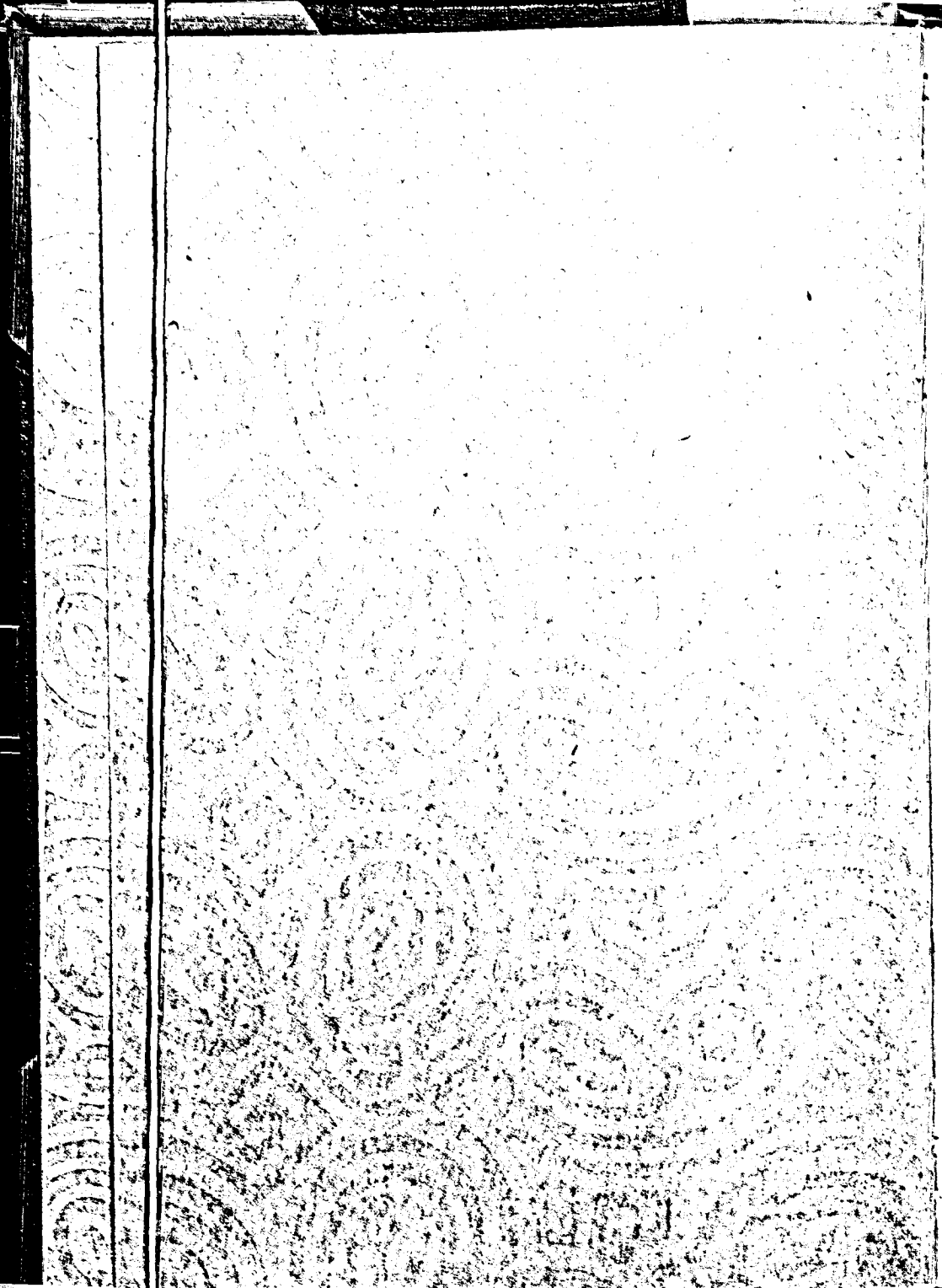


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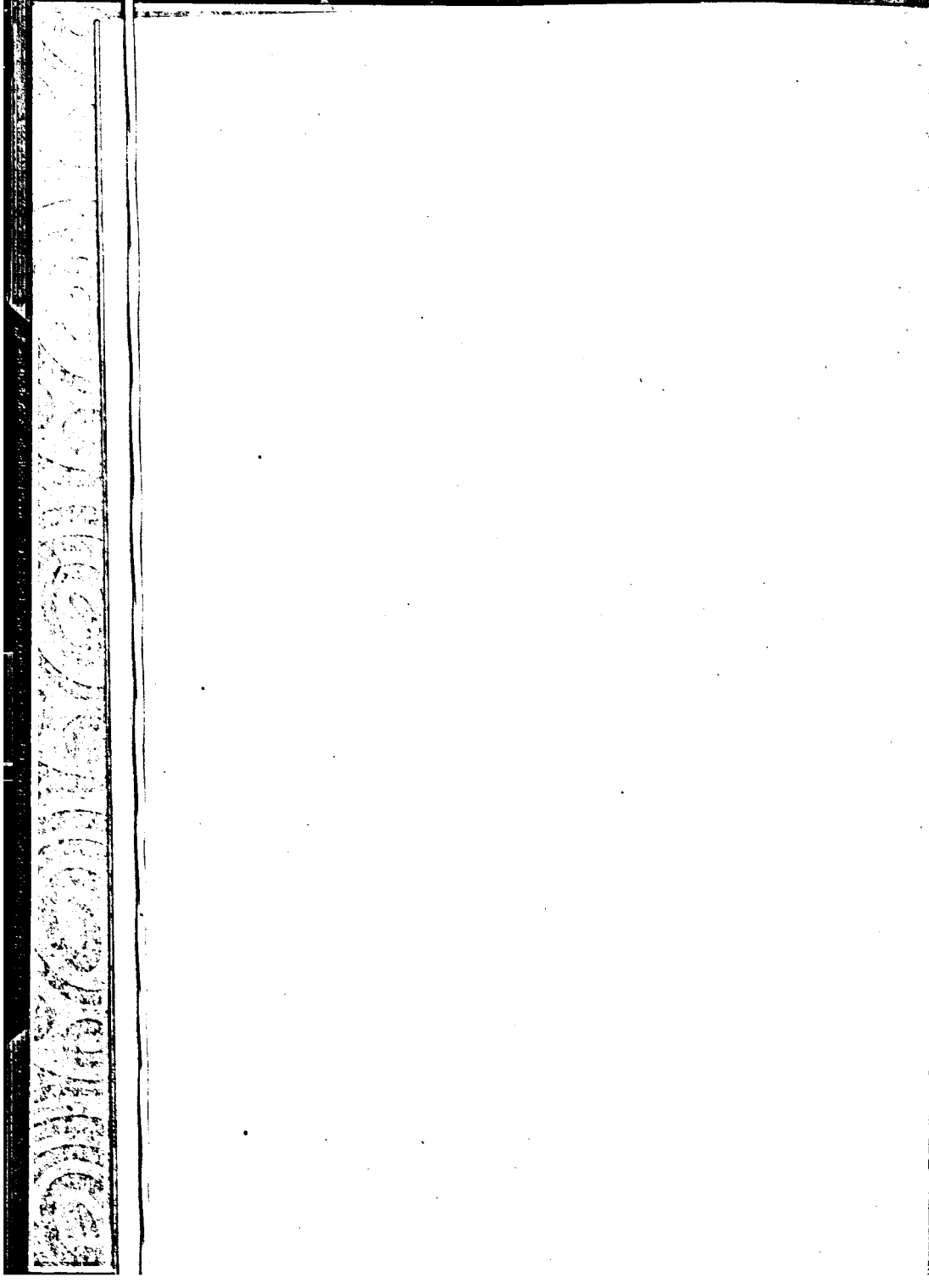
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## MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF HALIFAX

Warden—W. J. Dowell.

Municipal Clerk and Treasurer—Rudd G. Hattie

Municipal Collector—Martin Archibald.

Director of Assessment—H. S. MacGlashen.

Municipal Solicitor—A. Blenus Morton, B.A., LL.B.

Municipal Health Officers—Dr. W. N. Watt, M.D., C.M., (Western Area).  
Dr. N. A. Morrison, M.D., C.M., (Eastern Area)

Jail Surgeon—Dr. W. N. Watt, M.D., C.M.

Auditors—F. E. Smith, C.A., and W. A. Stech, C.A.

Clerk of Licenses—J. F. R. McMahan.

County Constables—H. B. Longard and J. G. C. Cameron.

Board of Revision and Appeal—Roy Hutchinson, Upper Musquodoboit, James MacDonald, Fairview, James Scriven, West Quoddy.

Halifax County Hospital—Superintendent—Edward V. Smith.

Matron—Mrs. Edward V. Smith.

Medical Officer—Dr. F. P. Malcolm.

Visiting Committee—Rev. G. S. Tanton, Tangier;

Mrs. A. C. Pettipas;

Mrs. C. A. MacNearney;

Mrs. J. T. Cruikshank;

Mrs. Harry Merrick.

Municipal Building Board—Herbert Myers, North Woodside; Andrew Thompson Glen Margaret; Ernest Barrett Sackville.

Municipal School Board—Councillor Roy Archibald, Councillor P. S. Ferguson, Councillor F. G. H. Leverman, appointed by Council; B. J. Doyle, Sheet Harbour (1954); Joseph Mahar (1955); and Hector Montgomery (1956) appointed by Governor-in-Council, Rudd G. Hattie, Municipal Clerk and Treasurer, appointed by Statute.

County Planning Board —Councillor Ira Settle, (Chairman); Councillors E. S. Allen, F. G. H. Leverman, and J. Davis; Messrs. R. T. Tolson, Bedford; Hector Montgomery, Purcell's Cove.

Veterinary Board Representatives—George S. Dickey, Middle Musquodoboit, (East Hants and Districts 23, 24, 25, 26, and part of 27).

Balance of County—Thomas Bollong, Pope's Harbour;  
Donald Turner, Westphal.

## STANDING COMMITTEES

- REVENUE COMMITTEE—Councillors Naugle, Donaldson, Archibald, Allen and Burris.
- WELFARE COMMITTEE—Councillors Ferguson, Cruikshank, Mosher, Myers and Leverman.
- PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE—Councillors Leverman, Naugle, Currie, Settle, Archibald, Snair, and Davis.
- TRADE COMMITTEE—Councillors Turner, Brown, Redmond, Isenor and Day.
- RESOURCES COMMITTEE—Councillors Evans, Redmond, Williams, Davis and Myers.
- SAFETY COMMITTEE—Councillors Burris, Ferguson, Mosher, Day and Donaldson.
- LAW AMENDMENTS COMMITTEE—Councillors Allen, Settle, Donaldson, Snair and Williams.
- ARBITRATION COMMITTEE—Councillors Cruikshank, Currie and Evans.
- JURY LISTS COMMITTEE—Councillors Brown, Isenor, and Turner.
- FINANCE COMMITTEE—Warden Dowell, Deputy Warden Cruikshank, Councillors, Naugle, Ferguson, Leverman, Turner Evans, and Burris.

## SPECIAL COMMITTEES

- NOMINATING COMMITTEE—Councillors Burris, Ferguson, Naugle Leverman and Mosher.
- AGENDA COMMITTEE—Deputy Warden Cruikshank, Councillor Ferguson.
- REGIONAL LIBRARY COMMITTEE—Councillors Burris, Donaldson and Snair.
- COURT HOUSE COMMISSION—Warden Dowell and Councillor Naugle.
- SPECIAL MARKET COMMITTEE—Councillors Settle, Redmond, Evans, Naugle and Myers.
- PRINTING AND REPORTING—Warden Dowell, Councillor Allen and Municipal Clerk.
- INDUSTRIAL COMMITTEE—Councillors Leverman, Allen and Naugle.
- METROPOLITAN AREA COMMITTEE—Councillors Allen, Burris, Leverman Davis and Naugle.
- UNION OF NOVA SCOTIA MUNICIPALITIES—Warden Dowell, Councillors Naugle, Leverman, Allen, Settle.
- COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH—Councillors Allen, Archibald, Leverman, Ferguson and Day.
- COMMITTEE RE WESTPHAL ROAD—Councillors Settle, Redmond, Evans and Naugle.
- COMMITTEE RE DESIGN OF SEPTIC TANKS & BUILDING PERMITS—Councillors Allen, Donaldson and Snair.
- SPECIAL COMMITTEE RE DIVISION OF DISTRICT 12 & 14—Councillors Allen, Ferguson, Naugle, Currie and Snair.
- COMMITTEE RE VISITING COMMITTEE—COUNTY HOSPITAL—Councillors Naugle, Allen and Moser.

## HALIFAX COUNTY COUNCILLORS FOR 1953

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Dist. No.	Name	Post Office Address
7	Granville Snair.....	Black Point
8	W. J. Dowell.....	R. R. No. 1., Bedford
9	Granville Mosher.....	Glen Margaret
10	Albert Williams.....	Terence Bay
11	Walter Brown.....	Herring Cove
12	Frederick G. H. Leverman.....	(Lakeside) 139 Granville St., Hfx.
13	Charles Myers.....	Eastern Passage
14	Ira Settle.....	Woodlawn, R.R. No. 1, Dartmouth
15	M. H. Naugle.....	West Lawrencetown
16	A. W. Evans.....	Preston
17	Clyde V. Redmond.....	Head Chezzetcook
18	Joseph Davis.....	Musquodoboit Harbour
19	Howard Day.....	Oyster Pond, Jeddore
20	P. S. Ferguson.....	Tangier
21	John Donaldson.....	Sheet Harbour
22	Carl Turner.....	Moser River
23	George D. Burris.....	Upper Musquodoboit
24	Roy Archibald.....	Middle Musquodoboit
25	Norman Cruikshank.....	Elderbank
26	Blair Isenor.....	Dutch Settlement
27	Egerton S. Allen.....	(Lakeview) 43 Argyle St., Halifax
28	Robert V. Currie.....	Woodside

## HALIFAX COUNTY WARDENS

1880.....	Colonel Laurie
1881-1882.....	Donald Archibald
1883-1888.....	B. W. Chipman
1889-1898.....	John E. Shatford
1899-1901.....	B. C. Wilson
1902-1904.....	George H. Madill
1905-1907.....	C. E. Smith
1908.....	John H. Taylor
1909-1913.....	William Bishop
1914-1919.....	C. E. Smith
1920-1925.....	Wilson Madill
1926-1930.....	R. A. Brenton
1931.....	Hector M. Smiley
1932-1933.....	John J. Hopkins
1934-1937.....	W. W. Peverill
1938-1953.....	W. J. Dowell

# First Annual Meeting of the Thirty-First Council of the Municipality of the County of Halifax

## FIRST DAY — MORNING

Wednesday, February 25, 1953

The first annual meeting of the thirty-first Council of the Municipality of the County of Halifax opened in the Law Courts, Halifax, at 11 o'clock.

Rev. Mr. Simpson opened the session with a prayer asking divine guidance for the council's deliberations.

The Municipal Clerk and Treasurer, Mr. R. G. Hattie, presided, reading the list of councillors elected and calling the roll. The oath of office was administered.

Councillors Leverman and Naugle nominated Councillor Dowell as Warden of the Municipality. Councillors Allen and Evans moved that nominations cease. Carried. Councillors Ferguson and Burris moved that the clerk deposit a ballot for Councillor Dowell. This was done and the clerk declared Warden Dowell elected.

The warden expressed thanks to the council for his election and assured his continued efforts in the best interests of the municipality during his term. He called for nominations for deputy warden.

Councillors Naugle and Turner nominated Councillor Cruikshank as deputy warden. Councillors Burris and Allen moved that nominations cease. Carried. Councillors Myers and Ferguson moved that a ballot be deposited for Councillor Cruikshank as deputy warden. The warden deposited the ballot and declared Deputy Warden Cruikshank elected.

The oath of office was administered by the clerk to the warden and deputy warden.

Applications for the position of Solicitor from A. Bienus Morton and Nathan Green were read by the clerk.

Councillors Ferguson and Mosher nominated Mr. Morton. Councillors Myers and Evans moved that nominations cease. Carried. Councillors Naugle and Isenor moved that a ballot be deposited for Mr. Morton. This was done and Mr. Morton expressed his thanks to council and assured his full co-operation during the coming year.

Councillors Allen and Naugle moved that the nominating Committee be appointed by the warden. Councillors Redmond and Settle moved an amendment that the Nominating Committee be appointed from the floor.

Councillors Redmond and Settle called for a recorded vote. The amendment was voted upon and the vote was recorded as follows: For — Councillors Leverman, Settle, Redmond, Day and Burris. Against — Councillors Snair, Mosher, Williams, Brown, Myers, Naugle, Evans, Davis, Ferguson, Donaldson, Turner, Archibald, Cruikshank, Isenor, Allen and Currie.

The warden declared the amendment lost. The original motion was then voted upon and carried.

Councillors Allen and Redmond moved that Mr. Hayes be appointed as reporter at the same salary as last year. Carried.

Tenders for the printing of the annual report were opened and read as follows:

McCurdy Print, \$7 per page, plus sales tax; Allen Print, \$7 per page, plus sales tax; Royal Print and Litho, \$12 per page, plus sales tax; Eastern Photo Engravers, \$11.95 per page, plus tax; Mitchell Printing Co., \$7.50 per page, plus tax; Ross Print, \$7 per page, plus tax.

Councillor Naugle said there should be a definite understanding as to when the minutes would be printed and delivered and was advised the call for tenders specified May 31. Councillor Mosher said the number of copies to be printed should be reduced and was advised the number had been cut to 1,000.

Councillor Allen and Deputy Warden Cruikshank moved that McCurdy Print be awarded the tender. Councillors Leverman and Redmond moved an amendment that the tender of Allen Print be accepted.

Councillor Redmond pointed out Allen Print had served the county for many years when it was difficult to get printing work done. Councillor Naugle said the council was under no obligation and had been satisfied with the work of McCurdy Print. Councillor Leverman said the owners of Allen Print were county residents. The Amendment was voted upon and carried.

The warden pointed out the length of the daily minutes would largely determine the cost of the annual report. A short report covering pertinent points should be sufficient. Councillors Burris, Ferguson and Naugle agreed. Councillor Evans suggested unnecessary discussion be curbed to reduce the size of the minutes. Councillor Redmond said the report should give a fair coverage of the expression of the opinion. Councillor Leverman suggested the rules of discussion be followed to reduce the length of the council's meeting. Councillors Burris and Turner agreed. Councillor Myers said he did not believe any councillor used more than his allotted time. At the request of council, the rules of discussion were read.

Councillor Myers asked if the new by-laws had been printed as yet and was advised it was a matter for decision at this council meeting. Councillor Davis said new councillors should be given copies of the by-laws to enable sufficient time for study before they began their new duties. Councillor Leverman suggested the building regulations could be printed in the volume of by-laws and separately with a charge being made for them to cover the cost of printing. Councillor Myers said the taxpayers already paid for the printing and should not pay twice. Councillor Davis said a 50 cent charge for the separate regulations would be fair since only a limited number of people would want them. Councillor Naugle suggested a price of \$1 for the complete book.

Councillors Leverman and Redmond moved that at the conclusion of this session the by-laws in their entirety be printed for distribution to councillors and that the Building Act, the Building By-laws, and Plumbing and Piping Regulations together with regulations of the County Planning Board be published separately in a separate booklet, to be sold at a price of 50 cents for the Building By-Law Pamphlet and \$1 for the complete set of by-laws. Carried.

Councillors Leverman and Myers moved that council adjourn until 2 p.m. Carried.

## FIRST DAY — AFTERNOON

Wednesday, February 25, 1953

Council met at 2 o'clock. Roll called.

The Nominating Committee was appointed by Warden Dowell as follows: Councillors Burris, Ferguson, Naugle, Leverman and Mosher.

Councillor Redmond said the appointment of committee largely determined which districts would have representation in the direction of the county's business. He recognized the right of the larger districts to representation but felt it was unfair that the smallest districts should receive important appointments year after year. Recognized democratic procedure should be followed in the appointment of the committees.

A number of letters and petitions from various individuals and bodies were read by the clerk and were referred to appropriate committees.

A letter from the Department of Education announced the municipality would receive an assistance grant of \$19,671 to offset a portion of the loss through abolition of the Municipal School Fund. Councillor Redmond pointed out that the fact that the fund was based on the 1941 census figures meant the county suffered an even greater loss than would have resulted if the fund had been continued long enough to be based on the newer census figures. The matter was referred to the Finance Committee.

An invitation was received for the council to attend a luncheon meeting of the Halifax Kiwanis Club. Councillors Redmond and Evans moved that the invitation be accepted, with thanks. Carried.

A letter was read asking the council's support for a request that the regional library program be extended to serve Halifax County. Councillor Redmond said he had understood that the inclusion of the Halifax Memorial Library in the regional library program would mean the services would be extended to some county residents. Councillor Donaldson said he believed the municipality would have to pay a share of the cost before any scheme would be instituted to cover the county. Councillor Allen said he would not favor any action until the financial implications had been carefully considered. The matter was referred to the Agenda Committee to see if a speaker could be secured to outline the matter to council.

The proposed legislation for Halifax County, now before the Nova Scotia Legislature, was outlined by the solicitor.

Councillor Allen questioned the right of expropriation being vested in a committee since there was always a danger that such proceedings would infringe on the rights of an individual. Warden Dowell said the legislation vested the right of expropriation in the council and that it would have to take due care to ensure no person's rights had been violated. Councillor Myers said the individual would have power to appeal to the courts. Councillor Allen said such an appeal might be a costly project for a property owner of moderate means. Councillor Settle said the municipality had encountered long delays in its public service project at Tufts Cove because agreement with some property owners could not be reached. Councillor Redmond agreed that lack of expropriation powers could handicap future public service developments. Councillor Turner pointed out such powers were possessed by other government bodies and were accepted by the public. Councillor Settle said it was a case of Halifax County growing up. The need for extended services was recognized but could be hampered by the opposition of a few property owners. Councillor Allen said he did not object to any measure that would benefit the majority of the people but saw a danger in the granting of arbitrary powers that might be exercised without proof of necessity.

Councillor Settle said there was an objection to the setting up of fire protection areas of 1,200 feet by many taxpayers on grounds that those more than 500 feet from the hydrants did not enjoy any lowering of fire insurance rates. He understood there was a movement today to have this provision increased from 500 to 1,000 feet and that the county's regulations might be revised to conform with this trend. He agreed with the general principle of a fire protection rate. Councillor Redmond said he understood also that the lower rates might be applied to the 1,000 feet area. Councillor Currie said the Woodside property owners were being taxed 65 cents per \$100 of assessment for fire protection and that he believed this rate was too high.

Warden Dowell appointed Deputy Warden Cruikshank and Councillor Ferguson as members of the Agenda Committee.

Councillor Leverman reported the Fairview water service project had been tied up for some time because lengthy negotiations had to be carried out with various bodies. Most of these difficulties had been overcome but there was one more delay because the Public Service Commission required a letter confirming their rights to take necessary steps on certain streets, not yet taken over by the Province, to carry out the project. The construction company had offered favorable terms for the work provided that an immediate start could be made. Councillor Naugle said there should be no unnecessary delay in getting the project started.

Councillors Davis and Naugle moved that the Council ratify the letter of today's date to the Public Service Commission in connection with the installation of water and sewer in the Fairview area, as was read to the council and explained by the solicitor, provided that the municipality in return get a letter from the Public Service Commission of Halifax stating their liability as to damage by the negligence of their agents or servants. Carried.

Councillors Mosher and Redmond moved that council adjourn until 10 a.m. tomorrow. Carried.

## SECOND DAY — MORNING

Thursday, February 26, 1953

Council met at 10 o'clock. Roll called.

The minutes of the previous day's sessions were read and approved on motion of Councillors Turner and Isenor.

The report of the jailor was read and on motion of Councillors Evans and Isenor was received and filed.

The report of the Nominating Committee was read as follows:

Revenue — Councillors Naugle, Donaldson, Archibald, Allen and Burris.

Welfare — Councillors Ferguson, Cruikshank, Mosher, Myers and Leverman.

Public Services — Councillors Leverman, Naugle, Currie, Settle, Archibald, Snair, and Davis.

Trade — Councillors Turner, Brown, Redmond, Isenor and Day.

Resources — Councillors Evans, Redmond, Williams, Davis and Myers.

Safety — Councillors Burris, Ferguson, Mosher, Day and Donaldson.

Law Amendments — Councillors Allen, Settle, Donaldson, Snair and Williams.

Arbitration — Councillors Cruikshank, Currie and Evans.

Jury Lists — Councillors Brown, Isenor and Turner.

Finance — Warden Dowell, Deputy Warden Cruikshank, Councillors Naugle, Ferguson, Leverman, Turner, Evans and Burris.

The duties of the various committees were read by the clerk.

Councillors Burris and Naugle moved that the report of the Nominating Committee be adopted. Carried.

Discussion continued on the proposed legislation for Halifax County. Councillor Leverman said there had been much difficulty during the past year over the Oakland Road — Dingle ferry and that no understanding could be reached with the city as to which body had control of the service. The proposed legislation would provide the county with power to assure that adequate service would be offered, particularly to working people who depended upon the ferry to reach the city.

Warden Dowell said the county did not now have power to force property owners to clean up their properties but that the proposed legislation would overcome that difficulty, if passed. Councillor Leverman cited cases where good residential areas had been harmed because objectionable materials had been placed on the land of one person in the area. Councillor Ferguson said some garage operators owning small lots had to have old materials there and that the council should not take any action that might harm the small operator. Councillor Myers said a ban of the type set out in the legislation might mean a severe blow to some business people. The warden said the Planning Board would have to exercise caution to protect the land owners from unnecessary restrictions.

Councillor Davis said the legislation would eliminate piles of unsightly materials along the county's roads, which were an eye-sore to the whole community. The people should be encouraged to improve the appearance of their properties. Councillor Settle said there were buildings in a part of his district that were unfit for habitation but nothing could be done about the situation at present. The whole community would benefit if they could be removed. Councillor Currie said the legislation would not hamper the small businessman if caution were exercised. The law should become operative in extreme cases only. Councillor Ferguson said he did not oppose the legislation but did wish to emphasize the need for due care. Councillor Redmond said the initial investigations would be carried out by the



local sanitary inspectors, who were appointed by the councillors assuring some control over their actions.

Councillors Naugle and Evans moved that the matter of law amendments be laid over until tomorrow morning. Carried.

A letter from the volunteer firemen in District 12 was read, whereby they requested some sort of financial recognition for their services and suggested a \$20 tax rebate be established for them provided they had completed one year of service.

Councillor Leverman said the men devoted much of their time to the work of the fire department and were on call at all times. They had to bear their own expenses if clothing was damaged in the course of duty. He felt the appeal had considerable merit and left the decision up to the council. Councillor Naugle said he also believed the request for some consideration had merit but it would be a dangerous precedent for the council to take such action. Any financial consideration should come from district funds. Councillor Archibald said firemen serving in other county centres would expect similar consideration if this request was granted. Councillor Ferguson agreed and said he believed it would be a dangerous precedent. Councillor Currie introduced a letter on behalf of Woodside Fire and Street Lighting Commission asking consideration be shown in respect to the taxation of the Woodside Fire and Street Lighting Commission property.

Councillor Burris said the high calibre of service offered by firemen was readily recognized but he did not think the county as a whole should offer them some payment. It might be done out of district funds, however. Councillor Redmond suggested the council could work out some scheme to recognize the service performed by firemen without causing too heavy a drain on county resources. A scheme might be based on length of service and the amount of actual service performed. Councillor Davis said the councillor might make restitution to firemen for actual losses in line of duty.

Deputy Warden Cruikshank and Councillor Turner moved that the letter from District 12 firemen and from the Woodside Fire and Street Lighting Commission be received and filed. Carried.

Councillor Redmond said he believed there should be better provisions for the collection of amounts due to fence viewers in line of duty. Now they must collect their money as they would a private debt. Legislation setting out better provisions for such collections should be sought. Councillor Settle said he was concerned over a condition in his district where barbed wire fences were being erected which held a positive danger to neighboring children. The fence viewers had no power to stop this practice particularly when the fence was erected wholly on the individual's private property. Councillor Burris said he believed fence viewers had jurisdiction over line fences only. Councillor Settle said some provision might be included in the governing legislation if an amendment was to be sought in respect to collection of fence viewers fees. The Solicitor said there were common law provisions against the maintenance of highly dangerous objects even on private property.

Councillor Turner asked if a person was required to fence private property against cattle running at large and was advised it was the duty of the owner to confine his cattle.

Councillors Redmond and Settle moved that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities be asked to give careful consideration to asking the Legislature to amend Chapter 93 of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia so that money owing to a fence viewer by reason of performing his duties under the Act be collectable by the municipality in the manner of all other municipal rates and taxes, rather than forcing the fence viewer to collect these expenses as a private debt. Carried.

Councillors Myers and Naugle moved that council adjourn until 2 p.m. Carried.

## SECOND DAY — AFTERNOON

Thursday, February 26, 1953

Council met at 2 o'clock. Roll called.

Major Ford of the Salvation Army was introduced by Warden Dowell and he outlined the financial position of the Grace Hospital in respect to county patients. He asked for continuation of the grant for the coming year.

Councillor Evans asked why patients were retained at the hospital for lengthy periods, resulting in higher bills. He was advised the municipality was charged for only eight days. Councillors Naugle and Ferguson paid tribute to the work of the Salvation Army.

The report of the Trade Committee was read.

Councillor Ferguson pointed out the revenue for sale of taxi licenses did not work out at the rate of \$10 per vehicle and was advised that the license was viewed as a personal thing and that a person could operate several vehicles with one license, plus the payment of \$1 for a plate for each additional vehicle. Councillor Davis said this situation did not apply to pin ball machines since a separate license had to be purchased for each. Councillor Mosher said pin ball machines were being used as gambling devices and that he would like to see them banned. Councillor Davis agreed that they should not be permitted such use but said there should be a consistent policy covering all types of licenses.

Councillor Williams said the coin operated record machines should not be taxed on the same basis as pin ball machines. The county canteen operator who had the record machine in his premises had to pay for the license, yet he had to have the machine if he wished to keep his trade. He suggested the license for pin ball machines be doubled and that the license for record machines be abolished. Councillor Mosher said the owners of the coin operated machines were not objecting to the size of the license fee since the returns were sufficiently high to warrant the expenditure.

Councillor Davis said some peddlers were escaping without paying for a license. The regulations should be strictly enforced. Councillor Naugle said councillors should notify the clerk of licenses of any such violations in his district. Councillor Snair asked what was being done to license peddlers from other counties. He was advised to report any such incidents of which he had knowledge to the clerk of licenses. Councillor Day said he did not believe there should be exemptions for peddlers selling products of the farm, sea and forest since they were in business and should be treated as were all other business men. Councillor Mosher said he agreed peddlers selling imported fruits should be licensed.

Councillor Redmond asked what the license fees for peddlers were and was told they were \$50 for non-residents and \$10 for residents. Warden Dowell said he thought the exemption should be confined to those selling products of the farm, sea and forest which were being sold by the producer. Councillor Naugle said he felt such a restriction might prove a handicap to farmers who sold their produce to peddlers for re-sale. He said he believed it was unfair for an owner of more than one taxi to get away with one license. He was advised that the law regarded a license as a personal thing in cases of this type although individual licenses could be required for pin ball machines under the governing legislation.

Councillor Myers asked if a group of taxi owners could escape with paying only one license if they all worked out of one stand under a manager. He was advised the manager would have to show he had ownership of the vehicles or separate licenses would be necessary. Councillor Davis asked why Dartmouth taxis were allowed to carry people from the town to the county while county taxis could not do the same thing. He was told county taxis could make trips of that sort but could not carry passengers between two points within the town. The solicitor said a taxi driver was not permitted to operate on a schedule as did a bus.

Councillor Leverman said he believed it dangerous procedure to seize a pin ball machine for non-payment of license since the county would probably be liable

for any damage to the machine during the seizure. He suggested the owner should be warned and if no license is secured, then he should be summoned into court.

Councillor Myers said he was under the impression that the license clerk received a percentage of license fees. It was a poor practice for the county to pay out additional amounts each time revenue increased. He was advised the clerk of licenses had never received a portion of the fees. Councillor Leverman asked if Mr. McMahon had to work extra hours to carry out the licensing work. He was advised it was part of his regular day's work. Councillor Mosher said the increase in revenue had been due largely to Mr. McMahon's efforts and he thought the proposed bonus had been earned.

Councillor Naugle said the clerk of licenses had to neglect some of his regular county work to carry out the work in connection with licenses. The warden said he knew Mr. McMahon did some of his work at home after hours. Councillor Davis said the revenue from licenses could increase substantially in future years and that the amount of that increase would depend upon Mr. McMahon's efforts. He thought the additional amount might be paid as a bonus rather than as an increase in salary. Councillor Day said this would open the way for all employees doing extra work of this sort to expect additional pay.

Councillors Mosher and Turner moved that the Report of the Trade Committee be adopted, with the exceptions of paragraphs 2 and 3 on page 3, which are to be deleted, and the last paragraph which is to be referred to the Finance Committee. Carried.

Councillors Naugle and Evans moved that council adjourn until 10 a.m. tomorrow. Carried.

### THIRD DAY — MORNING

Friday, February 27, 1953

Council met at 10 o'clock. Roll called.

The minutes of the previous day's sessions were read and adopted on motion of Councillors Evans and Mosher.

Peter Grossman, director of regional libraries, was introduced to council and in answer to questions by various councillors he outlined the way in which the program operated and the possibilities for operation in Halifax County.

He told the council there was a grant made by Carnegie Institute to the province for use in purchase of books, and that an amount of \$10,000 remained which might become available to Halifax County. Under the scheme, the province paid one-half of the operating costs, up to a maximum of 35 cents per capita, and that the remainder was provided by the bodies participating in the scheme. A governing board, representing the various participating municipalities, was organized to direct the program. The scheme was now in effect in five counties.

Mr. Grossman said the book-mobile, which served the rural areas, followed a regular schedule and that experience had shown that books were being used by people in rural districts. The extent of the service provided was governed by the amount of expenditure for that purpose provided by the municipalities. The scheme made available to the people as wide a variety of books as was available to patrons of a city library.

The cost of such a scheme for Halifax county would depend upon whether it was set up as a separate unit or was included with the City of Halifax and Town of Dartmouth in a larger unit. Outside the possibility of obtaining the \$10,000 grant, the library unit could not expect help from the province to organize a library program. The yearly grant was for maintenance purposes.

He said the city had indicated in the past that it would be willing to join with the county for forming one large unit. It was probably advisable for the county, if it did decide to set up a library program, to start in a small way and build up its

stock of books gradually. He could provide an estimated cost to the council within a few days.

Councillors Leverman and Burris moved that this council ask the Director of Regional Libraries of the Province of Nova Scotia for an estimated cost of operation of a regional library — (1) for the Municipality itself and (2) in co-operation with the City of Halifax — and that a special committee of three be set up to investigate all phases of the operation and cost of a regional library, such committee to report back at the next regular meeting of the council. Carried.

Councillors Turner and Naugle moved that the proposed new legislation that has been presented to council by the Law Amendments Committee, be approved as presented. Carried.

The report of the Arbitration Committee was read.

Deputy Warden Cruikshank and Councillor Allen moved that the report be adopted. Carried.

Deputy Warden Cruikshank reviewed the negotiations leading up to the new agreement.

Councillor Naugle said the agreement apparently covered the expenditures for the court house, yet the city representatives on the Court House Commission had been urging that the county be required to pay rent for its offices in the court house. The Attorney General had been asked to interpret the legislation to see if such a rental charge could be made, and the council should make known its views on the matter before a decision is made.

Councillor Turner said the question of a rental charge would be a matter for decision by the Court House Commission.

Councillors Naugle and Burris moved that the representatives of this council on the Court House Commission and the members of the Arbitration Committee of the Council, wait on the Hon. the Attorney General to discuss with him the questions of the interpretation of the Acts concerning the Commissioners of the Court House and present the views of the Municipality with respect to paying rent for space occupied by the Municipal offices. Carried.

Councillors Donaldson and Naugle moved that council not meet on Saturday mornings and that the daily sessions be extended to 4.30 p.m. in the afternoon, and that the matter be considered by the Law Amendments Committee with a view to changing the By-Laws to this effect. Carried.

Councillors Isenor and Myers moved that Council adjourn to 2 p.m. Carried.

### THIRD DAY — AFTERNOON

Friday, February 27, 1953

Council met at 2 o'clock. Roll called.

W. S. Lee, representing the Red Cross Society, was introduced to council and accepted for a grant of \$500 for the coming year.

Councillor Davis said he had heard a report that the society was turning over its outpost hospital in District 18 to the municipality or to the district and asked if this was contemplated. Mr. Lee said the society did turn over hospitals to local authorities where possible but would continue to operate the hospital if this could not be done.

The Warden appointed the Regional Library Committee as follows: Councillors Burris, Donaldson and Snair.

Warden Dowell announced he was required by legislation to serve on the Court House Commission and that he was appointing Councillor Naugle as the other member.

He announced that Councillor Leverman had been elected chairman of the Finance Committee.

Mr. MacGlashen presented his report as director of assessment to council.

Councillor Burris asked if the Public Service Commission assessment should be considered in fixing the tax rate and was advised the assessment on the plant

could probably be considered but that the assessment on the land was an open question.

Councillor Settle said he was glad to see some progress was being made toward getting a grant from the Federal Government in lieu of taxes. He pointed out the county had almost as much Federal property as the city but received no grant. Councillor Naugle said the county had encountered difficulty in showing that services were rendered to Federal properties in the county.

Councillor Mosher said he was not satisfied with the work of the Assessment Appeal Board since there did not seem to be a consistent policy in determining valuations. Mr. MacGlashen pointed out the personnel of the board had changed and that the basis of valuations would change with different members. Councillor Mosher said the board did not inspect properties in question and did not put witnesses upon their oath.

Councillor Allen asked how the qualifications of widows for exemptions were determined. Mr. MacGlashen said the assessors granted exemptions in obviously deserving cases but in others required the applicants to file affidavits. Councillor Allen said he understood the legislation, as reported in the annual report, required affidavits be taken in all cases. Councillor Burris said he understood the intention of council was that the assessor could grant exemptions without affidavits in cases where there was no question of qualification. Councillor Turner said he did not believe it was necessary for the assessor to require an affidavit where he knew personally the circumstances of the case. Councillor Redmond said he also understood that an affidavit would not be required in such cases. The solicitor said the legislation provided that the assessor "may" require an affidavit.

Councillor Settle pointed out there was a large amount of personal assessment for residents of the Shannon Park development but that it was difficult to collect the taxes because the people moved frequently. He suggested some kind of a flat tax per person might be levied to offset this problem. He had been informed that grants had been given by the Federal Government for developments similar to Shannon Park.

He said he was concerned over reports that Westphal residents were seeking amalgamation with the Town of Dartmouth and one of their objections was over the amount of land in the area which was exempted from taxation. He asked for information on this matter. Mr. MacGlashen said this land was owned by the Town of Dartmouth, as part of its water supply system, and was exempted from taxation by law.

Councillor Snair asked what efforts were being made to assess and tax people who moved into and out of districts between the visits of assessors and did not pay taxes although they sent their children to the schools. Mr. MacGlashen said additions could be made to the assessment rolls if the people moved into the district before January 1, but could not be added if they did not arrive until after that date. Councillor Turner said the parents could be charged for the attendance of the children at schools under the education law. Councillor Snair said the people renting premises to new arrivals should be obliged to report to the municipal office. Councillor Redmond said he did not believe tuition fees could be charged to children of people living in a school section, but could be charged when the parents lived outside. Councillor Currie said he believed a tax of \$10 could be imposed when the parents were not taxpayers. Deputy Warden Cruikshank pointed out that although the people renting a house did not pay real property taxes, they were paid by the landlord.

Councillors Mosher and Leverman moved that the report of the director of assessment be received and filed. Carried.

Councillor Williams outlined the problem respecting the school at Terence Bay and asked if the council could give him any aid or advice. The people were facing a lien of \$6,500 on their school and although they could borrow the money from the Department of Education, they were unwilling to do so.

Councillor Redmond said the council should consider if measures could be taken to assure such cases did not occur in the future so as to protect the ratepayers

of the county. Councillor Ferguson pointed out the proposed sale of the school would mean 134 children would be deprived of their opportunity for education. Councillor Evans said the situation was a very serious one and expressed doubt whether the law would permit the sale of a school, which would leave the children without an opportunity for education. Councillor Burris pointed out the people had a \$40,000 investment in the school and said they would be wise to borrow the additional amount to meet the lien so that they could keep the school. Councillor Williams said he had tried without success to convince the people of that. Councillor Allen said the school trustees were responsible for providing education opportunities for the children but would not be able to do so if the school were sold.

Councillor Archibald said the Province had an interest in the school and should purchase it to protect their interest and keep it open for the children. The situation had reached a point where a higher authority should step into the picture. Councillor Williams said the people were not satisfied with the accounts given as to the expenditure of the \$40,000. Councillor Davis said the council should give full support to the people and should ask by resolution that the Department of Education take action. Councillor Leverman pointed out the department had offered to loan the necessary money already. Councillor Redmond pointed out that the \$40,000 was a debt against all the property in the section that could be collected whether or not the school was sold.

Councillor Ferguson said the Department of Education should have taken action without waiting for a request from the people. Councillor Burris said the trustees had a solution before them and should be urged to take it. Councillor Turner said the Municipal School Board should be asked to take action to convince the people to borrow the money. Councillor Williams said there was not sufficient time now to do that.

Councillors Isenor and Snair moved that council adjourn until 10 a.m. Monday. Carried.

#### FOURTH DAY — MORNING

Monday, March 2, 1953

Council met at 10 o'clock. Roll called.

The minutes of Friday's sessions were read and adopted on motion of Councillors Brown and Isenor.

A letter from the City Manager asking a grant to offset the loss sustained through operation of the City Market last year was read. Councillor Settle said the new rates were not put into effect until July and this did not give sufficient opportunity to study their effect.

Councillors Naugle and Burris moved that the letter be tabled until the report of the Special Market Committee was introduced. Carried.

A letter was read from Herring Cove ratepayers asking that some action be taken to control the number of dogs running at large in the community. Councillor Brown pointed out the by-laws gave constables power to take necessary measures to correct this problem.

Councillors Brown and Naugle moved that the letter be filed. Carried. The clerk was asked to advise the ratepayers that they should seek aid from the constable.

A letter from a District 12 resident asking relief from taxes was read and was filed on motion of Councillors Burris and Naugle.

The warden drew attention to a map of Bedford drawn by Mr. Purcell of the Assessment Department. Mr. MacGlashen said plans were being made to draw similar plans of other suburban districts.

The report of the Board of Appeals was read. Councillor Evans asked for details as to the reduction of assessment on the MacCulloch property. Mr. MacGlashen said the assessment was not actually reduced but that the change was made to correct an accounting error. Councillor Mosher said some safeguards should be taken in respect to the hearing of appeals. The witnesses should be placed upon their oath. The solicitor said he would also recommend this step.

Councillors Leverman and Mosher moved that the Board of Appeal, when taking evidence, be instructed to place all witnesses under oath in the future. Carried.

The solicitor outlined the situation in respect to appeals by various construction companies, the City of Halifax, and the Public Service Commission.

Councillors Naugle and Turner moved that the report of the Board of Appeal be received and filed. Carried.

The report of the Commissioners of the Court House was read and adopted on motion of Councillors Naugle and Myers.

The reports of building inspectors for Districts 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 18, 27 and 28 were tabled.

Councillor Mosher asked why one man had been prosecuted in his district for a violation of the building regulations while no such action was taken in other districts. Warden Dowell said action had to be taken to protect other residents from the erection of shacks near good homes. Councillor Mosher said the person in question had intended to erect a good home. Councillor Myers asked if the regulations were proving effective before the courts and the solicitor advised there had been convictions under the law.

Councillor Allen and Isenor moved that the reports of Building Inspectors for Districts 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 18, 27, 28 be received and filed together with the Sanitary Inspector's report for District 11. Carried.

Councillor Myers moved that council adjourn until 2 p.m. Carried.

#### FOURTH DAY — AFTERNOON

Monday, March 2, 1953

Council met at 2 p.m. Roll called.

Dr. Charman presented his report as Jail Physician. Councillors Myers and Evans moved that the report be received and filed and that the suggestions of the Jail Physician be passed to the Welfare Committee. Carried.

Dr. Charman then presented his report as County Health Officer. Councillor Naugle said he believed the suggestion that the county be divided into two health districts was a good one. Councillor Settle agreed that it would be a progressive step.

Councillors Naugle and Evans moved that the report of the Medical Health Officer for the Municipality of the County of Halifax be received and filed. Carried.

The deputy warden was then asked to take the chair. Warden Dowell said he wished to propose to council that a by-law setting out minimum sanitary requirements be adopted. He said he has been much concerned over this health problem. Councillor Davis asked if the proposed regulations were to cover the whole county and the warden said that was his proposal. Councillor Mosher said he felt there was too many regulations now. Councillor Myers said any restrictive legislation of the type proposed should be applied to building districts only. Councillor Naugle said he agreed it should apply only to building districts. He questioned who would have power to decide if the facilities erected complied with the regulations.

Councillor Redmond said he believed the proposed regulations were needed throughout the municipality. Sanitary inspectors now could not take action until a crisis had developed. Councillor Settle said he believed the principle was a sound one. Councillor Currie said the provision requiring a water supply might form difficulties. Councillor Snair said minimum regulations would have to be drawn up to assure the law was effective. He asked why steel septic tanks were not permitted and was told they were banned because of the trouble they caused after a relatively short usage. Councillor Snair said he believed the steel tanks would be adequate in some cases and any trouble resulting would be caused to the owner only.

Councillor Turner said he believed the regulations could be applied to the whole county without too much trouble. Councillor Ferguson said he agreed with the general principle but the proposed minimum regulations might cause difficulties.

Steps would have to be taken to assure a ratepayer was not subjected to unnecessary expense. Councillor Leverman said he believed compulsory regulations would protect all residents. Councillor Evans said the trouble now seemed to be concentrated in the suburban areas and he believed no regulations were necessary to get most people to take proper precautions. Councillor Davis said if there were areas where sanitary measures were not being taken, the council should pass some compulsory measures to rectify the situation. Councillor Archibald said the sanitary inspectors now took action to clean up undesirable situations and that he would hesitate to impose new regulations when they were not needed. Councillor Naugle asked who would enforce the regulations in districts where no building inspector was appointed. The solicitor said he did not believe it would be necessary to appoint any one official specifically to carry out the work.

Warden Dowell and Councillor Burris moved that a by-law be framed by the Law Amendments Committee to the effect that every place frequented by human beings must have sanitary facilities, and if a store, in addition thereto, a source of fresh water must be provided, and that the said by-law be part of the Building E-Law of the Municipality and shall apply to Building Districts only.

Councillors Mosher and Leverman moved an amendment that this proposed by-law should apply to the whole municipality rather than just to Building Districts.

The amendment was voted upon and defeated. The original motion was then voted upon and carried.

Warden Dowell pointed out that certain sections have set up fire fighting departments but have not vested ownership in the municipality and as a result were still eligible for taxation. He said he believed the property of such organizations should be exempt. Councillor Redmond said he believed the exemption should cover all such departments in the county. Councillor Settle said he believed there should be exemptions for community halls, which were used for community purposes. Councillor Turner said he believed church halls should be exempt from taxation.

Councillors Dowell and Leverman moved that the Law Amendments Committee be asked to prepare legislation for this county for the next session of the Legislature so that fire pumpers, fire halls and other equipment together with the land on which the fire hall stands, whether set up as Commissions or operating under a Municipal District, be exempted from taxation. Carried.

The matter of the council's visit to the county hospital was discussed. Councillors Ferguson and Davis moved that the visit to the hospital be made on Thursday, March 5, at 10 a.m. Carried.

The matter of indefinite polling districts was raised for consideration of council by the clerk. Councillor Mosher said there was a need for a better system of preparing and revising voters lists. Lists used in the last election were very inaccurate. He believed a better list could be drawn up in co-operation with the assessors. Councillor Davis said he agreed some action should be taken to assure a person was not deprived of a vote because the name was not on the list. Councillor Allen suggested no action be taken in respect to setting the boundaries for polling districts until after the boundaries for the provincial polling districts were announced.

Councillor Turner moved that council adjourn to 10 a.m. tomorrow. Carried.

## FIFTH DAY — MORNING

Tuesday, March 3, 1953

Council met at 10 o'clock. Roll called.

The minutes of the previous day's sessions were read and adopted on motion of Councillors Evans and Turner.

The report of the County Planning Board was read. Mr. George Bates read and explained the proposed zoning by-law.

Councillor Myers said he felt the powers in the proposed by-law were too wide. Councillor Mosher said he believed also that there were too many restrictions on



the people and that some of the regulations were not being properly enforced.

Warden Dowell said he did not think that statement could be applied to all districts.

Councillor Settle said zoning regulations were a protection to property owners, assuring that undesirable structures were not erected by a good home. Councillor Leverman said the zoning regulations would not apply to any section until the people asked for them. Councillor Myers said each year brought more and more restrictions and that the people were not pleased with the trend.

Councillor Settle said he would like to see the scope of the planning activities enlarged to take in tracts of land, not now in use, so that they would conform with existing sub-divisions when eventually developed.

Councillors Settle and Leverman moved that the report of the County Planning Board be adopted.

Councillor Archibald asked if a school section must adopt the regulations as proposed or if desired changes could be made. Mr. Bates said the proposed by-law was intended as a model only for the people who wished zoning in their section. Any desired changes could be made. Councillor Settle said some school sections were quite large and the zoning proposals might not be suitable for a whole section, some provision should be made so that a part of a section could be set up as a zoning area. Councillor Davis said he believed the proposed regulations were fair and was pleased that the decision as to the adoption of the regulations was left with the people. Councillor Allen said a provision to enable a part of a school section to be set up as a zoning area would solve the problem of mixed urban and rural sections.

Deputy Warden Cruikshank said he believed zoning was badly needed in some areas. He said he believed the Planning Board should have power to stop the sale of unsuitable land for housing. Councillor Naugle said he did not believe any board would get power to stop a person from selling his land. At Councillor Naugle's request, Mr. Bates outlined the method by which a section would come under zoning regulations.

The motion to adopt the report was voted upon and carried.

Councillor Myers moved that council adjourn until 2 p.m. Carried.

## FIFTH DAY — AFTERNOON

Tuesday, March 3, 1953

Council met at 2 p.m. Roll called.

Councillor Mosher told council he had encountered difficulty with the Highways Department over possession of a quantity of gravel owned by a patient at the County Hospital. The owner had reached an agreement with a road building contractor a few years ago but had never been paid for all the gravel used. He later went to the Highways Department and reached an understanding whereby he was to be paid a rental each month to keep the gravel available. This week an engineer of the Highways Department went to the County Hospital, and despite the mental condition of the owner, paid him \$200 as rent only and then trucks were ordered by the department to haul the gravel away. Councillor Mosher said he had set up a highway block and was appealing to the council to take action to protect the man's property. Councillor Evans expressed doubt that the property of an insane patient could be taken from him in the manner described. He was advised the man had never been committed to hospital as insane.

The report of the Safety Committee was read. Councillors Ferguson and Mosher moved that the report be adopted.

Councillor Leverman asked what had prompted a recommendation that county employees be warned not to use the municipality's name in contracting debts. Councillor Ferguson advised that one constable had obtained credit by saying he was a county employee and that the committee had decided to recommend that this not be permitted in the future. Councillor Mosher said Constable Longard had not proven too satisfactory during the past year but that the committee wished to give him another chance to prove his value.

Councillor Naugle asked if all possible was being done to collect hospital accounts. He would suggest that the collection of these accounts might be turned over to a special collector. Such a move might realize good returns. Councillor Myers said he doubted that the work of the municipal collector warranted the salary being paid him. If this was the situation, he would urge that the collector be discharged and that another man be employed. Councillor Mosher said he doubted if any firm would first retire a man on pension and then rehire him. Another person should have been given the job. Councillor Ferguson said the agreement between the collector and the municipality had another year to run and that the matter should be considered at that time.

Councillor Myers said he had understood that the collector was to resign if he did not make a good showing and that he believed that this is what should have been done. The clerk pointed out that collections handled by Mr. Archibald's office last year were in excess of \$1,000,000, which was much higher than the amounts collected before Mr. Archibald began his work as collector.

Councillor Redmond said that in 1951 poll tax warrants had been issued shortly after the bills had been received and he felt that people should be allowed a reasonable length of time to pay before warrants are issued. The matter of the employment of the collector had been criticized by many county people. There was no objection to the payment of the pension but the re-employment was a matter of criticism.

Councillor Naugle pointed out there was little difference between the mileage rates between last year when two constables were working and the previous year when only one was in the field. He asked if this indicated the constables were not working as hard as had been done in the past. Councillor Mosher said the reduction on mileage had resulted from closer checks on the movements of constables on county business. Now expenses were paid on vouchers only.

Councillors Leverman and Naugle moved an amendment that the report of the Safety Committee be approved with the exception of Clause 8, this clause to be referred to the Finance Committee. The amendment was voted upon and carried.

The report of the special Market Committee was read.

Councillor Settle pointed out that the new rates at the market were not in effect for a full year which raised a question as to what contribution the council should make toward the operational deficit and that space had been refused to transient vendors who would have added substantially to the revenue. Councillor Leverman said he did not believe the council should pay the full \$2,000, set aside last year to meet a market deficit, since the new rate structure was in effect for only six months. Councillor Evans said the council should pay no contribution until it was supplied a copy of the market's financial statement on the year's operations. Deputy Warden Cruikshank said he agreed that the council should ask for a statement. Councillor Davis said he believed the report of the committee was inadequate because it lacked vital information. Councillor Settle said the committee had done all in its power to protect the interests of the county market users.

Councillors Settle and Naugle moved that the report be adopted. Carried.

Councillor Mosher moved that council adjourn until 10 a.m. tomorrow. Carried.

## SIXTH DAY — MORNING

Wednesday, March 4, 1953

Council met at 10 o'clock. Roll called.

The minutes of the previous day's sessions were read and adopted on motion of Councillors Isenor and Snair.

Affidavits from Oldham residents were read asking relief from taxes. They were referred to the Revenue Committee. A petition from Moser River residents asking for establishment of a pound district was referred to the Resources Committee. A letter asking for permission to make representations to council on behalf of a discharged employee of the Halifax County Hospital was referred to the Agenda Committee.

Councillor Leverman extended an invitation to council to attend Tuesday evening's meeting of the Armdale Kiwanis Club. He announced there would be a special speaker present for the occasion. The invitation was accepted on motion of Councillors Redmond and Evans.

The report of the Metropolitan Area Committee was read. Councillor Myers asked how large an area was contemplated as forming the proposed metropolitan area. The original plan was to include districts bordering on Halifax Harbor but he was not appointed to the committee although vitally interested in the matter. He said the duties of the earlier committees were apparently turned over to the Public Services Committee. Warden Dowell said the committee was set up last year to study the advisability of forming a metropolitan area and that the new committee was not appointed for this year.

Councillors Naugle and Burris moved that the report of the Metropolitan Area Committee be received and filed.

Councillor Settle said a new committee should be formed particularly in view of a proposed study by the Halifax City Manager into the advisability of extending the city's boundaries. A committee from the council could present the municipality's views on the matter. The motion to receive and file the report was voted upon and carried.

The reports of sanitary inspectors for Districts 11, 12 and 14 were read and were received and filed on motion of Councillors Currie and Brown.

The reports of local Boards of Health for Districts 7, 8, 9, 15, 17, 18, 19, 21, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, and 28 were read and were received and filed on motion of Deputy Warden Cruikshank and Councillor Redmond.

The warden asked for opinions as to the appointment of delegates to the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities meeting this year. Councillor Burris suggested that the expenses of only the five voting delegates be paid. Councillor Myers said in previous years one-half the expenses of all delegates were paid and he did not see any reason for changing this system. He asked if any delegates to last year's convention were paid and was advised that no money was voted by council for this purpose. Councillor Redmond pointed out that in earlier years both elected and appointed county representatives were sent as voting delegates but that a few years ago the council had decided that only elected representatives should be voting delegates. The union was a policy-making body and therefore the voting delegates should be elected representatives who were the county's policy makers. Councillor Evans said it had been the policy to send both the clerk and solicitor to the convention and he believed this should be done again this year. Councillor Davis said he believed both the clerk and solicitor would be as vitally concerned as councillors for the municipality's welfare and they should be sent as delegates.

Councillor Naugle said the council should send as many delegates as possible since a councillor gained valuable experience at the conventions. Councillor Leverman said the council could send five councillors as voting delegates and that the clerk and solicitor could attend also, with expenses paid for the seven by the municipality. Councillor Mosher questioned the necessity of sending more than one delegate so that a reduction of expenses could be effected. Councillor Davis said the council should not reduce the strength of its voice in the union since that body was a vital force in provincial affairs. Councillor Mosher said the delegations from the municipality had brought little benefit to the county in the past. Councillor Naugle said the county had received much benefit from the union and that the united voices of the municipality carried more weight with the provincial government.

Councillor Mosher said the ratepayers should be informed as to the benefits they received. Councillor Allen pointed out the union was seeking changes in the Franchise Act along lines as suggested by Councillor Mosher. Councillor Ferguson said reports of the union's work were available and it would be a waste of money to send one delegate.

Deputy Warden Cruikshank and Councillor Burris moved that the Warden appoint five voting delegates and the clerk and solicitor to represent this Municipality at the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities Convention this year and five

alternate delegates in case the appointed delegates are unable to attend. Carried  
Councillors Donaldson and Redmond moved that each delegate to the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities convention be paid \$50 toward expenses in connection with this convention, this to be paid to the five voting delegates, the solicitor and clerk.

Councillor Redmond pointed out that a sum of \$75 was paid in 1951 when the convention was held in Sydney, at the end of the province, requiring delegates to spend an extra day in travel. The motion was voted upon and carried.

Councillor Settle said the council should decide whether the Special Market Committee, if appointed this year, should report to the council or to the Resources Committee. Councillor Evans said the Resources Committee under the by-laws had responsibility for market affairs and that he believed for that reason that the Special Market Committee should report to the Resources Committee. Warden Dowell pointed out that the market committee was appointed directly by council. Councillor Redmond said the Resources Committee, although charged with responsibility for market matters, had no opportunity to deal with the city market question if a Special Market Committee was set up to deal directly with the question and was to report directly to council.

Warden Dowell appointed the Special Market Committee as follows: Councillors Settle, Redmond, Evans, Naugle and Myers.

Councillor Myers said he did not believe the committee had accomplished much last year. Councillor Settle said there were some positive accomplishments since it had interested the Department of Municipal Affairs in the matter and had brought about establishment of much better rates at the market. Councillor Redmond said the original rates proposed by the city were substantially reduced through efforts of the Special Market Committee and that it also secured permission for those wishing to use the market for a limited time only to do so. Councillor Myers said high rates were still charged and that the council had to set up a \$2,000 fund to help offset deficits.

Warden Dowell appointed the Printing and Reporting Committee as follows: Councillor Allen, Warden Dowell and the Municipal Clerk.

He appointed Councillors Leverman, Allen and Naugle as members of the Industrial Committee.

Councillor Ferguson moved that council adjourn until 2 p.m. Carried.

## SIXTH DAY — AFTERNOON

Wednesday, March 4, 1953

Council met at 2 p.m. Roll called.

Deputy Warden Cruikshank and Councillor Currie moved that the Warden appoint the members of the Town Planning Board for the County of Halifax. Carried.

Councillor Myers said the nomination of members from outside the council should be from the floor. The warden pointed out the resolution had delegated that authority to him.

He invited nominations for the Board of Appeal with three members to be chosen representing the eastern, central and western parts of the municipality.

Councillors Turner and Donaldson nominated James Scrivens, of West Quoddy, to represent the eastern area.

Councillors Naugle and Ferguson moved that nominations cease. Carried.

Councillors Turner and Burris moved that the clerk deposit a ballot for Mr. Scrivens. The clerk deposited the ballot and the warden declared Mr. Scrivens elected.

Councillors Burris and Isenor nominated Roy Hutchinson, of Upper Musquodoboit, as representative of the central section.

Councillors Evans and Archibald moved that nominations cease. Carried.

Councillors Burris and Naugle moved that the clerk deposit a ballot for Mr. Hutchinson. The clerk deposited the ballot and the warden declared Mr. Hutchinson as the representative of the central section.

Councillors Leverman and Mosher nominated James MacDonald, Fairview, as representative of the western section.

Councillors Brown and Burris moved that nominations cease. Carried.

Councillors Leverman and Naugle moved that the clerk deposit a ballot for Mr. MacDonald. The clerk deposited the ballot and the warden declared Mr. MacDonald as the representative of the western area.

Councillors Naugle and Burris moved notice of motion that the Warden and Treasurer be and they are hereby authorized to arrange with the Royal Bank of Canada, Spring Garden Road Branch, for an overdraft at such bank for a sum of not exceeding Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) and the Treasurer is authorized to use such overdraft to defray ordinary expenses of the Municipality for the coming year.

Councillors Redmond and Turner gave notice of motion that the Warden and Treasurer of the Municipality be authorized to borrow, on behalf of the Municipality, a sum not to exceed Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000) for the purpose of paying the Provincial Treasurer the taxes payable to him under provision of the Highway Act, Chapter 75, Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, for the year 1953, and to do such acts as are necessary to effect such loan.

Councillors Leverman and Isenor moved that until the next annual meeting of the council, the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to pay all accounts rendered to him or to the Clerk, which the warden and the Chairman of the Finance Committee, deem to be properly payable by the Municipality and do so certify. Carried.

The warden announced the Metropolitan Area Committee would consist of the following members: Councillors Allen, Burris, Leverman, Davis and Naugle.

He appointed the delegates to the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities convention as follows: Voting Delegates — Warden Dowell, Councillors Naugle, Leverman, Allen, Settle. Alternates — Deputy Warden Cruikshank, Councillors Mosher, Ferguson, Donaldson and Snair.

He appointed the County Board of Health as follows: Councillors Allen, Archibald, Leverman, Ferguson and Day.

Deputy Warden Cruikshank said a committee should be appointed to consider the recommendation by Dr. Charman that the county be divided into two health areas, with separate county medical officers. Councillor Naugle said he believed Dr. Malcolm would be a good officer for the eastern area. He emphasized that there were two jobs, county health officer and jail physician, and that they should not be confused. Councillor Davis asked that decision be deferred until he had an opportunity to discuss the matter with the doctor in his district.

Councillor Leverman said he would propose that one man be paid \$500 as jail physician and \$250 to serve as medical officer for the western section, while the medical officer in the eastern area received \$750. Councillor Redmond said the councillors should not confuse the two positions in their minds. Dr. Charman would probably expect \$500 to act as jail physician and \$500 as health officer for the western area. He would have to be consulted before any definite decision was made. Councillor Ferguson said he questioned whether the present services would be improved if Dr. Malcolm was appointed medical officer since he was now busy at the county hospital.

Councillor Naugle said there was a need for an officer in the eastern area since it was often impossible to secure the services of the man stationed in Halifax. He would like to see the matter deferred to permit further study. Councillor Day agreed that a man was needed in the eastern area. Councillor Currie pointed out that Dr. Charman had suggested the appointment of a younger man who could devote more time to the work. Councillor Burris said the services of the local doctor were usually used in his district. Councillor Mosher said the medical officer had few calls to the western districts.

Councillors Donaldson and Burris moved that Dr. Charman be appointed medical health officer for 1953 at a salary of \$1,000.

Councillor Redmond said he was not prepared to vote on the motion since Dr.

Charman had said the job was too big for him and that would indicate his re-appointment would not guarantee the county adequate service. Councillor Davis agreed.

The motion was voted upon and defeated.

Councillors Leverman and Redmond moved that the matter of appointment of medical health officers be laid over until a future date, until the councillors from the East could review the situation.

Deputy Warden Cruikshank and Councillor Turner moved an amendment that a small committee be appointed to go into the situation with respect to the appointment of the medical health officer and report back to the council and that should there be more than one medical health officer recommended then the committee would designate what area each would serve and what salary should be paid.

Councillors Redmond and Evans moved an amendment to the amendment that the Special Medical Committee look into the situation with respect to the appointment of medical health officers and also to recommend to council what territory is to be served and what salaries should be paid.

The amendment to the amendment was voted upon and carried.

Councillors Leverman and Naugle moved that council adjourn to go into committee work. Carried.

### SEVENTH DAY — MORNING

Thursday, March 5, 1953

Council met at 10 o'clock. Roll called.

Councillors Naugle and Allen moved that council adjourn to pay the annual visit to the Halifax County Hospital. Carried.

### EIGHTH DAY — MORNING

Friday, March 6, 1953

Council met at 10 o'clock. Roll called.

Councillors Leverman and Isenor moved that the council express and extend its sincere sympathy at the loss of his wife to Warden W. J. Dowell and that the clerk be instructed to forward the resolution to the warden. Carried.

The minutes of the sixth day's sessions were read and adopted on motion of Councillors Evans and Turner.

Councillor Davis said he was very pleased with his observations during the visit to the county hospital. It was proof of the progressive attitude of the council. It was a source of comfort to realize that patients were placed in such excellent surroundings. Councillors Day and Brown agreed and paid tribute to the council for the provision of the hospital. Councillor Archibald paid tribute to the staff and to Mr. and Mrs. Smith. Councillor Leverman said he believed it was a strain on the hospital's resources to provide lunch for the full council. Councillor Donaldson said the hospital was a credit to the municipality and the one possible objection was to the mixing of both adults and children in the wards. Councillor Currie said the council should strive to assure that the present high standards were maintained. Councillor Ferguson said the invitation for the councillors to have lunch at the hospital was extended by Mr. and Mrs. Smith. Councillor Evans said the committee did not suggest that the council should have lunch there but that the superintendent had suggested it in order that the council could spend a full day at the institution.

A letter from Donald I. Logan, Woodside, was read and on motion of Councillors Leverman and Ferguson was referred to the Public Service Committee.

A petition from School Section 88, asking for street lighting, was read. Councillors Leverman and Redmond said the matter should receive further study before a decision was made. The petition was referred to the Public Service Committee on motion of Councillors Redmond and Settle.

The report of the Welfare Committee was read. Councillors Ferguson and Evans moved that the report be adopted.

Councillor Redmond said the council could not adopt the report at this time since the by-laws required that notice of motion be given at least one day prior to the adoption of a report which included recommendations for money expenditures. There had been a request from a discharged county hospital employee for a hearing that should be dealt with before the report was adopted.

Councillors Redmond and Settle moved that the report be tabled until representation on behalf of Mr. Conrod was heard by council.

Councillor Naugle said the council could defer decision on the sections dealing with new expenditures but deal with the remainder of the report. Councillor Donaldson asked if a date had been set for the hearing of Mr. Conrod's representative. Councillor Ferguson said the Agenda Committee had felt Mr. Conrod had not taken an opportunity to appear before the Welfare Committee and so had decided to leave the decision as to whether he should get a full hearing before the council to the council. Councillor Settle said Mr. Conrod had asked and had been refused an opportunity to appear before the Welfare Committee. Councillor Redmond said he had asked for a hearing by council in the proper way. He was a rate-payer and was entitled to be heard. Councillor Naugle said Mr. Conrod had never asked an opportunity to appear before the committee.

Councillor Leverman said there was a legal point involved in the discussion. It have to be determined whether the committee had the right to discharge Mr. Conrod or whether that authority was vested only in the council. Councillor Redmond said the council had that power but that it had been usurped by the committee. Councillor Donaldson said the committee could discharge the farmer if he was classed as an employee. Councillor Redmond said the by-laws classed the farmer as an officer and that he was employed and discharged by council. Councillor Mosher asked why the farmer was discharged. Councillor Naugle said the farmer was always considered an employee and the committee had acted in this case on that grounds. Deputy Warden Cruikshank pointed out that council last year gave the committee power to hire and discharge employees. Councillor Redmond contended these powers could not over-rule the by-laws.

Deputy Warden Cruikshank said he was satisfied that the original motion was out of order. Councillor Redmond said some of the councillors did not want to hear Mr. Conrod. Councillors Naugle and Ferguson disagreed. Councillor Evans said Mr. Conrod had never asked the Welfare Committee for a hearing but he should be granted an opportunity to make representations to the council. Councillor Ferguson said the solicitor and Mr. Conrod's spokesman could appear in the afternoon.

Councillor Archibald said he believed the committee and the superintendent should have power to discharge any employee who was not acting properly. Councillor Turner agreed and said the by-law should be changed if necessary to provide such powers. Mr. Smith told the council Mr. Conrod had never actually been discharged. He had presented an ultimatum that he would resign if his services were not satisfactory and had been advised that his superiors were not satisfied. Councillor Evans pointed out the farmer had been hired under the provisions of the old by-laws and that they should therefore be considered. Councillor Davis said he did not see any point in discussing the legal aspects of the case if the person in question had served an ultimatum upon his superiors and had been accepted. Councillor Myers said he had talked to Mr. Conrod and had been advised that the man would not accept reinstatement so long as Mr. Smith was in charge.

The motion to table the report was voted upon and carried.

The report of the County Hospital Medical Officer was read and was received and filed on motion of Councillors Leverman and Naugle.

Council then turned to discussion of the financial statements for the hospital.

Councillor Leverman said he had been told last year that the cattle would be shown as an asset in the future. He asked why they were not shown in the report. He was advised that the cattle were shown in the county's financial statement. Councillor Leverman said there was nothing to show why large amounts had been spent for farm feed. Councillor Redmond said council had directed last year that

the cattle be shown in the financial statements but that the order had been ignored. Councillor Mosher asked what happened to the calves and Mr. Smith replied that heifers were reared and any bull calves had been sold at \$10 00

Councillor Redmond said there was nothing to show what price had been received in the sale of an old truck. He was advised the sale price had been \$805. He contended there should be some record on the financial statement. He objected also to the maintenance of a horse belonging to the farmer at the hospital since there was no guarantee that the animal would be of service to the institution.

Councillor Leverman asked what old age pensioners paid for their board at the home and what was given to them for spending money. Mr. Smith said for non-certified patients \$5 was given them for their own use, while \$10 was set aside for certified patients. A regular accounting system was set up for the certified patients spending money.

Councillor Snair asked what was meant by a radio fund and Mr. Smith advised it was a fund of voluntary contributions to be used to install a radio system to serve the whole institution rather than the present system of individual radios.

Councillor Redmond asked if Mr. Smith's son was maintained at the hospital while he was employed outside the institution. Mr. Smith assured this was incorrect.

Councillors Ferguson and Davis moved that council adjourn to 2 p.m. Carried.

#### EIGHTH DAY — AFTERNOON

Friday, March 6, 1953

Council met at 2 o'clock. Roll called.

Mr. Drury, appearing on behalf of Frank Conrod, former farmer at the County Hospital, was invited to address council. He said Mr. Conrod had served at the hospital for many years up until December 8, 1952, when the superintendent called him into the office and told him that his services were no longer required. Mr. Drury contended that according to the by-laws, Mr. Conrod's appointment was a matter for the full council and that he could not be dismissed by a committee. He told council Mr. Conrod felt that he was entitled to his pay up until the time he was dismissed or his resignation was accepted by the council, that he did not wish to work longer at the hospital, and that an investigation be made into the matter of Mr. Conrod's dismissal when the former employee would be given an opportunity to present his side of the matter. Mr. Drury said the dismissal of Mr. Conrod gave rise to implications as to his character and that it was only fair that he be given an opportunity to defend himself.

The solicitor said it was true that the appointment of the farmer was a matter for the council but he pointed out that the council, at last year's meeting, had approved a report which gave the Welfare Committee the power to make changes in personnel. He said the first letter to the committee came from N. D. Murray respecting the hire of a truck but that before the committee had an opportunity to deal with the matter, a subsequent appeal was made by R. A. Kanigsberg asking permission for Mr. Conrod to appear before the committee to present his case. Mr. Kanigsberg was asked to submit his request in writing but it was never received. The next step was the request from Mr. Drury that he be allowed to come before the council representing Mr. Conrod. He asked with which solicitor the council was to deal.

Mr. Drury said he was the only solicitor representing Mr. Conrod at the present time. He contended the adoption of the committee report last year had not overruled the by-laws which set down that the farmer was to be employed directly by council. He held that the report referred to other employees.

Councillor Davis asked if it had been definitely established whether Mr. Conrod was dismissed or had in effect offered his resignation. Councillor Redmond said the report of the Welfare Committee said Mr. Conrod was dismissed. The question to be decided was whether the farmer was an officer or an employee. The council



gave the committee power to discharge employees but not officers. Councillor Davis said he understood the farmer had given Mr. Smith an ultimatum and that it had been accepted. Mr. Smith said Mr. Conrod had offered to resign if his services were not satisfactory and that his offer had been accepted. Councillor Mosher asked why Mr. Conrod was dismissed. If there was any improper conduct it should have been brought before the courts. If any person had been receiving stolen goods, he should have been brought before the courts also. The R. C. M. P. or some other responsible body should be asked to investigate the whole matter. He was prepared to resign from the council unless some action was taken.

Deputy Warden Cruikshank said he believed the farmer could have remained on the job if he had wished. Councillor Settle said the matter to be decided was the committee's right to discharge an officer of the hospital. Councillor Leverman asked for a ruling as to whether the adoption of the Welfare Committee's report last year had over-ruled the by-laws. The solicitor said the by-laws would stand despite the report. Councillor Burris said the committee apparently had acted on the understanding that it had power to dismiss the employee. Councillor Naugle said the committee had understood that it had been given the council's authority in the matter. Councillor Davis said if the council accepted the fact that Conrod had offered an ultimatum and that he had lost his position as a result of this action, then he had not been discharged but rather had discharged himself. Councillor Redmond asked if Mr. Smith had any written resignation from Mr. Conrod.

Councillor Allen asked for information as to what had brought about the present situation. Mr. Smith said Mr. Conrod had been brought to his office for selling produce from the farm. He was told his behavior could not be tolerated and then Mr. Conrod had said that if his behavior was not satisfactory that he would resign. Councillor Mosher said if this was true then something should be done about the situation immediately.

Mr. Drury said he had been informed by Mr. Conrod that the things sold belonged to him from a plot of land provided for his own use by Mr. Smith. He contended it was impossible to determine what had actually transpired in the talk between Mr. Smith and Mr. Conrod.

Councillor Settle said the council was hearing some unusual reports. Mr. Conrod had been given a plot of land and had farmed it within the sight of many witnesses but then was told that he had stolen produce when he sold that which had come from his own property. He said he had measured the land and had found it to be about one-quarter acre in size. Councillor Archibald asked if Mr. Conrod, after his talk with Mr. Smith, had remained on the job or had taken other employment for if he had left he had in effect resigned from the job. Mr. Drury said the farmer was subject to orders from the superintendent and had no alternative but to leave when ordered to do so. Councillor Davis said it could not be expected that a man would be retained as an employee when he had given an ultimatum to his superior. No business firm would operate on that basis. He said the matter should be decided by the full council and not delegated to a committee as suggested by Mr. Drury.

Mr. Conrod accepted an invitation to present his side of the matter to council. He said Mr. Smith should have had him arrested immediately if he was suspected of theft. Councillor Ferguson asked what size crop could be harvested from one-quarter acre of land and Mr. Conrod said he had a crop of 2,000 cauliflower and 1,000 cabbages. Councillor Archibald asked why Mr. Conrod had not remained on the job rather than moving away. Mr. Conrod said he did not wish to answer that question. Councillor Leverman asked if he denied that he had stolen anything from the county hospital and Mr. Conrod said he did deny that he had stolen anything. Councillor Davis asked if he had delivered an ultimatum to Mr. Smith and Mr. Conrod said he had been called into Mr. Smith's office and had been told that he was discharged.

Councillor Evans said he had never heard of a request for a hearing by the Welfare Committee of Mr. Conrod's case although he was a member of that committee. He felt there should have been a hearing however and that if the case

against Mr. Conrod was proven that he should have been dismissed immediately. Councillor Redmond said the fact that Councillor Evans had never heard of the request for a hearing had indicated Mr. Conrod had not been justly treated. Councillor Evans said he did not say Mr. Conrod had been given unjust treatment but did say he should have received a hearing. Councillor Myers said he had asked Mr. Conrod if he wished to be reinstated and had been told that Mr. Conrod would not accept a position again while Mr. Smith was superintendent. Councillor Naugle said there had been no request for a committee hearing and Mr. Smith agreed.

Councillor Currie asked for a report on the background of the case and Mr. Smith read a report on the matter to the council.

Councillor Ferguson said he did not believe any councillor would have taken action differently than that adopted by the committee. The committee had all reasons to accept Mr. Smith's report and had done so in this case. Councillor Redmond said Mr. Smith's report that the matter had been going on for some years showed that the committee had been lax in its duty. It should have been brought to the council's attention at the time the whole trouble began. Councillor Mosher agreed.

Councillor Turner said he believed if Mr. Conrod felt he had a grievance he should have taken it to the courts. The council had spent much time on the matter but could not find any solution. The solicitor agreed.

Councillors Turner and Donaldson moved that there be no further hearing before the council with respect to Mr. Conrod. Carried.

Councillor Davis said the council should appeal to the Canadian National Institute for the Blind to establish a canteen at the county hospital and to the local service clubs to take an interest in the institution and take responsibility for such projects as the institution of a radio system to serve the whole hospital and the furnishing of the recreation room in a suitable manner.

Councillors Donaldson and Isenor moved that Council adjourn to go into committee work until 10 a.m. Monday morning. Carried.

### NINETH DAY — MORNING

Monday, March 9, 1953

Council met at 10 o'clock. Roll called.

The minutes of the March 5th and 6th sessions were read and adopted on motion of Councillors Naugle and Turner.

Councillor Redmond read two letters which he said proved that Mr. Smith's son did reside at the county hospital while employed outside the institution. Councillor Myers said he could see nothing improper in that fact. Councillor Naugle said the records would show that Mr. Smith paid board for his son while he lived at the hospital. Councillor Davis agreed that there was nothing wrong with Mr. Smith's children living with him at the hospital and expressed regret that the matter was raised. Councillor Redmond said the ratepayers would not approve and he, as a councillor, was obliged to express that disapproval. Councillors Myers and Ferguson asked that the matter be dropped.

Warden Dowell expressed to council his gratitude for their expressions of sympathy in the passing of his wife.

Turning to discussion of the Welfare Committee's report, Councillor Davis said the necessary changes in by-laws should be made to enable the superintendent to discharge members of his staff when necessary. Councillor Settle said if some of the council's powers were to be removed then the same step should be taken in regard to all municipal employees. Councillor Redmond agreed, pointing out that many employees were hired directly by council and a special meeting would have to be called to replace them. Councillor Evans said it would be a serious situation if a new medical officer was needed at the hospital but could not be appointed until the council was called together. Councillor Ferguson said the ratepayers would consider such a move as a waste of money. Councillor Naugle said the whole question of council delegating its powers to committee should be studied. At the suggestion of the solicitor the matter was referred to the Law Amendments Committee.

Councillor Leverman pointed out the hospital had a deficit of \$31,000 last year. The largest percentage of the patients were from outside the municipality. The hospital was originally built for the benefit of the municipality's patients but the ratepayers were now being asked to underwrite a large deficit caused because of an expansion to take in outside patients. Some serious consideration should be given proposals for further expansion before action is taken. The rates should be sufficiently high to ensure that no future deficits would be incurred.

Councillor Davis said he believed the expansion of the hospital's facilities was good business since the increased number of patients in the institution reduced the percentage of those who had to be maintained there at county expense. Councillor Redmond said he believed careful consideration should be given plans for further expansion. There were no deficits before the new wing was built. He believed the proposed purchase of more land was a good venture but questioned the proposed staff house construction.

Councillor Naugle said there would have been little or no deficit this year if the farm crops had been up to expectations. County ratepayers were not taxed in the past for the hospital and would not be taxed in the future. The increased number of patients reduced the possibility of deficits. The proposed staff quarters would help to keep good workers longer. Councillor Redmond said the county would be in a difficult position if other municipalities decided to build their own hospitals rather than pay higher charges here. Councillor Burris said the staff would expect higher salaries when they were required to pay rent and that would offset the money received for the rentals.

Deputy Warden Cruikshank asked what would be the reaction of other municipalities when faced with higher charges while living costs were on the decline. The warden said they would probably still realize the charges were lower than would be the cost to provide hospital facilities themselves. Councillor Davis said the hospital was a big business and should receive a reasonable time to show a profit as was the case with all business firms. The council had demonstrated its progressive outlook and should not retreat from that position now. Councillor Redmond said the higher salaries needed to offset the rent charges to staff members would have an important effect on the future financial picture.

Councillor Naugle said the construction of the proposed staff house would open new space for patients at the hospital. Councillor Ferguson said the hospital had difficulty keeping its staff. Construction of the new quarters would largely eliminate that problem. Councillor Day said the hospital now had a large deficit and would probably have another next year if the staff quarters were built. The council should not take any hasty action.

Councillor Leverman asked if the county was obligated for any architect's fees in connection with the proposed staff house. Councillor Naugle said there were no architect fees owing at this time but would be if the work was undertaken. Councillor Turner suggested decision of the proposed construction be deferred until next year until the effect of a full year's operation of the new hospital wing was known. Councillor Naugle said he believed it unwise to use expensive construction such as the hospital to house staff members when a cheaper construction was possible. The new staff house would improve the morale of the workers. It would be a good financial investment. Councillor Brown said there would be certain salary increase requests if the proposal went through.

Councillor Allen said he doubted that the increased revenue from more patient space would offset the cost involved in the staff house idea. Councillor Davis said the council should consider the humanitarian aspect of the matter. He agreed the building should be designed for utility. Councillor Redmond said he also was concerned for the welfare of the patients but the council's main responsibility was to the county and should not undertake a big deficit to house patients from other municipalities. He said the county would have to carry the full financial load for the staff house, whereas the hospital was financed by three governments. Councillor Leverman asked who would supervise the staff house and was advised this would be part of the superintendent's duty.

Councillor Naugle said the municipality did not receive proper credit for the high quality of service given at the hospital. Many patients were cured and returned to their families. The latest methods of treatment were employed. Councillor Evans said the delay in getting the new wing in full operation was an important factor in last year's deficit. At the same time he would advise caution in undertaking any new expansion. He proposed a one year delay in final decision. Councillor Currie asked if the hospital was crowded at present and the warden advised some patients had to be refused because of the lack of space. Councillor Currie pointed out the staff at the Nova Scotia Hospital were maintained in the hospital building.

Councillor Donaldson said he agreed adequate staff quarters were needed. He questioned whether the proposed type of structure was the most desirable and suggested a bungalow type of building might be built and expanded over a period of time.

Councillor Leverman moved that council adjourn until 3 p.m. Carried.

### NINETH DAY — AFTERNOON

Monday, March 9, 1953

Council met at 3 o'clock. Roll called.

Councillors Naugle and Burris moved that the clerk extend the very sincere thanks of the council to the Kiwanis Club of Halifax for inviting council to their luncheon meeting. Carried.

Councillors Naugle and Davis moved that the architect and Mr. Smith be asked to come before council to discuss and explain the matter of staff accommodations at the Halifax County Hospital.

Councillor Archibald asked if plans for the staff quarters would provide space for all employees and was advised by Councillor Naugle that the plans would accommodate more than 80 employees. Councillor Donaldson said he saw little value in asking the architect and Mr. Smith to come before council.

The motion was voted upon and defeated.

Councillors Leverman and Ferguson moved that the report of the Welfare Committee be tabled until Tuesday. Carried.

Council then turned to discussion of the County Hospital accounts. Councillor Redmond said the figures respecting depreciation on the new automobile were confusing. He believed the rapid depreciation was an excuse for early purchase of a new vehicle. Councillor Naugle said the depreciation system was good business since it stabilized the general financial picture. Councillor Redmond said it was impossible to tell from the accounts what amount, if any, had been realized from the sale of the old vehicle. Council had asked last year that cattle be shown on the inventory but this had not been done. The clerk advised the cattle were shown on the capital balance sheet. Councillor Mosher said the accounts should show what disposition had been made of calves born on the farm. He understood some of the male animals had been sold to councillors at a low price. Councillor Naugle said some young calves were sold for \$10.

Councillor Redmond said the figures respecting the amount of hay produced did not agree with the figures as to the amount of hay used. Councillor Turner said it might be better to fatten and slaughter an animal at the farm rather than sell it. The warden said this idea had been considered but that the additional cost of preparing the animal would be greater than the amount saved.

Councillors Ferguson and Naugle moved that the financial statement for the Halifax County Hospital for the year 1952 be adopted. Carried.

The report of the building inspector for district 10 was read and was received and filed on motion of Councillors Brown and Isenor.

The preliminary report of the Finance Committee was read. Councillor Myers asked what accounted for the expenditure shown for 1952 for the convention saying nothing had been paid delegates and nothing had been spent for entertainment. Councillor Allen advised that \$500 of the amount had been paid to the City of Halifax as the county's share of the general expenses.

Councillor Allen moved that council adjourn until 10 a.m. tomorrow. Carried.

## TENTH DAY — MORNING

Tuesday, March 10, 1953

Council met at 10 o'clock. Roll called.

The minutes of the previous day's sessions were read and adopted on motion of Councillors Isenor and Currie.

A letter asking for a grant to the Halifax Visiting Dispensary was referred to the Finance Committee. New amendments to the Municipal Act were read.

Council then resumed discussion of the Welfare Committee's report. Councillor Redmond said he regretted that he had to make some criticisms as to the operation of the county hospital. Patients were relieved of some of their belongings when admitted to the hospital without receiving a receipt for these articles and this was improper. He knew of a patient who was admitted suffering both physical and mental illness but who did not receive proper treatment for the physical ailments. He took this matter up with the Welfare Committee and was advised by that body that he would be barred from the hospital. Councillor Redmond contended the committee did not have a right to bar him. On another occasion he was informed that machinery from the hospital was used to construct a house for Mr. Smith, the superintendent. He had visited the hospital on a number of occasions and had found both Mr. and Mrs. Smith were absent and the assistant superintendent could not be located. He said he could not vote in favor of the report and believed that a full time medical officer and business manager should be hired to replace members of the present staff.

Councillors Ferguson and Myers asked that the minutes of the Welfare Committee meeting, referred to by Councillor Redmond, be read to council. The clerk read the minutes for the committee meeting held on May 6, 1952.

Councillor Redmond said he did not think the committee had the power to bar him from the hospital. He denied he had abused members of the staff. He had not apologized to staff members because he was not guilty of the charges made against him. He believed he had both a right and a duty to criticize the work of staff members if he believed such criticism was justified.

Warden Dowell said he agreed that the committee did not have the power to bar Councillor Redmond from the hospital. The solicitor said the by-laws provided that the councillors had a right to visit the hospital at any time, upon reasonable notice to the superintendent. Councillor Myers said the visit made by Councillor Redmond which was under discussion was not made at a reasonable time.

Councillor Redmond said he agreed that the superintendent was entitled to reasonable notice. He did not complain of Mr. Smith's behavior to him. He did object to any threat that he was to be barred from the hospital except when the Welfare Committee was in session. Warden Dowell said the whole incident was unfortunate. The staff had many duties and responsibilities and should not be interrupted in the discharge of these duties. Councillor Ferguson said he could not understand Councillor Redmond's actions. The Welfare Committee was charged with the operation of the hospital and any councillor with a complaint should have placed it before that committee. Some action had to be taken to prevent disruption of the hospital's operation. Councillor Redmond said he did appeal to the committee. He knew he was not entitled to abuse the staff but had a right to take his complaints to the committee. Councillor Myers said Councillor Redmond did not appear before the committee until after he had disturbed the hospital staff. Councillor Redmond said he was prepared to deny under oath most of the statements credited to him by staff members.

Councillor Naugle said Councillor Redmond had received a fair hearing and the committee had dealt with the case. No person could be permitted to abuse the staff if efficient operation of the hospital was desired. Deputy Warden Cruikshank said the by-laws gave any councillor a right to visit the hospital. He suggested council terminate its discussion of the matter.

Deputy Warden Cruikshank said he agreed with the proposal that more land be bought but he did not agree to the proposed construction of a new staff house. Any rentals realized from the staff quarters would be offset by salary increases. A

separate residence would make it more difficult for Mr. Smith to supervise his staff. When the hospital was built it was understood that adequate staff quarters would be provided inside the building but this had not been done. Councillor Settle said there were several properties between the hospital farm and the farm to be purchased. It was an isolated piece of land. Councillor Leverman said there would be a further reduction in the crop this year since the Conrod farm was no longer available.

Councillor Evans said he understood that all the hospital farm was to be cultivated and that the hay crop would be gathered from other land. Councillor Mosher said the whole committee should have inspected the property before a recommendation for its purchase was made to council. Councillor Redmond said he understood that only about 15 acres of the farm could be economically prepared for cultivation. Councillor Naugle said some additional land could be cultivated and much of the property would be excellent pasture land. He believed the price was a satisfactory one.

Councillor Evans said the farm was in a good location and the proposed purchase should not be turned down without careful consideration. Councillor Leverman said the price might be high if only a small part could be cultivated. Councillor Davis said that if the land was necessary for future expansion it would be unfortunate if the opportunity to purchase it were lost. It would be better to assure that adequate land was on hand rather than be handicapped at some future time. The price was reasonable even if most of the land could not be cultivated.

Councillors Allen and Evans moved that the Report of the Welfare Committee be adopted, with the exception of the recommendations respecting the building of staff quarters.

Councillor Redmond said the hospital needed only land for farming purposes and that it would not be wise to buy this property if it was not useful for that purpose. Councillor Evans pointed out that the present hospital farm was originally wild land but had been turned into an excellent farm. It might be expensive to break land but it was a lasting investment. Councillor Leverman asked if there had been any major salary changes this year and when advised that no such changes were included, he suggested that comparative salary figures be listed in future reports.

Councillor Archibald said the value of the land would be largely determined by its location in relation to the present farm. Council would have to determine whether the new land would be an asset or liability. Councillor Naugle said he did not believe the council should lose the opportunity to buy the land. He was confident much of the farm could be cultivated. Councillor Ferguson said more land was needed and that it might not be available if this opportunity was lost. Councillor Archibald said he was willing to abide by the committee's recommendation.

The motion for the adoption of the report was voted upon and carried.

Councillors Myers and Williams moved that council adjourn to 2 p.m. Carried.

### TENTH DAY — AFTERNOON

Tuesday, March 10, 1953

Council met at 2 p.m. Roll called.

Councillor Leverman drew to the attention of council an announcement that fire insurance rates in the suburban areas had been reduced by 20 percent and said this development was due to the good water system and fire fighting equipment built up by the council. He told council last year Mrs. Pettipas had been replaced by Mrs. Morris on the Visiting Committee but that neither party had been notified with the result that Mrs. Pettipas had continued to act. On Monday she was advised of the change during a visit to the hospital and the situation had proved a difficult one. The situation might be rectified when the new committee was appointed.

The report of the Special Medical Committee was read. Councillors Naugle and Burris moved that the report be adopted.

Councillor Donaldson said he believed Dr. MacMillan would have been an excellent choice for the position of medical officer for the eastern area. He asked that this proposal be considered before the report was adopted. Councillor Davis said Dr. Morrison enjoyed the double advantage of central location and special training in respect to communicable diseases. Councillors Ferguson and Burris said the committee had recommended Dr. Morrison because he was centrally located. Councillor Naugle said he considered also the fact that Dr. Morrison was situated in a more thickly populated area.

The motion to adopt the report was voted upon and carried.

Council then turned to consideration of the Preliminary Report of the Finance Committee. Councillor Mosher asked why the county paid a \$4 bounty for wild cats when the animals destroyed forest animals and did not cause farmers much trouble. The county enjoyed no revenue from the forests. The Provincial government should share in the bounty. Councillor Archibald asked if a bounty was paid for foxes and was advised that a \$2 bounty for these animals was in effect. Councillor Burris said foxes were causing poultrymen much trouble and that the bounty might help remedy the situation. Councillor Ferguson said the foxes were causing trouble in the Eastern Shore area also and that he believed the Provincial Government should be asked to contribute towards the bounty. Councillor Settle said raccoons caused the greatest trouble in his area. There should be a bounty on these animals. Councillor Burris agreed raccoons caused damage to poultry flocks. Councillor Day said there was much trouble in his area from the predators and that higher bounties might be considered.

Councillors Mosher and Ferguson moved that the Department of Lands and Forests of the Province of Nova Scotia be asked to match the bounty paid by the Municipality for wildcats, and all animals on which the municipality pays a \$2 bounty.

Councillor Davis said the council might consider a higher bounty on foxes and raccoons and lower bounties for wildcats so that destruction of animals most troublesome to farmers would be encouraged. Councillor Mosher said the fox population was increased when fox ranchers released their animals after the fur price dropped. The province should have paid a subsidy to have the animals killed.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

Councillors Davis and Burris moved that the matter of paying a bounty on raccoons be referred to the Law Amendments Committee. Carried.

Councillor Davis asked which doctors received assistance grants from the county. He was referred to the report of the Special Medical Committee. He asked if Poor Boards were responsible for the doctor's bills of persons unable to pay and was advised the board could pay the bills in cases where the board retained the services of the doctor.

Councillor Naugle said the \$600 estimate for school equipment was set up to provide teaching equipment for schools needing it. The estimate was not used last year. Councillor Burris said the amount might be eliminated this year since last year's estimate was not touched. Councillor Ferguson said the money should have been used since many schools were without proper equipment. Councillor Davis said the school board apparently intended to build up a fund and the amount might be placed in this year's estimates for that purpose. Councillor Burris said he believed there was a good reason for the failure to use the money last year.

Councillor Leverman asked for opinions respecting the collection of hospital accounts. The amount of money due the municipality for these bills now totalled about \$250,000. Councillor Myers said the council should have refused to accept responsibility for the collection of these accounts. The arrangements for payment of the bills should be made while the patients are in the hospital. It was a waste of money to send him letters asking if the patients are able to pay their bills. The clerk pointed out the county was made responsible for the bills by law.

Councillor Mosher said inefficiency at the hospital often accounted for the high

bills. The council should protest to the Minister of Health. Councillor Redmond said the provision that the councillors be consulted before bills are placed with collection agencies would eliminate many of the complaints made in the past.

Councillors Leverman and Donaldson moved that the interim report of the Finance Committee be adopted with the exception of the figures. Carried.

Councillor Allen moved that council adjourn to go into committee work and reconvene at 10 o'clock tomorrow. Carried.

### ELEVENTH DAY — MORNING

Wednesday, March 11, 1953

Council met at 10 o'clock. Roll called.

The minutes of the previous day's sessions were read and adopted on motion of Councillors Evans and Turner.

A letter from the Premier of Nova Scotia asking for endorsement of the European Flood Relief was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A letter from the Municipal Grants Department of the Federal Department of Finance respecting a forthcoming visit of Mr. Clarke to consult with municipal representatives was read.

A letter from the National Employment Service was read inviting councillors to visit the Halifax office on March 16. Councillor Leverman commended the invitation to the council saying the officials of the employment service hoped a visit might lead to closer co-operation between that body and councillors.

Councillors Ferguson and Day moved that a vote of thanks be extended to the Armdale Kiwanis Club for the pleasant reception and dinner. Carried.

Councillors Naugle and Mosher paid tribute to the municipal clerk for his splendid address at the dinner meeting.

Councillors Mosher and Day moved that council adjourn to go into committee work and reconvene at 2 p.m. Carried.

### ELEVENTH DAY — AFTERNOON

Wednesday, March 11, 1953

Council met at 2 p.m. Roll called.

Councillor Mosher said too many restrictions were being applied against county residents through the building regulations. The laws had been applied in his district against the wishes of the people.

Councillors Turner and Donaldson moved that the municipal clerk and treasurer rebate to Mary A. Archibald and Anna Belle Cameron of Calgary taxes to the amount of \$11.80 due to an error in assessing the Heirs of Daniel Cameron for the years 1951 and 1952. Carried.

Councillors Turner and Deputy Warden Cruikshank moved that in view of the fact that sheep are being killed by bears in this municipality, that this council ask the Department of Lands and Forest to pay the owners of sheep killed by bears, upon the production of sufficient evidence, the value of such sheep as ascertained by a sheep valuer.

Councillor Myers said the sheep owners should destroy the bears so that they would get the bounties to offset their losses. Councillor Turner said he had personal knowledge of sheep being killed by bears. A gun to kill the bears could not be carried outside the hunting season and then only with a license. Councillor Redmond said a bear might kill many sheep before it was killed. The bounty would not cover the loss.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

Councillor Allen said the Law Amendments Committee was in attendance at the hearing on the Halifax County bill before the legislative committee and he was confident that it would be approved.



Councillor Naugle and Deputy Warden Cruikshank moved that council go into committee work and reconvene at 4 p.m. Carried.

Council reconvened at 4 p.m.

Councillors Leverman and Williams moved that the report of the Finance Committee re Sinking Funds be adopted. Carried.

Council then resumed discussion of the financial statement. Councillor Leverman said the municipal office collected capital school taxes and retained five percent for collection costs and an additional five percent to offset uncollectable taxes. The school sections were paid 90 percent of total regardless of the amount actually collected. He asked how the system worked and what was done in cases where more than the 90 percent was collected. The clerk advised that the system worked well in most sections, and a few sections collect their own taxes, but sections where collections are notably poor are still on the old system and receive separate bills for capital school purposes. Councillor Leverman said the system of one tax bill had a disadvantage in that it showed the capital school tax rate as part of the total rate giving ratepayers an impression that any rate increase was due to the council's decision when the capital school rate was not decided upon by council. The clerk pointed out that the various rates were itemized on the bill. A change to the two-bill system would mean additional work.

Councillor Donaldson asked why financial statements were not sent to the school trustees so that they would have a better picture of their financial position. The clerk advised this had not been done because of the pressure of other work. Councillor Naugle pointed out that the payment to school sections of 90 percent of the total amount due, sometimes at the expense of other sections, was not wholly fair since the additional amount so received could add up to a large total over a period of years. Councillor Leverman suggested that in cases where only part of a tax bill was paid the municipal tax should be deducted first. The clerk said this system could be followed if the council so decided. He said similar difficulties had arisen in respect to the collection of school poll taxes. Council would have to decide what portion of the amount was to be paid one school section for poll taxes. Councillor Naugle said the poll taxes could not be collected and paid out on the same basis as the property school taxes. A new percentage would have to be worked out. Councillor Turner said the school sections should collect their own poll taxes. Councillor Naugle suggested the whole matter be studied by the Finance Committee.

Councillors Leverman and Evans moved that the financial statement of the municipality be adopted as presented. Carried.

Councillor Leverman paid tribute to the clerk for his address at the Armdale Kiwanis Club meeting and suggested that copies be prepared for distribution to councillors.

Councillor Evans expressed regret that he had been unable to stay to hear the address and said he would like to have a copy.

The report of the Revenue Committee was read. Councillors Naugle and Snair moved that the report be adopted. Carried.

Councillor Leverman moved that council adjourn until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning. Carried.

## TWELFTH DAY — MORNING

Thursday, March 12, 1953

Council met at 10 o'clock. Roll called.

The minutes of the previous day's sessions were read and adopted on motion of Councillors Turner and Settle.

Councillors Evans and Redmond moved that a vote of thanks be extended to Hon. R. M. Fielding and Hon. G. F. Stevens for the excellent dinner and entertainment. Carried.

Petitions respecting requests for street lighting systems for School Section

92 and Ketch Harbor were read and referred to the Public Service Committee.

A letter from the Department of Highways respecting the closing of a road by the Town of Dartmouth was read. Councillor Settle said he did not believe that all properties along the road were owned by the town as the letter suggested. Councillor Evans said the old road had been used constantly and that it would be a hardship for many people if it was closed. There were residences and one service station located along the road. Councillor Redmond said the road was of vital importance to the local residents. It was the only satisfactory route for teams going to Dartmouth. Councillor Settle suggested the matter be taken up with the member for Halifax East. Councillor Naugle agreed and said the closing of the road would bar some property owners from ready access to their homes. Councillor Ferguson said the council should take some action to forestall a situation such as had developed in respect to watershed lands in the western part of the county. Councillor Myers suggested that the councillor for the district could take up the matter. Councillor Evans said the support of the whole council should be behind the effort to rectify the situation.

Councillors Currie and Deputy Warden Cruikshank moved that a special committee of four be appointed by the warden to look into the matter of a portion of the old section of Trunk No. 7 at Lamonts Lake, Westphal. Carried.

The warden appointed the committee as follows: Councillors Settle, Redmond, Evans and Naugle.

The report of the Resources Committee was read and adopted on motion of Councillors Evans and Redmond.

Councillors Redmond and Day moved that council adjourn until 2 p.m. to go into committee work. Carried.

## TWELFTH DAY — AFTERNOON

Thursday, March 12, 1953

Council met at 2 o'clock. Roll called.

Councillors Leverman and Isenor moved that council adjourn until 10 a.m. tomorrow to go into committee work. Carried.

## THIRTEENTH DAY — MORNING

Friday, March 13, 1953

Council met at 10 o'clock. Roll called.

The minutes of the previous day's sessions were read and adopted on motion of Councillors Brown and Isenor.

Councillor Settle reported the special committee to go into the matter of the closing of Trunk Road No. 7 had received a promise from Hon. Mr. Stevens to investigate the matter. Councillor Settle said he and Councillor Redmond had visited the area to learn further about the matter and had discovered that property owners along the main road had been told not to develop their properties further, even though they were outside the boundaries of the watershed. He saw this as a more dangerous situation than the closing of the road. Councillor Redmond said he could confirm Councillor Settle's report. The solicitor said he understood the Town of Dartmouth owned only a small portion of the watershed area. Councillor Settle said there were a number of privately owned properties right on the lake shore but these had been ignored while the town stopped development outside the watershed boundaries.

Councillor Naugle said the council should take some action to protect the rights of county residents. Warden Dowell asked the solicitor to investigate the matter. Councillor Redmond said the town had expropriated property about a half mile from the lake while it did not expropriate other properties right on the lake shore. Councillor Donaldson said the town would want to acquire the lands on the higher slopes of the watershed to assure that the absorbent vegetation of the land was not destroyed. Councillor Settle said this argument could not apply to lands not on

the water shed. Councillor Evans said he believed the town had more in mind than just protection of the water supply. It was generally recognized that this area would become very valuable property in the future. Councillor Davis said the council should take action to assure that the potential growth and development of the Eastern Shore area was not forestalled.

Councillors Turner and Davis moved that the Warden and Treasurer of the Municipality be authorized to borrow, on behalf of the Municipality, a sum not to exceed Thirty-five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000) for the purpose of paying the Provincial Treasurer the taxes payable to him under provision of the Highway Act Chapter 75, Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, for the year 1953, and to do such acts as are necessary to effect such loan. Carried.

Councillors Evans and Isenor moved that the Warden and Treasurer be and they are hereby authorized to arrange with the Royal Bank of Canada, Spring Garden Road Branch, for an overdraft at such bank for a sum not exceeding Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) and the Treasurer is authorized to use such overdraft to defray ordinary expenditures of the Municipality for the coming year. Carried.

Deputy Warden Cruikshank and Councillor Allen moved that this council formally accepts the resignation of Frank Conrod, former farmer at the County Hospital, as tendered and accepted by the Superintendent of the County Hospital, Mr. Edward Smith, on November 21, 1952, and that we ratify the appointment of Mr. Owen Darragh as farmer from November 22, 1952.

Councillor Mosher said the former farmer should have been brought before the courts. Councillor Davis said the matter should not be discussed further. The motion was voted upon and carried.

Councillors Allen and Settle moved that Chapter 11 of the By-Laws, Sect'on 1, Sub-Section 2 (1) be amended to read "repair" means to make any repair up to the value of \$100 or more.

Councillor Allen said the higher cost of building materials had made it almost impossible to do any work of a minor nature without a building permit under the present regulations. The change would be an encouragement to property owners to improve their properties. Councillor Ferguson agreed that even a minor roofing job would cost more than \$25, the present minimum, and that a building permit would be required. The motion was voted upon and carried.

Councillors Allen and Snair moved that Chapter II of the By-Laws, — Part 2 — Section II, Sub-Section 1 be amended to include patent chimneys of the "Selkirk" and "Van Packer" types.

Councillor Allen said he had discussed the matter with the Board of Fire Underwriters representatives and had been advised that that body had no objection to the use of patent chimneys of the type mentioned. They would be safer than poorly constructed brick chimneys. In addition, the patent chimneys would be cheaper for one story structures. Councillor Leverman said the effect of such chimneys on fire insurance rates should be considered. Councillor Allen said there had been objections because people were required to go to additional expense to build brick chimneys. Councillor Mosher said there were too many restrictions on county people. Councillor Snair said he saw the proposed amendment as a relaxation of building regulations. Councillor Ferguson said the provision would leave to the home owner, the choice of the chimney and he probably would consider the safety and cost factors. Council agreed to defer decision until the matter of the fire insurance rates could be investigated.

Councillor Allen asked if the council had ever approved a design for a septic tank. Warden Dowell said none had been officially approved. Councillor Allen reported the engineer was drawing up a design for submission to council. Councillor Snair suggested a number of types might be approved to give the individual a choice as to design.

Councillors Allen and Donaldson moved that a committee of three be appointed to meet with the engineer and make a study of proposed type of septic tanks, and bring back recommendations to council at this session. Carried.

Warden Dowell appointed the committee as follows: Councillors Allen, Donaldson and Snair.

Warden Dowell appointed the Town Planning Board as follows: Councillors Allen, Leverman, Settle and Davis; R. F. Tolson, Bedford; and Hector Montgomery, Purcells Cove. Councillor Myers contended the appointment of outside members should have been by nomination from the floor. The warden said the council had passed that authority to him.

The clerk advised he had consulted fire underwriters as to the effect of patent chimneys on fire insurance rates and was advised that it would be largely left to the individual agent. There could be a 10% differential in the rate.

The motion respecting the proposed amendment to Chapter II of the By-Laws Part 2, Section II, Sub-Section I (the approval of patent chimneys) was voted upon and carried.

Councillor Ferguson said there had been some confusion as to the duties of the Municipal Solicitor, and that these duties should be defined. Councillor Allen asked if the solicitor was entitled to charge districts for services rendered for the district. The warden advised the solicitor had that right. Councillor Allen said this would leave to the district the decision as to which solicitor should be retained. He suggested a study as to the solicitor's duties should be made so that a report could be made to council at the next annual meeting. Councillor Settle said the duties of the solicitors for towns and cities might provide some answers. Councillor Redmond said there should be some knowledge on this question before the salary for a solicitor is fixed since the amount paid should be dependent upon the duties rendered.

Councillor Leverman pointed out that the building inspectors were appointed by the council and contended that the district should not be charged for court cases arising out of the work of the building inspectors. Warden Dowell pointed out the building inspectors worked in only one district. Councillor Allen said the councillor did not direct the work of the building inspector. He was a municipal employee and the results of his work should not be a district charge.

Deputy Warden Cruikshank suggested an amendment to the Municipal Act be sought setting out the solicitor's duties. The council might take its request to the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities. Councillor Allen said all municipalities did not face the same problems. The council should decide the matter.

The solicitor said he had discussed his duties with former solicitors and municipal officials and as far as he could learn he was expected generally to assist the council and its committees and boards, but that he was entitled to separate payment for services rendered to districts. During the past two months he had spent about 90 percent of his time on municipal matters but had received nothing outside his annual stipend. He had not been paid for some court actions taken for individual districts and in fact had paid out some disbursements himself but had not been repaid for them as yet. Councillor Redmond said the duties of the solicitor should be defined before the matter of salary was considered. Councillor Evans said he believed the present solicitor was entitled to the same treatment as former solicitors. He had paid the solicitor for services rendered his district. Councillor Davis suggested the minister of municipal affairs be asked to define the solicitor's duties.

Councillor Myers moved that council adjourn until 2 p.m. Carried.

### THIRTEENTH DAY — AFTERNOON

Friday, March 13, 1953

Council met at 2 p.m. Roll called.

The report of the Boards of Health for Districts 12 and 13 were read and were received and filed on motion of Councillors Naugle and Mosher.

The report of the Sanitary Inspector for District 20 was read and was received and filed on motion of Councillors Ferguson and Turner.

The proposed amendments to the by-laws were read and discussed.

Councillors Naugle and Currie moved that the proposed amendments to the by-laws as presented at the session be adopted. Carried.

Councillors Day and Leverman moved that the present regulations with respect to the payment of officials for election purposes be extended to include payment of the Presiding Officers, Deputy Presiding Officers and Poll Clerks in the event of a recount, at the same rate as they would be paid on Election Day and that they be paid mileage at the rate of 10 cents per mile to the court house and return to home, also to be extended to include any necessary witnesses at a recount, said witnesses to be paid at the same rate as a poll clerk, and that the resolution be retroactive to the date of the municipal elections of 1952. Carried.

Councillors Naugle and Evans moved that the Director of Assessment shall on or before the 31st day of December in every year complete the Assessment Roll. Carried.

Councillors Leverman and Burris moved that the Assessment Appeal Court shall meet for the hearing of Appeals in the County Court House on the last Wednesday of January in each year. Carried.

Councillors Ferguson and Isenor moved that the notice of appeal from assessment shall state with particularity the grounds of objection to the assessment and shall be given in the municipality at least 10 days prior to the meeting of the Assessment Appeal Court. Carried.

Councillor Mosher said he believed the Director of Assessment should inspect personally each property involved in an assessment appeal.

The report of the Public Services Committee was read.

Councillors Leverman and Settle moved that the report of the Public Services Committee be tabled until Monday morning, as it involves the expenditure of money. Carried.

Councillors Redmond and Davis gave notice of motion respecting proposed borrowings as follows: Fairview Sewer, \$150,000; Tufts Cove Sewer, \$25,000; Fairview re City Sewers, \$25,000; and Extensions to Water Mains, \$10,000.

Councillors Naugle and Evans gave notice of motion respecting proposed borrowing for Extension to Water and Sewer Mains and Other Public Works, \$50,000.

Councillors Ferguson and Isenor gave notice of motion respecting proposed borrowings re County Hospital, \$200,000.

Councillor Naugle asked if some action could be taken to revive the South Woodside water system project. The main handicap to be faced was the long stretch along the Nova Scotia Hospital property where there were no potential consumers. The matter might be brought to the attention of the Provincial Government with a hope that the body might provide some financial assistance. Councillor Leverman assured that the Public Service Committee had not abandoned the project. A new survey was necessary and would be undertaken as soon as practicable. Councillor Myers said a survey had been made and a contract given for the project but it had been abandoned. He did not believe a new survey was needed. Councillor Naugle said he would like to see the council make some new effort at the present meeting to get the project underway. Councillor Currie assured the council that the people of South Woodside were still vitally concerned with the matter. The main problem had been the rate, resulting from the long stretch past the Nova Scotia Hospital property. He hoped that the provincial government might be induced to recognize that it had some responsibility to help overcome that difficulty. The province had recently expropriated land in the area, removing a substantial amount from the tax rolls. Councillor Settle said he had heard that the Federal Government was considering possible purchase of the land with a view to erecting a new housing development there. If this was done it would make a substantial change in the situation.

Councillor Donaldson moved that council adjourn until Monday morning at 10 o'clock. Carried.

## FOURTEENTH DAY — MORNING

Monday, March 16, 1953

Council met at 10 o'clock. Roll called.

The minutes of the March 13 sessions were read and adopted on motion of Councillors Naugle and Isenor.

A petition from Sheet Harbor ratepayers asking for the establishment of a closed section was read. Councillor Redmond said he believed the people wanted a permanent pound established. Councillor Evans suggested the petitioners be asked what action they wished taken before any decision is made. Councillor Donaldson said he would investigate the matter.

The clerk announced that a list of overdue hospital accounts had been prepared and distributed to the councillors. Councillor Redmond said the hospital authorities should be asked to submit their bills without unnecessary delays. Councillor Leverman asked councillors to study the list and to make their recommendations to the Finance Committee.

Councillors Naugle and Brown moved that Mr. H. S. MacGlashen be appointed Director of Assessment of the Municipality of the County of Halifax for the year 1953. Carried.

Councillors Davis and Redmond moved that Mr. Lewis Cook, Mr. Walter M. Purcell, Mr. William P. Anderson, Mrs. John W. Lynch, Mr. Gordon D. Smiley and Mr. Fulton K. Andrews be appointed assistant to the Director of Assessment of the Municipality of the County of Halifax for the year 1953. Carried.

Councillors Leverman and Naugle moved that the report of the Public Services Committee be adopted.

Councillor Allen said that it would appear that the report recommended the expenditure of about \$250,000 for further water and sewer developments when the income from the assets at present was only \$17,000. He asked how the municipality contributed to these expenditures. He was advised the water systems were self-supporting but that the municipality paid one-half of the cost of sewer extensions. Councillor Naugle asked if the county contributed under agreements for the use of the city's sewer mains. He was advised the cost was borne by the users.

Councillor Turner asked for information as to the proposed expenditure of \$3,000 for construction of a garage. Councillor Leverman said the Public Service Committee had bought a lot of land out of an amount set aside by council last year for that purpose but did not have enough to build a garage. It was suggested that a larger building should be erected where materials could be stored and work done. Councillor Naugle said a workshop was needed if efficient work was to be done. Councillor Settle said the lot purchased would be large enough to care for future needs for many years.

Councillor Burris asked what portion of the \$150,000 estimate for Fairview water and sewer was to be used for the sewer system. He was advised that about \$80,000 would be used for the sewer system and that the county would pay about one-half of this amount. Councillor Allen questioned if it was a good idea to invest large amounts of money in Fairview since the people there have been considering amalgamation with the city. The warden said the county's investment would receive consideration in any negotiations toward amalgamation. Councillor Allen said he had been advised that the Fairview people could not expect the same services as city residents enjoy even if amalgamation took place. Councillor Naugle said legislation had been passed whereby the municipality would get its money back if Fairview amalgamated with the city.

Councillor Davis said he believed the provision of water and sewer services would encourage the Fairview people to stay in the municipality. Councillor Myers said the council should ignore threats of amalgamation with the city. If the people wanted to leave the county they should be permitted to do so. The county would probably be better off without them. Councillor Turner agreed.

Councillor Allen said he understood that the agreement whereby the municipality was to pay 50 percent of the cost of sewer installations was intended to apply to Woodside only and not the whole county. Councillor Naugle said this program was intended to cover the whole county.

Councillor Redmond said there was a lot of revenue coming into the county from the suburban areas. They could not continue to develop without services and if they were not provided then these areas would be forced to amalgamate with the city. If the county was divided, the tax rate would go up in the rural section.

Councillor Donaldson asked what portion of the area would be served with water and sewer when the new project was finished. Councillor Leverman said it would mean about 10 percent of the area was so served. He felt the council had about reached the limit as far as sewer and water extensions went. The water services could not be extended much further without great expenditures of money and sewer services could not be extended to areas where there was no water.

The motion to adopt the report of the Public Services Committee was voted upon and carried.

Councillor Myers moved that council adjourn until 2 p.m. Carried.

#### FOURTEENTH DAY — AFTERNOON

Monday, March 16, 1953

Council met at 2 o'clock. Roll called.

Councillors Redmond and Davis moved the following resolution:

FAIRVIEW — SEWER.....	\$ 150,000
TUFTS COVE — SEWER.....	25,000
FAIRVIEW RE CITY SEWERS.....	25,000
EXTENSIONS WATER MAINS.....	10,000

WHEREAS the Municipality of the County of Halifax is authorized by law

to borrow or raise by way of loan by the issue and sale of debentures of the Municipality sums not exceeding,—

One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000) for the purpose of installing sewer mains in the Fairview area of District No. 12 and acquiring or purchasing materials, machinery, implements and plant deemed requisite or advisable therefor;

Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) for the purpose of installing a sewer outfall in the Tufts Cove area and acquiring or purchasing materials, machinery, implements and plant deemed requisite or advisable therefor;

Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) for the purpose of paying the Municipality's share of the cost of a sewer main extending from the Dutch Village Road at Deal Settlement through to the Bedford Basin, and also for the purpose of paying the Municipality's share on sewers that have been constructed by the City of Halifax along the Dutch Village Road, and acquiring or purchasing materials, machinery, implements and plant deemed requisite or advisable therefor; and Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) for the purpose of extending existing water mains in the area adjacent to the Town of Dartmouth and acquiring or purchasing materials, machinery, implements and plant deemed requisite or advisable therefor;

AND WHEREAS the said Municipality by resolutions passed by the Council thereof on the 26th day of March, A. D. 1952, and approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs on the 17th day of April, A. D. 1952, was authorized to postpone the issue of such debentures and to borrow such sums from the Royal Bank of Canada for a period not exceeding twelve months;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient that the period of such borrowings from said Bank be extended;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that subject to the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs the authorized period of such borrowings from said Bank be extended for a further period, not exceeding twelve months. Carried.

Councillors Naugle and Evans moved the following resolution:  
**EXTENSION WATER AND SEWER MAINS AND**

**OTHER PUBLIC WORKS**..... \$ 50,000

WHEREAS by Section 6 of Chapter 6 of the Acts of 1945, The Municipal Affairs Act, it is enacted among other things, in effect, that notwithstanding any of the provisions of any general or special Act of the Legislature of Nova Scotia every Municipality of a County or District shall have full power and authority to borrow or raise by way of loan from time to time on the credit of such Municipality such sum or sums as the Council thereof deems necessary for any Municipal purpose whatsoever;

AND WHEREAS by Section 7 of said The Municipal Affairs Act, it is enacted, among other things, in effect, that no money shall be borrowed under that Act until such proposed borrowing has been approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs;

AND WHEREAS by said The Municipal Affairs Act it is further provided that sums to be borrowed under that Act shall in the discretion of the Municipal Council be borrowed or raised in one sum at one time or in installments at different times and the sums required shall be borrowed or raised by the issue and sale of debentures of the Municipality to such an amount as the Council thereof deems necessary to raise such sum;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed necessary by the Municipal Council of the Municipality of the County of Halifax to borrow a sum not exceeding Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) for the purpose of extending existing water and sewer mains and carry out other public works in areas adjacent to the Town of Dartmouth and the City of Halifax and acquiring or purchasing materials, machinery, implements and plant deemed requisite or advisable therefor;

THAT such sum or sums be borrowed from said Bank for a period not exceeding twelve months, with interest thereon to be paid such Bank at the rate of  $4\frac{1}{2}\%$  per annum and that the amount so borrowed be repaid said Bank from the proceeds of the said debentures when sold. Carried.

Councillors Ferguson and Isenor moved the following resolution:

**COUNTY HOSPITAL**..... \$ 200,000

WHEREAS the Municipality of the County of Halifax is authorized by law to borrow or raise by way of loan by the issue and sale of debentures of the Municipality sum not exceeding,—

Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000) for the purpose of erecting, furnishing and equipping a new building, for a poorhouse and asylum for harmless insane and altering, equipping and furnishing an existing building for said purpose, such sum to be in addition to the sum of Three Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$350,000) already borrowed for said purpose, and acquiring or purchasing materials, machinery, implements and plant deemed requisite or advisable therefor;

AND WHEREAS the said Municipality by resolution passed by the Council thereof on the 26th day of March, A. D. 1952, and approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs on the 15th day of April, A. D. 1952, was authorized to postpone the issue of such debentures and to borrow such sum from the Royal Bank of Canada for a period not exceeding twelve months;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient that the period of such borrowings from said Bank be extended;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that subject to the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs the authorized period of such borrowing from said Bank be extended for a further period, not exceeding twelve months. Carried.

Councillors Settle and Brown moved that the financial statements of the water utility for the year 1952 be adopted. Carried.

The report of the Special Committee re Division of Districts 12 and 14 was read.

Councillors Naugle and Ferguson moved that the report be adopted. Carried.

Councillor Redmond suggested that a new committee be set up to continue study on the matter. Any revision should be made well in advance of a municipal election. Councillor Naugle said the committee had included such a recommendation in its report.



The warden appointed the special committee as follows: Councillors Allen, Ferguson, Naugle, Currie and Snair.

Councillors Leverman and Naugle moved that the matter of a common building permit for the whole municipality be passed to the special committee re common design of septic tanks, etc., for recommendation to council. Carried.

The deputy warden then took the chair.

Warden Dowell and Councillor Redmond moved that Councillor Davis be appointed as the council's representative on the board of the Twin Oaks Memorial Hospital. Carried.

The council's attention was then drawn to the statement of district credits and break-down of tax arrears. Councillor Allen said the large amount of arrears shown meant taxpayers who paid their taxes were also being penalized by having to pay for those who would not do so. Councillor Archibald asked when taxes were written off and was advised that they were ordinarily written off in ten years although it might be done sooner in cases where there was no possibility of collection. Those against real property were never completely written off, however.

Councillor Mosher asked why more tax sales were not made. He was advised that some had been held but that changes were needed in the legal procedure before this method of collection could be effective. Councillor Naugle said the council should seek legislation to enable the municipality to create a good deed in a tax sale. Councillor Redmond said some people did not pay their taxes just because they did not have a good deed. Warden Dowell said he thought the municipality would have a better chance of getting the legislation it needed if the council made a direct appeal rather than through the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities.

Councillors Leverman and Naugle moved that the Law Amendments Committee make a study of the procedure of sale of land for taxes under the Assessment Act, and draw up legislation for this municipality with a view to a speeding up of process of selling land for taxes. Carried.

Councillors Donaldson and Mosher moved that the details of various district balances and the statement of municipal taxes be filed. Carried.

Councillors Naugle and Evans moved that the council adopt the joint estimates for 1953 including the estimates for the County Jail, and the estimates for the Commissioners of the Court House. Carried.

The report of the Board of Health for District 22 was read and was received and filed on motion of Councillors Leverman and Turner.

The report of the auditors was read and was received and filed on motion of Councillors Turner and Isenor.

The report of the Municipal School Board was read.

Councillors Burris and Naugle moved that the report be tabled as notice of motion until Tuesday. Carried.

Councillors Turner and Donaldson moved that District No. 22 be duly authorized by the council to purchase fire equipment to an amount not exceeding \$2,000. Carried.

Councillor Redmond said he did not believe the council had the power to authorize such a purchase. The councillors, however, did have the power to make the expenditure if he saw fit.

Councillor Evans reported that his district Poor Board had refused to pay certain accounts for a man who was certified as insane and admitted to a mental hospital and later was transferred to the tuberculosis hospital at Sydney. The board had received a bill for the man's transportation to and from the Sydney hospital and contended that it was not liable for the bill since the man had been certified. The expenditure was made without consulting the board. The solicitor said more information would be necessary before he could make a ruling. Councillor Mosher said his district had been charged with a large bill because a patient was released from the county hospital without his knowledge. The councillors should be notified when patients from their districts were released.

Councillor Leverman moved that council adjourn until 10 a.m. tomorrow. Carried.

## FIFTEENTH DAY — MORNING

Tuesday, March 17, 1953

Council met at 10 o'clock. Roll called.

The minutes of the previous day's sessions were read and adopted on motion of Councillors Turner and Snair.

A letter was read from the Halifax County Branch of the Nova Scotia Farmers Association, asking for a grant. Councillor Settle said the county branch had done much work for the welfare of farmers but that it needed \$500 if it was to maintain its membership in the provincial organization. It was asking the council for some assistance. The letter was referred to the Finance Committee.

A letter was read from a Murphy's Cove resident respecting a request for the establishment of a closed section. Councillor Ferguson recounted that a petition on the matter was received last year and that a committee was named to investigate the matter. He understood the men appointed were not advised. Councillor Myers said he did not see that there was a need for pounds since the law required a person to keep his animals penned.

Councillors Evans and Redmond moved that in the case of travel expenses in the amount of \$47.20 from the T.B. Hospital at Point Edward to the County Hospital at Cole Harbor in the case of Henry Lawrence Smith, that due to peculiar circumstances in this instance, that the Municipality of the County of Halifax pay this account and that District No. 16 be credited with this amount. Carried.

Councillor Evans said the council had been told by Major Ford of the Salvation Army that the municipality was charged for only eight days for unmarried mothers entering the Grace Hospital. He had some bills that indicated the county had been charged for more than eight days. The superintendent of the hospital should be asked to advise the municipal clerk when such patients were admitted and an attempt should be made at that time to determine who was responsible for the bill. The warden suggested no action be taken until the matter had been investigated.

Councillor Allen said the committee set up to go into the matter of a common design of septic tank for the municipality was not yet able to make a report and was recommending that the matter be left in its hands for further study. Councillor Myers asked if a by-law would have to be passed to establish such standards. The solicitor said the sanitary inspector had to approve any type of septic tank used. Councillor Myers asked what would be done in cases where persons built better tanks. Councillor Allen said there would be no objection in a case of that type.

Councillors Allen and Donaldson moved that the matter of plans for septic tanks be left in the hands of the special committee and their approval be passed to the building inspectors for their guidance also that the matter of form of building permits be recommended to the building inspectors for their guidance. Carried.

Councillors Evans and Mosher moved that the superintendent of Grace Maternity Hospital be asked to notify the municipal clerk and treasurer on the day an unmarried mother is admitted to the institution, if she is likely to become a charge to Halifax County. Carried.

Councillor Davis said a similar request could be made to all hospitals. Councillor Evans asked the municipal clerk to check with the hospital as to the number of days for which the municipality was charged. Recent bills he had received were substantially higher than those received in earlier years. Councillor Naugle said in some cases, the health of the patient would require extended hospitalization. Councillor Davis said he understood the county would be charged for an average of eight days per patient.

The warden appointed the following committees to investigate requests for pound sections: Moser River-Necum Teuch — George Cameron, Ecum Secum Bridge; James Scrivens, West Quoddy; and Carl Snow, Harrigan Cove. Sheet Harbor (East River) — Roy Kenney, John Balcom and Albert Gault, all of Sheet Harbor.

The solicitor said he had looked into the matter of proposed legislation to require county residents to have adequate sanitary facilities and running water in

buildings where food was stored for sale. He said there were health regulations which required all homes to have minimum sanitary facilities but there was no law respecting the requirement for running water. He suggested the latter provision might be covered by regulations passed by the local health boards.

Councillor Davis asked how the scale of fees for doctors called to determine the cause of a death was fixed. He was advised that the scale of fees was set by law. Councillor Davis said he did not think it was fair that a doctor should be asked to leave his practice for an extended period for a small fee. The council might consider some provision to supplement these fees. The warden suggested the council might pass a resolution of the matter to be taken up by the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities. Councillor Burris said the coroner's fees act was revised in recent years and that it would provide an adequate fee for a doctor who is called to determine the cause of a death and appear before a coroner's jury.

Councillors Naugle and Burris moved that the report of the Municipal School Board be adopted.

Councillor Leverman asked what amount was involved in the recommendation that the municipality share in the cost of transportation respecting the proposed Tangier school consolidation. Councillor Ferguson traced the steps leading up to the consolidation, saying the people were aware that it would mean a substantially higher tax rate but they were willing to accept this burden to ensure better education opportunities for their children. He estimated that the municipality's share in the transportation expense would be about \$1,800. Councillor Davis urged the council to support the request since the proposed consolidation was a good measure. Councillor Naugle said the school board had studied the proposal carefully. It had asked the Minister of Education to have a rural high school established in the Eastern Shore area but had met little encouragement. He believed the municipality should aid the local people to solve their problem.

Councillor Burris said the board had not formally approved the consolidation pending the council's decision. Councillor Donaldson asked who would own the school bus and was advised it would be owned by the municipal school board. Councillor Redmond said he approved the recommendation but felt similar aid should be given any sections undertaking consolidation. Deputy Warden Cruikshank asked what the new tax rate would be for the Tangier people if the plan was approved. Councillor Ferguson said the rate would increase by about one dollar.

Councillor Mosher said many schools were being built larger than necessary, resulting in a waste of the taxpayers' money. Councillor Naugle said the school board did not control the construction of new schools.

The motion to adopt the report was voted upon and carried.

Councillor Myers moved that council adjourn until 2 p.m. The motion was defeated.

The special report of the Public Service Committee was read and adopted on motion of Councillors Leverman and Naugle.

Councillor Mosher moved that council adjourn until 2 p.m. Carried.

## FIFTEENTH DAY — AFTERNOON

Tuesday, March 17, 1953

Council met at 2 o'clock. Roll called.

Councillors Leverman and Redmond moved that the Public Services Committee of this council be authorized by the council to negotiate with the Board of Nova Scotia Fire Underwriters with a view of making an adjustment in the fire insurance rates in protected districts. Carried.

The report of the Welfare Committee re district rates was read and adopted on motion of Councillors Ferguson and Williams.

Councillor Donaldson asked why the allotment for District 20 to the hospital was reduced by \$300. Councillor Ferguson said the request for the grant was for a certain percentage of the assessment and the amount shown was based on that percentage.

The report of the Committee on Jury Lists was read and adopted on motion of Councillors Brown and Isenor.

Councillor Ferguson said he would like to have the council's permission to revise the Welfare Committee's report, so as to amend his district's contribution to the hospital to \$1,500. The council agreed.

The list of the district officers was tabled.

Councillors Turner and Davis moved that the council appoint the district and municipal officers as recommended by the various councillors for Districts 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27 and 28. Carried.

The warden appointed the Visiting Committee to the county hospital as follows: Rev. G. S. Tanton, Tangier; Rev. Father Hooper, Dartmouth; Mrs. C. H. Morris, Dartmouth; Mrs. Frank Settle, Cole Harbor; and Mrs. A. C. Pettipas, Dartmouth. Councillor Evans suggested that Mrs. Harry Merrick be appointed to replace Mrs. Settle, who had been a member of the committee for a long time.

Councillors Evans and Ferguson moved that Mrs. Harry Merrick be substituted as a member of the Visiting Committee of the Halifax County Hospital in place of Mrs. Frank Settle. The motion was voted upon and defeated.

Councillor Donaldson suggested a change be made in the by-laws to increase the size of the committee. Some members of the committee had served for a long time and should not be dropped while they were willing to serve. Councillor Naugle suggested that a representative of the western part of the county should be on the committee.

Councillors Donaldson and Turner moved that the law amendments committee consider the advisability of increasing the membership of the Visiting Committee at the Halifax County Hospital. Carried.

Councillors Davis and Allen moved that this council ask the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities to request amendments to the existing legislation as to the scale of fees of medical practitioners under the Poor Relief Act and the Coroner Act with a view to these scales being increased, as well as the general scale of fees under the said acts, being increased. Carried.

Councillors Turner and Leverman moved that there be no half-yearly meeting of the council in 1953. Carried.

Councillor Evans asked if the council would agree to the addition of Mrs. Merrick to the Visiting Committee when the size of the committee was increased. The council agreed. The solicitor said the size of the committee was set by provincial law.

Councillors Naugle and Evans moved that a new slate be named to the Visiting Committee of the Halifax County Hospital, said slate to be brought before council by a committee of three. Carried.

The warden named Councillors Naugle, Allen and Mosher to the special committee.

The report of the Commissioners of the Court House was read. Councillor Leverman said the council should know if it was going to be charged rent for its offices in the court house building before it agrees to the proposed building program. Councillor Redmond agreed. The council should not agree to the proposal and then find it was being charged rent after the work was completed. Councillor Naugle said that if it was proposed to charge the county rent then the municipality could withdraw from the construction program. Councillor Redmond said the question as to whether or not the municipality would be charged rent would depend upon the attorney general's ruling.

Councillors Leverman and Redmond moved that until such time as the attorney general gives a decision as to whether or not the municipality is responsible for paying rent to the commissioners of the court house, that the matter of the borrowing for the purposes of improvements to the court house building be deferred to a special meeting of the council. Carried.

Councillors Naugle and Isenor moved that the report of the Commissioners of the Court House be received and filed. Carried.

Councillors Leverman and Naugle moved that F. E. Smith and Walter Steck be appointed as auditors for the year 1953. Carried.

Councillors Brown and Williams moved that J. F. R. MacMahon be appointed clerk of licenses for the year 1953. Carried.

The warden then called for nominations to the Municipal Building Board.

Councillor Allen nominated Ernest Barrett, Sackville. Councillor Mosher nominated Andrew Thompson, Glen Margaret. Councillor Currie nominated Herbert Myers, North Woodside.

Councillors Naugle and Burris moved that nominations cease. Carried.

Councillors Ferguson and Evans moved that the clerk deposit a ballot for the three nominees. This was done and the warden declared them elected.

The warden called for nominations to the Veterinary Board.

Councillors Archibald and Naugle moved that George S. Dickey be nominated as veterinary board representatives for Halifax East Hants Veterinary Board.

Councillors Naugle and Burris moved that nominations cease. Carried.

Councillors Turner and Donaldson moved that the clerk deposit a ballot for Mr. Dickey. The clerk deposited the ballot and the warden declared Mr. Dickey elected.

Councillor Ferguson nominated Thomas Ballong and Councillor Evans nominated Donald Turner as representatives on the Halifax County Veterinary Board.

Councillors Settle and Evans moved that nominations cease. Carried.

Councillors Redmond and Isenor moved that the clerk deposit a ballot for the two nominees. The clerk deposited the ballots and the warden declared them elected.

The warden then invited nominations to the Municipal School Board.

Councillor Allen pointed out that the work of the school board was of keen interest to all county ratepayers. He believed a change in the board's personnel was a good measure. For that reason he did not wish to be nominated.

Councillors Myers and Mosher moved that the members of the Municipal School Board be appointed by the warden. The motion was defeated.

Councillor Myers asked to be recorded as voting in favor of the motion.

Deputy Warden Cruikshank and Councillor Isenor nominated Councillor Archibald.

Councillors Donaldson and Davis nominated Councillor Ferguson. Councillor Myers and Currie nominated Councillor Naugle.

Councillors Allen and Turner nominated Warden Dowell. Councillors Mosher and Redmond nominated Councillor Leverman.

Councillors Brown and Isenor moved that nominations to the Municipal School Board cease. Carried. As there was only one nomination to the Board from Halifax Center, the Warden declared Councillor Archibald, duly elected as a member of the Municipal School Board.

The deputy warden took the chair. He appointed Councillors Snair and Settle as scrutineers.

The deputy warden announced the results of the first vote as: Councillor Ferguson — 13 votes. Councillor Naugle — 8 votes. He declared Councillor Ferguson elected.

The deputy warden announced the results of the second vote as: Councillor Leverman — 13. Warden Dowell — 9. He declared Councillor Leverman elected.

Deputy Warden Cruikshank and Councillor Archibald moved that the duties of the solicitor for the municipality of Halifax County will include the following:

Attend all council sessions, advise, prepare resolutions and assist with reports.

Attend committee meetings when notified and advise the warden, clerk and other officers during the year.

Prepare necessary legislation and present it to the legislature.

Prepare deeds and other municipal documents.

Advise on all details apart from searching titles in connection with Lien Law sales and approve all notices prepared by the municipal office. (Searching titles for same to be paid by the Municipality).

Attend to prosecutions for violation of dog licenses, by-laws, Building Act, Town Planning Act, and any other Municipal act or resolution and all preliminary work re court actions (Court attendance to be paid for by the municipality).

Advise councillors on district matters including poor, health, etc.

Councillor Naugle said the duties as outlined were substantially the same as the solicitor had performed in the past. He believed it was a good thing, however, to have the duties defined. Councillor Redmond said the resolution proposed that the municipality pay the solicitor for court appearances. This was a change. Councillor Allen said the building inspectors were appointed by the council and he believed that they were therefore municipal officers. Councillor Burris said the building inspectors worked in one district only and thus they were district officers. Councillor Snair said the resolution would mean court cases arising out of building violations would be a municipal charge.

Councillor Myers said he did not believe these district cases should be municipal charges. Councillor Naugle agreed. Many districts might never have such cases. Councillor Evans agreed also and said the expense should be paid out of district funds. Councillors Mosher and Snair said they approved of the resolution. Councillor Donaldson said the resolution did not set any limits on the amount to be paid for court actions. Councillors Donaldson and Evans called for a roll call vote.

The motion was voted upon and the vote was recorded as follows: For — Warden Dowell, Deputy Warden Cruikshank, Councillors Currie, Allen, Day, Davis, Redmond, Settle, Leverman, Brown, Williams, Mosher and Snair. Against — Councillors Isenor, Archibald, Burris, Turner, Donaldson, Ferguson, Evans, Naugle and Myers. The deputy warden declared the motion carried.

Councillors Leverman and Turner moved that council adjourn until 5 p.m. Carried.

Council reconvened at 5 o'clock. Roll called.

Councillor Redmond said the council had been promised a report from the municipal collector and said it should be presented. Councillor Myers agreed. The councillors were entitled to the information as to the collections during the past year. Councillor Mosher said he believed a report should be presented from the collector. He was a municipal employee and should report on his work. Councillor Ferguson said the collector had prepared a report and it could be presented. Councillor Myers said the county should dispense with the services of the collector. Councillor Davis said the appointment was made in a proper way and should not be criticized at this time.

Mr. Archibald reviewed the facts of his appointment and presented his report to council.

Councillors Davis and Evans moved that a vote of confidence be extended to Mr. Archibald for his excellent work during the year. Carried.

Councillors Brown and Williams moved that the report be received and filed. Carried.

The report of the Finance Committee was read. Councillor Myers said any report proposing expenditures of money should be tabled for a day according to the by-laws. The warden said this did not apply to a report by the Finance Committee. Councillor Redmond asked if consideration had ever been given to the establishment of a superannuation scheme for municipal employees. The present system amounted more to a gift than a pension. He was advised there had been no detailed study of the matter.

Councillors Leverman and Evans moved that the report of the Finance Committee including estimates be adopted.

Councillor Redmond said the council should give serious consideration to the organization of a pension scheme. Councillor Davis said such a study would require some months and that a committee to make the study might be appointed by a special meeting of the council. Councillor Redmond said the councillors might give the idea some thought during the year.

Councillor Myers said the report recommended wage increases for municipal employees but the council had never discussed the matter. The decision should not be left with the Finance Committee.

The motion to adopt the report was voted upon and carried.

Councillors Burris and Naugle moved that the rate to be levied for rural high

school purposes in the Musquodoboit Rural High School Area be set at 40 cents for the year 1953. Carried.

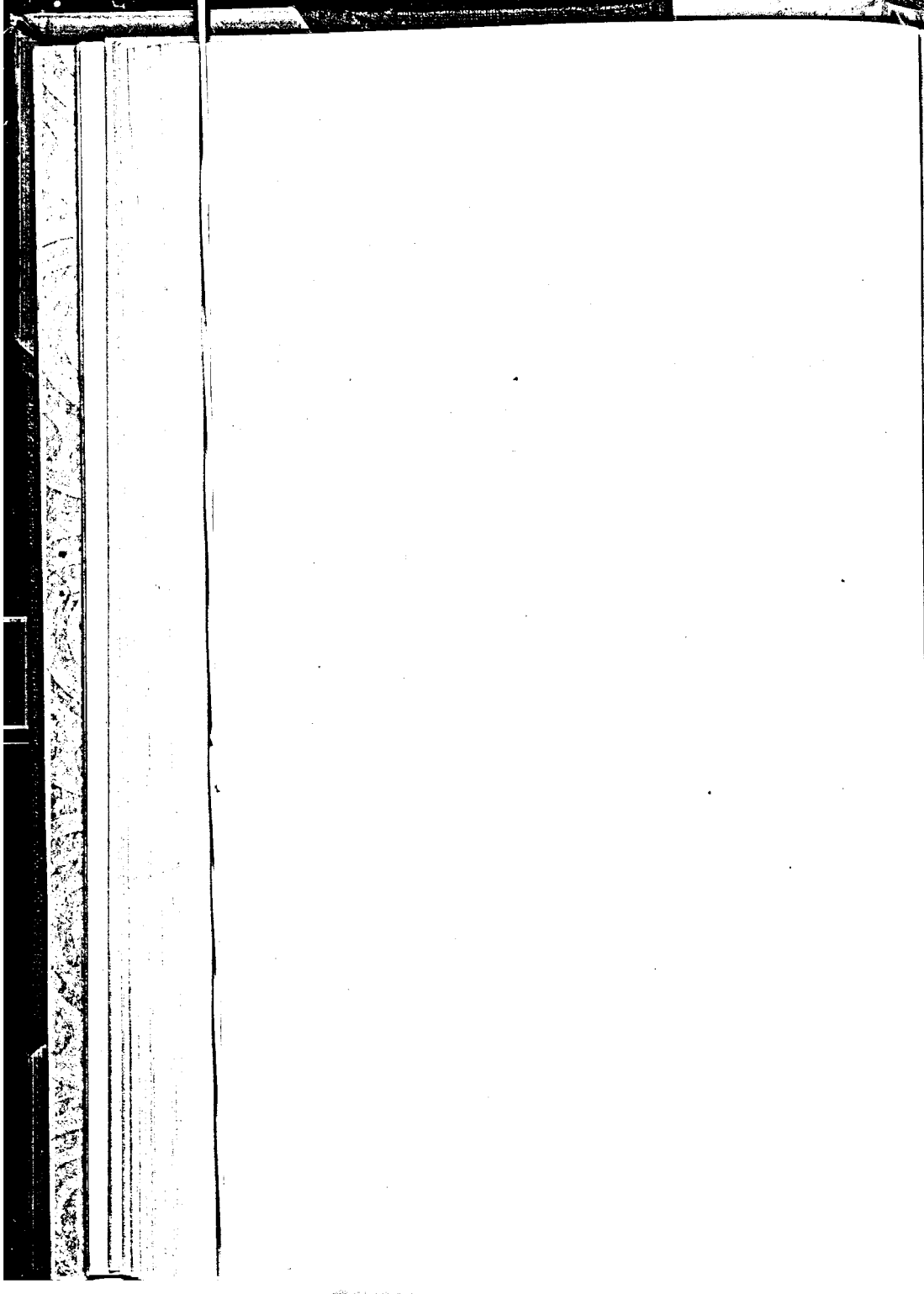
The report of the special committee re the county hospital visiting committee was read.

Councillors Naugle and Redmond moved that Mrs. J. T. Cruikshank, Mrs. C. A. MacNearney, Rev. Mr. Tanton, Mrs. Harry Merrick and Mrs. A. C. Pettipas be the visiting committee for the County Hospital for the year 1953. Carried.

The minutes for the day's sessions were read and adopted on motion of Councillors Burris and Turner.

Deputy Warden Cruikshank and Councillor Redmond moved that the thanks of council be expressed to Mr. Hayes, our reporter, for the excellent work he had done re reporting minutes. Carried.

Councillors Mosher and Redmond moved that council adjourn sine die. Carried. God Save the Queen.





**REPORT OF THE AUDITORS**

His Honour the Warden and Members of the County Council,  
Municipality of the County of Halifax,  
Halifax, N. S.

We have examined the books and records of the following:—

The Municipality of the County of Halifax for the year ended December 31, 1952.

The Halifax County Hospital for the year ended December 31, 1952.

The Municipal School Board for the School year ended December 31, 1951.

The transfers made in 1952 of certain arrears of taxes to a deferred record requires your approval.

The outstanding Hospital Accounts which are fully reserved for, were not verified by us.

We recommend that Tenders be requested when purchasing District equipment and for all Municipal supplies.

In our opinion, subject to the foregoing, the Balance Sheet of the Municipality of the County of Halifax for the year ended December 31, 1952, submitted herewith, is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the affairs of the Municipality. The Statement of Revenue and Expenditure of the Municipality of the County of Halifax shows a true and correct summary of the operations of the Municipality for the year under review, according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the Books.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) Frank E. Smith,  
Chartered Accountant  
Walter E. Stech,  
Chartered Accountant

Adopted, March 16, 1953

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Municipality of the County of Halifax, Revenue Fund Balance Sheet,  
December 31, 1952

## ASSETS

<b>Cash on hand or on Deposit:</b>			
Cash.....		\$	4,860.20
Royal Bank of Canada — Current Account.....			77,787.24
Royal Bank of Canada — Capital Account.....			15,866.20
Nova Scotia Savings, Loan & Bldg. Society.....			26,438.38
Royal Bank of Canada — Coupon Account.....			231.25
			\$ 125,183.27
<b>Investments:</b>			
Dominion of Canada Bonds 3%, 1962, 1963, 1966	70,000.00		
Eastern Canada Savings & Loan Co. Debenture 3½%, 1953.....	30,000.00		
Deposit Receipts.....	25,000.00		
“ “ .....	25,000.00		
“ “ .....	35,191.45		
			\$ 185,191.45
<b>Accounts Receivable:</b>			
Sundry.....	35,498.28		
Halifax County Hospital.....	25,127.05		
Grace Maternity Hospital Accounts. (Fully reserved see Contra).....	9,015.80		
Victoria General and Other Hospitals. (Fully reserved see Contra).....	116,435.21		
			\$ 186,076.34
<b>Due from Other Funds:</b>			
Public Service.....	13,504.61		
Woodside Sewer.....	601.67		
Tufts Cove Sewer Debt Charge and Maintenance Account.....	1,765.00		
			15,871.28
<b>Taxes Receivable:</b>			
1944.....	\$2,502.73	1949.....	\$ 16,539.66
1945.....	3,852.37	1950.....	26,165.83
1946.....	4,818.47	1951.....	74,620.79
1947.....	7,699.59	1952.....	217,259.46
1948.....	11,406.22	See Contra Reserve.....	
			364,865.12
<b>Property Acquired at Tax Sale:</b>			
Vested Property.....		1.00	
			\$ 1.00
<b>Other Revenue Fund Assets:</b>			
Funds advanced for Water and Sewerage.....	34,080.61		
Funds advanced re Tufts Cove Sewer Outfall .....	30.47		
Funds advanced re Retreat Ave. Sewer.....	4,154.60		
			38,265.68
			\$ 915,454.14

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable (Other than below).....		\$	29,180.31
<b>Due to the Provincial Government:</b>			
Victoria General Hospital.....	\$	17,662.86	
Director of Child Welfare.....		6,452.33	
			<u>24,115.19</u>
<b>Debenture Interest:</b>			
Coupons not presented for payment.....			231.25
<b>Other Revenue Fund Liabilities</b>			
<b>Due to District or Local Sections:</b>			
For Capital School Taxes.....	\$	8,630.00	
For Snow Removal Fund.....		3,726.33	
For Armdale Service Commission.....		3,075.82	
For Armdale Fire Service.....		30.74	
For Bedford Street Lighting Service.....		2,257.44	
For Bedford Fire Service.....		6.82	
For Bedford Fire Protection.....		2,670.08	
For School Section 34, Halifax West Ratepayers Association.....		3,937.17	
For Woodside Improvement Association.....		2,117.24	
For Spryfield Service Commission.....		1,199.91	
For Mooseland Street Lighting.....		178.60	
For Rural High School.....		17,289.99	
For 1952 Capital School Taxes.....		120,488.22	
For District Poor Relief.....		25,077.49	
For District Credits.....		78,307.58	
Joint Expenditure Board.....		13,519.19	
Commissioners of Court House re Building Fund		9,304.40	
Municipal School Fund.....		49,062.39	
Municipal School Board Bonus for Teachers .....		33,135.00	
District No. 7 re Fire Loan .....		2,690.87	
			<u>376,705.28</u>
<b>Reserves:</b>			
For Uncollectable Taxes (See Contra Taxes) .....		124,037.38	
For Hospital Accounts (see Contra Accounts Receivable).....		116,435.21	
For Grace Hospital (see Contra Accounts Receivable).....		9,015.80	
			<u>249,488.39</u>
<b>Special Reserve for Future Expenses:</b>			
For Lien Law Expense.....		1,314.83	
Board of Revision.....		375.50	
Elections.....		138.12	
Board of Health.....		467.47	
Bonus for Teachers and Scholarships, etc.....		6,000.00	
Vocational School Capital Purposes.....		27,533.00	
Industrial Committee.....		2,000.00	
Unused portion 1951 Assessment for School Purposes.....		60,191.45	
Unused Portion 1951 Assessment for Rural High		8,716.18	
			<u>106,736.55</u>
<b>Surplus:</b>			
Balance December 31, 1951.....		122,854.15	
Add Surplus for Year.....		6,143.02	
			<u>128,997.17</u>
			<u>\$ 915,454.14</u>

**CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL AND TRUST FUND BALANCE SHEET  
(EXCLUSIVE OF JOINT EXPENDITURE)  
AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1952**

**ASSETS**

<b>General Fixed Assets:</b>		
Office Furniture and Equipment .....		\$ 29,568.40
<b>Halifax County Hospital:</b>		
Farm .....	1,500.00	
Stock on Farm .....	4,000.00	
Buildings and Equipment .....	1,145,601.40	
		<u>1,151,101.40</u>
<b>District No. 7:</b>		
Borrowings for Fire Purposes .....	12,000.00	
<b>District No. 12:</b>		
Borrowings for Fire Purposes .....	60,000.00	
Expenditures for Water Utility .....	214,493.66	
Expenditures for Sewer Services — Woodside .....	61,771.03	
Expenditures for Sewer Service — Tufts Cove .....	36,370.62	
		<u>384,635.31</u>

**TRUST FUNDS**

<b>Deposits:</b>		
Eastern Canada Savings and Loan — Savings Accounts .....		5,037.98
Dominion of Canada Bonds .....		400.00
Royal Bank of Canada — Savings Accounts .....		280.14
		<u>5,718.12</u>
<b>Tax Sales Trust:</b>		
Deposit Royal Bank of Canada — Savings Account .....		4,468.91
Investment — Dominion of Canada 3½% Bonds 1957 .....		1,350.00
		<u>5,818.91</u>
		<u>\$1,576,842.14</u>

**CONTINUITY OF CURRENT SURPLUS****FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1952**

Balance, December 31, 1951 .....		\$ 122,854.15
<b>ADD</b>		
Taxes for years 1941 to 1948 Recovered .....	\$ 7,185.67	
Hospital Accounts collected for prior years .....	2,300.67	
Grace Hospital Accounts collected for prior years .....	1,024.30	
		<u>\$ 10,510.64</u>
Less Collector's Salary .....	3,000.00	
		<u>7,510.64</u>
From Lien Law Sales .....		59.53
Surplus for year .....		<u>6,991.99</u>
		<u>\$ 137,416.31</u>
<b>DEDUCT</b>		
Furniture and Equipment .....	\$ 1,526.00	
Appropriation County Home Capital .....	2,797.04	
Hospital Collection — Agency .....	2,418.80	
Repairs and Alterations to Office .....	1,677.30	
		<u>8,419.14</u>
		<u>\$ 128,997.17</u>

## LIABILITIES

## Debtenture Debt Unmatured:

Halifax County Hospital Serial Debentures, 1953-1969.....	\$ 51,000.00	
Halifax County Hospital Debentures, 1953-1971..	333,000.00	
District No. 7 Serial Debentures 3 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>8</sub> %, 1953-1961..	9,000.00	
District No. 12 Serial Debentures 3 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>8</sub> %, 1953-1963	44,000.00	
Woodside Water Debentures 1950.....	94,000.00	
Woodside Sewer Debentures 1950.....	55,000.00	
Tufts Cove Sewer Debentures 1951.....	34,000.00	
Tufts Cove and Others Water Debentures 1951....	98,000.00	
<b>Other Capital Liabilities:</b>		
Dominion of Canada M. I. A. Act 2%, 1953-1970	133,944.95	851,944.95
<b>Uncapitalized Expenditures:</b>		
Advances to Water Utility, North Woodside.....	2,752.82	
Advances to Sewer Services, North Woodside.....	2,771.03	
Advances to Sewer Services, Tufts Cove.....	370.62	
Advances to Private Services, Tufts Cove and Others.....	5,669.32	
Advances to Flawn Subdivision.....	6,071.52	17,635.31
<b>Grants by Dominion and Provincial Governments for Halifax County Hospital new wing.....</b>		417,499.98
<b>Investment in Capital Assets (Capital Surplus):</b>		
Balance December 31, 1951.....	229,275.01	
Additions 1952.....	48,949.86	278,224.87

## TRUST FUNDS

<b>Trust Funds:</b>		
For Patients in Halifax Co. Hospital \$ 5,437.98		
Appropriation for Capital Purposes for Halifax County Hospital.....	280.14	
	5,718.12	
Lien Law Surplus.....	5,818.91	11,537.03
		<u>\$1,576,842.14</u>

CONTINUITY OF INVESTMENTS IN CAPITAL ASSETS  
(CAPITAL SURPLUS)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1952

Balance December 31, 1951.....		229,275.01
Additions to Office Equipment.....	1,526.00	
Serial Bonds.....	19,500.00	
Principal Payment M. I. A. Act.....	6,126.82	
Additions to Plant and Equipment — Halifax County Hospital.....	2,797.04	
Increase in Stock on Farm — Halifax County Hospital.....	4,000.00	
District 7 — Fire Bonds Redeemed.....	1,000.00	
District 12 — Fire Bonds Redeemed.....	4,000.00	
North Woodside Water Bonds Redeemed.....	2,000.00	
North Woodside Sewer Bonds Redeemed.....	2,000.00	
Tufts Cove and Other Water Bonds Redeemed.....	4,000.00	
Tufts Cove Sewer Bonds Redeemed.....	2,000.00	48,949.86
		<u>\$ 278,224.87</u>

**STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE  
(GENERAL SECTION)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1952**

**REVENUE**

**TAXATION:**

**Municipal Purposes (including Poor and District Rates)**

Real and Personal Property.....	\$ 429,352.94	
Poll Tax.....	29,643.00	
	<u>\$ 458,995.94</u>	
School Purposes.....	233,135.00	
Capital School Purposes.....	252,390.37	
		<u>\$ 944,521.31</u>
<b>Licenses and Permits:</b>		
Dox Taxes.....	6,673.00	
Peddler's Licenses, etc.....	2,250.00	
		<u>8,923.00</u>
<b>Investment Earnings:</b>		
Interest — Bank Deposits and Investments.....	6,970.74	
Interest — Tax Arrears.....	8,769.47	
		<u>15,740.21</u>
<b>Service Charges:</b>		
Commission for collection of District and Capital School Rates.....	15,441.58	
Municipal School Board for Administration.....	7,500.00	
		<u>22,941.58</u>

**GRANTS AND RECOVERABLES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS:**

**Provincial Government:**

In lieu of Income Tax.....	8,677.41	
In lieu of Bank Tax.....	1,417.50	
In lieu of C. N. Railway Grant.....	2,581.39	
In lieu of Taxes — Nova Scotia Liquor Commission.....	695.91	
Department of Lands and Forests..	1,671.39	
		<u>15,043.60</u>

**From Other Cities and Towns:**

<b>Municipal School Fund:</b>		
City of Halifax.....	139,356.08	
Town of Dartmouth.....	11,557.97	
		<u>150,914.05</u>

**Unclassified:**

Maritime Tel. & Tel. Co. Ltd.....	8,698.92	
Transfers from Reserves.....	29,277.18	
Fairey Aviation Ltd.....	1,500.00	
Sundry Revenue.....	431.45	
Recovery from Halifax County Hospital for Debt Charges		
Serial Bonds Redeemed.....	19,500.00	
Interest on Serial Bonds.....	16,435.42	
Principal Payment M. I. A. Act.....	6,126.82	
Interest Dominion Loan M. I. A. Act	2,770.96	
		<u>44,833.20</u>
		<u>84,740.75</u>
		<u>\$1,242,824.50</u>

## EXPENDITURE

## GENERAL GOVERNMENT

## Executive, Legislative and Administrative

## Salaries, Honorariums, Fees, etc.:

Warden.....	\$ 600.00	
Councillors.....	8,242.38	
Committees.....	3,445.20	
Clerk and Treasurer.....	5,000.00	
Office Assistants.....	24,666.99	
Extra Salaries.....	921.75	
Superannuation.....	3,900.00	
		\$ 46,776.32
Assessment Department.....	24,024.92	
Auditors.....	1,200.00	
Engineer.....	4,366.57	
Tax Collection Expense.....	66.25	
Solicitor.....	1,500.00	
County Constables.....	3,553.50	
Expenses of County Constables.....	54.45	
Fees to Constables re Dog Tax.....	3,335.50	
Expenses re Dogs.....	375.83	
		38,477.02

## Office Expenses:

Engineer's Supplies.....	69.13	
Postage.....	4,674.63	
Printing and Stationery.....	4,219.80	
Reporting and Printing Reports.....	3,863.91	
Telephone.....	1,013.54	
Surety Bonds.....	105.00	
Contingencies.....	798.98	
Service Charges for Machines.....	739.43	
		15,484.42

## Other General Government Expenses:

Board of Appeal.....	215.65	
Conventions.....	679.73	
Unemployment Insurance.....	387.22	
Elections.....	1,577.18	
Revisors — Voters' Lists.....	2,213.32	
Town Planning.....	2,141.72	
Veterinary Assistance Act.....	2,824.90	
Reserve for Uncollectable Taxes.....	28,248.94	
		38,288.66

139,026.42

## Protection of Property and Persons:

## Law Enforcements:

Coroners' Inquests.....	389.35	
Correctional Institutions.....	10,221.46	
		10,610.81

## Other Protection:

Bounties — Bears.....	360.00	
Bounties — Wildcats.....	222.00	
Sheep Act — Claims and Fees.....	26.10	
		608.10

11,218.91

## Conservation of Health:

Health Officer — Salary.....	1,000.00	
Doctors' Assistance.....	1,600.00	
Registrars Vital Statistics.....	98.80	
		2,698.80

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**Education:**

Municipal School Fund			
(See Contra Account).....	\$	171,718.39	
Municipal School Board.....		168,135.00	
Teachers' Bonuses.....		65,000.00	
Municipal School Board for			
Scholarships.....		400.00	
Equipment Grant.....		600.00	
			<u>405,853.39</u>
			405,853.39

**Public Welfare:**

Poor Relief Patients at			
County Hospital.....		4,199.71	
Child Welfare — Children's Aid			
Societies.....		22,301.26	
Hospitalization — Medical Services,			
Indigent Sick \$166,257.71 less			
Receipts \$63,952.93.....		102,304.78	
Maternity Hospital \$7,884.07 less			
Receipts \$3,373.25.....		4,510.82	
Outpatient Treatment \$1,524.40			
less Receipts \$71.05.....		1,453.35	
Insane.....		48,787.04	
Harmless Insane.....		25,289.05	
			<u>208,846.01</u>
			208,846.01

**Grants to Hospitals:**

Eastern Shore Memorial Hospital ..	500.00	
Musquodoboit Valley Red Cross		
Hospital.....	500.00	
Twin Oaks Memorial Hospital .....	500.00	
Children's Hospital .....	500.00	
		<u>2,000.00</u>

**Grants to Private Charitable Organizations:**

Canadian Red Cross .....	400.00	
Canadian National Institute for the		
Blind.....	500.00	
Nova Scotia Home for Colored		
Children.....	200.00	
Salvation Army.....	300.00	
		<u>1,400.00</u>
		3,400.00

**DEBT CHARGES:****Debenture Debt Charges:**

Principal Installment Serial Debentures		
County Hospital .....	19,500.00	
Interest on Serial Debentures,		
County Hospital.....	16,435.42	
Principal and Interest Woodside		
Sewer Debentures — Muni-		
cipality Share.....	2,229.26	
Principal and Interest Tufts Cove		
Sewer Debentures — Muni-		
cipality Share.....	1,765.00	
		<u>39,929.68</u>
<b>Improvements Assistance Act:</b>		
Principal Payment.....	6,126.82	
Interest.....	2,770.96	
		<u>8,897.78</u>



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Temporary Debt Charges:

Exchange.....	164.85	
Discount American Funds .....	24.68	
		189.53

49,016.99

Joint or Special Expenditures:

Joint Expenditures (Municipal Proportion).....\$	8,304.65	
Provincial Highway Tax.....	35,222.13	
District Rates.....	71,456.59	
District Poor Rates.....	10,582.18	
Armdale Street Lighting Service.....	8,957.28	
Bedford Fire Protection Service .....	8,610.13	
Bedford Street Lighting Service .....	5,324.50	
Woodside Fire and Street Lighting Ratepayers Association School Section No. 34 .....	3,757.85	
Woodside Sewer.....	1,815.50	
Spryfield Service Commission .....	4,432.03	
Mooseland Street Lighting Service..	328.33	
Capital School Tax Levy .....	239,141.43	
Rural High School.....	12,083.38	
		415,771.99

415,771.99

1,235,832.51

6,991.99

Surplus for year.....

\$1,242,824.50

**STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE  
(JOINT EXPENDITURE BOARD)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1952**

**REVENUE**

<b>Apportionment of Joint Charges:</b>			
Municipality of the County of Halifax.....	\$	8,304.65	
City of Halifax.....		56,027.97	
Town of Dartmouth.....		4,643.70	
			68,976.32
<b>Other Revenue:</b>			
Surplus from 1951.....		1,527.68	
			1,527.68
			<u>\$ 70,504.00</u>

**REVENUE FUND BALANCE SHEET (JOINT EXPENDITURE BOARD)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1952**

**ASSETS**

Due by Municipality..... \$ 13,519.19

**CAPITAL FUND BALANCE SHEET (JOINT EXPENDITURE BOARD)  
AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1952**

**ASSETS**

Borrowings for Court House 1931.....	\$	67,000.00	
Borrowings for Court House 1933.....		15,000.00	
Borrowings for Court House 1948.....		24,000.00	
			106,000.00
<b>Sinking Funds:</b>			
1931 Loan Investments.....	\$	44,803.17	
Savings Bank.....		96.88	
			44,900.05
1933 Loan Investments.....		14,945.60	
Savings Bank.....		41.86	
			14,987.46
			59,887.51
			<u>\$ 165,887.51</u>

**STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE  
(JOINT EXPENDITURE BOARD)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1952**

**EXPENDITURE**

Commissioners of Court House.....	\$ 9,807.41	
Interest Court House Loan 1931.....	3,350.00	
Interest Court House Loan 1933.....	750.00	
Sinking Fund Installment 1931.....	1,300.00	
Bonds Redeemed Court House Loan 1949.....	4,000.00	
Interest Court House Loan.....	840.00	
County Jail.....	15,911.73	
Juries.....	4,263.50	
Sheriff.....	1,896.50	
Clerk of Crown.....	803.90	
Printing and Stationery.....	2,721.27	
Criminal Prosecutions.....	7,072.08	
County Court Crier.....	1,500.00	
County Court Stenographer.....	1,997.50	
Municipal Treasurer.....	430.00	
Miscellaneous Bank Charges on Coupons.....	124.92	
Superannuation.....	216.00	
		56,984.81
Surplus for year.....		13,519.19
		<u>\$ 70,504.00</u>

**REVENUE FUND BALANCE SHEET (JOINT EXPENDITURE BOARD)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1952**

**LIABILITIES**

Surplus.....	\$ 13,519.19
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**CAPITAL FUND BALANCE SHEET (JOINT EXPENDITURE BOARD)  
AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1952**

**LIABILITIES**

Debentures 1931 Loan due June 1, 1961, 5%.....	\$ 67,000.00	
Debentures 1933 Loan due April 1, 1953, 5%.....	15,000.00	
Debentures 1948 Loan due September 1, 1953 — 1959.....	24,000.00	
		106,000.00
Sinking Fund Reserves:		
1931 Loan.....	44,900.05	
1933 Loan.....	14,987.46	
		59,887.51
		<u>\$ 165,887.51</u>

**STATEMENT OF MUNICIPAL TAXES PAID AND OUTSTANDING  
BY DISTRICTS FOR 1952**

Dist.	1952 Taxes No. Paid in '52	1942-51 Taxes Paid in '52	Total Taxes Paid in '52	1952 Taxes Out- standing	1944-51 Taxes Out- standing	Total Taxes Out standing
7 ..	\$ 41,752.93	\$ 4,447.62	\$ 46,200.55	\$ 6,737.56	\$ 2,639.77	\$ 9,377.33
8 ..	74,807.72	12,614.63	87,422.35	14,477.62	10,229.49	24,707.11
9 ..	25,055.14	4,839.20	29,894.34	6,428.16	3,975.07	10,403.23
10 ..	11,506.46	3,524.95	15,031.41	6,138.21	5,351.13	11,489.34
11 ..	24,853.00	5,760.29	30,613.29	10,585.41	5,994.24	16,579.65
12 ..	195,713.42	52,055.49	247,768.91	76,713.01	36,790.41	113,503.42
13 ..	15,904.91	2,410.61	18,315.52	5,119.36	4,237.57	9,356.93
14D	47,699.84	8,970.60	56,670.44	15,953.80	7,576.11	23,529.91
14G	16,026.75	8,959.29	24,986.04	11,059.48	6,461.11	17,520.59
15 ..	4,193.30	862.00	5,055.30	902.25	1,128.75	2,031.00
16 ..	1,920.79	658.69	2,579.48	2,541.32	10,728.67	13,269.99
17 ..	9,726.28	1,756.25	11,482.53	2,014.20	3,093.35	5,107.55
18 ..	7,816.66	794.81	8,611.47	2,163.60	2,814.80	4,978.40
19 ..	11,540.07	1,483.07	13,023.14	3,073.39	2,589.67	5,663.06
20 ..	7,653.95	2,471.11	10,125.06	2,458.17	3,684.86	6,143.03
21 ..	20,107.19	3,004.35	23,111.54	5,666.94	3,837.38	9,504.32
22 ..	7,217.96	1,019.10	8,237.06	3,857.30	4,163.04	8,020.34
23 ..	29,227.76	2,337.57	31,565.33	5,031.98	3,552.39	8,584.37
24 ..	11,515.39	1,636.19	13,151.58	4,713.78	3,986.51	8,700.29
25 ..	8,471.42	1,786.52	10,257.94	4,038.55	3,000.51	7,039.06
26 ..	5,531.92	1,210.62	6,742.54	2,437.25	1,327.28	3,754.53
27 ..	64,017.79	13,235.25	77,253.04	16,870.66	13,283.18	30,153.84
28 ..	97,589.27	6,207.58	103,796.85	8,277.46	7,160.37	15,437.83
	<b>\$739,849.92</b>	<b>\$142,045.79</b>	<b>\$881,895.71</b>	<b>\$217,259.46</b>	<b>\$147,605.66</b>	<b>\$364,865.12</b>

DETAILS OF VARIOUS DISTRICT BALANCES

AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1952

District	District Credits	Poor Credits	Snow Credits
7.....	\$ 4,545.68	\$ 963.21	\$ 286.02
8.....	8,179.46	160.31	128.45
9.....	4,295.80	3,525.68	33.19
10.....	745.39	346.27	32.55
11.....	4,197.72	1,036.94	23.42
12.....	14,974.45	2,396.97	150.02
13.....	2,301.14	2,569.71	
14.....	9,831.89	643.13	527.26
15.....	296.97	1,048.85	
16.....	305.91	151.05	
17.....	1,785.07	1,047.20	
18.....	1,943.24	720.89	474.05
19.....	1.54	958.74	7.87
20.....	482.85	661.72	335.75
21.....	3,757.39	294.00	12.78
22.....	2,560.86	4.61	30.74
23.....	1,322.22	6.15	923.26
24.....	905.76	140.59	372.33
25.....	399.41	57.04	
26.....	1,199.45	1,511.08	278.11
27.....	1,821.31	2,771.85	110.53
28.....	11,838.28	3,397.75	
District 7 Fire.....	2,616.05		
District 8.....		Anderson vs. Jackson	65.00
District 12.....		Hartlen vs. Oren	50.00
Armdale Fire.....	115.64		
Fairview Fire.....	301.00		
Spryfield Fire.....	273.97		
District 15.....		Conrod vs. Conrod	393.75
District 20.....		Power vs. Bonnefant	12.00
District 27.....		Hyland vs. Kidson	100.00
District 28.....		Murphy vs. Mabee	18.00
		Daniels vs. Lowe	25.00
	<u>\$80,998.45</u>	<u>\$25,077.49</u>	<u>\$3,726.33</u>

**DETAIL OF MUNICIPAL INVESTMENTS  
DECEMBER 31, 1952**

One	(1)	Dominion of Canada 7th Victory Loan Bond, 3%, due February 1, 1962, Fully Registered, No. P3-X02124....	\$ 10,000.00
Two	(2)	Dominion of Canada 7th Victory Loan Bonds, 3%, due February 1, 1962, Fully Registered, Nos. P3-V03191-2, @ \$5,000.00 each.....	10,000.00
One	(1)	Dominion of Canada 8th Victory Loan Bond, 3%, due October 1, 1963, Fully Registered, No. P-5-X02033.....	10,000.00
Two	(2)	Dominion of Canada 8th Victory Loan Bonds, 3%, due October 1, 1963, Fully Registered, Nos. P5-V03062, 01113, @ \$5,000.00 each.....	10,000.00
One	(1)	Dominion of Canada 8th Victory Loan Bond, 3%, due October 1, 1963, Fully Registered, No. P5-X02034.....	10,000.00
Two	(2)	Dominion of Canada 9th Victory Loan Bonds, 3%, due September 1, 1966, Fully Registered, Nos. P7-X01763-4, @ \$10,000.00 each.....	20,000.00
One	(1)	Eastern Canada Savings and Loan Company Debenture, 3½%, due December 31, 1953, Fully Registered, No. 7637.....	30,000.00
One	(1)	Eastern Canada Savings and Loan Company Deposit Receipt No. 617.....	25,000.00
One	(1)	Eastern Canada Savings and Loan Company Deposit Receipt No. 618.....	25,000.00
One	(1)	Eastern Canada Savings and Loan Company Deposit Receipt No. 619.....	35,191.45
			<u>\$185,191.45</u>

**DETAIL OF LIEN LAW INVESTMENTS  
DECEMBER 31, 1952**

One	(1)	Dominion of Canada 4th Victory Loan Bond, 3%, due May 1, 1957, Bearer, No. 14-E034823.....	\$ 1,000.00
Three	(3)	Dominion of Canada 4th Victory Loan Bonds, 3%, due May 1, 1957, Bearer, Nos. A-538205-6-7, @ \$100.00 each	300.00
One	(1)	Dominion of Canada 4th Victory Loan Bond, 3%, due May 1, 1957, Bearer, No. H0067566.....	50.00
			<u>\$ 1,350.00</u>

**DISTRICT FUNDS—REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT**  
**DISTRICT NO. 7**

<b>Revenue:—</b>			
Jan. 1, 1952	Balance.....	\$	4,560.63
	Levy.....		3,609.96
	Interest.....		62.68
			<u>8,233.27</u>
<b>Expenditures:—</b>			
	Reserve for uncollectable taxes.....	\$	180.50
	Fireman.....		1,500.00
	Garage rental and maintenance.....		236.59
	Fire Insurance.....		247.00
	Interest Fire Loan.....		285.00
	Bonds redeemed.....		1,000.00
	Building Inspector.....		100.00
	Sanitary Inspector.....		137.50
	Vehicle License.....		1.00
			<u>3,687.59</u>
	Balance Dec. 31, 1952.....	\$	4,545.68

**DISTRICT NO. 8**

<b>Revenue:—</b>			
Jan. 1, 1952	Balance.....	\$	6,123.23
	Levy.....		3,478.38
	Interest.....		100.40
			<u>9,702.01</u>
<b>Expenditure:—</b>			
	Reserve for uncollectable taxes.....	\$	173.92
	Transfer to Poor Account.....		800.00
	Hammonds Plains Fire Department.....		8.63
	Building Inspector.....		540.00
			<u>1,522.55</u>
	Balance Dec. 31, 1952.....	\$	8,179.46

**DISTRICT NO. 9**

<b>Revenue:—</b>			
Jan. 1, 1952	Balance.....	\$	4,073.58
	Levy.....		379.37
	Interest.....		61.82
			<u>4,514.77</u>
<b>Expenditure:—</b>			
	Reserve for uncollectable taxes.....	\$	18.97
	Fire Protection.....		50.00
	Sanitary Inspector.....		25.00
	Building Inspector.....		100.00
	Sundries.....		25.00
			<u>218.97</u>
	Balance Dec. 31, 1952.....	\$	4,295.80

## DISTRICT NO. 10

<b>Revenue:—</b>			
Jan. 1, 1952	Balance.....	\$	92.32
	Levy.....		733.62
	Interest.....		6.13
			<u>832.07</u>
<b>Expenditure:—</b>			
	Reserve for uncollectable taxes.....	\$	36.68
	Building Inspector.....		86.68
			<u>123.36</u>
	Balance Dec. 31, 1952.....	\$	745.39

## DISTRICT NO. 11

<b>Revenue:—</b>			
Jan. 1, 1952	Balance.....	\$	3,939.26
	Levy.....		1,988.33
	Interest.....		58.81
	Sundry Revenue.....		29.89
			<u>6,016.29</u>
<b>Expenditure:—</b>			
	Reserve for uncollectable taxes.....	\$	99.42
	Sanitary & Building Inspector 1951 & 1952.....		920.00
	Fire Protection.....		150.00
	Transfer to Poor Account.....		466.90
	Sundry expenditures.....		182.25
			<u>1,818.57</u>
	Balance Dec. 31, 1952.....	\$	4,197.72

## DISTRICT NO. 12

<b>Revenue:—</b>			
Jan. 1, 1952	Balance.....	\$	14,634.54
	Levy.....		31,848.67
	Sundry Revenue.....		877.03
			<u>47,360.24</u>
<b>Expenditure:—</b>			
	District Office, Supplies, etc.....	\$	221.51
	Insurance, Fire and Casualty.....		1,328.60
	Interest on Debentures.....		1,440.00
	Lighting (Four Fire Halls).....		503.44
	Heating (Four Fire Halls).....		2,288.00
	Repairs.....		613.16
	Supplies, Cleaning, etc.....		28.27
	Administration Salaries.....		4,016.52
	Firemen's Salaries.....		7,699.79
	Telephones.....		733.83
	Gas, Oil, etc.....		450.29
	Equipment, Repairs & Additions.....		722.40
	Clothing, Uniforms.....		162.00
	Unemployment Insurance.....		130.52
	Disposal of dead animals.....		80.00
	Sanitary Work on defective cesspools.....		604.13
	New construction — doors, etc.....		2,431.85
	Funeral.....		125.00
	Debenture met during the year.....		4,000.00
	Transferred to Poor Account.....		3,000.00
	Reserve uncollected taxes.....		1,592.43
	Miscellaneous unclassified.....		213.45
			<u>32,385.79</u>
	Balance Dec. 31, 1952.....	\$	14,974.45



**DISTRICT NO. 13**

<b>Revenue:—</b>			
Jan. 1, 1952	Balance.....	\$	2,129.66
	Levy.....		518.19
	Interest.....		32.05
			<u>2,679.90</u>

<b>Expenditures:—</b>			
	Reserve for uncollectable taxes.....	\$	25.91
	Sanitary Inspector.....		150.00
	Snow Removal.....		187.85
	Sundries.....		15.00
			<u>378.76</u>
	Balance Dec. 31, 1952.....	\$	2,301.14

**DISTRICT NO. 14**

<b>Revenue:—</b>			
Jan. 1, 1952	Balance.....	\$	5,972.21
	Levy.....		7,294.82
	Interest.....		107.03
			<u>13,374.06</u>

<b>Expenditure:—</b>			
	Reserve for uncollectable taxes.....	\$	364.74
	Transfer to Poor.....		2,000.00
	Advertising.....		80.43
	District Officers.....		630.00
	Board of Health.....		40.00
	Fire Equipment.....		350.00
	Sundries.....		77.00
			<u>3,542.17</u>
	Balance Dec. 31, 1952.....	\$	9,831.89

**DISTRICT NO. 15**

<b>Revenue:—</b>			
Jan. 1, 1952	Balance.....	\$	292.59
	Interest.....		4.38
			<u>296.97</u>
	Balance Dec. 31, 1952.....	\$	296.97

**DISTRICT NO. 16**

<b>Revenue:—</b>			
Jan. 1, 1952	Balance.....	\$	307.49
	Interest.....		4.60
			<u>312.09</u>
<b>Expenditure:—</b>			
	Snow Fence.....	\$	6.18
			<u>6.18</u>
	Balance Dec. 31, 1952.....	\$	305.91

## DISTRICT NO. 17

Revenue:—		
Jan. 1, 1952	Balance.....	\$ 1,172.22
	Levy.....	621.69
	Interest.....	22.24
		<u>\$ 1,816.15</u>
Expenditure:—		
	Reserve for uncollectable taxes.....	\$ 31.08      31.08
	Balance Dec. 31, 1952.....	<u>\$ 1,785.07</u>

## DISTRICT NO. 18

Revenue:—		
Jan. 1, 1952	Balance.....	\$ 1,396.46
	Levy.....	654.61
	Interest.....	24.90
		<u>\$ 2,075.97</u>
Expenditure:—		
	Reserve for uncollectable taxes.....	\$ 32.73
	District Officers.....	100.00      132.73
	Balance Dec. 31, 1952.....	<u>\$ 1,943.24</u>

## DISTRICT NO. 19

Revenue:—		
Jan. 1, 1952	Balance.....	\$ 318.93
Expenditure:—		
	Transfer to Poor.....	\$ 300.00
	Sundries.....	17.39      317.39
	Balance Dec. 31, 1952.....	<u>\$ 1.54</u>

## DISTRICT NO. 20

Revenue:—		
Jan. 1, 1952	Balance.....	\$ 1,009.29
	Levy.....	1,435.97
	Interest.....	5.21
		<u>\$ 2,450.47</u>
Expenditure:—		
	Reserve for Uncollectable taxes.....	\$ 71.80
	Transfer to Poor.....	200.00
	Eastern Shore Mem. Hosp.....	1,500.00
	Health Nurse.....	75.00
	Sundries.....	120.82      1,967.62
	Balance Dec. 31, 1952.....	<u>\$ 482.85</u>

DISTRICT NO. 21

<b>Revenue:—</b>			
Jan. 1, 1952	Balance.....	\$	2,316.71
	Levy.....		5,693.08
	Interest.....		32.25
			<u>\$ 8,042.04</u>
<b>Expenditure:—</b>			
	Reserve for uncollectable taxes.....	\$	284.65
	Transfer to Poor.....		1,000.00
	Eastern Shore Mem. Hosp.....		3,000.00
			<u>4,284.65</u>
	Balance Dec. 31, 1952.....	\$	3,757.39

DISTRICT NO. 22

<b>Revenue:—</b>			
Jan. 1, 1952	Balance.....	\$	2,130.97
	Levy.....		2,119.46
	Interest.....		42.00
			<u>\$ 4,292.43</u>
<b>Expenditure:—</b>			
	Reserve for uncollectable taxes.....	\$	105.97
	Transfer to Poor Account.....		110.00
	Eastern Shore Memorial Hosp.....		1,500.00
	Sundries.....		15.60
			<u>1,731.57</u>
	Balance Dec. 31, 1952.....	\$	2,560.86

DISTRICT NO. 23

<b>Revenue:—</b>			
Jan. 1, 1952	Balance.....	\$	1,656.93
	Levy.....		1,848.82
	Interest.....		22.41
			<u>\$ 3,528.16</u>
<b>Expenditure:—</b>			
	Reserve for uncollectable taxes.....	\$	92.44
	Transfer to Poor Account.....		950.00
	Health Nurse.....		75.00
	Musquodoboit Valley Hospital.....		500.00
	Site for Doctor's House.....		558.50
	Sundries.....		30.00
			<u>2,205.94</u>
	Balance Dec. 31, 1952.....	\$	1,322.22

## DISTRICT NO. 24

## Revenue:—

Jan. 1, 1952	Balance.....	\$	586.40
	Levy.....		1,490.12
	Interest.....		6.51
			<u>2,083.03</u>

## Expenditure:—

	Reserve for uncollectable taxes.....	\$	74.52
	Fire Equipment.....		575.65
	Musquodoboit Valley Hosp.....	\$	500.00
	Sundries.....		27.10
			<u>1,177.27</u>
	Balance Dec. 31, 1952.....	\$	905.76

## DISTRICT NO. 25

## Revenue:—

Jan. 1, 1952	Balance.....	\$	150.71
	Levy.....		620.10
	Interest.....		3.52
			<u>774.33</u>

## Expenditure:—

	Reserve for uncollectable taxes.....	\$	31.00
	Musquodoboit Valley Hosp.....		300.00
	Sundries.....		43.92
			<u>374.92</u>
	Balance Dec. 31, 1952.....	\$	399.41

## DISTRICT NO. 26

## Revenue:—

Jan. 1, 1952	Balance.....	\$	1,181.72
	Interest.....		17.73
			<u>1,199.45</u>
	Balance Dec. 31, 1952.....	\$	1,199.45

## DISTRICT NO. 27

## Revenue:—

Jan. 1, 1952	Balance.....	\$	1,401.41
	Levy.....		1,365.60
	Interest.....		22.38
			<u>2,789.39</u>
		\$	2,789.39

District 27 (continued)

Expenditure:—

Reserve for uncollectable taxes.....	\$ 68.28	
Building Inspector.....	325.00	
Board of Health.....	40.00	
Transfer to Poor Account.....	500.00	
Printing.....	19.80	
Sundries.....	15.00	968.08
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Balance Dec. 31, 1952..... \$ 1,821.31

DISTRICT NO. 28

Revenue:—

Jan. 1, 1952 Balance.....	\$ 6,782.63
Levy.....	5,755.80
Interest.....	146.22
Refund Loan Woodside Fire St. Commission.....	4,000.00
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\$ 16,684.65

Expenditure:—

Reserve for uncollectable taxes.....	\$ 287.79	
Garbage Collection.....	4,000.00	
Snow Removal.....	140.00	
District Officers.....	350.00	
Board of Health.....	35.00	
Sundries.....	33.58	4,846.37
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Balance, Dec. 31, 1952..... \$ 11,838.28

**BALANCE SHEET**  
**MUNICIPAL SCHOOL BOARD**  
**MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF HALIFAX**  
**As at December 31, 1951**

**ASSETS**

Municipal School Board General Assets:			
Royal Bank of Canada.....	\$	\$65,562.89	\$
Accounts Receivable:			
Province of Nova Scotia,—			
Conveyance due from previous			
period.....		254.25	
Conveyance due for period ending			
December 31, 1952.....		7,853.04	
High School Grants.....		840.00	
Tuition—High School Halifax.....		4,941.60	13,888.89
Municipal School Fund.....		17,724.64	
Municipal School Fund—Tuition Fees.....		746.35	
Dominion of Canada re Service Schools.....		2,101.60	
Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation.....		179.75	
County of Halifax—Teachers' Bonus.....		737.25	
Rural High School Assets:			
Prepaid Expenses.....		1,115.42	
Busses.....		34,668.26	
Capital Surplus—Savings Acct. 2270 ..		331.74	
Accounts Receivable:			
Province of Nova Scotia, R.H.S.....		12,457.02	
Municipality—District Levy .....		2,986.56	
			51,559.00
			152,500.37

**LIABILITIES**

Municipal School Board General Liabilities:			
Accounts Payable:			
Miscellaneous Accounts—School Sections.....	\$	6,367.84	
Accrued Teachers' Salaries, Tuition, etc.....		54,514.12	
Tuition Fees paid by Parents.....		1,692.00	
Due Equalization Fund Province of Nova Scotia..		55,972.13	
Rural High School Liabilities:			
Loan from School Bus Loan Fund.....	\$30,801.99		
Accounts Payable.....		3,152.29	
			\$33,954.28
			\$152,500.37

**REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT  
MUNICIPAL SCHOOL BOARD  
MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF HALIFAX  
FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1951**

**REVENUE**

Municipality of the County of Halifax.....	\$ 56,794.30	
Municipal School Fund.....		17,724.64
Province of Nova Scotia,—		
Equalization Fund.....	\$256,588.12	
Conveyance Grants.....	7,853.04	
Specialized Teachers.....	200.00	
High School Grants.....	840.00	
High School Tuition Fees.....	4,941.60	
	<u>\$270,422.76</u>	
Tuition Fees—Sec. 69 (4) Mun. School Fund.....		746.35
Tuition Fees from Parents & Sections.....		1,128.00
Central Mortgage Corporation.....		898.75
Dominion Government.....		2,101.60
		<u>\$349,816.40</u>

**EXPENDITURE**

Teachers' Salaries—		
Rural Schools:		
Actual.....	\$ 36,929.17	
Accrued.....	5,463.16	
		<u>42,392.33</u>
Village Schools:		
Actual.....	152,083.31	
Accrued.....	34,446.25	
		<u>186,529.56</u>
Maintenance:		
Rural Schools.....	6,859.12	
Village Schools.....	34,609.53	
		<u>41,468.65</u>
Border Sections.....		2,196.48
Conveyance of Pupils.....		7,853.04
Attendance Officers.....		800.00
Administration—County of Halifax.....		3,125.00
School Board Expense, Advt. etc.....		128.38
Municipal School Board.....		830.20
Rural High School—Savings re Closed Rooms.....		1,500.00
Tuition—Board of School Commissioners.....		6,016.00
Interest—Bank Overdraft.....		204.63
Excess of Revenue over Expenditure		
Due Province of Nova Scotia Equalization Fund.....		55,972.13
		<u>\$349,816.40</u>

**REVENUE & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT**  
**MUSQUODOBOIT RURAL HIGH SCHOOL**  
**AS OF DECEMBER 31., 1951**

**REVENUE**

Province of Nova Scotia.....	\$ 2,090.95	
Municipality—Levy in Rural High Area.....	1,862.76	
Municipal School Board (from savings accrued from closing High School Rooms).....	1,500.00	
Deficit Year's Operation:		
Due from Province.....	\$12,457.02	
Due from Municipality re levy.....	2,986.56	
	<u>\$15,443.58</u>	
		<u><u>\$20,897.29</u></u>

**EXPENDITURES**

Teachers' Salaries.....	\$10,028.12	
Miscellaneous Expense.....	160.43	
Operation cost of Bus System:		
Maintenance and Operation.....	\$ 1,531.72	
Salaries Bus Drivers.....	2,803.00	
Instalment Bus Loan (Interest).....	518.80	
	<u>\$ 4,853.52</u>	
Tools—Garage.....	112.71	
Maintenance of Buildings:		
Supplies—Wax, etc.....	\$ 489.20	
Janitor Service.....	1,250.00	
	<u>\$ 1,739.20</u>	
School Supplies & Teaching Equipment.....	362.84	
Maritime Tel & Tel. Co. Ltd.....	58.40	
Light & Power.....	430.31	
Coal.....	723.75	
Laundry.....	64.77	
Insurance.....	1,753.96	
Unemployment Insurance.....	52.26	
Manual Training Department.....	188.32	
Domestic Science Department.....	53.50	
Board of Pupils in Lieu of Conveyance.....	190.20	
Secretary's Honorarium.....	125.00	
	<u>\$20,897.29</u>	



**FINANCIAL STATEMENT HALIFAX COUNTY HOSPITAL  
AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1952**

**ASSETS**

Investments.....	\$ 31,350.00	
Prepaid Insurance.....	83.60	
Accounts Receivable.....	17,737.64	
Capital Account New Building.....	176,351.58	
<b>Inventories:</b>		
Farm Produce.....	\$ 2,746.05	
Groceries & Provisions.....	2,423.78	
Mill Feeds.....	1,241.15	
Clothing.....	2,623.76	
Pigs & Chickens.....	1,926.00	
Fuel — Oil — Gas.....	941.70	
	\$ 11,902.44	
<b>Deficit Account:</b>		
Credit Balance at Jan. 1, 1952.....	9,701.38	
Loss on year's Operation.....	31,435.06	
	\$ 21,733.68	
		\$259,158.94

**LIABILITIES**

Municipality of the County of Halifax.....	\$ 25,127.05	
Royal Bank of Canada Current.....	1,215.09	
Royal Bank of Canada Capital.....	176,351.58	
Radio Fund.....	325.00	
Accounts Payable.....	7,832.61	
Reserve for Depreciation.....	48,307.61	
	\$259,158.94	
		\$259,158.94

**REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT  
HALIFAX COUNTY HOSPITAL  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1952**

**REVENUE**

Board of Patients.....	\$224,723.98	
Interest — Investments and Bank.....	940.50	
Cash Discount.....	323.64	
Farm Revenue.....	38,331.35	
Loss on Year's Operation.....	31,435.06	
		<u>\$295,754.53</u>

**EXPENDITURE**

General Expenses:		
Including Salaries, Interest on Bonds, Bond Redemption, Fuel, Lights, etc.....	\$166,584.87	
Supplies:		
Including Groceries, Meat, Fish, Fruit, Tobacco, Clothing, Dry Goods, etc.....	106,590.09	
Farm Expense.....	16,141.16	
Truck, Tractor & Bulldozer Expense.....	951.70	
Depreciation on Equipment.....	5,486.71	
		<u>\$295,754.53</u>

**HALIFAX COUNTY HOSPITAL  
DETAIL OF MAINTENANCE REVENUE  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1952**

Municipality of the County of Halifax.....	\$ 80,410.76
Town of Amherst.....	117.00
Municipality of Annapolis.....	80.43
Municipality of County of Antigonish.....	14,575.11
Town of Antigonish.....	2,052.71
District of Argyle.....	274.58
Town of Bridgewater.....	248.01
Town of Canso.....	116.43
Municipality of County of Cape Breton.....	11,123.86
Municipality of District of Clare.....	1,547.91
Municipality of District of Chester.....	4,080.77
Children's Aid Society of Halifax City.....	319.00
Municipality of County of Cumberland.....	1,021.55
Town of Dartmouth.....	14,786.01
Town of Digby.....	475.07
Municipality of County of Digby.....	191.04
Town of Glace Bay.....	63.72
Municipality of District of Guysboro.....	6,607.23
City of Halifax.....	23,372.66
Municipality of County of Inverness.....	475.54
Town of Inverness.....	353.80
Municipality of County of Lunenburg.....	1,456.18
Town of Mahone Bay.....	111.28

Town of Mulgrave.....	300.78
Town of Port Hawkesbury.....	476.41
Municipality of County of Richmond.....	5,394.99
Municipality of County of Shelburne.....	155.00
Municipality of District of St. Marys.....	590.55
Town of Truro.....	839.70
Municipality of County of Victoria.....	916.43
Municipality of County of Yarmouth.....	1,429.61
Town of Yarmouth.....	1,466.30
Private Patients.....	22,991.34
Old Age Pensioners.....	26,302.22
	<u>\$224,723.98</u>

**DETAIL OF APPROPRIATION FOR COUNTY HOSPITAL  
CAPITAL PURPOSES**

Balance January 1, 1952.....	\$ 277.40
Interest on Savings Account.....	2.74
	<u>280.14</u>
Balance December 31, 1952.....	\$ 280.14

**HALIFAX COUNTY HOSPITAL  
RESERVES FOR DEPRECIATION  
AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1952**

	Total Value	Rate	Depreciation for year	Total Depreciation To Date
Automobile.....	\$ 2,620.00	25%	\$ 650.00	\$ 1,507.76
Auto Truck.....	2,445.00	25%	611.25	628.40
Boilers.....	3,050.00			3,050.00
Farm Machinery.....	5,357.06	10%	258.03	5,357.06
Farm Tools.....	203.08			203.08
Food Elevators.....	1,400.00			1,400.00
Furniture.....	5,975.74	5%	298.80	3,100.08
Kitchen Equipment.....	6,178.50			6,178.50
Kitchen Machinery.....	837.20			837.20
Laundry Equipment.....	3,410.07			3,410.07
Mattresses, Blankets, etc.....	7,590.61	20%	1,518.12	5,624.17
Pumps.....	900.00			900.00
Refrigerators.....	994.00			994.00
Steel Beds.....	3,224.24	10%	322.42	2,560.87
Stokers.....	2,000.00			2,000.00
Tools.....	253.37			253.37
Hospital Equipment.....	2,105.00			2,105.00
Water Supply Machinery.....	384.00	15%	57.60	345.60
Auxiliary Lighting Plant.....	2,367.00	10%	236.70	1,183.50
Bulldozer & Tractor.....	7,668.95	20%	1,533.79	6,668.95
	<u>\$58,963.82</u>		<u>\$ 5,486.71</u>	<u>\$48,307.61</u>

**HALIFAX COUNTY HOSPITAL  
DETAIL OF EXPENSES FOR YEAR 1952**

**Expense General:**

General Expense.....	\$ 6,352.04
Administration.....	672.78
Advertising.....	159.18
Bedding.....	146.96
Bond Redemption.....	2,500.00
Bond Redemption M.I.A. Act.....	6,126.82
Bond Redemption New Building.....	17,000.00
Car Expense.....	593.40
Cleaning Materials.....	1,075.51
Fuel, Gas, Oil.....	19,139.29
Committee.....	1,857.84
Dishes.....	288.62
Disinfectants.....	761.70
Electric Bulbs and Batteries.....	344.72
Electric Light.....	4,523.65
Electric Power.....	3,527.46
Floor Tile.....	1,037.39
Hardware.....	166.04
Hospital Expense.....	805.06
Insurance.....	1,608.62
Interest.....	19,224.95
Laundry.....	816.68
Medical.....	82.00
Paint.....	591.90
Radio Repairs.....	107.28
Religious.....	275.00
Salaries.....	70,052.36
Salary Health Officer.....	2,958.33
Telephone.....	1,002.02
Transportation.....	2,341.00
Uniforms.....	446.27
	<u>\$166,584.87</u>

**Farm Expense:**

General Expense.....	\$ 3,426.20
Farm Feed.....	8,230.40
Farm Fertilizer.....	1,253.00
Farm Seeds.....	3,119.54
Farm Tools.....	112.02
Truck Expense.....	577.35
Tractor & Bulldozer Expense.....	374.35
	<u>\$ 17,092.86</u>

## HALIFAX COUNTY HOSPITAL — SUMMARY OF FARM PRODUCE

Articles	Unit	TOTAL FARM PRODUCE		USED IN HOSPITAL		USED ON FARM		INVENTORY DEC. 31, 1952		
		Price	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
Potatoes.....	Bus.	\$ 1.10	3,420	\$ 3,762.00	3,017	\$ 3,318.70	210	231.00	193	212.30
Turnips.....	"	.50	1,703	851.50	863	431.50	577	288.50	263	131.50
Mangles.....	"	.50	1,000	500.00			1,000	500.00		
Carrots.....	"	1.50	711	1,066.50	431	646.50	180	270.00	100	150.00
Beets.....	"	1.00	408	408.00	300	300.00	58	58.00	50	50.00
Parsnips.....	"	2.00	475	950.00	400	800.00			75	150.00
Radish.....	"	1.25	30	37.50	30	37.50				
Pod Peas.....	"	2.00	426	852.00	426	852.00				
String Beans.....	"	1.75	575	1,006.25	575	1,006.25				
Dry Beans.....	"	12.00	8	96.00	8	96.00				
Sweet Corn on cob	"	2.00	350	700.00	350	700.00				
Green Tomatoes...	"	1.25	562	702.50	308	385.00	254	317.50		
Ripe Tomatoes.....	"	3.00	240	720.00	240	720.00				
Cabbage.....	Tons	20.00	102	2,040.00	78	1,560.00	4	80.00	20	400.00
Cauliflower.....	Head	.10	1,000	100.00	1,000	100.00				
Lettuce.....	"	.05	6,000	300.00	5,000	250.00	1,000	50.00		
Celery.....	"	.08	1,400	112.00	1,400	112.00				
Oats.....	Bus.	1.15	178	204.70			103	118.45	75	86.25
Straw.....	Tons	14.00	10	140.00			10	140.00		
Hay.....	"	18.00	92	1,656.00			45	810.00	47	846.00
Pumpkin.....	"	20.00	7	140.00	5	100.00	2	40.00		
Squash.....	"	30.00	8	240.00	6	180.00	2	60.00		
Cucumbers.....	"	20.00	8	160.00	7	140.00	1	20.00		
Swiss Chard.....	Bus.	1.00	160	160.00	160	160.00				
Beef.....	Lbs.	.34	3,126	1,062.84	3,126	1,062.84				
Pork.....	"	.28	16,250	4,550.00	16,250	4,550.00				
Fowl.....	"	.35	3,000	1,050.00	3,000	1,050.00				
Eggs.....	Doz.	.50	10,268	5,134.00	10,268	5,134.00				
Milk.....	Qts.	.12	64,223	7,706.76	64,223	7,706.76				
Blueberries.....	"	.20	1,364	272.80	1,364	272.80				
Mixed Veg. & Fruit				500.00		250.00				250.00
Wood.....	Cords	12.00	50	600.00	40	480.00			10	120.00
Manure.....	Loads	1.00	550	550.00			200	200.00	350	350.00
				\$38,331.35		\$32,401.85		\$3,183.45		\$2,746.05

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