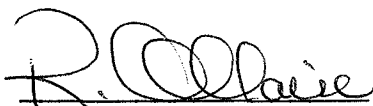


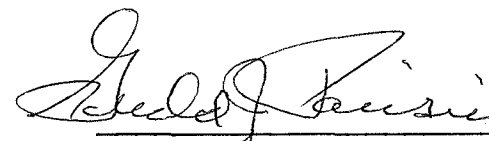
CITY COUNCIL - #20-76June 16, 1976
5:00 p.m.

A Special Meeting of City Council was held this afternoon with the following members present - His Worship Mayor G. Parisien; Aldermen J. Pescod, A. Lebano, K. Bough, M. Holden, F. Guindon, R. Pearson, R. Aubry, G. Samson, A. LeBlanc and B. Lynch.

Water rates - Mayor Parisien indicated that the report recommending a tax rate increase was for an increase in the net water bill which is less the sewage charge. Alderman Lebano questioned why the City was in such a predicament when no signs of this situation had ever been seen or discussed. He felt water meters were the answer to this problem and he had been for it from way back. Alderman Pescod recalled reports presented to Council indicating the need for higher water rates. He asked what major capital works could be undertaken in the years 1977-8-9. Me. C.F. Adams indicated that the possible Cambridge Leaseholds development would require one set of services which may create the need for further services. Also in the next 5 years, our Industrial Park will require further services. He added, however, that the expansions to the filtration plant this year should be sufficient to service the municipality for several years.

Alderman Aubry suggested that in future Council review both budgets at the same time and perhaps some of these problems will be more readily recognized. Mayor Parisien indicated that it was clear last year, when Council approved of water services to the residents in the north end of the City, that this would place a heavy burden on water rates. It was moved by Alderman Pescod and seconded by Alderman Bough that an increase of 20% in water rates be implemented from July 1st 1976 and also that the Council in 1977 consider, as early as possible the recommendation for 1977. Unanimous


Clerk


Mayor