wylie Clarke's hot water boiler and laundry room flooring. He is recommending that Mr. Clarke be compensated. Councillor Clifford Harris was asked to present an estimate for the repairs to the next meeting.

Tyrone Griffin's driveway was mentioned and Mr. Harris was asked to check this on Monday. Also, Jeffery Clarke has a letter in correspondence about damage done to the lilac tree on his property. This was done by Concord Paving's equipment and he wants $200.00 compensation for the tree damage. The Clerk was asked to contact Mr. Clarke and inform him that this will be looked at by Mr. Tom Harris, who will talk to Pat Mullins of Concord Paving.

The Town Manager stated that he talked with Daphne Higdon and she wants Concord Paving who will be doing the water and sewer on Snook's Road to go past her house a little further than on the specs in order to give her a better connection to her house. Discussion was held and Mr. Harris will look at this for Mrs. Higdon.

Dr. Randell who lives on the corner of Snook's Road and Main Highway is asking to remain on the well for water. Discussion was held and it was decided to set up a meeting with Dr. Randell and the discuss the possibility of him taking over the well and the expense of running it in the future.

Cyril Whyte Jr. and his request for sewer to his property, Whites Road. Harris and Associates will do some shots on the road and property to see if this can be done for Mr. Whyte. The Clerk was asked to let Mr. Whyte know what is being done on his request.

The Towns of Salmon Cove and Victoria and the new sewer line to be used by both towns. Mr. Harris was asked to check to see if there is 100% funding from Government for this project. Also, both towns to meet in the future to discuss this future project.

With no other business, Mr. Harris left the meeting at 3:00 p.m.

The minutes of Sept. 15th and Oct. 6th were read and one omission was noted on the minutes of October 6th, it was omitted that Mayor Glenn Clarke and Deputy Mayor Arthur Burke were sworn in. With no errors or no other omissions, it was moved by Deputy Mayor Arthur Burke and seconded by Councillor Clifford Harris that the minutes be adopted as read.

MOTION CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

DEPUTY MAYOR ARTHUR BURKE; The cost of demolition fees of $100.00 and should residents tearing down buildings on their own property have to pay this amount. It was decided to look at this during budget time.

2. Jamie Clarke and his request to take back the road formerly given to the Town by Ronald Clarke Sr. This will be looked at later this year.

3. Olive Butt and the expense incurred by her to dig a new water line to find a leak, when the leak was on the Town's side. Discussion was held and it was moved by Councillor Fred Baldwin and seconded by Deputy Mayor Arthur Burke to compensate Mrs. Butt for the hire of the backhoe.

MOTION CARRIED

COUNCILLOR CLIFFORD HARRIS; Meeting with Hubert Burden and the refinancing of the Town's loans. This will be discussed later in the meeting.

2. Wade Baldwin and the flooding problem on his property. The Town Manager

explained about this problem and the approximate cost associated with alleviating this problem, culverts etc. The Town Manager was asked to get the actual cost to alleviate this problem for the next meeting.

3. The boughs and debris behind Harold Slade's property. This has been taken to top of ridge for Bonfire Night.

4. Sign "Children at Play" for Burnt Woods Road and other areas of Town. This will be done very soon.

COUNCILLOR FRED BALDWIN; The problem with the poles to close to the road on Dean's Road. Mayor Clarke explained to the new Councillors about this problem. Discussion was held and it was decided to look at this budget time.

2. Mr. Harold Slade and that he is having problems with the Fire Department. It is concerning the fire hydrant and cars parked in front of it at certain times in the day. Discussion was held and it was decided to get a report from the Fire Chief on this matter. Mr. Slade is also complaining about the hydrant and that Council should have moved it before he paved his parking lot. The Town Manager explained to Council that he advised Mr. Slade of this before Mr. Slade started paving. Discussion was held and it was decided to place a guard around the hydrant.

3. The deadline for water and sewer hook-up on Ash's Lane and Pye's Road. It was moved by Councillor Fred Baldwin and seconded by Councillor Sidney Antle that July 1, 1998 be the deadline date for coonection by the residents and they will be charged the water and sewer rate of $300.00 unless this rate is changed during budget time. They will pay for 6 months in 1998.

MOTION CARRIED

MAYOR GLENN CLARKE; He mentioned newcomers to the Town and they purchasing homes here. It was decided to write letters of welcome to these people.

2. First Aid for Dave King and the Town Clerk. The Fire Department is sponsoring this course sometime this Fall and they will take the course at that time.

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS

The following bills and accounts were presented to Council for payment:

NEWFOUNDLAND POWER	$5,133.79
FRANK'S AUTO REPAIRS	281.75
VENTURE ELITE TELECOMMUNCIATIONS	23.97
H. T. KENDALL	394.34
NEWFOUNDLAND TELEPHONE	443.16
DEPT. OF WORKS, SERVICES & TRANSPORT	5,520.00
NEWFOUNDLAND TRACTOR	155.01

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS CONT'D

NEWFOUNDLAND TRACTOR	$155.01
NEWTEL MOBILITY	135.70
	$12,087.72

It was moved by Councillor Fred Baldwin and seconded by Councillor Norman Penney that the bills be paid as presented to Council.

MOTION CARRIED

The Clerk mentioned that Mr. Grayson Clarke paid his property tax arrears except for the interest accumulated totalling $228.43. He wants to know if Council will forgive the interest on his account. Discussion was held and it was decided not to forgive the interest on the account of Mr. Grayson Clarke. This would be setting a precedent and other property owners with arrears would want the same treatment.

She also mentioned that she sent letters to the property onwers who have only property and whose taxes are in arrears. They were told that their accounts would be place with a credit company if the balance of their taxes were not paid. Some people have paid their taxes to date, but the remainder about 23 have not paid. Discussion was held and it was decided to place these accounts with Credit Control in St. John's.

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was received for consideration by Council:

MRS. FRANCES BURKE, FISHERMAN'S ROAD; Regarding her property tax and that she should not have paid the tax arrears of the former owner, Patrick Hynes which she states was $461.93. Discussion was held and it was moved by Councillor Fred Baldwin and seconded by Councillor Sidney Antle to remove the tax arrears owed by the former owner, Patrick Hynes on property 397 Fisherman's Road for 1991 and 1992.

MOTION WITHDRAWN

The Clerk was asked to check the records for this account from 1991 to 1997 for the next meeting.

DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL AND PROVINCIAL AFFAIRS, ASSESSMENT DIVISION; Regarding the 1998 assessment roll and that it will be received by the Town by October 27/97.

MR. WILSON ANTLE; Development application to change existing shed to house construction for his son. This was approved by the Town Manager and approved by Department of Health for a septic system. It was moved by Deputy Mayor Arthur Burke and seconded by Councillor Clifford Harris to approve this application.

MOTION CARRIED

VICTORIA VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.; Invitation to the Annual Fireman's Ball. Mayor Clarke will be attending this function.

MAYOR DIANNE WHALEN, TOWN OF PARADISE; Asking for support at the Annual Municipal Convention to become the Director, Avalon Region.

COUNCILLOR RANDY SIMMS, MT. PEARL; Also, looking for support at the convention to become President of the Newfoundland and Labrador Federation of Municipalities.

VICTORIA LIONS CLUB; Informing Council of their preparations for the Annual Christmas Parade and asking Council to put a float in the Parade.

MR. JOHN E. SLADE, SLADES GENERAL SERVICES; Informing Council that his compnay only operates half of the year and asking for a reduction on his business tax for 1997. It was moved by Councillor Fred Baldwin and seconded by Deputy Mayor Arthur Burke to approve the six months reduction in taxes for Mr. Slade.

MOTION CARRIED

BACCALIEU TRAIL BOARD OF TRADE INC.; Their Hall of Fame Night to be held on October 25th at the Royal Canadian Legion in Spaniard's Bay. Due to other commitments nobody will be attending from Council.

ROBERT DAVIS; Regarding his water and sewer taxes on the six apartments he owns on Highway East. He stated in his letter that three of the apartments have been vacant and is asking Council to pro-rate water and sewer for the months that the apartments were not being used. Discussion was held and the Clerk was asked to write Mr. Davis informing him that there is no pro-rating for water and sewer billing. When this was done in the past it was only for business tax to those businesses who operated only a portion of the year.

STUDY OF GASOLINE PRICES, PROVINCE OF NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR; Asking if Council is interested in making an oral or written submission to the Study on Gasoline Prices. It was decided not to make a submission at the present time.

MRS.STELLA BUTT; A note of thanks to Council for the thoughtful expression of sympathy on the death of her mother.

MRS. NINA CLARKE; A note of thanks to Council for the thoughtful expression of sympathy on the death of her brother.

VETERANS AFFAIRS CANADA; Regarding Veterans' Week from November 5 to 11, 1997. It was decided to host a reception for veterans and their families the same as last year. It was decided to have the reception on November 9th at the Town Hall and get the

Library Board to cater this function. It was also decided to place the proclamation in the Council window.

MISS TINA TURNBULL; Applying for a position with the Town. It was decided to place her resume on file should work become available in the future.

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE; Congratulating Mayor Clarke and Council on winning the election. It was decided to set up a meeting with Commander John Bishop in the new year.

MR. ELIHU ANTLE, VICTORIA LIONS CLUB 25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS; Explaining about the celebrations and what activities will be held next year. They are asking permission to place a proclamation in the Compass with a picture of the Mayor and Presidents of the Lion and Lioness Clubs. Also, asking permission to print a Town Map similar to that of Carbonear. They would like to present 1000 maps to the Town. A representative of Council could work with Mr. Antle on the layout of the map which will include pictures and a historcal writeup of the Town. The above requests were approved by Council and it was decided to give the Lions Club all the help they need with this project.

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR FEDERATION OF MUNICIPALITIES; The report on the Mayor's Forum on the Future of Municipal Government. This will be placed on file for any Councillor to read in the future.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES NONE

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

This report was reviewed and found in order.

Discussion was held on the former Fire Chief David Bourne and that a gift should be presented to him at the upcoming Fireman's Ball. It was also decided to get a gift for former Chiefs Walter Hiscock and Harold A. Cole. The Clerk was asked to look after getting the gifts to a maximum of $50.00 for each gift. Also, it was decided to purchase a ticket to the Fireman's Ball for Mr. Harold Cole.

NEW BUSINESS

DEPUTY MAYOR ARTHUR BURKE; A meeting with Hon. Art Reid for all Council to introduce the members Councillors and go over some issues.

2. There should be a meeting other than a regular meeting to discuss some concerns of residents that were made by them during the election campaign. It was decided to set up a meeting within the next month.

COUNCILLOR SIDNEY ANTLE; Mr. John Penney and a complaint about the mess of wrecks on the property of Harold A. Cole, Penney's Hill. Discussion was held and it was decided to write Mr. Cole

and inform him that his property must be cleaned up immediately and the wrecks taken to Ash's Lane. If this is not done his permit will not be renewed by Council in 1998 and possibly his permit could be revoked altogether.

2. **Bumps in the pavement on Burnt Woods Road and Swansea Road** which is very hard on vehicles using these roads and there are complaints from residents. The Town Manager was asked to look after this for Council.

3. **Mrs. Cynthia Reynolds and that her name is with the Credit Bureau,** but she do not owe the Town any money. The Clerk explained that some of the names that were in Nova Collections years ago were sent by them to the Credit Bureau and were not taken out when the accounts were closed out. The Clerk will call the Credit Burean to have Mrs. Reynolds name removed from their records.

MAYOR GLENN CLARKE; The **upcoming Municipal Convention in Gander from Nov. 14 to 16/97.** Councillor Fred Baldwin stated that he would like to go and would pay his expenses from his remuneration. The Clerk was told to register Councillor Baldwin and his wife for the convention.

It was also decided that the Finance Committee come up with new guidelines for upcoming conventions, etc.

2. **The refinancing of all the Town's water/sewer and paving loans through N.M.F.C. and C.M.H.C..** It was decided to go ahead with getting the figures and setting up a meeting with Mr. Hubert Burden and Council to go over with him what the approximate savings would be to the Town.

3. **The comparison of the 1997 Budget expenditures and the actual amount spent to September 30, 1997.** To September 30, 1997 approximately 74% has been spent from the Budget. Discussion was held and it is hoped to stay within the figures on the Budget to the end of the year.

4. The 1997-98 Committee Structure was presented to Council. They are as follows:

FINANCE COMMITTEE	ARTHUR BURKE, CHAIRMAN FRANK CLARKE AND SIDNEY ANTLE, MEMBERS
TOWN MANANGEMENT	CLIFFORD HARRIS, CHAIRMAN NORMAN PENNEY AND FRANK CLARKE, MEMBERS
TOWN PLANNING	FREDERICK BALDWIN, CHAIRMAN NORMAN PENNEY, ARTHUR BURKE AND THE TOWN MANAGER, MEMBERS

CIVIC FUNCTIONS — FREDERICK BALDWIN, CHAIRMAN
CLIFF HARRIS, SIDNEY ANTLE
AND THE TOWN CLERK, MEMBERS

It was also decided to vote on the C.B.N. Incinerator Association representative from Council at the next Council meeting. This position will begin on January 1, 1998 and will be for one year.

With no other business on the agenda, it was moved by Councillor Norman Penney and seconded by Councillor Clifford Harris that the meeting adjorn at 7:40 p.m.

SIGNED:

GLENN CLARKE
MAYOR

SHARON SNOOKS
TOWN CLERK