! A supplementary report dated May 19, 1999 and entitled *Area Rates - Local Improvement Charges - 1999/2000 Taxation Year* was submitted under the signatures of Mr. Ken Meech, Chief Administrative Officer, and Mr. George McLellan, Deputy CAO.

Mr. Reg Ridgley, Acting Director of Finance, responded to questions from various members of Council.

MOVED by Councillor Kelly, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee that Appendix "B," as attached to the supplementary report dated May 19, 1999, be approved as the Area Rates for Local Improvements for the 1999/2000 taxation year. THE MOTION WAS PUT AND DEFEATED.

MOVED by Councillor Cunningham, seconded by Councillor Blumenthal that:

- 1. Regional Council approve Appendix "A" (amended), attached to the supplementary staff report of May 19, 1999, "Area Rates for Local Improvements for the 1999/2000 Taxation Year;"
- 2. the billing period for those local improvement charges approved by Regional Council on April 27, 1999 be changed to taxation years 2000/2001 and 2001/2002 respectively.

THE MOTION WAS PUT AND PASSED.

## 9. PUBLIC HEARINGS

## 9.1 Second Reading - By-Law P-600 Respecting Municipal Parks

First Reading with regard to this matter had been given during a regular meeting of Halifax Regional Council held on Tuesday, May 4, 1999.

! A supplementary staff report dated May 10, 1999 and entitled *Proposed Consolidated By-Law Respecting Municipal Parks (P-600)* was submitted under the signatures of Mr. K. R. Meech, Chief Administrative Officer, and Mr. Dan English, Deputy CAO.

Mr. Stephen King, Manager, Parks and Natural Services, provided a brief overview of the proposed bylaw and responded to questions from members of Council.

Deputy Mayor Uteck then called for comments from the public either in favour of or in opposition to the proposed by-law.

Mr. Irvine Carvery, President of the Africville Genealogy Society, made reference to Section 8(3) of the proposed by-law (attached to the May 10 supplementary report), and asked that the word *Genealogical* (as in "Africville Genealogical Society") be amended to read *Genealogy*.

As there were no further persons wishing to address Council on this matter, it was moved by Councillor Hetherington, seconded by Councillor Cunningham that the public hearing be closed. THE MOTION WAS PUT AND PASSED.

MOVED by Councillor Hetherington, seconded by Councillor Stone that By-Law P-600 Respecting Municipal Parks, including the following amendments, be given Second Reading:

- (1) Definitions 2(f) "Watercourse" definition to now read: "Watercourse" includes the bed and shore of every river, stream, lake, creek, pond, spring, lagoon, or other natural body of water, and the water therein, whether or not it contains water, and all ground water."
- (2) Hours of Operation Clause 13(3) 11 p.m. changed to 10 p.m.
- (3) Section 8(3) be amended to read "the Africville Genealogy Society."