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COMMON COUNCIL
APRIL 22, 1991

John's, Newfoundland, and expressed the understanding that, based on discussion at the Six Cities Association level, other municipalities are considering limiting their number of representatives to this meeting.

Question being taken, the motion was carried.

On motion of Councillor Knibb

Seconded by Councillor Flewwelling

RESOLVED that the letter from Mayor Wayne submitting a copy of a notice given to her by The Honourable Jane Barry, Minister of State for Childhood Services, advising of an organizational public meeting on April 30 to determine interest in the restoration of Bayshore Beach, this being the final year in which a permit is issued for sand and gravel removal and it is timely to stimulate public interest in forming a group or working with existing organizations to plan for future use of the shoreline area at Bayshore according to the community's wishes -- be received and filed.

Question being taken, the motion was carried.

On motion of Councillor Knibb

Seconded by Councillor M. Vincent

RESOLVED that the letter from Mayor Wayne expressing concern that, despite much time and effort, no agreement has been made by the Board of Trustees of the City of Saint John Pension Plan on how to address the serious problem of disability claims or the ever-increasing funding deficit, as reflected in the 1990 Annual Report of the City of Saint John Pension Plan which is included on the agenda of this meeting; noting that elected officials receive no benefit from the Pension Fund but are subject to the same degree of personal liability as employee trustees should any legal action against the individual trustees be successful; quoting from a letter from a pensioner considered at the Pension Board's April 18 meeting lodging complaints against elected and appointed municipal officials under the Charter of Rights and the Human Rights Act; and proposing that, in view of this letter and the apparent unwillingness of the Trustees to administer the Pension Fund in a responsible, prudent manner, the City of Saint John seek legislation to amend the Pension Act to remove elected officials from the Board of Trustees -- be referred to the Acting City Manager for inclusion in his forthcoming report to Council and to the City Solicitor.

The Mayor called for a motion to refer the above letter to the Acting City Manager for inclusion in his report on the situation with the Pension Board, and during discussion the mover and seconder of the motion agreed to refer to the City Solicitor the question of responsibility for the unfunded liability.

Question being taken, the motion was carried.

On motion of Councillor Flewwelling

Seconded by Councillor M. Vincent

RESOLVED that the letter from the Arbor Day Committee requesting Council to declare May 16 as Arbor Day in the City of Saint John, and submitting a schedule for the school ceremonies taking place on the morning of May 16, with the request to be informed of which Councillors will participate in this year's tree plantings -- be received and filed.

Question being taken, the motion was carried.

On motion of Councillor Flewwelling

Seconded by Councillor Knibb

RESOLVED that the copy of the letter from the Saint John Fish & Game Protective Association to Mr. Robert M. Russell, Superintendent of Rockwood Park, regarding the use of the indoor rifle and pistol range in the Lily Lake Pavilion -- be referred to the Acting City Manager.