

IT W AS MOVED by Deputy Mayor Munday and seconded by Councillor Trinacty that, per the recommendation of the Finance Committee, the Town accept the proposal from Frank Cowan Insurance Company for coverage of \$2 million, at a premium of \$30,388 (including the Berwick Electric Commission's coverage); agent to be Mr. Randy Edwards of MacDonald-Chisholm.

Motion Carried

4. **Education Funding**

The Mayor noted recent correspondence received from other Municipal Units expressing concern that the Province had failed to make a commitment to hold Education costs for Municipal Units at the existing level. With increased assessment values last year, many Municipal Units lowered the tax rate. However, if the Education Rate remains at \$0.39/100 on an inflated Uniform Assessment figure, the increased education rates could be very significant. After discussing the issue, it was agreed to write a letter to the Premier outlining Council's concerns and asking for a meeting to be set up with the Minister of Education; (letter to be copied to Opposition leaders, and local MLA, and the UNSM).

5. **Re-Arrange Council Chambers**

Councillor Trinacty suggested that it is difficult to enter or exit the Council Chambers while a meeting is in order, without disrupting the meeting. It might be easier to facilitate drop-in meeting guests if chairs were at the end of the room by the door and the Council table was at the other end in a reverse layout. It was agreed to try this and see how it works.

6. There being no further business, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 9: 17 p.m.

John P. Prall
Chairman

Judith Mitchell
Town Clerk/Treasurer