TOWN OF VICTORIA
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 22, 1999

A regular meeting of Council took place on the above date at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Arthur Burke presiding and the following members of Council in attendance:

COUNCILLORS

AUBREY ROSE
SIDNEY ANTLE
VIVIAN HISCOCK
FRED BALDWIN
NORMAN PENNEY

Roland Burke and Evelyn Layden of the Victoria Heritage/Tourism Society were at the meeting regarding the **setting up of Archives on Victoria**. They are looking for a place in the Town Hall for the Archives preferably upstairs. Mayor Burke and Council agreed that this is needed in the Town and he told them that Council is trying to obtain a grant through the Federal Government to do much needed repairs to the Town's buildings and he stated that the upstairs portion is being looked at for some repairs. He told them that their proposal would be looked at by Council later in this meeting and it would be a few weeks before any decision is made and they will be given an answer at that time. Both left the meeting.

Clifford Harris was also at the meeting but, only as an observer.

The minutes of Feb. 8th, 11th and16th, 1999 were read and with no errors or 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

COUNCILLOR SIDNEY ANTLE; The G.I.C. at the Bank of Nova Scotia and was it checked to see if it is a cashable G.I.C.. The Clerk stated that it is and it will be used to purchase playground equipment for the playground on Powerhouse Road.

2. The account of William Lambert and the tax arrears on his property. The Clerk will check out when his parents owned the property and the balance of taxes at that time.

3. The R.C.M.P. and the discharging of firearms in the Town by hunters. The Clerk called them and they are monitoring the situation.

COUNCILLOR AUBREY ROSE; The committee for the playground at Persalvic Elementary School. The Clerk stated that Council will be contacted when a meeting will be held by the

committee.

2. Lillian Vaters and the leak in her water line. She has decided to wait until this coming Spring to repair the leak.

3. The repairs to the doors inside the Town office and other repairs to the Town buildings and why they were not done last week..The Town Management Committee was asked to check on this for Council.

COUNCILLOR VIVIAN HISCOCK; He mentioned visitors coming to Council meetings especially organizations and that they should notify Council that they will be at the meeting. Discussion was held and it was decided to write the Victoria Recreation Commission, Victoria Fire Dept., Victoria Community Development Corp. and the Victoria Heritage/Tourism Society advising that Council will need 3 days notice unless there is an emergency, that they are coming to a Council meeting and also the nature of their business.

COUNCILLOR FRED BALDWIN; The officers mess proposed for Powerhouse Road and should it be built close to the playground. He wanted to know if the proposed road for the vicinity of the playgound will be wide enough. Discussion was held and it was decided that the Town Planning Committee will check on this for Council.

COUNCILLOR NORMAN PENNEY; He reported on the dinner at Main Street Restaurant held on Friday, Feb. 19/99 for volunteers with the Victoria Recreation Commission and the Victoria Heritage/Tourism Society. Everyone who attended enjoyed their meal and the time of fellowship together.

2. The new bus turn around for Burnt Woods Road and are the drivers using it. Council has written the school board with copies to Harold Slade and Murray Hudson and nothing has been heard from them to date.

3. The tax arrears for 1998 and are they being collected to date. The Clerk stated that when the 1999 billing is completed and sent in the mail, those with arrears will be notified and action will be taken to collect the arrears.

4. The sign on the Ridge erected by Victoria Carpet Shoppe and removed by the Community Improvement Project workers. Mr. Butt stated that he had approval from Dept. of Highways to erect the sign and he wants the sign placed there again. Discussion was held and David King will be told to put back the sign for Victoria Carpet Shoppe. Also, the Clerk will call Tom Porter of Dept. of Highways and see who gives permission for the erection of signs on highways controlled by them but, in the jurisdiction of towns.

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS

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

BAINE JOHNSTON INSURANCE	**$475.00**
NEWTEL MOBILITY	**$100.51**
AIR LIQUIDE	**$130.00**
MOORE BUSINESS FORMS	**$297.79**
PARK AUTOMOTIVE	**$63.02**
WELCON CONSTRUCTION	**$207.00**
PITNEY BOWES	**$345.00**
IRVING OIL LIMITED	**$814.17**
NEWCORT FINANCIAL LTD.	**$80.79**
ROBINSON BLACKMORE	**$262.43**
DWYERS PLUMBING	**$26.28**
CREDIT CONTROL SERVICES	**$5.87**
NEWFOUNDLAND POWER	**$4,250.70**
MUNICIPAL ASSESSMENT AGENCY	**$4,523.75**
DICKS & CO. LIMITED	**$146.49**
FEDERATION OF MUNICIPALITIES	**$850.54**
	$12,579.34

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

MOTION CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was received for consideration by Council.

NLFM INFONOTE; Information on Credit Recovery Limited and the effective management of repayment schedules for tax payers in arrears. Discussion was held on tax collection especially Poll tax arrears and Council is considering giving all overdue Poll tax accounts to Rodney Antle for collection.

Copy of letter from Dean & Renee Gillingham to the Victoria Heritage/Tourism Society regarding the horses to be housed in the barn on Powerhouse Road. They have concerns about how many horses will be housed there and if it will be cleaned and maintained while the animals are there.

Copy of letter from Victoria Heritage/Tourism Society to Dean & Renee Gillingham regarding their letter of Feb. 15th. They assured Mr. and Mrs. Gillingham that the barn will be cleaned at all times and that only three or four ponies will be housed from May to Sept.

VICTORIA HERITAGE/TOURISM SOCIETY; A copy of the schedule of events for the Heritage Sawdust Festival to be held July 9, 10, 11 & 12, 1999. The Clerk will copy for all Councillors.

WAYNE SLADE; Advising Council that the land he owns at 297-301 Highway East and which he turned over to Council in January, 1999. He now wants to give it to his brother Max Slade. The Clerk was asked to change the property to the name of Max Slade.

NLFM INFONOTE; Highlights of the 1999 Federal Budget.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE; Regarding training in First Aid and that they sent a letter stating that Council did not comply with the regulations because of a computer error. We do comply with the regulations for First Aid Training requirement.

THE COMPASS; Ad for the Trinity Conception Tourism Guide 1999. It was decided to re-table this at the next meeting. It was also decided that the Civic Functions Committee and all Council will look at activities for the Town's Canada Day Celebrations on July 1st. and the Communications Committee will look at the advertising for it.

C.B.N. JOINT COUNCILS; A draft copy of a policy that was made up by the Joint Councils and sent to all towns to discuss before the next meeting. The Clerk copied this for all Councillors.

THOMAS SNOW; Advising Council that he is taking out the street light that overlooks his property at the corner of Main Highway and Bottom Loop. With this light gone there will be no light at the corner of Bottom Loop at the lower end and he stated that there are not many lights in this whole area. Discussion was held and it was decided that the Town Management Committee will look at this street light referred to by Mr. Snow and possibly have the light turned out to service this intersection. The Clerk will write Mr. Snow advising him of Council's intentions and also ask him if he would be satisfied to declare this property an historic site. Also, call Roland Burke to see if he talked with Mr. Snow about this property.

VICTORIA RECREATION COMMISSION; Their memo regarding changes to their constitution and the changes they want to make. Discussion was held and it was decided to copy the old constitution for all Councillors along with the changes. This will be discussed at the next Council meeting.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

COUNCILLOR SIDNEY ANTLE reported on the Community Improvement Project. He stated the one phase of the grant is completed and the second phase has only a few weeks remaining. All and all there was a lot of work done under the Community Improvement Project in the Town.

COUNCILLOR VIVIAN HISCOCK of the Town Management Committee presented his report from the meeting held Feb. 12/99 and the following are the recommendations of the committee:

1. **STREET LIGHTS:** It is recommended that a light be installed in the vicinity of Frances Burke, Swansea Road. The street light requests made by Sadie Snow, Howard Cross, Richard Dean and Sylvia King will be looked at by the Committee.

2. **SNOWCLEARING AND SANDING:** David King was instructed to clear snow from businesses when time becomes available whether there is a lot of snow or a little.

3. **TIME CAPSULE:** Elihu Antle will get the items for the time capsule for the sign on the Ridge and he will make a box for the rest of the items, i.e. T shirt, Cap, etc. to keep in the Town Hall.

4. **RENOVATIONS TO TOWN BUILDINGS:** It was recommended that no repairs to the buildings will be done unless the grants are covered 100% by Government for all costs, wages and materials. Only necessary repairs will be done with the Town funds.

5. **BILLBOARD FOR TOWN:** It was recommended that signs be allowed on the Ridge if permits are obtained and the signs must be approved by the Town staff. The Town will make sure that the signs are placed properly. It was agreed to look at the billboard for the Town and to get a cost to place it on the Ridge in an appropriate place. It was also decided to look at the size of the ads to be placed on the billboard and the charge by the Town for the ads.

6. **PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT FOR PLAYGROUND POWERHOUSE ROAD:** A picture of the proposed equipment will be shown to the Victoria Recreation Commission and it will be ordered very soon.

Councillor Hiscock told Council that there will be a Town Management Committee meeting on Friday at 7:30 p.m. regarding street lighting etc. He then excused himself and left the meeting to go to St. John's on personal business.

NEW BUSINESS

COUNCILLOR SIDNEY ANTLE; The Cadet Corp using a portion of the Municipal building upstairs and Council not having a key to this room in case of an emergency such as fire. Discussion was held and it was decided to call George Pryor to get a key made for the Clerk to leave in the office.

COUNCILLOR AUBREY ROSE; Dogs roaming in the Town and what can be done to alleviate the problem. Discussion was held and it was decided that David King will take a couple of the men from the Job Creation Program and go around Town and pick up any roaming dogs.

2. He received a complaint about the workers picking up garbage in the Town and not closing the covers of garbage boxes after they have picked up the garbage. The Clerk will tell David King to make sure this is done in the future.

3. Also, a complaint about those residents using old refrigerators for garbage containers and that they are very unsightly and a possible hazard to young kids who may climb in them and close the covers. Council will look at this in the Spring during clean up in the Town.

COUNCILLOR NORMAN PENNEY; The water analysis done by Harris and Associates and have we received the report from him. The Clerk stated that the samplying was done but, no report has been received. She will contact Mr. Harris to see if the report is ready.

2. He told Council that he has a picture of Victoria which he will be giving to the Conception Bay Museum.

The Council minutes being published in the Compass was also mentioned and it was moved by Council Sidney Antle and seconded by Councillor Aubrey Rose that Council cease publishing the Council minutes until they are edited more satisfactorily.

This motion was deferred until next meeting.

With no other business on the agenda, the meeting adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

SIGNED:

ARTHUR BURKE
MAYOR

SHARON SNOOKS
TOWN CLERK

TOWN OF VICTORIA
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 8, 1999

A regular meeting of Council took place on the above date at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Arthur Burke presiding and the following members of Council in attendance:

DEPUTY MAYOR	**FRANK CLARKE**
COUNCILLORS	**AUBREY ROSE**
	SIDNEY ANTLE
	NORMAN PENNEY
	FRED BALDWIN
	VIVIAN HISCOCK

VISITORS BUSINESS

Paula Layden and Edith Cole were at the meeting regarding the new hiring policy. They had a letter for correspondence and in it they asked Council how workers were going to be hired by the town. They stated that those paying taxes should be considered for employment first and also whether they had any income coming into their household. Discussion was held and Mayor Burke told both ladies that the hiring policy is in place and everyone seeking employment with the town must first fill out an application.

Austin Summers was also at the meeting and informed Council that he will be leaving Victoria and taking up residence in Carbonear. Mayor Burke and all Council wished Austin well in Carbonear.

The minutes of January 25/99 were read and the following errors were noted;

Page 5, paragraph 3, delete Tags project and include Federal funding.
Page 4, motion regarding gas purchase should be self service price, not serve service.
Page 4, 1st. paragraph, delete "and finance the remainder of the cost through the Bank of Commerce".

With no other errors and no omissions, it was moved by Councillor Vivian Hiscock and seconded by Councillor Norman Penney that the minutes be adopted as read.

MOTION CARRIED

Deputy Mayor Frank Clarke then apologized to Councillor Vivian Hiscock for the outburst and the remarks he made towards him at the last Council meeting. Councillor Hiscock accepted the apology.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

COUNCILLOR NORMAN PENNEY; Forest Pond Road and Council taking over the road. Discussion was held and Mayor Burke stated that Council cannot deal with this matter until the residents give the10 feet each to make the required width for the road.

2. The bus turn-a-round on Burnt Woods Road designated by Council to be at the driveway of Duane Antle. The Clerk stated that Mr. Antle has signed the agreement and letters have been sent to Avalon West School District, Mr. Harold Slade and Mr. Murray Hudson.

3. The increase in the Municipal Operating Grant announced by Government recently. The Clerk stated that the first quarter received last week included the 10% increase.

4. The function for the volunteers with the Victoria Heritage/Tourism Society and the Victoria Recreation Commission. He stated that it will have to be cancelled for Feb. 13/99 because of other commitments by must of those invited to this dinner. It was decided to re-schedule the dinner for Friday, February 19th at 7:00 p.m. at Main Street Restaurant in Carbonear.

5. International Year of Older Persons and Soiree 99. Council will look at having some event, possibly the weekend of July 1st. to take in both occasions. The Civic Functions Committee was asked to look into this for Council.

DEPUTY MAYOR FRANK CLARKE; He asked if a letter was sent to Mr. John Davis and was told by the Clerk that it was sent last week.

COUNCILLOR AUBREY ROSE; He stated that Council should give serious consideration to purchasing land from Brent Clarke that is located next to the Town Hall. Discussion was held but, no decision was made by Council.

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS

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

W. G. GARLAND LIMITED	**$32.86**
NEWTEL MOBILITY	**138.07**
PENNEY'S TRANSPORT	**64.40**
C.B.N. INCINERATOR ASSN.	**1423.25**
DICKS & CO.	**2.08**
ENVIRONMENT CANADA	**126.50**

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS CONT'D

VICTORIA CARPET SHOPPE	**$305.21**
VICTORIA IRVING	**114.82**
HAROLD SLADES USED CARS	**8.36**
MORNEAU SOBECO	**421.27**
CIBC VISA	**20.33**
CLARKES SUPPLY	**830.39**
NEWFOUNDLAND POWER	**2285.57**
IKON OFFICE SOLUTIONS	**113.85**
ITT FLYGT	**2743.56**
NEWTEL COMMUNICATIONS	**249.95**
ASSN. OF MUN. ADMINISTRATORS	**75.00**
MUN. ASSESSMENT AGENCY	**4523.75**
FEDERATION OF MUNICIPALITIES	**850.54**
	$14,330.26

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

MOTION CARRIED

The Clerk mentioned the tax arrears owed by the town. Discussion was held and the Clerk was asked to collect the tax arrears as soon as possible.

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was received for consideration by Council:

VICTORIA RECREATION COMMISSION; The changes to their constitution. There was no copy of their original constitution therefore this will be re-tabled at the next meeting. Mayor Burke will bring the copy of the present constitution to the next meeting.

VICTORIA HERITAGE/TOURISM SOCIETY; Regarding their proposal to Human Resources Development Centre to construct a Sawmill just outside the Cooperage and a Forge directly across the road from the Cooperage. They are looking for an in-kind contribution from the Town to submit with the proposal and it is as follows:

2 Building lots @ $4,000.00	**$8,000.00**
Water hook-up	**2,000.00**
Council equipment and workers	**5,000.00**
	$15,000.00

Discussion was held and it was moved by Deputy Mayor Frank Clarke and seconded by Councillor Norman Penney to approve the in-kind contribution of $15,000.00 from Council.

MOTION CARRIED

DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL AND PROVINCIAL AFFAIRS; Year 2000 news and what is being done to correct any problems they have with their computers, etc. Discussion was held and it was noted that all the equipment in the Town such as pumps, etc. and the equipment in the office have been checked out and there should be no problems for the year 2000.

VICTORIA CARPET SHOPPE; The sign they erected on the Ridge and that it was taken down by the Victoria Improvement Project workers. This area is being looked at for a billboard to allow businesses and organizations to advertise. Discussion was held and it was decided that Mr. Butt must fill out an application before any sign is erected in the Town.

COMPASS; Ad for Scout/Guide Week at a cost of $40.35. It was moved by Councillor Vivian Hiscock and seconded by Deputy Mayor Frank Clarke to approve the ad for Scout/Guide Week.

MOTION CARRIED

PERSALVIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL; They have established a Playground Committee to initiate plans for a playground at the west end of the school, where the High School used to be. They are seeking input from other concerned groups and they want Council to appoint someone to meet with them and if an agreement can be reached, to become a member of our committee. Deputy Mayor Frank Clarke and Mayor Arthur Burke will go to the meeting and Councillor Vivian Hiscock will be the alternate if Deputy Mayor Clarke cannot attend.

BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA; The Term Deposit from the Come Home Year Committee 1996. This will be used to purchase playground equipment for the playground on Powerhouse Road. The Clerk will call the bank to see if this money is in a cashable G.I.C.

BACCALIEU TRAIL BOARD OF TRADE INC.; The two tickets for the Fisheries Seminar held early in January/99 and the cost is $46.00. The Clerk was told to pay for these tickets.

WILLIAM LAMBERT; His tax arrears on property and water/sewer. The Clerk was asked to find out when he took over paying the taxes from his parents and what the balance was at that time.

CEE BEES PEEWEE A HOCKEY TEAM; They will be attending Youth Canada Week 50th Anniversary Tournament in Goderich, Ontario. They are looking for sponsors which will cost $100.00 and by sponsoring the Town would have their name printed on the player's sweater. Discussion was held and it was moved by Deputy Mayor Frank and seconded by Councillor Vivian Hiscock to approve $100.00 for the ad.

MOTION DEFEATED

COPY OF LETTER TO HON. RICK WOODFORD FROM SAM SYNARD, FEDERATION OF MUNICIPALITIES; The Federation supports the concept of a comprehensive review of the ferry services that fall within Provincial jurisdiction. They are urging the Minister to freeze all ferry rates during the coming year pending completion of the study.

NLFM INFONOTE; Community Economic Development Workshop to be held in various locations around the Province. The Clerk was asked to copy for all Councillors.

BRENT CLARKE, CLARKES SUPPLY LIMITED; Thanking Council for their business in 1998 and the opportunity to bid on gasoline business for 1999. He wanted to clarify that in his bid, he stated that he is retailing full serve gas usually at a lower price than his competitors. Mr. Clarke mentioned this but, did not quote an actual price, therefore Council decided to go with Victoria Irving at self service price, which would be the cheapest gas price in Town. Clarkes Supply do not offer self service.

NLFM INFONOTE; The Newfoundland Court of Appeal decision regarding the Wabana Fire Department.

TIDY TOWNS OF NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR; The Summary Report compiled by the judges who evaluated Victoria for the 1998 Tidy Towns Competition. Victoria received an 82.2% from the judges with 4 Pitcher Plants and being judged on the walking trails in the Town.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND LABOUR, WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT DIVISION; The water quality data for the Town's public drinking water supply. All the tests done showed that the Town's water quality is very good..

2. Regarding the Drinking Water Quality Monitoring for 1999. It was moved by Deputy Mayor Frank Clarke and seconded by Councillor Norman Penney to approve the monitoring of the Town's water quality in 1999 by Water Resources Management Division of Department of Environment and Labour. The cost will be $256.00 plus HST and done twice a year.

MOTION CARRIED

ENVIRO*WEST; They are a company who is currently in the process, with the help of government, of developing and implementing a Community Clean-up Program which will be carried out in communities such as Victoria at no cost. They would come once or twice a year and remove such things as iron and steel, scrap metals such as old fridges, stoves, washers, etc. They want a letter of support and permission before February 28, 1999. Discussion was held and it was moved by Councillor Vivian Hiscock and seconded by Councillor Norman Penney to approve to give permission to Enviro*West to implement a Clean-up Program in Victoria and also support this program.

MOTION CARRIED

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The Job Creation Project ongoing in the Town and the workers are receiving $6.00 from the project which is paid by Government. The rate of pay for casual workers paid by the Town is $6.50 per hour. The six workers employed under the Job Creation Project is requesting Council pay them the extra 50 cents per hour. Discussion was held and it was decided that this could be costly to the Town if they were to approve the request. Council could be employing a great number of workers in the future on these sort of project and a precedent would be set and all workers would want the extra 50 cents per hour. It was moved by Councillor Norman Penney and seconded by Councillor Aubrey Rose that the 6 workers under the Job Creation Project working with the Town will not be subsidized by the Town for the extra 50 cents per hour.

MOTION CARRIED

COUNCILLOR FRED BALDWIN OPPOSED THE MOTION

Deputy Mayor Frank Clarke on the renovations to the Town's buildings and possibly a E.I. Top-up grant from Human Resources Development. He stated that with the 6 new people working with the Town there is some work that can be done which should not cost a big amount of money. He stated that there should be a small budget for these workers to use for light fixtures, paint, brushes etc. It was moved by Councillor Aubrey Rose and seconded by Councillor Vivian Hiscock to approve a $500.00 budget to the Town's Economic Development Committee for general repairs and maintenance materials to the Town's buildings. This money can only be used through the purchase order system.

MOTION CARRIED

The next Joint Councils meeting will be held in North River on February 25th, 1999.

The Clerk will ask David King to take down the Christmas tree at the War Memorial site.

NEW BUSINESS

COUNCILLOR NORMAN PENNEY; He was asked by Joe Crawford last week to visit his property and see the ice build up and the problem it will create with flooding when it thaws. It was decided that Council will try to resolve this problem for Mr. Crawford this coming Spring.

2. Mr. Richard Dean of Highway East is requesting a street light for the intersection of Dean's Road and Highway East. The Clerk also mentioned that Sylvia King called and is requesting a street light for the intersection of King's Road and Highway East. Discussion was held and the Town Management Committee will look at these requests along with others that were made recently.

COUNCILLOR AUBREY ROSE; He asked about Poll Tax and those renting in Victoria. The

Clerk stated that these people are eligible for Poll Tax unless they are Seniors, 65 years of age and older.

2. Mrs. Lillian Vaters and the leak in her water line. David King will talk with Mrs. Vaters about this as soon as possible.

3. People discharging firearms in the Town close to residences. The Clerk was asked to call the R.C.M.P. to investigate this complaint.

COUNCILLOR SIDNEY ANTLE; The Victoria Community Development Corp. and them attending the last Council meeting. He stated that Mayor Burke should have been told beforehand that they would be attending the meeting.

2. He told Council that there will be a Finance Committee meeting Thursday evening at 1:00 p.m..

Also, there will be a Town Management Committee meeting, Friday afternoon at 2:00 p.m..

The Clerk will call Gordon Clarke for a picture of him to hang in the Council chambers.

COUNCILLOR FRED BALDWIN; He mentioned the Heritage Park and wondered if the playground and the proposed restaurant should go side by side because of children playing in the area and traffic from the restaurant. It was decided that Council will check this out.

With no other business, the meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

SIGNED:

Arthur Burke

ARTHUR BURKE
MAYOR

Sharon Snooks

SHARON SNOOKS
TOWN CLERK

TOWN OF VICTORIA
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 25TH, 1999

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

DEPUTY MAYOR	**FRANK CLARKE**
COUNCILLORS	**NORMAN PENNEY**
	FRED BALDWIN
	VIVIAN HISCOCK
	AUBREY ROSE
	SIDNEY ANTLE

VISITORS BUSINESS

Jill Hiscock, Eileen Rose, Wade Dean, Sharon Turnbull and Elsie Parsons of the Victoria Community Development Corporation were at the meeting. Mrs. Hiscock spoke regarding Michael Newbury's proposal to start a barrel making business at the museum, Powerhouse Road. Mr. Newbury has acquired a grant for this business and is looking to use the building because it is equipped for barrel making. Mrs. Hiscock wanted to know why Mayor Burke had a meeting with her boss George Parsons regarding this proposal. She stated that Victoria Community Development is waiting for a meeting with Mr. Newbury to discuss his proposal but, he is not satisfied to meet with them. Mayor Burke stated that he went to see Mr. Parsons, not as Mayor but, as a concerned resident. This sort of business is what Victoria is looking for and every effort should be made to accommodate Mr. Newbury. Wade Dean asked if Victoria Community Development had Council's support to apply for a grant and was told that Council would give a letter of support when needed by them. With no other business the delegation left the meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and the following error was noted on page 2, paragraph 2 regarding the barn on Powerhouse Road, should be Mr. Darroch Vokey of Department of Government Services and Lands not Social Services. Also, same page, third paragraph, the motion should be "That the barn being constructed at the heritage park on Powerhouse Road will not in the future be used for permanent use". With no other errors and no omissions, it was moved by Deputy Mayor Frank Clarke and seconded by Councillor Fred

Baldwin that the minutes be adopted as read.

MOTION CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

DEPUTY MAYOR FRANK CLARKE; Forest Pond Road and the width of the road. David King says we can only get 16 feet which is not wide enough as required by the Town Plan. Discussion was held and it was moved by Deputy Mayor Frank Clarke and seconded by Councillor Sidney Antle that no further construction will take place on Forest Pond Road because of the width of the road, 16 feet and the required width should be 40 feet.

MOTION CARRIED

2. The specifications for a new generator for the Town and was told that they are in correspondence.

COUNCILLOR AUBREY ROSE; The bus stop on Burnt Woods Road designated by Council at the property of Duane Antle.. Mr. Harold Slade refused to turn his bus around at this bus stop. An agreement has been typed up for Mr. Antle to sign. It was moved by Deputy Mayor Frank Clarke and seconded by Councillor Aubrey Rose to write Avalon West School Board and advise of the new bus stop and send a copy of the agreement signed by Mr.. Duane Antle..

MOTION CARRIED

Copies will be sent to Mr. Harold Slade and Mr. Murray Hudson

2. He asked if the information was received on volunteers in recreation and was told that this information was in correspondence.

3. He asked if Ingemar Dean has filled out an application for a building permit for Old Track Road. The Clerk stated that he was called to bring in an application but, to date has not done so.

4. He asked if Dept. of Works, Services and Transportation was called about the ditch in front of the property of Lloyd Parsons, Highway East. The Clerk is awaiting a call from Wayne George.

COUNCILLOR VIVIAN HISCOCK; He asked about the materials to construct the benches and flower pots for the community look-out on the Ridge and was told that they have been purchased and stored in the basement of this building.

2. He stated that the Town Management Committee will be meeting early in February regarding street lighting requests, etc.

COUNCILLOR NORMAN PENNEY; He asked about the Web Page for the Town of Victoria. Deputy Mayor stated that he is looking after this for Council with some help from George Parsons on setting up the web page.

2. The items for the time capsule and was told that the Town Management Committee will meet with Elihu Antle to have this taken care of.

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS

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

VICTORIA IRVING	**$325.79**
FRANKS AUTO REPAIRS	**$525.55**
EAST-CHEM INC.	**$202.29**
ANTLES PARALEGAL	**$11.50**
ALFONSO DIVING	**$465.75**
DICKS & CO. LIMITED	**$168.43**
	$1,699.31

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Frank Clarke and seconded by Councillor Aubrey Rose that the bills be paid as presented to Council.

MOTION CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was received for consideration by Council:

DUANE ANTLE; The agreement for him to sign allowing the school buses to turn around in his driveway on Burnt Woods Road. The Clerk will call Mr. Antle tomorrow to come in and sign the agreement.

DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL AND PROVINCIAL AFFAIRS; Information on the Town's quarterly Municipal Operating Grant for 1999. The Clerk was asked to call Mr. Ron Murphy to see if this includes the 10 percent increase announced by Government recently.

VICTORIA FIRE DEPARTMENT; Advising that Miss Fire Queen Jolene Dean has been selected as a contestant in the Miss Teen Newfoundland and Labrador Pageant. She will be needing money to offset costs of registration, transportation, meals, etc.. They are asking for funding to offset these costs. It was moved by Deputy Mayor Frank Clarke and seconded by Councillor Vivian Hiscock to approve $150.00 to the Victoria Fire Dept. for Jolene Dean.

MOTION CARRIED

COUNCILLOR SIDNEY ANTLE OPPOSED THE MOTION

HARRIS AND ASSOCIATES; The specifications for a new portable generator and the cost is $33,500.00 plus H.S.T. Discussion was held on the necessity of having this generator for backup power in case of an emergency or for backup power for the lift stations in case of a power

outage. It was moved by Deputy Mayor Frank Clarke and seconded by Councillor Vivian Hiscock to apply through Emergency Measures for the $10,000.00 to go towards the purchase of the new generator and finance the remainder of the cost through the Bank of Commerce.

MOTION CARRIED

MAYOR ARTHUR BURKE AND COUNCILLOR AUBREY ROSE OPPOSED THE MOTION

VICTORIA VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, VICTORIA HERITAGE/TOURISM SOCIETY AND VICTORIA RECREATION COMMISSION; Their Budgets for the year 1999. It was decided that the Finance Committee would go over these budgets while finalizing the Town's 1999 Budget.

VICTORIA VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT; Their formal request for remuneration. They feel that monetary compensation for the valuable service which they provide is long over due. Discussion was held and it was decided to also look at this request when the Town's 1999 Budget is being done by the Finance Committee.

QUOTES FOR SUPPLY OF GAS TO TOWN OF VICTORIA FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1999 AND THEY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

CLARKES SUPPLY LIMITED	**4% OFF FULL SERVICE PRICE WITH NO ACTUAL PRICE QUOTED.**
VICTORIA IRVING	**5% OFF FULL SERVICE PRICE WITH A PRICE QUOTED AT 59.75 CENTS PER LITRE 2% OFF SELF SERVICE PRICE WITH A PRICE QUOTED AT 58.7 CENTS PER LITRE.**

Discussion was held and it was moved by Councillor Norman Penney and seconded by Deputy Mayor Frank Clarke to approve to purchase gas for the Town from Victoria Irving at the serve service price.

MOTION CARRIED

QUOTES FOR BACKHOE WORK FOR 1999 FOR THE TOWN AND THEY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

BUTT'S TRUCKING	**$33.93 PER HOUR TAX INCLUDED**
WELCON CONSTRUCTION	**$34.50 PER HOUR TAX INCLUDED**
HALCO BUILDERS	**$28.75 PER HOUR TAX INCLUDED**
TRICON SERVICES	**$25.00 PER HOUR, DO NOT INDICATE WITH OR WITHOUT TAX.**

Discussion was held on these prices and it is noted that Welcon Construction has indicated on

their quote that they will park the backhoe in the Council yard for the winter months for Council to use at no charge. It was moved by Deputy Mayor Frank Clarke and seconded by Councillor Norman Penney to accept the quote of Welcon Construction at $34.50 per hour.

MOTION CARRIED

COUNCILLOR AUBREY ROSE OPPOSED THE MOTION

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

DEPUTY MAYOR FRANK CLARKE of the **Union Negotiations Committee** stated that there will be a meeting tomorrow afternoon and he will call Rick Gill tomorrow to set up a meeting with the Union.

Deputy Mayor Clarke also stated that $10,000.00 is needed for supplies to do the necessary repairs to the Town's buildings. Discussion was held and it was decided that this is to costly for the Town to undertake at this time, but Steve Hogan of HRDC will be contacted for 100% funding for salaries and materials from the next Tags project. Discussion was held on the repairs that are needed to the Town's buildings and what is priority and the most cost effective. The Town Management Committee will discuss this among other things at their next meeting.

COUNCILLOR AUBREY ROSE of the Communications Committee stated that in order to do PR on the new dump truck, it will cost $161.00 for a Compass ad. It was moved by Councillor Aubrey Rose and seconded by Deputy Mayor Frank Clarke to approve the ad for the Compass about the new and old dump truck.

MOTION CARRIED

COUNCILLOR NORMAN PENNEY of the **Civic Functions Committee** presented a report on the function sponsored by Council for the Victoria Heritage/Tourism Society and the Victoria Recreation Commission. The committee is recommending that it be held on Saturday, Feb. 13/99 at Main Street Restaurant, Carbonear at 7:00 p.m.. The number of people to attend is approximately 34 including Councillors and the Clerk. The cost will be limited to $12.00 per person.

It was moved by Councillor Norman Penney and seconded by Councillor Vivian Hiscock to accept the Civic Functions Report.

MOTION CARRIED

The Clerk will call Main Street Restaurant to see if they can accommodate approximately 34 people. Councillor Norman Penney will get the correct number of people who will be attending this function.

NEW BUSINESS

COUNCILLOR NORMAN PENNEY; The billboard for the top of the Ridge for businesses

and organizations to use. It was decided to do this in the Spring.

COUNCILLOR SIDNEY ANTLE; There will be a Finance Committee meeting to do the 1999 Budget on January 29th at 1:00 p.m.

COUNCILLOR VIVIAN HISCOCK; The Victoria Recreation Commission and their Annual General Meeting and Election of Officers. He stated that it will be held sometime in March. He also advised that their constitution is being revised by them. There was a disagreement between Councillor Hiscock and Deputy Mayor Clarke over the recruiting of new Recreation Commission members. Vivian told Council that he would be resigning effective immediately from the Victoria Recreation Commission.

MAYOR ARTHUR BURKE; He mentioned that the price for the land adjacent to the Town Hall owned by Brent Clarke is now dropped to $7500.00.

2. The International Year of Older Persons and Soiree 99. The Town has already kicked off the International Year of Older Persons by hosting a luncheon in November 1998, but should have celebrations this year for both occasions. It was decided to look at this very soon. The Clerk will call to see if any funding is available from Government.

3. The playground equipment for the playground on Powerhouse Road. The Town Management Committee was asked to purchase the equipment and have it at the site as soon as possible.

4. The old dump truck and what to do with it now that we have the new 1999 dump truck in use. Discussion was held and it was decided to try and sell it. The Clerk was asked to place an ad in the Compass and through Federation of Municipalities.

5. Mayor Burke mentioned the meeting with John Davis regarding the taxes he pays to the Town for the apartments he owns on Highway East. It was decided that he is being treated the same as the two other competitors in the Town, paying property and water/sewer taxes. He cannot come under the Edge Program because that is only give to new businesses who start up in the Town and pay business tax. The Clerk will write and explain this to Mr. Davis.

6. William Lambert is a property owner paying off tax arrears some of which was incurred by his parents when they took sick and could not pay the taxes to the Town of Victoria. His balance is high and with interest being applied each month, the payment he is making do not lower his balance very much. He is asking Council to look at forgiving the interest until he can get the balance of the taxes paid up to date. Discussion was held and it was moved by Councillor Norman Penney and seconded by Deputy Mayor Frank Clarke to forgive the interest for 12 months on the tax arrears of William Lambert.

MOTION CARRIED

The Clerk will check to see the balance when he took over paying the taxes from his parents.

With no other business, the meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

SIGNED:

ARTHUR BURKE
MAYOR

SHARON SNOOKS
TOWN CLERK

TOWN OF VICTORIA
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 11TH, 1999

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

DEPUTY MAYOR	**FRANK CLARKE**
COUNCILLORS	**SIDNEY ANTLE**
	AUBREY ROSE
	VIVIAN HISCOCK
	FRED BALDWIN
	NORMAN PENNEY

VISITORS BUSINESS

Dennis Byrne and his son Adam were at the meeting and were presented with a plaque for receiving **1st. place in the Best Decorated Property for Christmas 1998.** The plaque was presented by Mayor Burke and Councillor Norman Penney of the Civic Functions Committee and pictures were taken. Mr. Cliff Rose received 2nd. place and Mr. Mike Penney received 3rd. place, but were not able to attend this meeting to receive their plaques.

The minutes of December 7th, 1998 were read and the following error and omissions were noted:

Error, page 5, paragraph 4, should be 10:30 a.m.
Omission, page 5, paragraph 7, last sentence should be, further information is necessary on this matter for discussion.
Omission, page 5, paragraph 9, last sentence should be, Clerk will get a Bill of Sale ready for Mr. Slade to sign.

With no other errors or omissions, it was moved by Councillor Vivian Hiscock and seconded by Deputy Mayor Frank Clarke that the minutes be adopted as read.

MOTION CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

COUNCILLOR NORMAN PENNEY; The **time capsule for the sign on the Ridge** and what things should be stored there. Mayor Burke will contact Elihu Antle regarding things associated with Come Home Year 1996 which will be stored in the capsule along with other items pertaining to the Town.

2. He mentioned the **Web page for the Town of Victoria on the Internet**. Deputy Mayor

Frank Clarke will look after this for Council.

3. He asked if the **repairs were done on the Lagoon** and was told that they are completed and everything is working fine down there.

COUNCILLOR FRED BALDWIN; The **barn being constructed by the Tags recipients on Powerhouse Road in the Heritage Park** and the notice in the Compass. The Clerk stated that there were no complaints from the advertisement. Also, Mr. Darroch Vokey of Dept. of Social Services was contacted and he will be checking out the construction.

Discussion was held by Council on the usage of the barn at the heritage park. It was moved by Councillor Fred Baldwin and seconded by Deputy Mayor Frank Clarke that the barn being constructed at the heritage park on Powerhouse Road will not at any time in the future be used by residents or any individuals to house animals permanently for their own use.

MOTION CARRIED

2. The **mildew problem at the recreation centre.** Councillor Hiscock stated that the heat was turned on and to date there has not been any other mildew in the building.

COUNCILLOR VIVIAN HISCOCK; The measurements of Forest Pond Road. The Clerk stated that the road was measured by David King, but nothing further has been done regarding the documentation for this road.

2. Harris and Associates and the specs for the purchase of a new generator by the Town. Mr. Harris is in the processing of doing this for Council.

3. Wildberry Lane and the report from the Town Planning Committee. Councillor Fred Baldwin stated that ditching is needed, but asphalt will have to be cut and a culvert installed. It was decided to defer doing anything with this area until this coming Spring. Councillor Hiscock declared he was in Conflict of Interest and did not speak regarding this issue.

COUNCILLOR AUBREY ROSE; The mess at the bus turn around on Burnt Woods Road. Mayor Burke stated that Duane Antle is satisfied to have the bus turn around in his driveway. It was moved by Deputy Mayor Frank Clarke and seconded by Councillor Vivian Hiscock to accept Duane Antle's offer and let the school buses turn around in his driveway.

MOTION CARRIED

David King will look at Duane Antle's driveway and clean up the mess at the present bus stop.

The Clerk will call Avalon West School District regarding the change in bus stop on Burnt Woods Road. Also, she will do up an agreement for Duane Antle to sign.

COUNCILLOR SIDNEY ANTLE; The presentation to former Chief Eugene Cole for his service to the Town. Mayor Burke stated that this was done at the Fireman's Christmas party held on Dec. 19/98 at the Fire Hall and will be put in the Compass next week.

2. The agreement for Wayne Evely to signed regarding his tax arrears. The Clerk stated that he signed the agreement to pay the balance of his taxes before the end of January 1999 and he paid $200.00 last week.

3. He asked if the letter of congratulations was sent to Amanda Layden and was told that the letter was sent to her.

DEPUTY MAYOR FRANK CLARKE; The Baccalieu Trail Tourism Association and asked if the Town should be a member. Discussion was held and it was decided that the Clerk will call this association for all the particulars including the cost to become a member.

MAYOR ARTHUR BURKE; He stated that he visited the site of the proposed Officers Mess for the Heritage Park on Powerhouse Road and there is ample footage for a road to link up the back property with Powerhouse Road.

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS

The following bills and accounts were presented to Council for payment

CLARKES SUPPLY	**$1,118.32**
PENNEY'S TRANSPORT	**$109.26**
MORNEAU SOBECO	**$421.27**
BUTT'S TRUCKING	**$502.55**
FULLERTON AGENCIES	**$134.55**
IRVING OIL LIMITED	**$343.24**
NLFM	**$19.92**
HAROLD SLADES USED CARS	**$111.96**
AMI PRATT LIMITED	**$39.66**
NEWCORT CREDIT GROUP	**$313.11**
NEWTEL MOBILITY	**$135.72**
NEWTEL COMMUNICATIONS	**$8.49**
PITNEY BOWES	**$441.94**
FRANK'S AUTO REPAIRS	**$671.78**
EAST-CHEM INC.	**$202.29**
IKON OFFICE SOLUTIONS	**$261.35**
C.B.N. INCINERATOR ASSN.	**$1,423.25**
ROBINSON BLACKMORE	**$40.25**
NEWFOUNDLAND POWER	**$5.639.59**
VICTORIA CARPET SHOPPE	**$1,523.99**

VOCM RADIO LIMITED	**$161.00**
MUNICIPAL ASSESSMENT AGENCY	**$4,523.75**
DICKS & CO. LIMITED	**$104.22**
AVALON INDUSTRIAL	**$196.54**
W. G. GARLAND LIMITED	**$119.07**
H & H AUTO	**$13,851.75**
HICKMAN MOTORS	**$78,720.95**
NEWFOUNDLAND POWER	**$4,007.73**
	$115,209.00

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Frank Clarke and seconded by Councillor Norman Penney that the bills be paid as presented to Council.

MOTION CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

CANADIAN IMPERIAL BANK OF COMMERCE; Sending the Visa card that was applied for by the Town and the limit is $5,000.00.

DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL & PROVINCIAL AFFAIRS, EMERGENCY MEASURES DIVISION; Information on upcoming Emergency Preparedness Courses held in St. John's Feb. 2-4 1999. Discussion was held and it was moved by Councillor Fred Baldwin and seconded by Councillor Vivian Hiscock to approve for the Mayor or his designate to attend the course on Emergency Plans and Operations to be held in St. John's from Feb. 2 to 4, 1999.

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Burke and Deputy Mayor Clarke abstained from voting on the motion
Councillors Rose and Penney opposed the motion

NLFM INFONOTE; Screening Volunteers in Sports and Recreation in Newfoundland and Labrador, what is the purpose and why the screening. Discussion was held and it was decided to write and ask for all information pertaining to this program. The Clerk was asked to copy this for the Recreation Commission.

NLFM INFONOTE; Membership Fees for 1999 and the cost is $850.54. It was moved by Deputy Mayor Frank Clarke and seconded by Councillor Aubrey Rose to approve to pay the membership fees.

MOTION CARRIED

DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL & PROVINCIAL AFFAIRS; Digital Mapping of Engineering and Planning information for towns with municipal plans. This system is in the development stage and several communities have been targeted for work over the next several

months. Councils will be advised when the standards have been finalized and provided with appropriate documentation. The Clerk will call Tom Harris on this tomorrow.

AVALON WEST SCHOOL DISTRICT; Complaint from Mr. Harold Slade, one of the school bus contractors that the side-roads were not sanded before the bus runs in the morning. Discussion was held and it was decided to make sure that the roads are sanded before the bus starts picking up the students in Victoria.

MR. INGEMAR DEAN; Requesting a permit to construct a house on the Old Track Road across from Country Road. Discussion was held and Mr. Dean will be contacted to fill out an application and include a plot diagram of where he intends to build.

NLFM INFONOTE; Newfoundland Power hearings before the Public Utilities Commission. Discussion was held and it was moved by Deputy Mayor Frank Clarke and seconded by Councillor Fred Baldwin that Council write a letter of protest regarding a rate increase to Newfoundland Power.

MOTION CARRIED

NLFM INFONOTE; Informing Towns that they the Federation have called on Hon. Lloyd Matthews to treat all municipalities equally when it comes to the right to charge a water and sewer tax to all property owners within their boundaries.

2. Update on Labrador West Pellet Plant issue. The Federation and its members have received thanks from Mayor Brenton for their continued support in the campaign to stop the processing of the Province's iron ore reserves outside the Province. Discussion was held and it was moved by Councillor Sidney Antle and seconded by Councillor Norman Penney to write a letter to Premier Tobin supporting the Pellet Plant for Labrador West.

MOTION CARRIED

NLFM INFONOTE; Lobbying the Provincial and Federal Governments to put in place Infrastucture funding for the year 2000. They attached a letter to use as a guide. It was moved by Deputy Mayor Frank Clarke and seconded by Councillor Fred Baldwin to write the letters to Premier Tobin, Hon. Fred Mifflin, Hon. Lloyd Matthews and Mr. Art Reid, M.H.A.

MOTION CARRIED

DR. TOM SULLIVAN, T.C. MEDICAL ASSOCIATES; Regarding Austin Sommers and advising that employment to Mr. Sommers would be a major benefit to his overall management as it relates to his psychological state and general well being. Mr. Sommers was employed by the Town in the Fall of 1998 for two days the same as any resident who puts their name on the list for work on the garbage truck. Also, Dept. of Social Services have been contacted and they are looking at the situation with Mr. Sommers.

AXIS CONSULTING INC.; They are looking for names of landscape contractors, nurseries,

excavating and paving contractors, etc. for their directory. The Clerk was asked to send them the names from Victoria such as Slades General Services, Hiscock Nurseries, Welcon Construction, Tricon Services. Etc.

JOINT COUNCILS OF CONCEPTION BAY NORTH; Their Progress Report for the period January 1/98 to December 31/98. The Clerk was asked to copy for all Councillors.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Councillor Norman Penney of the Civic Functions Committee mentioned the Christmas Tree Lighting held the first part of December 1998 and that it was a big success and enjoyed by all who attended. We will be looking at making it bigger and better in 1999.

Deputy Mayor Clarke and the **new Hiring Policy for the Town of Victoria**. The following is the recommendation: **An application will be developed to be used when hiring casual workers. This application process will ensure a transparent system whereby applicants are treated in a fair and equitable manner. From the applications submitted, the clerk will establish a criteria for hiring which will ensure equal opportunity for those who apply. When hiring she will take into consideration such factors as current employment status, E.I.. requirements, Social Assistance recipients and any other factors. Applications will be dated and a process put in place to ensure that those qualifying receive equal opportunity.** It was moved by Deputy Mayor Frank Clarke and seconded by Councillor Norman Penney to accept and approve the new Hiring Policy Report.

MOTION CARRIED

Deputy Mayor Frank Clarke also presented a report on the **proposed renovations to the Town's building. He included a project materials cost and the total is approximately $6000.00.** Discussion was held and it was decided that this will be reviewed by the Town Management Committee when the 1999 Committee Structure is in place.

Deputy Mayor Clarke also reported on the **Victoria Community Improvement Project.** He mentioned the **community lookout and park for the top of the Ridge**. A drawing of a history board and benches with flower pots was also presented. This was done by Elihu Antle who is the President of the Victoria Lions Club. They will be maintaining the park for one year after it is done, having the grounds maintained and flowers and shrubs planted on the site. They are asking permission to erect a history board at the community park which will be inscribed with the Victoria Lions name and logo and information on the club. They in turn will lay the sods which the project will supply. It was moved by Councillor Norman Penney and seconded by Councillor Fred Baldwin that the Victoria Lions Club be given permission to place a history board with their logo on it at the Community Lookout on the Ridge. They will in turn lay the sods there this Spring.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION CARRIED

Councillors Hiscock and Rose opposed the motion.

It is hoped that the flower pots and benches will be made by the Tags workers along with help from Mr. Harold Antle and Mr. Elihu Antle who have agreed to help with this work.

Deputy Mayor Clarke also reported that to date $121,044.72 have been spent on the project and 29 people are employed by Council. Also, we have funding for another worker who started work Monday, January 4th, 1999.

He also stated that the Union Negotiations are well under way and Council's proposals will be done by Thursday and then sent to Mr. Rick Gill of Transport and Allied Workers Union. He stated that the Negotiating Committee will meet tomorrow morning at 10:30 a.m.

NEW BUSINESS

COUNCILLOR VIVIAN HISCOCK; He spoke about the 1998 Best Decorated Property and suggested that something new be done in 1999 such as a banner to be placed on the 1st. place property by the Town. Also, it was mentioned that possibly we could have 1st. 2nd. and 3rd. place finishes along with several honourable mentions.

2. The Victoria Recreation Budget for 1999. He will have this for the next Budget meeting. He mentioned that the Election of Officers for 1999 for the Victoria Recreation Commission will be held sometime early February 1999 and will be advertised.

COUNCILLOR SIDNEY ANTLE; Ditching is needed on Highway East in the vicinity of Mr. Lloyd Parsons' property. The Clerk will call Wayne George of Dept. of Works, Services and Transportation in Heart's Content regarding the ditch blocked with small trees, etc.

2. The street lighting requests in 1998 and that he received a call from Mrs. Sadie Snow regarding her request for a light. She stated that the lighting is not adequate from Vaters Road to the Late Leonard Snow's house at the Bottom Loop intersection. The Town Management Committee will check out the requests made in 1998.

DEPUTY MAYOR FRANK CLARKE; Designating an area of Town for advertisement signs. Discussion was held and it was first decided to have David King take down the Victoria Automotive sign on the Ridge. He will also check all the other signs to see if they are needed there. The Town Management Committee will look at the possibility of erecting a big billboard on the Ridge in an appropriate place for all companies and organizations to use to promote themselves. Also, David King will take down all For Sale signs nailed to Town road signs.

The Clerk was asked to check the Town's regulations regarding size for signs, etc. This is included in the Development Regulations and also from information received from Dept. of Municipal and Provincial Affairs.

MAYOR ARTHUR BURKE; He mentioned the Victoria Recreation Commission and the Victoria Heritage/ Tourism Society and possibly taking them to dinner to show appreciation for their volunteer work. The Civic Functions Committee was asked to have a report on this for the next meeting.

2. Gas prices from the two companies in the Town. He will contact Mr. Carl Peach and Mr. Brent Clarke to submit their price to Council for gas purchase in 1999 by the next Council meeting.

3. He mentioned that David King wants to take time off in lieu instead of taking overtime on his check. It was decided to tell Dave to wait until after the Union negotations are completed by Council.

4. He presented the 1999 Committee Structure which is effective January 1st. 1999 and attached to these minutes. The Clerk was asked to post the Committee Structure in the Chambers.

Councillor Hiscock congratulated Mayor Burke on the preparation of the Committee Structure. He stated that it was well prepared and taught out.

Deputy Mayor Clarke mentioned the Job Creation Grant and that Glenn Burke was hired to work with the Town. Mr. Burke is getting $6.00 per hour from the grant and the Town pays $6.50 per hour to their casual workers. It was moved by Councillor Vivian Hiscock and seconded by Councillor Aubrey Rose to approve to pay Glenn Burke 50 cents per hour for 40 hours per week starting January 11th, 1999.

MOTION CARRIED

MAYOR BURKE ABSTAINED FROM VOTING ON THE MOTION AND DECLARED HE WAS IN CONFLICT OF INTEREST

CHVO in conjunction with the 50th Anniversary of Newfoundland and Labrador joining Canada, they are running announcements until March 31/99. The cost for the messages is $195.00 per month plus taxes. It was moved by Councillor Norman Penney and seconded by Councillor Aubrey Rose to approve a message for the Town of Victoria for the month of March at a cost of $195.00 plus tax.

MOTION CARRIED

With no other business on the agenda, the meeting adjourned at 11:25 p.m.

SIGNED:

ARTHUR BURKE
MAYOR

SHARON SNOOKS
TOWN CLERK