

Dartmouth, March 25th, 1925.

His Worship The Mayor
And Members Town Council

Gentlemen:-

With your permission I herewith present for consideration and approval my third annual report covering the estimated expenditures of all the civic Departments for the current year ending December 31st, 1925.

The Budget totals \$ 236,536.00 made up as follows:

Balance due Royal Bank 1924.....	\$ 67,632.00
Finance committee.....	39,667.00
Fire Committee.....	6,516.00
Charities Committee.....	11,199.00
Police and Licenses.....	7,002.00
Streets & Public Property.....	23,910.00
Public Schools.....	59,575.00
Schools sinking funds.....	3,504.00
Municipal school fund.....	6,531.00
Exemption to firemen and firemen's widows....	1,000.00
Discount on Taxes.....	2,000.00
Allowance for non-collectible 1923-24.....	8,000.00

Against this proposed expenditure of \$ 236,536.00 is estimated revenue totalling \$ 86,435, made up as follows:

Cash on hand.....	\$ 231.00
Cash on hand vendor.....	100.00
Municipal school fund.....	7,500.00
Taxes overdue.....	70,834.00
Poll taxes.....	1,600.00
Bank taxes.....	300.00
Fines.....	600.00
Court fees.....	500.00
Licenses.....	400.00
Dog taxes.....	500.00
Interest on overdue taxes.....	2,500.00
Rent Walker property.....	120.00
Legal vendor.....	500.00
Brightwood Golf & Country Club..	750.00

The difference between the items of revenue and expenditures is \$ 150,101.00 and represents the amount to be raised by direct taxation

The assessment on real and personal property for 1925 amounts to \$4,927,750, made up as follows:-

Real estate.....	\$ 3,952,250.00
Personal.....	975,500.00

The assessed valuation on real estate for 1925 shows an increase of \$42,000.00 compared with last year, but the assessed valuation on personal property shows a decrease of \$18,000.00 giving a net increase in the assessment of \$24,000.00. The assessment on real and personal property for 1924 totalled \$4,903,580.00. The increase in the assessment this year is all the more wholesome because it is on real estate.

It is with pleasure that I am able to recommend a lower tax rate for the current year compared with 1924. This is principally due to the improved position of the Town's general finances, which are in a much healthier state than they have been for many years. To meet the known requirements for this year based on the estimated expenditures submitted by the various civic departments a tax rate of \$3.05 on every \$100.00 of the assessment will be sufficient. This reduction in the tax rate of 5 points will no doubt be appreciated by the ratepayers, who could hardly expect that it would have been possible to enjoy a lower tax rate for several years to come.

This reduced tax rate is recommended on a clear cut business proposition. The estimates of the several departments are reasonably ample to provide for the regular services satisfactorily and in some instances show an increase compared with those for last year. The estimates of the street and public property committee were increased by the Finance Committee in addition to increases made by the committee itself over those for last year. The work of this committee quite naturally calls for even more money to meet improvements required in all parts of the town, but it must be remembered that certain work can be deferred, without undue inconvenience to the majority until next year. The work of this department has always been unlimited. In keeping with economy in the interests of the taxpayers only necessary work is provided for. With the money allotted to this committee the streets should be kept in fairly good condition and the dust on all the important ones should be as well controlled as last year.

Provision is made in the estimates to take care of an instalment of the temporary loan floated last year whereby the rate-

payers were relieved of paying a tax rate of \$3.50 on every \$100. of the assessment. This plan of financing has fully justified it being put into operation. It has enabled the present council to lower the rate instead, as a few foolishly predicted, would increase it from year to year. The present council, like its predecessor, has pledged itself to a policy of economy consistent with maintaining the public services up to a reasonable standard of efficiency and the estimates which have been prepared are in agreement with this policy. The position assumed by Mayor Maclean in this respect is worthy of commendation and the ratepayers will no doubt support him in his best endeavors to put it into effect.

The ratepayers can assist very materially this year in improving the finances of the town by promptly paying their taxes. The reduction of five points in the tax rate this year is partly made possible by their co-operation in this respect last year, but there is no reason why greater efforts should not be made in this direction this year. It is regarded as more beneficial to the town to raise less money by direct assessment on a lower tax rate than to charge a lower rate on interest on unpaid taxes as a higher rate of interest serves as a leverage in the collection of taxes and impresses upon all the importance of meeting their obligations to the civic treasury. Tax collections last year were quite satisfactory with the result that for the first time in a number of years the town closed its business with a credit balance. Too much emphasis cannot be placed on the importance of rate payers meeting their obligations as their neglect to do so subjects the town to a loss on interest charges resulting from a larger overdraft than otherwise would be required. Special efforts will be made by the Finance Committee to encourage the prompt payment of taxes and suggestions will be made from time to time in keeping with circumstances as to just how effectively this may be accomplished. Just as soon as a further improvement is effected in town finances benefits will be reflected in a lower tax rate for the benefit of the rate payers. There seems no reason why a further reduction in the tax rate should not be made in 1926 if the rate payers will indicate their earnest co-operation by making sacrifices if needs be to pay their taxes with as little delay as possible.

Due to changes made from time to time the efficiency of the executive administration has been increased whereby the Mayor and members of the Council will be better able to control and direct all expenditures and see to it that the estimates are not exceeded. The estimated expenditures were well controlled last year. It is important that this should be the case as it prevents an undesirable situation being created. The office staff has been re-organized and now consists of four, including the town clerk, first clerk, second clerk and third clerk. Each one has been granted an increase in pay, raising the salary to the maximum, as follows:

Town Clerk.....	\$2,200
First Clerk.....	1,000
Second clerk.....	832
Third Clerk.....	728

Apart from reasonable increases in pay given the work of the office is costing less than a year ago as no appointment has been made, nor is any contemplated, to fill the vacancy caused by the promotion of the deputy clerk to the position of "Acting Town Clerk", due to the death of the late town clerk and treasurer. The clerk in the office of the superintendent of streets has been placed under the control of the acting town clerk and all work the superintendent requires to be done must be by arrangement with the acting town clerk. The Finance Committee favors the appointment of a young man possessing office ability, as an assistant to the acting town clerk, whenever a vacancy occurs. This is the only safe course of events to be pursued in municipal administration and it would be well if future councils kept this in mind.

The estimates of the Finance Committee totals \$ 39,667 and provides only for what is absolutely necessary, the larger items including: County rates, (amount fixed by county council) \$ 2,310; V.O.N., \$350, an increase of \$100., in addition to \$250 provided for in the school estimates; interest on overdraft, \$3,362; interest on bonded indebtedness, \$ 7,212; health officer, \$200; salaries mentioned above, \$4,760; salary tax collector, \$1,300; revisors electoral lists, \$350; contingent, \$ 3,100; expenses delegates to Municipalities convention, \$ 200; sinking funds, \$ 2,125; insurance, \$500; sinking fund on temporary loan, \$ 4,700; provincial highway tax, \$ 4,927; mayor's contingent fund, \$300; joint expenses town boundaries, \$ 500.

The estimates of the Fire Committee total \$ 6,516, the same as submitted by the committee, a decrease of \$ 1,143 compared with last year. The largest items are \$ 2,800 covering salaries of two drivers for the motor apparatus; \$1,000 for fuel and \$ 700 for 500 feet of hose. It must be admitted that the citizens of Dartmouth obtain protection against loss by fire at a pretty low figure. The estimate includes the cost covering the three units of the town's fire fighting force.

No changes are recommended in the estimated expenditures of the Charities Committee, the total amount of \$ 11,199 shows a decrease of \$ 1,433 compared with last year. The largest items include: Maintenance of paupers at the County Home, \$ 2,900; treatment of patients at V.G. Hospital, \$ 1,500; treatment patients T.B.Hospital, \$900; board of poor in Dartmouth, \$900; groceries, fuel, etc., \$ 1,400; sundries, \$250. The board of poor in Dartmouth is cheaper than at the County Home.

The estimates of the Police Department are recommended as submitted, totalling \$ 7,002, a decrease of \$150 compared with last year. Salaries covering the services of the chief, deputy chief and and three officers counts for \$ 6,400 of the total estimate.

The estimates of the Streets and Public Property total \$ 23,910, divided as follows: General street work, including oiling and macadam work, \$ 13,600; town horses, \$4,260; street lighting, supplies and repairs, \$ 6,050 of which \$4,000 is estimated for the cost of current. The larger items which make up the amount of \$13,600 includes: Oiling streets, \$ 2,500; macadam road work, \$ 5,000; drains and culverts, \$ 700; levelling and cleaning dumps, \$ 300; cleaning streets and gutters, \$ 1,000; snow ploughing, \$ 300; repairs to carts, \$ 400; sidewalk grading, \$ 400; retaining walls and fences, \$ 250; minor repairs and sundries, \$ 500; parts and repairs for crusher, \$ 600; repairs to buildings, \$ 500; improvements to cemetery, \$ 100.

The item covering wages of drivers totals \$ 2,200, a decrease of \$ 1,800 compared with last year, this being possible on account of two drivers less on the pay roll. An item of \$800 is included for the hire of teams, it being felt that this is necessary during the busy part of the season as the town sold two of its horses last year and one died.

With careful management, as the work of this important/^{committee} is assured of receiving under the chairmanship of Councillor Walker, the estimates may be regarded as ample to provide for the necessary requirements. To meet the demands of all the estimates of this committee should be at least \$50,000 for general improvements to streets and roadways, but the town is not in a position for the next few years, at least, to provide any such amount with even a tax rate of \$ 3.25. If the provincial highway tax of one tenth of one per cent on the total assessable property is abolished the town will be in a position to spend another \$5,000 on repairing its streets without increasing the tax rate one cent. The ratepayers seem to be more inclined to press for improved sidewalks than for streets until such time as the highway tax is removed, allowing those who can afford to operate cars to do so with an equal disadvantage to them in using sidewalks which in many cases are not what the council would like to see them, but apparently are the best which can be provided until there is a further improvement in general conditions and a return to busier times.

The estimated expenditures for this year have been very carefully probed by the mayor and every member of the council and as a result have a keen appreciation of the fact that economy must be the watchword in providing the regular public services. The citizens will have to bear in mind that all desirable improvements cannot be carried out this year as only the necessary ones have been provided for and in requesting anything further must not feel disappointed if their demands are not met. The object of the council is to revert to normal times and this can only be done by making personal sacrifices and doing without some of the comforts and benefits which could be enjoyed under more prosperous circumstances. It may be regarded as significant that the council is in a position to effect a reduction of five cents in the tax rate and still provide ample to effect all the necessary improvements and maintain the public services up to the usual standard of efficiency.

Your Committee on Finance was unable to find it possible to comply with the request of the Nova Scotia Publicity Bureau for a grant towards its laudable work for this year, but hopes to be in a position to do so in another year and perhaps to make its allowance on that occasion to compensate for its inability to do so for this year.

Provision is made in the estimates for a grant of \$150 towards the Welfare Bureau; \$350. towards the Victorian Order of Nurses; and \$250. towards the annual Natal Day celebration. It is recommended that only one half of the amount provided for the Welfare Bureau be paid after April 1st, ^{the} balance to be held pending reorganization of the Bureau near the end of the current year. Provision is also made to take care of one half year's interest on a bond floatation covering improvements to the Street Lighting service, legislation for which is being applied for.

The regular provision for the care of all sinking funds is made in the estimates totalling about \$13,000.00. No provision is made to provide interest or sinking fund charges on new capital expenditures, except that for lighting construction which the town was forced to do on account of the dangerous condition of the service. It is desirable that no unnecessary capital expenditures be made this year such as laying of concrete sidewalks, curbs and gutters. While it is true that the abutters pay one half of the cost, it must be remembered that the Town is liable for the balance and these become fixed charges spread over a number of years which must be cared for by direct taxation. Even though Council should be disposed to carry out such a programme of permanent improvements this year, the applications received prior to 1924 would have the preference in keeping with the policy previously laid down by Council. The town has only limited sources of revenue and unfortunately there are no prospects of increasing them. Revenue from the legal vendor has dwindled from \$4,000. to less than \$500. in these years and for this year it is only estimated that the Town will receive \$500. from this source.

With regard to the assessment, it is significant to note that exemptions totalling \$1,613,800.00 are allowed made up of \$1,457,600.00 of real estate and \$156,200 on personal property. This represents the substantial amount in revenue based on the tax rate and may serve to illustrate the fact that the general tax rate of \$3.05 is comparatively small and reasonable in view of the large amount involved in exemptions which carry material benefits, direct and indirect to every citizen of Dartmouth. The exemptions in

relation to the total net assessable property including real and personal as filed by the Assessors ^{with} ~~and shown~~ less deductions by court of appeal are as follows:-

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EXEMPTIONS.

	Real Estate	Personal
Christ Church	36,000	
Methodist Church	25,000	
Roman Catholic	25,000	
St. James Church	15,000	
Stairs Memorial	10,000	
Salvation Army	5,000	
St. Peter's Society	4,000	
United Baptist Church	30,000	
Victoria Road Baptist Church	1,000	
D.B.C.A. Percy Wallace, Trustee	700	
Halifax Relief Commission	5,000	
Town of Dartmouth	35,800	50,000
U.P.C	1,600	200
Dartmouth Park Commission	130,000	
Dartmouth Housing Commission	7,500	
Schools	396,000	25,000
Dominion Government	657,000	44,000
Nova Scotia Government	5,000	
Marks-Cross Arena	25,000	
Dartmouth Ferry Commission		32,000
	1,414,600	151,200
Exemptions to Widows, Spinsters, etc.	43,000	5,000
	1,457,600	156,200

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	5,413,550	915,300
		226,500
		1,141,800
Less Exemptions	1,457,600	156,200
	3,955,950	985,600
Less deductions by Court of Appeal	3,700	10,100
	\$ 3,952,250	\$ 975,500

Your committee is appreciative of the services rendered by the Town Solicitor R. H. Murray, K.C. and are cognizant of the fact that he has, through good advice, saved the Town some losses which they might have suffered. It is realized that the stipend received by Mr. Murray for his services is quite inadequate, but under the present conditions it is felt that no further change could be made this year. It is recommended that the salary increases of the first, second and third clerk and of the superintendent of streets become effective on April 1st.

It is recommended that the estimates of the various departments herewith attached be approved and that the tax rate for 1925 be \$3.05 on the \$100.00, due and payable on the 18th day of June, 1925 and that the regular discount of 2½% be allowed on all taxes paid on or before that date.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur C. Pettina

Report on the condition of the town of...
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GENERAL REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Balance due at Royal Bank of Canada 67,632

AMOUNT REQUIRED PER REPORT OF COMMITTEES

FINANCE	39,667	
FIRE	6,516	
CHARITIES	11,199	
POLICE & LICENSES	7,002	
STREETS & PUBLIC PROPERTY	<u>23,910</u>	88,294
Schools per estimate	59,575	
Schools Sinking Fund	11,200 @ 2%	224
" " "	94,000 @ 1%	940
" " "	125,000 @ 1%	1,250
" " "	12,500 @ 2%	250
" " "	30,000 @ 2%	600
" " "	12,000 @ 2%	240
Municipal School "	<u>6,531</u>	69,610
Exemption to Firemen & Firemen's Widows		1,000
Discount on Taxes		2,000
Allowance for non-collectable		<u>8,000</u>
		\$ 236,536

REVENUE

Cash on Hand	231	
Cash on Hand, Vendor	100	
Municipal School Fund	7,500	
Taxes overdue	70,834	
Poll Taxes	1,600	
Bank Taxes	300	
Fines	600	
Court Fees	500	
Licenses	400	
Dog Tax	500	
Interest on Overdue Taxes	2,500	
Rent of Walker Property	120	
Legal Vendor	500	
Brightwood Golf & Country Club	<u>750</u>	\$ 86,455.
		\$ 150.101

Net amount to be assessed on Real & Personal Property

Real Estate	\$ 3,952,250
Personal	<u>975,500</u>
	\$ 4,927,750

\$4,927,750 @ \$3.05 150,296.

Difference \$ 195.

300.00

1 year

100	100
200	200
300	300
400	400
500	500
600	600
700	700
800	800
900	900
1000	1000

limiting

10,000 @ 5%

560.00

100	100
200	200
300	300
400	400
500	500
600	600
700	700
800	800
900	900
1000	1000

Aug 1975 7% limiting 300.00

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	Estimates Submitted	Estimates Reduced	Estimates Increased	Total
County Rates (Amt. fixed by County)	2310			2310
Grants: Victorian Order of Nurses	250		100	350
Welfare Bureau	150			150
Banook Canoe Club	250			250
Int. on \$4000 Lighting Loan Bank of N.S. 3 months.	62			62
" " Overdraft at Bank	3600			3600
Int. on Bonds (Con. debt) \$18,500 @ 5%	925			
Less from School Board	<u>260</u>	665		
Int. on Bonds Perm. Sidewalks				
\$12,500 @ 4½%		562		
" " " " Sidewalks			925	
\$18,500 @ 5%				
" " " " Sidewalks			960	
16,000 @ 6%				
Motor Fire Engine				
\$15,500 @ 5%		775		
" " " Steam Roller				
\$ 4,000 @ 6%		200		
" " " Motor Ladder Truck				
\$14,000 @ 6%		840		
" " " Wid. Windmill Rd.				
\$15,500 @ 5%		6675		
" " " Electric Light				
\$ 8,000 @ 4½%		360		
" " " Royal Bank Indebted-				
ness \$25,000 @ 5%	1250			7387
" " " Lighting ½ yr. on 7000	<u>175</u>	7387		
Public Health: Salary, Health Officer	200			
Supplied, Anti-tox, etc.	<u>100</u>	300		300
Registration of Births & Deaths		100		100
Salaries: Acting Town Clerk & Treasurer	1260		200	1460
Miss Bisp	884		116	1000
Miss Edwards	780		52	832
Miss Mitchell (Part salary)	224		104	328
Stip. Magistrate	350			350
Town Solicitor	500			500
Messenger & Janitor	936			
Bonus	<u>50</u>	986		986
Auditors	500			500
Assessors	1200			1200
Revisors, Electoral Lists	350			350
Tax Collector	<u>1300</u>	8334	8806	1300
Contingent		3100		3100
Mayor's Contingent Account			300	300
Convention of Municipalities		200		200
Sinking Funds: Perm. Sidewalks Bonds	520			
2% Electric Light Bonds	160			
1% Consolidated Debt	15			
Acts 1919 4% Motor Fire Engine	620			
2% Steam Roller	80			
1% Wid. Windmill Rd.	80			
2% Motor Truck	280			
Acts 1921 2% Perm. Sdwalks Bonds	200			
2% " " "	120			
1% Wid. Windmill Rd.	<u>50</u>	2125		2125
Sinking Fund Royal Bank indebtedness				
Acts 1924 1/5 of Principle	5000	300		4700
Provincial Highway Tax, Acts 1917 1/10 of 1% Assessment	4927			4927
Joint Expenses Town Boundary Line			500	<u>500</u>

Insurance, Town Building, stock, etc.

\$ 39,167
 500
\$ 39,667

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Dartmouth, N. S., March 11th.1925.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of the Town Council

Gentlemen:-

Your Committee on FIRE beg to recommend the
adoption of the following estimates for the current year:-

	<u>Estimates</u> <u>Submitted</u>	<u>Estimates</u> <u>Reduced</u>	<u>Estimates</u> <u>Increased.</u>	<u>Total</u>
Drivers of Motor Engines				
W. Harrison	1300			
H. Stevens	<u>1300</u>			2800
Drivers of Apparatus				260
Electric Light, U.P.C.& Engine House				250
Fuel				1000
Telephone				80
Stove Service				125
Accessories for Motor Engine				200
Repairs to Apparatus				200
Gasoline, Oil, etc.				300
Insurance (2 engines)				130
Boots & Hats 1924 paid 1925				111
<u>Dartmouth Engine Company.</u>				
Rear Tires, Pumper 1924 paid 1925				72
· 6 pair boots				32
· 1 Nozzle Tip				10
· 3 Lanterns (Brass)				18
· 1 doz. Ladder Straps				35
<u>Dartmouth Axe & Ladder Co.</u>				
· 6 Pair Boots				32
· 2 Ripping Bars				3
<u>U. P. Co.</u>				
· 6 Rubber Hats				8
· 6 pairs Boots				32
· 6 Waterproof Coats				75
· 18 Screw Drivers				25
· 10 Hand Axes				15
1 Fireman Axe with Cleats to fasten on truck				3
500 ft. Rubber Hose				<u>700</u>
				\$ 6516

Dartmouth, N.S., March 10th. 1925.

His Worship the Mayor
and Members of the Town Council

Gentlemen:-

Your Committee on Poor beg to recommend the adoption
of the following for the current year.

	Estimates Submitted	Estimates Reduced	Estimates Increased	Total
Maintenance of paupers at County home 1 yr. to June 30/25	2900			
" paupers V.G.Hospital 1 yr. to Sept. 30/25	1500			
" Halifax Industrial School W. Bishop, F.Tynes to Dec.31/24 and A. Tynes & W.Mitchell to Dec. 31/24	239			
W. Bishop, F.Tynes to Jun 30/25	150			
" Supt. Neglected & Delinquent children Margaret Brown & Richard Sullivan	300			
" Mrs. Willis Walters & children at Blue Rocks	200			
" Jas. McDonald & Family at West Gore N.S.	300			
" Patients T.B. Hospital	900			
Board of Poor in Town	900			
Halifax Visiting Dispensary, Annual Grant	60			
Groceries, Coal etc.	1400			
Sundries	250			
	\$ 9,099			

LUNATICS

Maintenance of Patients N.S. Hospital 1 yr. to June 30/25	2,100
	\$ 11,199

Dartmouth, N. S., March 10th. 1925.

His Worship the Mayor
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Gentlemen:-

Your Committee on Police & License beg to recommend
the adoption of the following estimates for the current year:-

John A. Wrin, Chief of Police, and Inspector N.S. Temperance Act	1600
A. S. Johnston, Deputy Chief, and Sanitary Inspector	1200
J. T. Clarke, Policeman and Sanitary Inspector	1200
John J. Lawlor, Policeman and Sanitary Inspector	1200
D. J. O'Connell, Policeman and Sanitary Inspector	1200
Special Police	25
Clothing	100
Sundries	25
Lighting Lock Up	40
Prisoners Meals	30
Telephone, Lock-up (Har 868)	40
Advertising & Printing	25
Fuel	150
Stove Service & Plumbing	15
Cleaning & Sundries	25
Telephone, C of P. (Har. 828)	90
" C of P. (Har. 933) House	37

\$ 7,002

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Dartmouth, N. S., March 10th. 1925.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of the Town Council.

Gentlemen:-

Your Committee on STREETS & PUBLIC PROPERTY beg to recommend the adoption of the following for the current year:-

	<u>Estimates</u>	<u>Estimates</u>	<u>Estimates</u>	<u>Total</u>
	submitted	reduced	Increased	
Salary E. Nichols	500			
" T. R. Mitchell	450			
Oiling Streets	2500	-		
MacAdam Road Work	5000			
Drains & Culverts	700			
Levelling & Cleaning dumps and fencing	300			
Cleaning Streets & Gutters	1000			
Snow Ploughs	300			
Repairs to Carts	400			
Sidewalk Grading	400			
" Sanding	100			
Watering Streets	100			
Retaining Walls & Fences	250			
Minor repairs and Sundries	500			
Parts for Crusher	250			
Repairs to Crusher	350			
Repairs to Buildings	500			
Cemetery	100			
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	\$13,600			
<u>TOWN HORSES</u>				
Wages of Drivers :-	2,200			
Hire of Teams	800			
Feed	800			
Shoeing	160			
Repairs to Harness, Putz Cream, soap etc	200			
Examining Horses, medicine etc.	100			
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	\$ 4,260			
<u>LIGHTING</u>				
D.E.L.Co. current	4,000			
" Rent of Sub-station	120			
M.T. & T.Co. Pole Rental	200			
Salary E. Nichols	130			
Lamps	1,250			
Fixtures	150			
Painting Electric Light Brackets & Braces	200			
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	\$ 6,050			
Streets & Public Property	\$13,600			
Town Horses	4,260			
Lighting	6,050			
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	\$23,910			

Dartmouth, N.S., Monday, April 6, 1925.

Town Council met this date at 8 P.M.

Present:- Mayor McLean, Councillors, Munro, Pettipas, Webber, Walker, Young and Smith. Also Town Solicitor Murray.

Minutes of last three meetings were read and approved.

MR. FRANK LAHEY being present was heard in reference to the overflow of water on his property on Wyse Road, and asked the Town to take care of same. After some discussion on motion of Councillors Pettipas and Walker a motion was adopted that the complaint be referred to the Street Committee with power to remedy.

MR. JOHN RICHARDS being present was given a hearing. He also wrote asking that the Council make two gutters on Thistle Street from Beech Street to Mayflower Street to take care of the overflow of water from Thistle Street which he claimed did a lot of damage to his property on Mayflower Street. After some discussion the matter was referred to the Street Committee.

MR. J. L. GRIFFIN of the Dartmouth Electric Light Company and MR. M. H. HOWELL of the Maritime Telegraph & Telephone Company were present at the request of the Council and were heard in connection with the repairs and improvements to the Town's lighting system, they stated that the Town's circuit was now in good condition, but provision should be made for the maintenance of same. After some discussion a motion was adopted that the Clerk be instructed to write Mr. Griffin of the Dartmouth Electric Light Company asking him to submit an estimate of cost of maintenance of Town's lighting circuit with and without lamps, estimate to include painting of fixtures.

MR. H. S. CONGDON being present was heard in reference to the Town's docks. He stated that two had been expropriated by the Dominion Government, one at the foot of Church Street and the other at the foot of Geary Street without the Town receiving any compensation for same. He further stated that two other docks were being occupied by Mr. E. H. McElmon, one on each side of his mill. He also stated that the Government had expropriated a portion of Portland Street in front of the Ferry. After some discussion the

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matter was referred to the Mayor, Town Solicitor and Superintendent Nichols with authority to engage an Engineer.

The question of filling in of the pond on MR. A.A. MC DONALD'S property near Hawthorne School was discussed and the Town Solicitor was instructed to draw up an Agreement, which he did at the meeting, to be signed by Mr. McDonald and others to hold the Town free from all claims for damages in connection with the filling in of his property.

TOWN SOLICITOR MURRAY reported that he had searched the titles of the property owners on Eaton Avenue and found that the original sub-division had provided for a right-of-way for the owners of lots on that Lane. On motion resolved that the Town Solicitor be authorized to negotiate with the owners of lots on that Lane and take steps in reference to arbitration.

COUNCILLORS WALKER and MUNRO moved that MR. J. W. ALLISON'S request for the extension of the Sewer on Portland Street to take in his property be granted. The motion was put and lost, 4 to 2. Councillors Walker and Munro for and Councillors Pettipas, Smith, Young and Webber against.

COUNCILLOR WALKER brought up the question of making improvements on Oak Street at the corner of Crichton Avenue. He suggested purchasing a small portion of land from Mr. C. T. Herman at a small cost. Referred to the Street Committee to report on showing cost of improvements.

The question of E.E. DAUPHINEE'S complaint for not receiving water on Cameron Street was up for discussion and on motion of Councillors Pettipas and Young the Clerk was instructed to notify all the property owners who have been effected by the lack of water in that district to attend a meeting with the Mayor and the Water Committee at the Town Hall on April 16th. to discuss the situation.

Re late ALFRED ELLIOT - The Finance Committee reported that they had negotiated with the late Mr. Elliot in reference to his proposed retirement to take effect in September 1925, at the completion of

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50 years service; but that owing to the death of Mr. Elliot, nothing definite had materialized. The widow of the deceased was rendered payment of the deceased up until he died, and that they could not recommend any further payment to the widow of the deceased. Report received and adopted.

THE WATER COMMITTEE reported in reference to the request of the Canadian Carbonate Company Limited for a reduction of their water rates through meter at a flat rate of 8¢ per 1000 gallons, that as the rate had been approved by the Public Utilities Board and that they are paying a cheaper rate than previous years, the Committee could not recommend any reduction being made in the present schedule. Report adopted.

The Committee also recommended the acceptance of the tender of the Dartmouth Coal & Supply Company for 1350 feet of sewer pipe as per their letter of April 4th.

LETTER read from THE TORONTO INCINERATOR, Toronto, stating that they would like to interest the Council in the sanitary disposal of garbage, refuse and offal etc. Letter received and placed on file.

COUNCILLOR PETTIPAS' report recommending changes in the existing Building By-Laws of the Town was read and deferred until next meeting.

Number of Town Bills signed by two Councillors were passed for payment.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved.

W. T. Smith
----- Clerk

Samuel Lear
----- Mayor.

Dartmouth, N. S., April 20, 1925.

Town Council met this date at 8 P.M.

Present:- Mayor MacLean, Councillors Pettipas, Smith, Walker and Webber. Also Town Solicitor Murray.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

THE POLICE & LICENSE COMMITTEE'S report was adopted as follows:-

- (1) That the resignation of Chief of Police, John A. Wrin be accepted to take effect April 30th. and that the settlement of his salary up to that date be left with the Mayor and Acting Clerk.
- (2) That Deputy Chief of Police, A. S. Johnstone, be appointed Chief of Police, License Inspector and Sanitary Inspector at a salary of \$1600. per annum, said appointment to take place as soon as vacancy occurs on or before April 30th.
- (3) That Officer J. T. Clarke be appointed Deputy Chief of Police and Sanitary Inspector at a salary of \$1300. per annum.
- (4) That the salary of Officers J. J. Lawlor and D. J. O'Connell be increased to \$1250. each ^{per} annum.

Increases to date from May 1, 1925.

Report adopted.

COUNCILLOR WALKER, Chairman of the Street Committee reported verbally that the complaint of John Richards, Thistle Street, had been remedied. The complaint of Frank Lahey's was again discussed and referred back to the Street Committee for further report.

COUNCILLOR WALKER, also brought up the matter of the request of Andrew Forsyth for a concrete curb and gutter in front of his place of business on Water Street. After some discussion the matter was referred to Councillor Pettipas with authority to make satisfactory arrangements with Mr. Forsyth in reference to financing the undertaking.

LETTERS were read from:-

THE SALVATION ARMY, Halifax, asking that the Town make a grant

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towards their special self denial appeal. Letter received and the Clerk was instructed to acknowledge receipt and inform them that the Council regrets that they are unable to grant their request as the estimates for the year have been made up.

NOVA SCOTIA ACCIDENT PREVENTION ASSOCIATION, Halifax, N.S., stating that the annual meeting of the Association will be held on April 22nd. and asked that the Town as an employer of labor be represented at this meeting at which the operation of the Workmen's Compensation Board will be explained. Letter received and motion was adopted appointing the Mayor and Councillors Walker and Smith as representatives from the Town of Dartmouth.

THE COMMITTEE ON WATER & SEWERAGE reported as follows:-

That a meeting was held last week with residents on Cameron Street with regard to improvements in the water service in that district. The suggestion was made that an electric booster pump with automatic control be installed on the water supply pipe on Cameron Street. Careful consideration has been given to the matter and much helpful information has been obtained, but in view of the fact that many phases and angles are associated with the matter, your Committee is not in a position without further consideration to make a definite recommendation until some later date. Report adopted.

On motion of COUNCILLORS PETTIPAS and WALKER resolved that the Council approve of the Mayor, C.A. McLean and Acting Town Clerk, W. T. Smith, entering personally their names on the Bonds relative to the guardianship of Miss Janet R. McArthur over which Mr. J. Lorne Allan has been appointed Guardian, and further that the Town by its Council will protect and indemnify the said C. A. McLean and W. T. Smith in respect to any loss or damage they may incur by reason of entering into said Bond. Passed.

On motion of COUNCILLORS WALKER and WEBBER resolved that the action taken by the Town Solicitor in securing Judgment against

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the property of Estate of Brenton H. Eaton be ratified. Passed.

TENDERS for installing plumbing at the following places were received from:-

8 Harvey Street - Young & Dunn \$123.

G. J. O'Hearn 116.

9 Cameron Street - Young & Dunn \$109.

G.J. O'Hearn 114.

After considerable discussion the tender for work # 9 Cameron Street was referred back to the Plumbing Inspector for further information in regard to owner signing agreement to have work done. The work on # 8 Harvey Street was deferred.

Number of Town Bills signed by two Councillors were passed for payment.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved.

W. P. Smith

Acting Town Clerk.

C. McLean
-----Mayor.

Dartmouth, N. S., Wednesday, April 29, 1925.

Town Council met this date at 9 P.M.

Present:- Mayor McLean, Councillors Walker, Pettipas, Young and Smith.

LETTER read from G. FRED PEARSON, Chairman of the Mass.-Halifax Health Commission setting forth the work accomplished by the Commission during its operation of five years terminated October last, and stating that the funds set aside for this work were practically all expended, and asked that the Town Council give the matter consideration in reference to determining the public health program in the interests of the citizens of the Town of Dartmouth, and further stating that the Commission would co-operate with the Town to the extent of its ability. Letter received and the following resolution was adopted.

RESOLVED that this Council place itself on record as expressing its sense of deep appreciation for the splendid work accomplished by the Mass.-Halifax Health Commission, and that they be asked to continue their good work for the balance of the year.

FURTHER that the matter of presenting a suitable letter of appreciation be left in the hands of the Mayor, Councillor Pettipas and Acting Town Clerk.

On motion of COUNCILLORS PETTIPAS AND WALKER resolved that commencing at Midnight on Sunday, the 3rd. day of May, A.D., 1925, and continuing until Midnight on Sunday, the 27th. day of September, A.D., 1925, the hours for all civic activities and for opening and closing of the offices in the Town Hall for public business, will be one hour earlier than the present accepted Atlantic Standard Time, that is to say, three hours behind Greenwich Mean Solar Time, and further resolved that the Chairman of the School Board be asked to direct that the change in time be effected in the public schools.

COUNCILLOR PETTIPAS reported recommending that the following Legislation regarding appointment of Town Clerk be incorporated

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in the legislation for the current year:-

Notwithstanding the provisions of any Act of the Legislature of Nova Scotia, the Town Council shall appoint the Town Clerk, who may be dismissed for cause at any time by resolution of the Council, Sections 121 to 125 inclusive of Chapter 84 of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia 1923, shall not apply to the Town Clerk of the Town of Dartmouth.

This Section takes the place of previous Legislation applied for as follows:-

Notwithstanding the provisions of any Act of the Legislature of Nova Scotia, the Town Council shall annually at its first meeting after the annual meeting or at such other time as it ~~deems~~ expedient appoint the Town Clerk who shall hold office during pleasure and who may be dismissed for any cause at any time by resolution of the Town Council.

After some discussion the report was adopted.

On motion resolved that the STREET COMMITTEE be authorized to expend \$50.00 for the purpose of buying a piece of land for the improvement of the Street Corner Oak and Beech.

RE BUILDING BY-LAWS. A Committee consisting of the Mayor, Councillors Walker, Smith and Pettipas were appointed to revise the Building By-Laws recommending changes and report back to Council.

Several bills signed by two Councillors were passed for payment.

The Council then adjourned and met as the

BOARD OF HEALTH

LETTER read from the SANITARY INSPECTOR and PLUMBING INSPECTOR stating that the complaint of the unsanitary conditions of the premises owned and occupied by Mr. Alex. Patterson, 135 Prince Albert Road, had not yet been remedied, the barn and the hen run being in the same unsanitary condition. Mr. Patterson had been notified by the Secretary of the Health Board on March 26, to have his property in a sanitary condition and he has not done so. On motion **the** matter was referred to the Town Solicitor with full authority to act as he sees advisable.

Approved.

W. M. Leary
MAYOR

Meeting adjourned.

W. D. Smith
Acting Town Clerk

Dartmouth, April 29th, 1925

His Worship The Mayor
And Members Town Council

Gentlemen:-

For the information of the town council and ratepayers I desire to report, as a member of the committee on Legislation, on the progress of the legislation approved by this council and later incorporated into Bill No. 120 and introduced into the House of Assembly by Mr. J.B. Douglas, M.P.P.

An undesirable incident marked the progress of this legislation attributed to an apparent misunderstanding in the usual practice being departed from in no public hearing being arranged for. This may have been due to the fact that the proposed legislation was not regarded as controvertial, but nevertheless it has always been the custom that when Dartmouth legislation came up for consideration in committee of the House, an opportunity was afforded to citizens to attend and speak for or against any section. No blame is attached to anyone for this unintentional omission. The legislation was introduced later this year, the delay being caused by the time required to obtain a complete description of the proposed new boundaries of the town which have been in friendly dispute between the town and the county for half a century.

The legislation asked for by the town council was well prepared by the town solicitor, R.H. Murray, K.C. and included among many other sections one of special interest and importance covering the procedure under which the town council could appoint a town clerk. The late town clerk held office under the provisions of a Provincial statute which do not meet with ~~approval~~ approval of the ratepayers. The council desired to change all this and consequently

instructed its solicitor to draft legislation in accordance with the wishes of the ratepayers. The following legislation was drafted and approved by council:

"Notwithstanding the provisions of any act of the legislature of Nova Scotia, the town council shall annually at its first meeting after the annual meeting or at such other time as it deems expedient appoint the town clerk who shall hold office during pleasure and who may be dismissed at any time by resolution of the council".

The above section may be regarded as rather too much in favor of the town as against any person who might be appointed to the office of town clerk. It must be realized that the town clerk, as the chief ~~official~~ executive official of the town is entitled to protection from unfair political treatment resulting in dismissal at any time to satisfy the desires of any clique or ring in municipal government.

Suspicion was aroused, however, when it was learned that the entire section had been struck out of the Bill. This information was first conveyed to me by Mr. Murray. Up until that time I was not aware that the legislation asked for had been up before the committee on Private and Local Bills of the House of Assembly, depending upon official notice to attend the annual hearing. As a member of the town's committee on legislation I claim that notice should have been given of the time the legislation was to be considered by the house committee. In explaining the provisions of the Bill ~~Mrx~~ ~~Murrayxstated~~ before the committee Mr. Murray stated that the section covering the appointment of a town clerk had been unanimously approved by council.

In view of the fact that no public hearing was arranged for notice of the semi-private hearing held was perhaps unintentionally omitted. Contrary to further evidence I must regard it as such. Immediately upon learning from Mr. Murray what occurred I communicated with the mayor and requested him to call a special meeting of council in order that an official protest might be sent to the Premier.

The mayor was quite satisfied to ~~do~~ this but as a meeting could not be called as early as desired it was intended to make a direct ~~protest~~ protest pending the calling of a meeting. In the meantime the Hon. W.J.O'Hearn, attorney general, observed by press reports that the proposed Dartmouth legislation had been tampered with and he promptly communicated with me at home and promised to have it adjusted by re-inserting legislation along lines which would be fair to all parties concerned. On Saturday afternoon, April 25th I interviewed the Hon. attorney general at his office and agreed to have the clause struck out re-inserted with certain amendments. Later I discussed the matter with the mayor and the town solicitor and it was felt that the amendments to the original section would not be entirely satisfactory.

Mr. Murray drafted another section to read:

"Notwithstanding the provisions of any act of the legislature of Nova Scotia, the town council shall appoint the town clerk, who may be dismissed for cause at any time by resolution of the council. sections 121 to 125, inclusive of Chapter 84 of the revised statutes of Nova Scotia, 1923, shall not apply to the town clerk of the town of Dartmouth".

Under the above section it was felt that the town clerk might be unfairly dealt with by being dismissed without a majority of the council as some present at the meeting may refrain from voting. In fairness to all I consulted with Mr. Murray about having the words "a majority ~~of~~ of the council", ~~after~~ inserted after the word "resolution" in the above section. Mr. Murray considered that this was quite fair and proper. The amendment was given to the Hon. attorney general and he promptly had it re-inserted in the Dartmouth Bill and it passed the House on Monday night. This amendment should appeal to any person who is fair-minded as it provides ample protection to the council in dealing with the town clerk and also in giving the official protection against unfair treatment.

The sections referred to in the above legislation asked for reads as follows:-

121. Any officer of an incorporated town, the tenure of whose office is during good behaviour, who is removed from office, or whose salary as such officer, whether fixed by resolution or by by-law, is reduced by resolution of the council, may apply either to a judge of the County Court for the county in which the town is situated, or to a judge of the Supreme Court within six months after such removal, or such resolution, to be reinstated in office, or to have such resolution rescinded. 1918, c. 4, s. 121

122. Such application shall be made on affidavit and a summons shall be issued calling upon the mayor and town council to show cause why such officer should not be reinstated, or why such resolution should not be rescinded, and service of the summons on the mayor shall be sufficient service on the town council. 1918, c. 4, s. 122.

123. Upon the hearing of the summons, if the judge decided that the removal was without due cause, he shall make an order that the officer shall be reinstated, and such officer shall forthwith thereafter be the officer de jure of the town, and the council shall admit him to all the rights, privileges, franchises and duties thereof. 1918, c. 4, s. 123

124. (1) In case of a summons to rescind a resolution reducing the salary of any such officer, if the judge determines that the resolution was made in the bona fide exercise of the discretion of the town council, and in the public interest and with due regard to the efficient performance of the duties of such officer, the application shall be dismissed.

(2) If the judge determines that the salary of such officer before such reduction was made was excessive, he shall fix the salary at such amount as he deems adequate compensation for the service.

(3) If the judge determines that the said resolution was not made in the bona fide exercise of such discretion, or that the said resolution was for the purpose of compelling or inducing such officer to resign, he shall make an order rescinding such resolution, and the salary of such officer shall continue and be held to have continued the same as if no such resolution had been passed. 1918, c.4, s.124

125. There shall be an appeal to the Supreme Court in banco from any order or decision made or given under the provisions of the next two preceding sections, and such appeal shall operate as a stay of proceedings in respect to the order appealed from. 1918, c.4, s.125.

Under the amendment as passed the House none of the above sections will apply to the office of town clerk, so it will be seen that the council has the control it should have over its officials holding important offices. The incident which marked the progress of the Dartmouth legislation referred to is evidence that too much attention cannot be given to the matter of legislation in seeing that it is not tampered with after it is passed by council. The general interest which was aroused when it was learned that the section had been eliminated prompts this report as much misunderstanding existed as to who was responsible for the clause being eliminated. There is no evidence that any person was responsible, the fault being that no representative of council was present at the House to urge the passage of the legislation, therefore it no doubt was regarded as unimportant and unnecessary.

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Respectfully submitted,

Arthur C. Pettinas

Dartmouth, N.S., Monday, May 4th, 1925.

Town Council met this date at 8 P.M.

Present:- Mayor McLean, Councillors Munro, Walker, Pettipas, Young, Smith and Webber. Also Town Solicitor Murray.

Minutes of last two meetings were read and approved.

COUNCILLOR MUNRO reported recommending that some action be taken in the case of Miss Alden who was recommended for admittance in the Tuberculosis Hospital, Halifax, by Doctors Payzant and Sieniewicz. After some discussion the matter was referred back to the Charities Committee to deal with.

REPORT read from COUNCILLOR PETTIPAS in reference to Legislation respecting the appointment of a Town Clerk stating that the resolution passed at last meeting of Council respecting this appointment had been placed before Legislation Council, also that he had had a conference with the Legislative Council Committee and had gathered from the nature of the discussion from the views and opinions expressed that it was evident that the Bill will be thrown out. Councillor Pettipas reported verbally that the other Legislation asked for with the exception of the extra exemption in regard to firemens widows would likely go through. APPLICATIONS approved by the Inspector, for Hackney License for Automobiles were received from:-

C. Naugle
H. B. Conrod
John Boyle
James A. Boyle
John Myers
James McDonald

On motion the same were granted.

APPLICATION read from L.M. BELL LIMITED applying for a renewal of License to run motor buses from Dartmouth Ferry to Imperoyal, Dartmouth Ferry to North End and Dartmouth Ferry through Austenville. On motion of Councillors Young and Munro resolved that

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the application of L. M. Bell Limited be referred to the License Committee to take up the matter of defining the route with Mr. Bell.

LETTER read from C. H. WESLEY, Port Clinton, Ohio, objecting to being billed by the Town for \$28.50 for Victoria General Hospital treatment for his child. Referred to the Town Solicitor with authority to take action.

COUNCILLOR PETTIPAS reported re NEEDHAM family and recommended that the Town give the family notice that they will not pay their rent after June 1st., Referred to Councillor Pettipas to take up with Mrs. Needham.

Number of Town Bills signed by two Councillors were passed for payment.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved

W. D. Smith
Acting Town Clerk.

W. M. Lee
----- Mayor.

Dartmouth, N. S., Wednesday, May 6, 1925.

Special meeting of the Town Council held this date at 8 P.M.

Present:- Mayor McLean, Councillors Munro, Walker, Webber, Pettipas and Smith. Also Town Solicitor Murray.

The meeting was called to consider the sale of land of the Ship Building and Investment Company at Sheriff's Sale by the Town of Dartmouth for taxes, sale to take place on the 7th. day of May, 1925, 12 noon. On motion of Councillors MUNRO and WALKER resolved that the Town Solicitor and Acting Town Clerk attend the sale, so as to protect the Town's interest.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved

W. B. Smith
Acting Town Clerk

W. McLean Mayor.

Dartmouth, N.S., Tuesday, May 12, 1925.

Special meeting of the Town Council held this date at 7:30 P.M.
Present:- Mayor McLean, Councillors Walker, Webber, Pettipas,
Smith and Munro. Also Town Solicitor Murray.

The meeting was called for the purpose of discussing complaint
of GEORGE WILSON, Pine Street, re garage being erected on
property of L. K. PAYZANT. MR. GEORGE HILTON, Contractor,
being present was heard in connection therewith and after some
discussion the matter was referred to the Building Committee to
bring in a report at Monday Night's meeting. On motion of
Councillors Munro and Smith the following By-Laws Respecting the
Construction and Use of Automobile Garages were adopted.

- (1) No building shall be remodelled, constructed or used for the storage or housing of a motor vehicle, or as a public or private garage, until its location and the materials to be used in the construction thereof and the plan of structure have first been approved by the Town Council. This approval shall be signified by a permit from the Building Inspector which may be revoked by the Building Inspector before or after the construction of the Building, in the event of the location, general plan of construction, materials used therein or conditions existing in the Building, not conforming to the directions or approval of the Building Inspector, subject, however, to final determination by the Town Council.
- (2) The provisions of the Building By-Laws regulating the Erection, Reconstruction and Removal of Buildings in the Town of Dartmouth approved by the Governor of Nova Scotia in Council on the 17th. day of December, A.D., 1921, with the exception of Section 20, shall, mutatis mutandis, apply to the regulations and enforcement of the provisions of Section 1 hereof.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved.

James McLean
----- MAYOR.

W. H. Munro
TOWN CLERK

Dartmouth, N.S., Monday, May 18th, 1925.

Regular meeting of the Town Council held this date at 8 P.M.

Present:- Mayor McLean, Councillors Munro, Walker, Webber, Smith, Young and Pettipas. Also Town Solicitor Murray.

Minutes of last three meetings were read and approved.

MR. J.L. WILSON and MR. L.K. PAYZANT being present were heard in connection with the location of garage being erected on Mr. Payzant's property which location of garage has been objected to by Mr. Wilson. After a very lengthy discussion a resolution was adopted, moved by Councillor Pettipas and seconded by Councillor Munro that the matter be referred to the Building Committee to report on Friday night May 22nd.

COUNCILLOR WALKER reported verbally that MR. J.A. GILLIS had complained of the shifting of his terrace in front of his property on Prince Albert Road caused by heaving of the ground, which Mr. Gillis claimed was caused by wall being not properly filled in. After some discussion a resolution was adopted, moved by Councillor Smith and seconded by Councillor Walker that the Town does not assume any responsibility in the matter.

The matter of a line fence re ORMON PROPERTY on Tulip Street was referred to the Street Committee to report on.

COUNCILLOR MUNRO reported verbally in reference to MISS ALDEN who had been recommended by Doctors for admittance to the Tuberculosis Hospital, Halifax, that he had visited Miss Alden who was staying with H.N. Power on Thompson Street and found that she was improving in health.

On motion of Councillors WALKER and SMITH resolved that the Council visit and look over the water shed of the Town's Water Supply.

On motion of COUNCILLORS WALKER and YOUNG resolved that MR. W. T. SMITH be appointed Town Clerk for the Town of Dartmouth subject to Legislation at a salary of \$2200. per annum. Motion adopted. Councillor Pettipas was absent at the time.

On motion of COUNCILLORS SMITH and YOUNG resolved that Superintendent NICHOLS be appointed Building Inspector under the Building

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Act. Further that no permits be granted until approved by the Building Committee. The Town Council however to have final determination in this matter. On motion of COUNCILLORS PETTIPAS and YOUNG resolved that the matter of purchasing a new motor for the stone crusher be referred to the Street Committee to bring in a report showing the costs etc.

LETTERS were read from:-

P.H. ROSS, Municipal Clerk, and GEORGE H. LOVE, Town Clerk, Lunenburg, N.S., enclosing copy of resolution adopted by the Municipalities of Lunenburg and the Towns of Bridgewater, Lunenburg and Mahone Bay protesting against the Statutory Laws in reference to Preliminary Hearings in Magistrate's Courts, whereby a prisoner who is examined by a Magistrate is sent up for trial to a higher court and the higher court find him guilty, they collect the fine and the Magistrate's Courts are compelled upon to pay the Court fees etc. On motion resolved that the Town of Dartmouth endorse the above resolution and the Clerk be instructed to send a copy to Federal Representatives at Ottawa.

G. FRED PEARSON, Chairman of the Mass.-Halifax Health Commission stating that they would contribute a sum of \$1000. providing the Town of Dartmouth would engage as a matter of civic policy, to employ two nurses from now until the end of the year and thereafter also stating that they would be glad to meet the Council or Committee at any time to go further into the matter. Letter received and on motion of Councillors PETTIPAS and WALKER resolved that the Clerk be instructed to notify Mr. Pearson that in view of the fact that the estimates have been made up some months ago, and that no provision was made for an expenditure of this kind, that the Council regrets that they are unable to make this contribution.

MISS FRANCES M. FRASER, Supervisor Mass.-Halifax Health Commission recommending for admittance to the Sanitarium at Kentville, of Miss Gertrude DeBay, Number 49 Rose Street, Dartmouth, age 14 years, daughter of John DeBay, who is a laborer. She stated that Miss DeBay was suffering from an 'Early Pulmonary Tuberculosis', the

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costs would be \$7.50 per week to keep her at Kentville and her people are unable to pay. Referred to the Charities Committee to investigate and report to Council.

ARTHUR ROBERTS, K.C., Secretary Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities enclosing bill for the annual fee for the current year \$21.00. On motion the same was ordered to be paid.

ANNIE B. HURLEY applying for the laying of a concrete sidewalk in front of her house on Water Street. Application received and placed on file and the Clerk was instructed to notify her that no appropriations had been made this year for any work of that kind.

J. LORN ALLAN, Secretary Board of Trade in reference to a special tourist advertisement in the Toronto Globe. Referred to the Finance Committee.

R. L. CROOK tendering his resignation as Tax Collector and thanking the Council for past favors. On motion the same was accepted.

APPLICATIONS for the position of Tax Collector were read from:-

H. L. Anderson and H. L. Gaetz.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

On motion of COUNCILLORS PETTIPAS and YOUNG resolved that the matter of advertising for Tax Collector, the schedules of percentages to be paid on taxes etc. be left in the hands of the Finance Committee.

On motion of COUNCILLORS YOUNG and SMITH resolved that the Clerk be instructed to purchase a blue print of the Town of Dartmouth as presented by the Town Solicitor for the sum of \$12.50.

RE -CLEAN UP WEEK - The Clerk was instructed to get 50 large posters printed in reference to citizens ~~be~~ cleaning up their back yards etc. not later than June 1st.

Number of town bills signed by ~~Two~~ Councillors were passed for payment.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved.

W. Smith
TOWN CLERK.

Clara Leary
MAYOR.

Dartmouth, N. S., Friday, May 22nd. 1925.

Special meeting of the Town Council held this date at 8 P.M.
Present:- Mayor McLean, Councillors Walker, Pettipas, Young
and Smith. Also Town Solicitor Murray.

The meeting was called for the purpose of receiving a report
from the Building Committee in reference to location of garage
being built on Mr. L. K. Payzant's property. Mr. Walter
Barss was present on behalf of Mr. Payzant and was given a
hearing. Mr. Wilson was also present and was heard again,
and after some discussion, COUNCILLOR PETTIPAS moved, seconded
by COUNCILLOR WALKER that Mr. L. K. Payzant's application for
a building permit to erect a garage on the present site be not
granted. Motion carried, COUNCILLORS WALKER, ^{YOUNG} PETTIPAS and
SMITH voting for, ~~COUNCILLOR YOUNG dissenting.~~

On motion of COUNCILLORS PETTIPAS and WALKER resolved that the
Council approve of the proposed location of garage to be erected
on the property of Mr. L. K. Payzant, that is, that the front
of the garage will be in line with the front wall of Mr. George
Wilson's house, and that a permit will be granted if applied
for. Motion adopted.

Meeting adjourned.

APPROVED

W. McLean

MAYOR.

W. Smith

TOWN CLERK

WATER MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT

R E C E I P T S

Outstanding Water Rates			
Per Meter		120	
Ordinary		1500	
Steamer Supply for 1925		400	
Meter Rates for 1925		4000	
W.C.'s 1702 @ 3.50		5957	
All other Rates		700	
Sewer Interest		1000	
Interest on Sinking Funds		<u>1000</u>	14,677

EXPENDITURES

Overdraft at Bank			4,799
Interest On Bonded Debt			
\$54,000 @ 4%		2160	
109,500 @ 4 1/2%		4927	
92,000 @ 5%		4600	
50,000 @ 5 1/2%		2750	
105,000 @ 6%		<u>6300</u>	20,737 -
Interest on Overdraft			600

Salaries:-

A. Elliot		113	
W. T. Smith		740	
E. Nichols		1180	
W. N. Forbes		<u>800</u>	2,833
Labor		2000	
Material & Supplies		300	
Adv. & Printing		200	
Allow. for Vac. Houses		500	
Contingent		<u>100</u>	3,100

Sinking Funds.

1912	62,500	@	2%	1250	
1915	5,000	@	1%	50	
1916	5,000	@	1%	50	
1919	15,000	@	2%	300	
1920	100,000	@	2%	2000	
1922	50,000	@	2%	1000	
1923	6,000	@	3%	180	
1924	5,000	@	3%	<u>150</u>	4,980 -
					<u>37,049</u> 22,372

Amount required to be raised by Assessment on Valuations for 1925 as under:-

Value of property subject to Domestic Rate			
2,209,100 @ 60¢		13,254	
Value of property subject to Pipe Rate			
1,735,750 @ 20¢		<u>3,471</u>	16,725

DIFFERENCE \$ 5,647

Acts 1921, Cap. 93, Sec. 16)

Dartmouth, N.S., Monday, June 1st. 1925.

Town Council held this date at 8 P.M.

Present:- Mayor McLean, Councillors Munro, Walker, Webber, Pettipas, Young and Smith. Also Town Solicitor Murray.

Minutes of last two meetings were read and approved.

TOWN SOLICITOR MURRAY reported in reference to an Agreement between WM. H. HARRISON and others in relation to the recent extension of Water and Sewer Pipes on Park Avenue Lane, that Mr. Harrison was liable for the frontage on the rear of his property. On motion the report was adopted and the Clerk was instructed to notify Mr. Harrison to that effect.

ESTIMATES OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES for Water Maintenance Account for the current year was submitted and the Water Committee reported as follows:-

"RESOLVED that the estimates of Receipts and Expenditures as submitted by the Water Committee for the year showing a balance of \$22,372 to be raised by direct taxation, be approved and that the levying of a Domestic Rate of 60¢ per 100 on an Assessment of 2,209,100, also the levying of a pipe rate of 20¢ per 100 on an Assessment of 1,735,750 be and the same are hereby confirmed.

Your Committee wishes to report that the Chairman and another member had an interview with Mr. C. H. Harvey, Agent of the Marine and Fisheries Department regarding arrangements to have the steamers obtain their water supply at night, with a view of improving the water supply to residents on Cameron Street. Mr. Harvey promised to co-operate in every way and to have the steamers fill up with water at night when convenient. While this arrangement will not, in the opinion of your Committee effect the desired improvement, it is further recommended that authority be given to enable the Committee to engage the services of a highly qualified engineer to report as to what should be done to remedy the shortage of water complained of by the residents on Cameron Street. It is understood, however, that the recommendations are not to be carried out until such time as they are submitted to Council for approval.

With regard to the Water Rates your Committee wish to further recommend as follows:-

That the Rates become due and payable on August 15th. That all Rates not paid by then be subject to interest charges at eight per cent.

That the water be turned off all premises where rates remain unpaid up to September 15th."

On motion of Councillors Munro and Smith the report was adopted.

THE FIRE COMMITTEE reported recommending the acceptance of the following tenders.

MESSRS. L. STERNS & SON - 6 Firemens Water Proof Coats @ \$11.50 ea.

MESSRS. SOLOMON BROS. - 18 prs. Triumph Storm King Boots @ \$4.75
per pr.
6 Firemens Hats.

MESSRS. JAMES SIMMONDS LTD. - 3 Brass Lanterns @ \$6.75 each
18 Screw Drivers, Large Size @ .75 ea.
10 Hand Axes @ \$1.60 each.

The above being the lowest tenders received. Report received and on motion of Councillors Smith and Young the same was adopted.

REPORT read from FINANCE COMMITTEE as follows:-

Your Committee on Finance wish to report that at a recent meeting several matters referred to it from the last meeting were dealt with. As directed the Town Clerk called for applications thru the Press for position of Tax Collector. Ten were received. As there was a difference of opinion as to who should be appointed it was decided to submit the names of

- (1) Mr. J. M. Henneberry and Thomas R. Sheehan to Council. The names of the other applicants are available for Council upon request. Your Committee favored the appointment of a Tax Collector, regarding that it was in the interest of the Town that such an officer should be available. It is recommended that remuneration for services should be paid on the basis of percentages as follows:-

Poll Taxes and Hospital Accounts, ten per cent
Personal Property, seven per cent.
Real Estate, five per cent.

- (2) Percentage is only to be paid on the actual amounts collected by the official and not on any amounts paid at the office of the Town Clerk. It is further recommended that the Collector be required to report at the office of the Town Clerk daily at 9 A.M. and to make returns of all collections not less than three times per week. The appointment to be on probation. It is further recommended that the rate of percentages be subject to revision; but that before any such revision takes place one months notice be given by Council.
- (3) Your Committee find it necessary to recommend against any expenditure covering advertising space in a tourist edition of the Toronto Globe. The proposal was outlined in a letter received from the Secretary of the Board of Trade, the publishers having first communicated with this representative.
- (4) In an effort to keep Tax Collections active your Committee recommend that display cards be printed and posted in conspicuous places reminding Tax Payers of the date Taxes for the current year are due and the date the discount allowed expires, also the date the interest charge of eight per cent becomes effective."

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Report received and dealt with Clause by Clause.

CLAUSE 1 - It was moved and seconded by Councillors Smith and Walker that Mr. J. M. Henneberry be appointed Tax Collector. Councillors Young and Pettipas moved an Amendment that Mr. Sydney Mott be appointed. The Amendment was put and lost, Two Councillors for, and four against. The motion was then put and carried.

CLAUSE 2 - was adopted upon motion of Councillors Smith and Munro.

CLAUSE 3 - was adopted upon motion of Councillors Pettipas and Young.

CLAUSE 4 - was adopted upon motion of Councillors Young and Smith.

COUNCILLOR PETTIPAS reported verbally on the case of Miss Gertrude DeBay, 49 Rose Street, which ~~was~~ had been reported by Miss Frances M. Fraser as suffering from 'Early Pulmonary Tuberculosis'. He recommended that the patient be supplied with 2 dozen fresh eggs and 7 quarts of milk per week for several months under the directions of the Charities Committee. Report adopted.

RE- LESLIE B. CLARKE & FAMILY who have been receiving \$5.00 per week for groceries. The matter was referred to Councillor Munro to investigate ^{and} ~~to~~ bring in a report if help was still necessary.

LETTERS were read from:-

WALTER DeW. BARSS claiming that under Section 4 of Sub-Section (C) of the Assessment Act, Chapter 86, Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia 1923, that the property on Jamieson Street assessed to the Governors of Acadia University was exempt from taxation. Town Solicitor Murray reported that they were liable for taxes on this property and a motion was adopted that the Clerk be instructed to notify Mr. Barss that the Town holds the Governors of Acadia University liable for taxes on this property, and in

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the event of any dispute the Town Solicitor will be authorized to take any action that is necessary.

MRS. FRANCES M. SILVER, Secretary V. O. N., asking for permission to use the Council Chamber at the Town Hall for the purpose of holding their monthly meetings, said meetings to be held on the 1st. Monday of each month at 3 P.M. On motion their request was granted.

LALIA E. THOMAS, R.N., Superintendent Infants' Home & Women's Hospital, Halifax, enclosing bill for the maintenance of Marguerite Olive Gammon, child of Maude Gammon, supposed to be from the Town of Dartmouth, from October 23, 1923 until April 1924, \$292. and asking that Dartmouth make future arrangements for the child. Referred to the Charities Committee to investigate.

ARTHUR ROBERTS, K.C., Secretary Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities stating that some 400 delegates from 75 Municipalities, including the Cities in the Province of Quebec, will be at Charlottetown, P. E. I., where they will be received and entertained by the Government of P. E. I., and the City of Charlottetown and extending cordial invitation to the Mayor and members of the Council for the pleasure of their company on that occasion. Letter received and the Clerk was instructed to acknowledge same and state that the Mayor and Councillors regret that they will be unable to avail themselves of this kind invitation.

MESSRS. MOSELEY BROS. asking the Council to express to the different Fire Departments their appreciation of the prompt action of the Fire Department at the recent fire at their premises. Letter received and the Clerk was instructed to notify the Captains of the Fire Companies.

On motion resolved that Section 3 of the Legal Vendor Regulations of the Town of Dartmouth be repealed and the following be substituted therefore.

(3) The office hours of the Legal Vendor shall be from 10 A.M.

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to 1 P.M. and from three P.M. to 6 P.M. on all days excepting Sundays and Legal Holidays and on Fridays and Saturdays from 7:30 P. M. to 9:30 P. M., and he shall at no other time or times sell or dispose of any liquor, excepting in cases of emergency, and further that the Clerk be instructed to ask the Inspector in Chief under the Nova Scotia Temperance Act for his approval of same.

RESOLVED that this Council recommend that the Water Maintenance Account of the Town of Dartmouth be transferred to the Bank of Nova Scotia branch, provided that the Chairman of the Finance Committee can make satisfactory arrangements in regard to interest, the same as enjoyed at the Royal Bank of Canada. Also that this Council be in favor of carrying the lighting loan of \$4000. at the Bank of Nova Scotia for a period of years by paying off \$500. and interest each year. Number of Town Bills signed by two Councillors were passed for payment.

Meeting ad journed.

Approved.

W. Whitcomb
TOWN CLERK.

Wm. Leach -MAYOR.

Dartmouth, N.S., Monday, June 15th, 1925.

Town Council met this date at 8 P.M.

Present:- Mayor McLean, Councillors Munro, Walker, Webber, Pettipas, Young and Smith. Also Town Solicitor Murray.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

THE POLICE COMMITTEE reported that a meeting was held on Tuesday, June 9th, in reference to Chief of Police who was absent for a short time and as he has been given a severe reprimand and in future must obey the Police Regulations, they recommended that no further action be taken in the matter. Report adopted.

COUNCILLOR MUNRO presented a detailed report made by W. F. McKnight, Registered Electrical Engineer, Halifax, showing the comparative rates paid by the Consumer for Light and Power in the City of Halifax and the Town of Dartmouth. Report received and the Clerk was instructed to send a copy to each member of the Council, also the Town Solicitor and Mr. Stanford and the President of the Board of Trade.

LETTERS were read from the following:-

ST. GEORGE'S LAWN TENNIS CLUB stating that the Maritime Championship would be held in Dartmouth on the 10th. of August, and asked that the Council make them a grant of \$100.00 to help defray the expenses in entertaining the visitors, also asked that the Town supply some benches for the spectators. On motion of Councillors Smith and Munro resolved that the matter of financial support be referred to the Finance Committee and the request for the benches be referred to the Street & Public Property Committee.

H. L. ANDERSON in reference to his personal property of 1924, stating that he was assessed in the fall of 1923, \$200. He left Dartmouth in the early spring of 1924 for the United States disposing of all his personal property before departing, and that he didn't return to Dartmouth until late in the fall of 1924, stating he did not feel that he should be subject to a personal

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tax for that year. Referred to the Finance Committee to report back to Council.

MR. J. A. KNIGHT, Inspector in Chief under The Nova Scotia Temperance Act, stating that he would like to have further particulars for the reasons of the proposed changes in the hours of the Legal Vendor before approving it. Referred to the Vendor's Committee.

FRANCES M. SILVER, Secty. V.O. N. (2 letters) thanking the Council for their kind permission in allowing them the use of the Council Chamber for their monthly meetings, and asking for payment of their annual grant of \$350. A motion was adopted that the request be left in the hands of the Finance Committee.

A. S. WOLFE, stating that the Street in front of his residence on No. 80 Windmill Road, was in bad condition. Referred to the Street Committee.

W. P. POTTER, Barrister & Solicitor, Lunenburg, N.S., in reference to Mrs. Willis Walters asking for payment of \$90.00 for services nursing Mrs. Walters and her children. Referred to the Solicitor and Town Clerk.

APPLICATIONS FOR HACKNEY LICENSES approved by the Inspector received from Edward Fraser. On motion of Councillors Walker and Smith the same was granted.

On motion resolved that the Police and License Committee be authorized to report on the dogs not licensed, also to submit to Council Revised By-Laws in reference to keeping dogs in the Town of Dartmouth.

On motion of Councillors Walker and Pettipas resolved that the Police Committee be notified to instruct the Chief of Police to have an Officer at the Ferry on Sunday evenings from 7:30 P.M. until the heavy traffic is over.

On motion of Councillors Pettipas and Munro resolved that Mr. J. E. BURNS be paid the sum of \$10.00 for services rendered the Town at the recent sale of the property of The Shipbuilding & Investment Company.

On motion resolved that the Clerk be instructed to write Mr. J.

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Walter Allison in reference to the Building on Albert Street reported by Mr. Howard Merrick to be in a dangerous condition. The Clerk was also authorized to write Mr. A. E. Hyde in reference to the vacant house corner Church and King Streets reported to be a fire menace.

RE BILL R. L. CROOK for \$104.12, 2 year's commission on dog taxes. After some discussion the matter was referred to the Town Solicitor to report on.

Number of Town Bills signed by two Councillors were passed for payment.

Council then adjourned and met as

THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

REPORT from W. N. FORBES, Plumbing Inspector in reference to the premises No. 9 Cameron Street owned by Mrs. Mabel Martin. He stated that he had taken the matter up with the Mortgagee, Mr. Charles Evans and he was quite willing for the Town to instal a toilet and sink. The lowest tender for this work was \$110.00 and the estimate for the Town's work was \$67.00. On motion resolved that the Plumbing Inspector be authorized to have an Agreement executed with these parties for the connecting up of the Water and Sewerage system and the installing of a W.C. and sink.

Board of Health adjourned and met again as

The TOWN COUNCIL.

On motion resolved that the Mayor be authorized to proclaim Monday, June 22nd. a Public Half Holiday in the Town of Dartmouth in honor of Halifax Natal Day, and the Clerk be instructed to notify Mayor Kenny to that effect.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved.

James Dean Mayor.

W. H. M. L.
TOWN CLERK

Dartmouth, N. S., Monday, July 6, 1925.

Town Council met this date at 8 P.M.

Present:- Mayor McLean, Councillors Munro, Walker, Webber, Pettipas and Smith. Also Town Solicitor Murray.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

TOWN SOLICITOR MURRAY reported in reference to the communication of W. P. Potter, claiming \$90.00 for nursing and medical services of the Willis Walters' family, Lunenburg, N.S., alleged to be due to Mrs. Abraham Knickle, that he had looked over the papers in the matter and advised that in his opinion the Town is not liable to Mrs. Knickle or any other person for the amount claimed. On motion of Councillors Smith and Walker resolved that the report be received and adopted.

Regarding the Agreement between RUSSELL L. CROOK and The Town, Mr. Murray reported as follows:-

"I notice that the Contract which was renewed from time to time was the following:-

That the Town will pay the said Russell L. Crook upon the following scale, namely; One per cent on all general taxes for the year 1923; Two per cent on all general Taxes for the year 1922; Ten per cent on all Poll Taxes; Ten per cent on all Dog Taxes.

I understand that the Town continues to pay Mr. Crook under those terms and on monies which were paid directly into the office. Under the circumstances I do not understand how the Town can avoid its liability to pay Mr. Crook for any arrears."

On motion of Councillors Smith and Munro the report was received and adopted.

COUNCILLOR PETTIPAS gave notice of reconsideration as follows:-

"I hereby give notice that at the next regular meeting of Council I will move that further consideration be given to the account or application of Mr. Russell Crook for payment of a certain amount claimed for the collection of dog taxes."

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE reported as follows on the several matters referred to them.

"With regard to the application of the Secretary of St. George's Lawn Tennis Club for a grant of \$100.00 towards defraying expenses in connection with the plan to entertain visitors on the occasion

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of the Maritime Tennis Championships to be played on St. George's Courts, your Committee regrets that it is unable to concede to the request as there is no legislative authority for so doing. The enterprise of the Club in arranging to hold the Championships is worthy of commendation and every means of assistance which the Town can give or its citizens, is strongly urged. A financial grant to such an undertaking, however, is not within the powers of the Town Council.

Your Committee recommends that the annual grant to the Victorian Order of Nurses, totalling \$350.00 authorized by legislation, be paid as follows:-

One half of the amount on July 15th. the balance on August 1st. 1925.

The application of Mr. H. L. Anderson to be exempt from payment of taxes on an Assessment amounting to \$200.00 for the year 1924 cannot be approved. In his application Mr. Anderson stated that he left Dartmouth in the early spring of 1924, disposing of all his personal property, returning late in the Fall of the same year. It is quite evident that the applicant was in possession of the property when it was assessed and inasmuch as no appeal was filed with the Court of Appeal, is entitled to pay the Taxes due on it. If he didn't have the property at the time the Court met it was his right to appeal; this he did not do, therefore, so far as your Committee is concerned, the application is not considered justified. This is also the opinion of the Town Solicitor."

Report adopted.

LETTERS were read from:-

J. W. FUGSLEY, Secty. Department Railways and Canals, Ottawa, re Dartmouth Expropriations stating that the areas in question are mostly on the foreshore; no money had been spent on grading or otherwise improving them, consequently it was not considered that the areas had any value, and, as is the practice of the Department in such cases, no compensation was offered to the Corporation. Referred to the Town Solicitor.

E. B. HANRIGHT, Secretary Banook Club asking that the Town appoint two members of the Town Council to act on the Dartmouth Natal Day Committee this year, also that owing to the increase in the cost of materials necessary for satisfactory celebration it was imperative that a grant of not less than \$250.00 be placed at the disposal of the Committee. Councillors Smith and Munro

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were appointed to represent the Town Council and a motion was adopted that the Town will pay the annual grant of \$250.00.

APPLICATIONS FOR BUS LICENSE to operate buses in the Town of Dartmouth on the undermentioned streets was received from L.M.BELL LTD. NORTH END which operates on Water Street and Windmill Road.

AUSTENVILLE operating on Water, Ochterloney, Pine, Dahlia, Beech, Tulip, Oak, Crichton Avenue, Hawthorne and Portland Streets with permission to go to Mic Mac and Banook Boat Houses when business warrants.

IMPEROYAL operating on Water, Queen, King, Portland and Pleasant Streets. On motion of Councillors Walker and Webber the request was granted.

APPLICATION FOR HACKNEY LICENSE for one Automobile was received from S. J. MORASH. On motion the request was granted.

On motion of Councillors Pettipas and Walker resolved that the Chief of Police be notified to be at the Town Hall during all Council meetings. Further that he be instructed to submit a report with his recommendations in regard to the enforcement of the registration and licensing of Dogs in the Town of Dartmouth.

The question of building a suitable base and placing of the gun from the Mount Blanc with a suitable inscription was left in the hands of the Street Committee.

Number of Town Bills signed by two Councillors were passed for payment

Meeting adjourned and met as

THE BOARD OF HEALTH

LETTER read from the Sanitary Inspector and the Plumbing Inspector stating that the property on Number 2 Ochterloney Street owned by Estate John Forsyth was in an unsanitary condition owing to the fact that there is no Toilet in the house and that when the owners had been spoken to in regard to the connecting up of the Sewer, they replied that they would look in to the matter. On motion resolved that the matter be referred to the Town Solicitor to send them a proper notification requesting them to connect the premises with the sewerage system.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved

Samuel Lean MAYOR

W. Thruet
TOWN CLERK

Dartmouth, N.S. Wednesday, July 22, 1925.

Town Council met this date at 8 P.M.

Present:- Mayor McLean, Councillors Munro, Walker, Young and Smith.
Also Town Solicitor Murray.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

REPORT read from THE CHIEF OF POLICE recommending that the registration fee for male dogs be increased to \$3.00 and the fee for female dogs be increased to \$5.00. All dogs to be licensed and registered by March 1st. of each year and all dogs not registered by April 1st. of each year the license fee to be doubled namely, \$6.00 for male dogs and \$10.00 for female dogs. Report received and ordered to be laid over until next meeting of the Council.

MAYOR McLEAN reported that he had received a letter from the Banook Canoe Club asking for an extra grant of \$100.00 to help toward the Natal Day expenses. On motion of Councillors Walker and Young resolved that their request be granted and that the amount be charged to the Mayor's Contingent Account.

LETTERS were read from:-

ARTHUR ROBERTS, Secretary Union Nova Scotia Municipalities, Bridgewater N. S., reminding the Council that the 20th. annual convention of the Union will be held at Annapolis Royal on the 19th. 20th. and 21st. of August, and asking that the Council kindly appoint delegates if they have not already done so. Letter received and the Clerk was instructed to acknowledge same and state that the Mayor, Council and Town Clerk were appointed delegates.

JAMES HALL, Returning Officer of the Provincial Election held on the 25th. June, A.D., 1925, enclosing bill for printing 100 Voters List \$318.45 less amount received from sale of List \$107.40 net amount \$211.05. He asked that the Council pay this amount at an early date. Referred to the Town Solicitor and Clerk.

W. F. POTTER, Lunenburg, N. S., re Mrs. Willis Walters stating that he considered the Town was liable for the necessary medical services amounting to \$80.00 and requested payment of the bill,

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or else the name of a Solicitor who would accept services of a Writ on behalf of the Town. Letter referred to Town Solicitor and Town Clerk.

RIVER PLATE STEEL COMPANY, Broadway, New York, enclosing bill for 12 bars of steel amounting to \$671.92, also an original order and two letters in connection with same signed by Mr. H.E.R. Barnes, Town Engineer. The Company asked for payment of Invoice less a discount of 25%. Referred to Town Solicitor and Clerk.

Number of bills signed by two Councillors were passed for payment.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved.

W. T. Smith
TOWN CLERK

C. McLean
MAYOR.

Dartmouth, N. S. Monday, August 3, 1925.

Town Council met this date at 8 p.m.

Present, Mayor McLean, Councillors Walker, Young, Munro, Smith and Pettipas. Also Town Solicitor Murray.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

Town Solicitor Murray reported verbally in reference to account of James Hall, Sheriff, Halifax, for the printing of the voters list for the Provincial Elections, to the effect that under Chapter 18, Acts of 1925, the Town of Dartmouth was liable for the expense. Report adopted.

Tenders for coal received from the Dartmouth Coal & Supply Co., as follows:-

Boston Coal Company, Run of Mine mined River Herbert		\$8.05
Drummond Nos. 1 & 2, mixed Run of Mine		8.10
McKay	" " "	8.75
Drummond Nos. 5	" " "	9.85
Dominion	" " "	9.00
American Anthracite, all sizes		15.50
Welsh	" " "	19.00

All per ton of 2000 lbs. delivered and stored.

On motion of Councillors Pettipas and Young resolved that their tender be accepted for 63 tons McKay Run of Mine Coal at \$8.75 per ton, and 26 tons American Anthracite at \$15.50 per ton.

On motion of Councillors Pettipas and Walker resolved that the Poll Taxes for persons not assessed on Personal Taxes for the current year 1925, be fixed at \$5.00 and that a notice be put in the press to that effect.

On motion of Councillors Pettipas and Young resolved that Messrs Lee & Holder be engaged to audit the books of the Dartmouth Housing Commission since Mr. Donald took over the Secretaryship for the sum of \$50.00 per annum.

Mayor McLean with Councillors Pettipas, Munro and Walker were appointed a Committee to bring in a report formulating a policy in regard to the ordering of supplies, etc.

On motion resolved that the Clerk be instructed to notify the Dartmouth Ferry Commission that after the 30th. day of September next, the Town will not be responsible for rent of the property occupied by the Needham family.

Mayor McLean with Councillors Walker and Smith were appointed a Committee on the new Cemetery with authority to arrange for clearing an acre or two of the ground under the formanship of Alex. Hutchinson and report back to Council.

Letters were read from:-

H. S. Pethick, Manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia, Dartmouth, stating that he was in position now to take on the Water Maintenance Account of the Town of Dartmouth to allow 4% on Credit balance and to grant a line of credit for Water Maintenance purposes, an Overdraft account at 6%, the limit of such withdrawals for this year to be \$20,000. Letter received and a resolution was adopted that the Mayor and Clerk be authorised to make the transfer and that a copy of the borrowing Bye-Law be sent to Mr. Pethick.

L. Lorn Allan stating that he had completed his contract in placing the monuments marking the north boundary of the Town of Dartmouth. 26 monuments have been placed, 24 of concrete and 2 steel rods. He also enclosed account of \$250.00 as per contract less labor and material furnished by the Town of Dartmouth \$68.67, balance due Mr. Allan \$181.33. On motion of Councillors Pettipas and Smith, the account was passed for payment.

Thomas Lahey stating that he would agree to pull stumps, plough and take scruff and place in holes, take out all rocks that are showing when ploughing up to a half yard. Will do all work, furnish tools, labor and gear for work mentioned for the sum of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars for one square acre. Filed.

Number of town bills signed by two Councillors were ordered to be paid.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved.

C. M. McLean

Mayor.

W. J. Smith
Town Clerk.

Dartmouth, N.S., Monday, August 17, 1925.

Town Council met this date at 8 p.m.

Present:- Mayor McLean, Councillors Walker, Pettipas, Smith and Young. Also Town Solicitor Murray.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

On motion of Councillors Pettipas and Young resolved that all orders for supplies amounting to over \$10.00 be not valid unless signed by the Mayor, and that notice to this effect be printed on all order forms. Further resolved that all orders amounting to over \$100.00 must be sanctioned by resolution of Council and be signed by The Town Clerk and countersigned by the Mayor.

On motion of Councillors Pettipas and Young resolved that the Town Solicitor be authorized to appeal from the decision of Judge Wallace in the County Court respecting the application of the Starr Manufacturing Company for reduction on Assessment on Real Estate.

GEORGE HILTON, Fence Viewer, was present at the meeting and was heard in connection with line fence on Prince Street between the Mosher property and Richards property. He stated that one half of the fence was up. After some discussion the matter was referred to the Town Solicitor.

LETTERS were read from:-

W. P. POTTER, Lunenburg, N.S., stating that without prejudice to his client he would accept \$50.00 in full settlement of the claim for nursing Mrs. Willis Walters and family. On motion of Councillors Young and Walker it was resolved that the amount be paid.

RIVER PLATE STEEL COMPANY, stating that at this late date they could not take the steel back without going to additional expenses and that they would prefer the Town to make them an offer even if they had to suffer a considerable loss in the transaction. Referred to the Mayor and Councillor Munro with authority to make

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an offer not to exceed \$300.00.

DARTMOUTH FERRY COMMISSION, re oiling of Ferry Hill, stating that they would bear half of the expense. Filed.

A Number of Bills signed by two Councillors were passed for payment.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved.

W. Whit
TOWN CLERK.

C. McLean
-----MAYOR.

Dartmouth, N. S., Monday, Sept. 8, 1925.

Regular meeting of the Town Council held this date at 8 p.m.

Present:- Mayor McLean, Councillors Pettipas, Munro and Young. Also Town Solicitor Murray.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

COUNCILLOR PETTIPAS submitted a brief report of the matters discussed at the annual convention of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities held at Annapolis Royal last month. Among the items of discussion which the Town of Dartmouth was particularly interested in, was the revision of the Assessment Act. Report received and placed on file.

MR. J.M. HENNEBERRY, Tax Collector, being present was given a hearing. He complained that there were a number of cases where he had been to see people about their taxes and they had sent the money to the office and he receiving no commission thereby. He also contended that he was entitled to a 10% commission instead of 7% commission as allowed at the present time, on the Poll Tax in connection with the Personal Property Assessment. Referred to the Finance Committee.

LETTERS were read from:-

H.R. HUXTABLE stating that on July 30, 1918, he had received notice from the Town Clerk to with hold any building operations that he may have had in view, as the property would be expropriated for street widening purposes. The property in question comprised 4200 square feet and asked that he be made a rebate of \$26.00 per year for a period of 6 years to date. Referred to a Committee consisting of Councillors Pettipas, Munro and Smith and Town Solicitor.

DEPUTY PROVINCIAL TREASURER, Halifax, N. S. calling attention to the amount over due by the Housing Commission as at July 31st. last to be \$7,188.60 and asked that the Council take the necessary steps to let them have a cheque for the amount within the next few days. Referred to the Finance Committee to take up with the Housing Commission.

MINISTER OF HIGHWAYS, N.S., re enforcement of the Nova Scotia Motor Vehicle Act stating that the Highway Board had taken over that department and that their engineers and certain foreman were being appointed Peace Officers and asking that the Town cooperate with them in making a special effort in enforcing the Motor Vehicle Act to ensure safety

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of the public. He also asked what the Council's opinion of a reasonable speed limit in incorporated towns. The Clerk was instructed to acknowledge receipt and state that this Council will cooperate with the Provincial Highway Board in the enforcement of the Motor Vehicle Act and also that the Town of Dartmouth feels that the present speed limit of 15 miles an hour in incorporated towns is a fair limit.

MURRAY, MacKINNON & INGLIS enclosing a Bill of Costs re appointing of a guardian for Miss Jennie MacArthur. The Bill of Costs has been duly taxed by the Taxing Master and the amount allowed according to his taxation being \$79.75. Letter received and the Clerk was instructed to send a copy of the Bill of Costs to J. L. Allan for payment.

W.L. DAVIES, Manager of the Starr Manufacturing Company in reference to steel purchased by the Town of Dartmouth from the River Plate Steel Company stating that the steel is an ordinary high grade carbon steel and could be purchased from leading Manufacturers from fifteen to twenty-five cents per pound. He stated that we had been billed at the price of high speed steel but after testing, he found it to be high carbon and not high speed steel. Letter received and after some discussion the Clerk was instructed to write the River Plate Steel Company and offer them 15¢ per pound for the steel.

A. J. PROSSER, Bridgetown, N.S., stating that he had been called to investigate a case of alleged proverty because of parental non-support, the case being the children of Reginald V. Dunn supposed to be from Dartmouth. Referred to the Charities Committee and the Clerk to investigate and advise.

COUNCILLOR YOUNG reported that as a result of the Dartmouth apparatus going to the relief of fires at Woodside lately, 6 lengths of hose had been lost and destroyed. The Clerk was instructed to bill the Municipal Treasurer for the value of the hose lost. The Clerk was also instructed to write the American LaFrance Fire Insurance Co., asking them to replace a defective radiator on the ladder truck. He was also instructed to order a tire for one of the front wheels.

Number of bills signed by two Councillors were passed for payment.
Meeting adjourned.

Approved.

Deputy Mayor
DEPUTY MAYOR

Town Clerk
TOWN CLERK

Dartmouth, Sept. 8th, 1925

Members Town Council
Gentlemen:-

For informative purposes we have pleasure in submitting a brief report dealing with some of the matters discussed at the annual convention of the Union of the Nova Scotia Municipalities, which was held at Annapolis Royal last month. The matter which the town of Dartmouth was more vitally concerned than any other was that touching the assessment of the Starr Manufacturing Company. The recent decision handed down by the Judge of the County Court on the application reducing the assessment fixed by the Town's assessors by \$21,900 raises an important question as to what steps should be taken to so amend the Assessment Act which would prevent a situation of this kind. The case was submitted for the consideration of the convention and the details in brief were outlined, creating quite a lengthy discussion. There seemed to be no difference of opinion as to the interpretation of the Act providing for the fixing of the valuation at the actual sale price of property at auction after due notice had been given. Your delegates felt that this portion of the Act at least should be amended as it was felt that it was not in the interest of municipal government. During the discussion it was quite evident that there was no immediate relief by any amendment which might be made to the Act to adjust or prevent similar occurrences in the future. In some places in the province, such as in the mining centres, it was stated that the company made out their own assessment by filing an affidavit giving the valuation of their property. This brought forth a suggestion from other delegates that it might be well if the convention or a committee on legislation recommended to the provincial government the advisability of amending the Town's Assessment Act to require all property owners to file an affidavit giving the valuation of their holdings; in other words the assessment which is now

made up by three assessors in the town of Dartmouth and a great many other towns, would be performed by each property owner. The suggestion however, did not develop into any concrete or definite proposal nor did the suggestion that any form of amendment to the Assessment Act meet with any definite understanding.

Mr. Roberts, K.C., who has been secretary of the Union since its inception over twenty years ago and who is thoroughly familiar with municipal affairs took part in the discussion and stated that while there was need for revision of the Assessment Act in Nova Scotia, it was a very contentious question and was a big undertaking as a matter of fact he said that in England they had been working on an assessment act for over 300 years and had not yet outlined a perfect one by any means. Another delegate said that an ex-premier of the province told him when he was premier that he would be pleased to have a commission go into the question of a proper assessment act, but the difficulty was to get men who would undertake it. As stated, no definite action was taken.

The question of assessment was the most important question introduced into the convention so far as Dartmouth was concerned. The other matters dealt with will be outlined pretty well in detail when the annual report of the proceedings will be published.

Robert C. Bell

Filed

Dartmouth, N. S., Sept. 12, 1925

His Worship the Mayor
and Members, Town Council

Gentlemen:-

For your information I have pleasure in giving a brief summary covering receipts and expenditures of the Town from January 1st to August 31st, 1925. The Town general account is in a satisfactory state Tax collections since the first of the year have been quite satisfactory but have been no better than in previous years. The amount of ^{overdue} ~~outstanding~~ taxes at the first of the year stood at \$70,834, being principally made up of taxes due for 1923 and 1924. Of the total amount outstanding, \$27,313.82 has been collected during the past eight months, as against \$23,903.25 for the corresponding period.

Every effort is being made to boost up collection of current year taxes. The assessment for 1925 on the basis of the tax rate of \$3.05 per \$100 valuation is estimated to yield \$144,296. Of this estimate \$82,254.87 has been collected, as against \$92,831.39 during the corresponding period. It is interesting to note that while collections of overdue taxes have exceeded those for the previous year, the collection of current taxes is about \$10,000 behind for the same period. It might also be pointed out that one large concern as well as the Dartmouth Ferry have not yet paid their taxes. There is every reason to believe that the collection of current year taxes will be equally as good as the end of the present civic year as they were at the close of the corresponding one.

All persons in arrears either on personal, real estate, or on progress payments for water and sewer, or concrete sidewalk work have been notified to pay up otherwise their properties will be listed under the

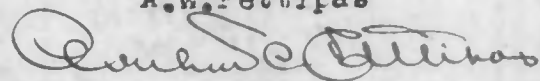
lien law, effective early in November. There are quite a number of properties listed so far, but since notices were sent to those concerned, the list has been somewhat reduced.

The revenue from the legal vendor for the eight month period totals \$7,174.60, while expenditures for the same period totals \$6,850.29 leaving only a credit balance of \$324.31, or a monthly profit of \$40.53. In view of the small revenue which the Town is receiving from this Department, it is very doubtful if it will be worth while continuing ~~sixth~~ ^{it after the} ~~end~~ of the present year. It is only reasonable to expect that the town should receive a fair measure of profit for the risk it assumes. When it is considered that a turn over in business of over \$7,000 ~~only~~ nets less than ~~5~~ five percent, it does not seem fair to speculate with public monies for the reward received. It cannot be denied but that the volume of business carried on in Dartmouth in the sale of liquor is just as large to-day as it ever was, but the trouble is the vendor department is not even getting a fair share of it. This is largely due to the fact that the laws controlling the sale of liquor are defective and cannot be enforced with ~~any~~ more than ordinary success. When the vendor business first opened the town had a net revenue of \$5,000, the next year it fell to \$2,500, and from that on it has been steadily falling indicating that it is just a matter of time when it will be conducted at a loss. It would be folly to deceive the people by saying that things are satisfactory when they are just the reverse and the sooner steps are taken to close the vendor premises, after the end of this year, the better it will be financially for the Town.

The School Board has been paid over \$ 30,000 of its total appropriation of \$ 59,575. All expenditures todate are within the appropriations.

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. Pettipas



Dartmouth, N.S., Monday, September 21, 1925.

Town Council met this date at 8 p.m.

Present:- Deputy Mayor Pettipas, Councillors, Smith, Young and Webber.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

COUNCILLOR PETTIPAS, CHAIRMAN OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE reported in reference to complaint of Mr. J.M. Henneberry, Tax Collector as follows:- That no adjustment be made at this time in regard to Taxes that are paid at the Clerk's office through the Collector's efforts; but that if there is any adjustment to be made it will be made at the end of the civic year when it will be better able to determine what reasonable concessions, if any, should be made. In regard to Poll Taxes it was recommended that he be paid 10% on Poll Taxes collected ^{directly} by him. ~~ir-~~
~~respective of the circumstances in which they are collected.~~ Report adopted.

COUNCILLOR PETTIPAS also reported on the finance of the Town up to August 31st. 1925 as annexed hereto. Report received and placed on file.

The following RESOLUTIONS were adopted.

"Resolved that in the event of the Superintendent
"receiving a favorable report from City Engineer
"Johnston, in regard to the water situation on
"Cameron Street that the Committee be authorized
"to spend Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars for the
"purpose of improving the supply."

"Resolved that the Fire Committee be authorized
"to make an expenditure up to One Hundred (\$100.00)
"Dollars for repairs to the U.P.C. Studebaker Truck."

The following matters were referred to the STREET & PUBLIC PROPERTY COMMITTEE to report on:-

- (1) Carpenter repairs to Engine House and Stable.
- (2) The question of lighting the silent policeman electrically.

LETTERS were read from:-

DARTMOUTH FERRY COMMISSION enclosing copy of resolutions passed by that body as follows:-

- (1) "Resolved that our Solicitor obtain Legislation
"at the next sitting of Legislature giving this
"Commission power to pay if they see fit, any
"amount up to 55% of their wages to any employee
"who may be laid off from his or her work through
"illness.
- (2) "Resolved that Legislation be sought authorizing

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"the Commission to increase its annual grant to
 "the Natal Day Committee by \$150.00, this in-
 "crease to apply to 1925 only, so as to make it
 "\$450.00 to be paid for 1925."

They asked that the Town embody the above resolutions in any Legis-
 lation that they may be obtaining. Letter received and placed on
 file.

JAMES HARRISON complaining of the \$25.00 charged him for part cost
 of concrete driveway stating that the work was entirely unsatisfactory
 to him, the driveway being made so steep that it was inaccessible.
 Referred to the Mayor and Superintendent of Streets to adjust.

THOMAS CAMPBELL, Clerk Municipality of St. Mary's at Sherbrook, N. S.,
 notifying the Town that Isaac Hearst now residing at Port Hilford, and
 who has a settlement in the Town of Dartmouth is now insane and will
 have to be admitted to the Nova Scotia Hospital for treatment. Letter
 received and the Clerk was instructed to write Mr. Campbell stating
 that Mr. Hearst has not paid Taxes in Dartmouth since 1923, and has
 possibly acquired a settlement in some other Town since leaving Dart-
 mouth.

F. CARR, Wolseley Barracks, London, Ontario, objecting to paying \$31.17
 interest on his three lots on Hester Street, sewer bill of 1920, claim-
 ing that this was the first bill he had received for same. The
 Clerk was instructed to explain to Mr. Carr that an error had been
 made in the assessment whereby the lots in question were assessed as
 James Carr and that the Council are unable to relieve him of the in-
 terest, as he was the owner at the time the sewer was built.

On motion of Councillors Young and Smith the following resolution was
 adopted.

Whereas by Section 6 of Chapter 97 of the Acts of 1925, entitled "An
 Act relating to the Town of Dartmouth, it is among other things in
 effect enacted that the provisions of Sections 159 to 166 of Chapter
 56 of the Acts of 1902 shall mutatis mutandis apply to the cemetery
 mentioned in said Chapter;

And whereas by Section 159 of Chapter 56 of the Acts of 1902, as that
 Section is enacted by Section 15 of Chapter 98 of the Acts of 1917 it
 is enacted as follows:-

" 159. Upon being requested thereto
 "by resolution of the Town Council of
 "Dartmouth, the Mayor shall issue under
 "the seal of the Town, Debentures to the
 "amount of Eleven Thousand Dollars, each
 "Debenture being for One Hundred Dollars

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"or some multiple thereof, redeemable in
 "twenty years, bearing interest at such
 "rate as the Town Council shall determine,
 "but not exceeding five per centum per
 "annum, which debentures when issued shall
 "constitute and be a Lien on all the pro-
 "perty of the Town and of the inhabitants
 "thereof."

And whereas by Section 160 of Chapter 56 of the Acts of 1902 it is enacted as follows:-

" 160. The proceeds of such debentures
 "shall be used for the purpose of purchas-
 "ing, improving, maintaining and ornament-
 "ing a lot of land for a public cemetery
 "for the Town of Dartmouth, which may be
 "located within or beyond, or partly within
 "and partly beyond, the Town."

And whereas it is deemed expedient to issue the said Debentures;

Be It Therefore Resolved that under and by virtue of said Chapter 97 and said Chapter 56 as amended the Mayor of the said Town be and he is hereby requested and authorized to issue under the seal of the Town Debentures to the amount of Eleven Thousand Dollars, each Debenture to be for Five Hundred Dollars, redeemable in twenty years from the date thereof at the office of the Town Clerk in the Town of Dartmouth, and to bear interest at the rate of $4\frac{1}{2}$ per centum per annum payable half-yearly at the said office, the said Debentures to be numbered consecutively C.1. to C.22 both inclusive.

That the Mayor of the said Town and the Clerk thereof do countersign the said Debentures, that they do seal the same with the corporate seal of the said Town, and that the said Clerk do sign the interest coupons or if the same are lithographed either sign the same or have them impressed with a facsimile of his signature.

Adopted.

The Clerk was instructed to call tenders for Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollar, 20 year new cemetery bonds $4\frac{1}{2}$ % and 5%.

On motion resolved that the Murphy Circus to be held in the Marks-Cross Arena early in October, for the benefit of the Dartmouth Amateur Athletic Association, be under the patronage of the Town of Dartmouth. Bill of JAMES HALL, Sheriff, Halifax, amounting to \$211.05 for printing voters list was passed for payment as also were number of other bills signed by two Councillors.

Meeting adjourned and met as

THE BOARD OF HEALTH

DEPUTY MAYOR PETTIPAS reported that the Barbers had asked that sanitary regulations be enforced in the Barber Shops of the Town. On motion Mayor McLean, Deputy Mayor Pettipas and Councillor Smith were

appointed a Committee to meet a Committee of Barbers to discuss the drawing up of Sanitary Regulations in regard to barber shops.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved.

W. Smith
TOWN CLERK

-----MAYOR.

Dartmouth, N. S., Oct. 5, 1925

His Worship the Mayor &
Members, Town Council.

Gentlemen:-

As Chairman of the Finance Committee I beg to report on the letter from Mr. R. Gordon, Deputy Provincial Treasurer, calling attention to the fact that the Dartmouth Housing Commission is behind in its monthly installments totalling \$7,188.60 as at July 31st. A conference was recently held with the Chairman and members of the Dartmouth Housing Commission to discuss this matter and to take steps to prevent a further shrinkage in monthly payments to the Provincial Treasurer. The Mayor and myself were present representing the Town Council. We went fully into every phase of the matter and are quite satisfied that the business of the Commission is being handled with every due regard for the interest of the Town and that every safeguard is being taken to prevent a further loss. The amount now outstanding and part of it overdue is not as a result of any inefficiency or lack of interest in the administration of this important department. Dr. F. W. Stevens is the chairman of the Commission and the records show that he and the members of it including the Secretary Mr. Clyde Donald, are carrying on the work in a very satisfactory manner. The amount at present remaining unpaid is due to conditions which developed before the present commission began to function. It was disclosed at the conference that one house is and has been vacant for eighteen months, while the monthly installments of \$21.50 continue to accumulate. This has to be taken care of. There are also six prospective owners, indicated for convenience in this report by numbers running from one to six, who are in arrears as follows:-

	<u>Installments Unpaid</u>	<u>Period Given.</u>	<u>Taxes Due</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1.	358	14 mos.	\$136.00	Making effort
2.	376	15 "	\$200.00	Paying now
3.	107	5 "	98.86	
4.	387	18 "	183.76	
5.	301	14 "	204.00	Making effort
6.	217	8 "	140.00	Will fix up

From the above it will be seen that unpaid installments on these six properties total \$1,746, and cover a combined period for all of 84 months, while unpaid taxes on these six properties amount to \$962.62. This on the face of it is not as satisfactory as what one would like it to be, but considering the fact that the Town has invested \$187,000 on which nearly \$50,000 has been paid in from installments on prospective owners involved in this investment, it may be regarded as fairly good, but nevertheless, it is a matter which demands careful and efficient handling.

In his report for the civic year ending December 31st, 1924, Dr. Stevens stated that collections for the year had been very good with a few exceptions owing to lack of steady employment or reduced wages. Some of the prospective owners had gone behind in their monthly payments. The Commission has 54 borrowers and during the year 1924 six of them failed to meet their obligations with the result that the Commission was compelled

to take over their properties. By efficient handling and close attention to administrative details, the Commission were able to sell two houses obtaining a purchased price which enabled them to break even financially. One was rented and the other were vacant at the end of 1924. Since then two of these houses have been rented leaving but one vacant.

It was stated at the conference that if payments were made regularly the total installments would total \$1,262. The average monthly installments for 1924 totalled \$1,111 leaving a deficit of \$151 for each month ~~xxx~~ of that year. Since the first of the present year payments have improved and to date, according to the Commission, everyone is meeting the monthly obligation and in a few instances payment is being made on the balance overdue on installments for previous years, so it may be taken for granted that the situation for this year will be even better than for last year.

The fact remains, however, that the commission is short in its payments as at July 31st of \$7,188.60. This is due the Provincial Treasury. The amount must be paid if not by the Town from some ~~xxxxxx~~ revenue derived from a bond issue, then the Government will sell bonds which the Town Council placed as collateral when the money was advanced for the housing scheme. The present Council had nothing to do with the housing scheme, but nevertheless, as successors to those who did, are responsible to see that the obligations and undertakings incurred by the Council and that they are carried out. It would be folly for the Town to fail to make the necessary financial arrangements to liquidate the present indebtedness of the Housing Commission as the Provincial Government, as stated, could satisfy its claim by selling Town bonds at whatever prices they saw fit. The Town has pledged its credit in a building scheme to the extent of \$189,000 payable in 20 years at the rate of 5 percent. The interest charges on money borrowed is charged against the prospective purchaser of a house. There are a good many angles from which the original undertaking of the housing scheme in relation to the advisability of the Town entering into it, may be viewed. One point has been raised as to whether the Town did or did not make a good move, pointing out that 54 houses were erected which otherwise might not have reached this number. Naturally this gave a substantial increase in the assessment on real estate from which a fair amount was obtained in revenue from taxes. Predictions had been made that the entire housing scheme would prove a failure. The fact that the Town is called upon to liquidate an indebtedness of \$7,188.60 is not sufficient evidence that these predictions have been fulfilled. The redeeming feature about the whole affair is that the longer the houses remain in the possession of prospective owners, the less likelihood there is of a loss financially in future to the Town, as each year the owner is increasing his investment and would be less liable to allow his holdings to go. The total loss to the Town may reach \$10,000, but it is very doubtful if it will exceed this amount. If it does not, the ratepayers will have every reason to feel satisfied that it was possible to protect their interest with such a minimum of loss. What mistakes were made, were at the start when loans were advanced to prospective owners of houses who had little, if anything, at stake, but like all new undertakings, protection is only invariably obtained from experience. The housing scheme was a pure experiment and if Dartmouth emerges from the experiment with only a loss of \$10,000, it may consider itself quite fortunate.

With the approval of Council, the Finance Committee will be prepared to make satisfactory arrangements with the Provincial Treasurer to finance the amount now overdue and which amount is now demanded.

Respectfully submitted,

William C. Pittman

Dartmouth, N.S., Monday, October 5, 1925.

Town Council met this date at 7:30 p.m.

Present:- Mayor McLean, Councillors Pettipas, Munro, Walker, Webber, Smith and Young. Also Town Solicitor Murray.

Minutes of last meeting were read and ordered to be laid over until next meeting pending change to be made in the Finance Committee's report re Tax Collector.

COUNCILLOR PETTIPAS, Chairman of the Finance Committee reported to some length on the conference recently held with the Chairman and members of the Dartmouth Housing Commission as annexed hereto. On motion of Councillors Young and Munro the report was received and referred to the Finance Committee to report on.

THE STREET COMMITTEE were authorized to have a permanent stand made for the Silent Policemen and also have them lighted electrically.

On motion of COUNCILLORS MUNRO and PETTIPAS resolved that the STREET COMMITTEE be authorized to report on proposed improvements to ^{Duke} Rose

Street in reference to purchase of lot or lots which may be necessary.

On motion of COUNCILLORS PETTIPAS and MUNRO resolved that COUNCILLOR WALKER, Chairman of the Street Committee be authorized to have street line defined on Prince Albert Road and report on next meeting.

P. J. OTTO'S application for a building permit to erect an Ice House on the shore of Lake Banook was deferred until next meeting.

On motion resolved that the FINANCE COMMITTEE be authorized to report on tenders to be received for Cemetery Bonds.

The matter of repairs to the wagon shed was referred to the Street and Public Property Committee to get out a specification and call tenders for same.

APPLICATION read from L. M. BELL LIMITED applying for a License to operate a Motor Bus from the Ferry to Gaston Road over the following route. From the Ferry along Water Street, up Queen Street, along King Street to Portland Street, up Portland Street to Gaston Road turning at Gaston Road, returning to Ferry by Portland Street. The

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service to be every half hour from 12 noon until 12 midnight.

Request granted upon payment of the usual fee.

Number of bills signed by two Councillors were passed for payment.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved:-

W. H. Smith
TOWN CLERK.

C. McLean
-----MAYOR.

Dartmouth, N. S., Monday, October 19, 1925.

Town Council met this date at 8 p.m.

Present:- Mayor McLean, Councillors Walker, Pettipas, Smith and Munro. Also Town Solicitor Murray.

Minutes of last regular meeting were read and approved.

MR. P.J. OTTO and his Solicitor MR. McDONALD being present were granted a hearing in connection with the application of Mr. Otto to erect an Ice House on the shore of Lake Banook. Mr. J.L. ALLAN was also heard and views were expressed by Councillors Walker and Pettipas, and after considerable discussion the Mayor, Councillors Walker and Pettipas and Town Solicitor Murray were appointed a Committee to meet with Mr. Otto suggesting that he be reimbursed for the lot and the work done by him. They retired and shortly after reported verbally that they had agreed to settle with Mr. Otto for the sum of \$1500.00, he to give to the Town a Deed of the Land and Water Lot in question and that this Council enter into an Agreement whereby the Town would be bound to pay him the said amount. Mr. Otto asked that the Town supply him with some crushed stone for the new road to be made into his new site. On motion of Councillors Pettipas and Munro resolved that this matter be referred to the Street Committee with power to act.

COUNCILLOR WALKER reported that last year on several occasions the Town had pumped out Mr. WM. WOODWARD'S cellar on Oakdale Crescent, Crichton Avenue and that he had been approached by several of the residents up there asking that the Town straighten out the course of the brook thereby relieving Mr. Woodward from the flooding of his property. Councillors Walker and Smith moved that the work be done provided satisfactory Agreement is signed by the owners of the lots relieving the Town of Dartmouth from any future claim, they to pay one-half of the cost of the work.

On motion of Councillors Walker and Pettipas resolved that this Council approve of the widening of the Upper part of Oak Street, at the cost of \$200.00 to be paid to George C. Bishop upon his

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presenting to the Town a Deed of that property fronting on Oak Street from Mr. Jessenhouse's line, 10 ft. back to 23 ft. back on the street line at Rose Street.

MAYOR McLEAN to whom was referred the adjustment of Mr. JAMES HARRISON'S complaint re concrete driveway on Prince Street reported as follows:-

"Mr. Nichols and myself held a conference with Mr. Harrison on Wednesday, October 14, and we found that Mr. Harrison had a just cause for complaint, in that the driveway owing to the sidewalk having been constructed too low, is of too steep a grade to be of any use to him, as it is impossible to get a team up present driveway, and would therefore recommend that he be relieved of payment for said driveway.

I remember distinctly Mr. Harrison agreeing to pay for concrete driveway, if constructed by the Town and when I brought this to his attention he says that it was to be satisfactory to him, and that Mr. Barnes would not listen to him and made the grade too steep, and now that he is deprived of the use of his driveway, he thinks that the Town should purchase a piece of property adjoining his in the rear of a driveway for him. In this we could not agree, but I promised to submit it to Council for your consideration."

On motion resolved that the first part of the report be adopted that is that Mr. Harrison be relieved of the payment of \$25.00 but that this Council cannot consider the purchase of property for driveway in the rear of his residence.

On motion of Councillors PETTIPAS and MUNRO resolved that the Debentures of the Town to the amount of Eleven Thousand Dollars which under and by virtue of Chapter 97 of the Acts of 1925 and Chapter 56 of the Acts of 1902 as amended the Mayor of the Town was requested and authorized to issue by a Resolution passed by the Town Council on the 21st. day of September, A.D., 1925, shall be dated the 1st. day of October, A.D., 1925, and shall bear interest at the rate of five instead of four and one-half per centum per annum and that in all other respects the said Resolution be and the same is hereby confirmed.

On motion of Councillors PETTIPAS and MUNRO resolved that this Council confirm the acceptance of J.C. MacKintosh & Co's. tender for \$10,000 Town of Dartmouth 20-year Cemetery Debentures 5%

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interest at 100.27% and accrued interest.

TENDERS for repairs to Wagon Shed as per specification received from George W. Misener \$178.00 and A.B. Smith \$185.00. On motion of Councillors Walker and Smith resolved that the tender of GEORGE W. MISENER for \$178.00 be accepted.

On motion resolved that the STREET COMMITTEE be authorized to prepare tenders and specifications for the repairs at the engine house caused by the recent fire also of the building of an addition to house, and the old hose reel and that the Committee have this work done provided it comes within the estimate of the Fire damages.

LETTERS were read from:-

DOMINION MOLASSES COMPANY objecting to the ^{amount} bill of our invoice of August 28th. \$102.74 covering the period for six months ended July 2nd. 1925, stating that the bill was excessive and was caused by a leak in their main pipe between the meter and factory. On motion resolved that this Council regrets the circumstance; but that it has no authority to make a reduction in the invoice which is correct according to the meter reading.

MUNICIPAL REVIEW, Montreal, asking for a photograph of our war memorial also soliciting a subscription to their magazine. Received and placed on file.

MAYOR McLEAN brought up the question of Mr. Allison's application for the extension of the sewer main on Pleasant Street to enable him to sewer his residence. After some discussion the matter was referred to the Water Committee to report on.

Number of bills signed by two Councillors were passed for payment.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved.

W. J. Smith

Town Clerk.

W. J. Smith

Mayor.

Dartmouth, N. S., Monday, November 2, 1925.

Town Council met this date at 8 p.m.

Present:- Mayor McLean, Councillors Pettipas, Munro, Walker, Smith, Young and Webber. Also Town Solicitor Murray.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE reported in reference to MR. H.R. HUXTABLE'S claim to be relieved of taxes for a portion of his property on Windmill Road for the ~~first~~^{last} six years on the grounds that he had been notified by the Town that they intended expropriating a portion of it for street widening purposes, that an application for a rebate of his taxes be refused. Report received and referred back to the Committee with the Town Solicitor to report on.

On motion of COUNCILLORS PETTIPAS and YOUNG resolved that the STREET COMMITTEE be authorized to spend up to \$300.00 for the repairs to Crichton Avenue Road.

LETTERS were read from:-

MISS MABEL S. DRURY, Sec. Dartmouth Municipal Chapter I.O.D.E., inviting the Mayor and Councillors to be present at the Memorial Service to be held at the Dartmouth Post Office Square on Armistice Day November 11, at 11 o'clock and asking that the Mayor place a wreath on the tablet on behalf of the Town as was done last year. Letter received and a motion was adopted that the Mayor be authorized to purchase a wreath to place on the tablet.

JOHN SHARP, Rose Street, stating that the condition of the surface water is such along the gutter's on that street, that after each storm his cellar and yard is flooded with water and asked that steps be taken to have the course of the surface water diverted. Referred to the Street Committee to report on at next meeting.

AMERICAN LaFRANCE FIRE ENGINE COMPANY in reference to radiator stating that they would be willing to go fifty-fifty with the Town on a new radiator allowing us to keep the old one and that their Delivery Engineer, Mr. Latter had been acquainted with these facts and would call on the department in the near future. Letter received and referred to the Mayor and Chairman of the Fire Com-

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mittee with authority to adjust.

PETITION read from W. R. PATTERSON and others stating that a drain crossing the Cole Harbour Road is partially fallen in and as a consequence there is danger of an overflow in the road after a rain storm which causes their cellars to flood. Referred to Superintendent Nichols.

PETITION signed by GEORGE C. BISHOP, and 29 other ratepayers asking that the Town widen Oak Street and improve the turn on Rose Street before the winter sets in. Referred to the Street Committee to report on.

APPLICATIONS for BUILDING PERMITS were received from:-

GEORGE C. BISHOP dwelling house east side of Oak Street. On motion of Councillors Smith and Young resolved that the permit be granted on condition that the deeds recently given the Town by Mr. Bishop be found in order.

GEORGE HUTCHINSON to erect an ice house on the east side of Knowlan Street. On motion of Councillors Walker and Young resolved that a permit be granted. Mr. George Hutchinson also applied for a permit to make repairs to his ice house on the north east side of Prince Albert Road. On motion of Councillors Walker and Young resolved that the permit be granted on condition that Mr. Hutchinson gives the Town a Bond of Indemnity for damage or claim against the Town of any kind whatsoever which may be occasioned through him having props on the street line which are holding up the side of his ice house.

CARTERS ICE COMPANY LIMITED applying for a permit to make an addition to their present ice house on Prince Albert Road. On motion of Councillors Walker and Young resolved that the permit be granted.

The By-Laws held over from last meeting in reference to the prohibiting of erecting of buildings on that portion on the shore of Lake Banook between Hutchinson's and Carter's Ice Houses was read and several of the icemen, Mr. George Hutchinson, Mr. Samuel Chittick, and Mr. Alfred Carter, also Mr. H. R. Silver being present

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expressed their views and after considerable discussion by By-Laws was modified and adopted as follows:-

1. Save by the special permission of the Town Council, the erecting, enlarging, raising or adding to of any building or buildings on the land lying on the north east side of Lake Banook or the First Dartmouth Lake between the lake side of Prince Albert Road and the waters of the Lake and extending from the north east boundary of the George Hutchinson property along Prince Albert Road to the western boundary of the Carter Ice Company, Limited property is prohibited and restrained. The Town Council may cause any building or buildings so erected, enlarged, raised or added to contrary to the provisions of this By Law to be torn down and removed.

2. Any person violating this By Law shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding \$50.00 and in default of payment to be imprisoned for a period not exceeding 30 days (and every day during which an offence continues shall be deemed to be a fresh offence.) *see P 692.*

On motion of Councillors Walker and Munro resolved that in view of the passage of the By Law respecting the restricting of buildings on the shore of the First Dartmouth Lake, that steps be forthwith taken to acquire from the owners all the land and land covered with water lying on the North east side of Lake Banook extending from the north east boundary of the George Hutchinson property along Prince Albert Road to the western boundary of the Carter Ice Company Limited. The price for the said land and land covered with water shall be either fixed by arbitration under the Town's Incorporation Act or under suitable Legislation. Number of bills signed by two Councillors were passed for payment.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved.

C. W. Lear
-----MAYOR.

W. J. Smith
TOWN CLERK.

Dartmouth, N. S., Monday, November 16, 1925

Town Council met this date at 8 P. M.

Present:- Mayor McLean, Councillors Pettipas, Munro, Young and Webber. Also Town Solicitor Murray.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

COUNCILLOR PETTIPAS, Chairman of the Finance Committee submitted a report of the finances of the Town for ten months ended October 31st. 1925, which compared favorably with the receipts and expenditures of the same period previous years. On motion the report was received and filed and the Clerk was instructed to send a copy to each member of the Council.

LETTERS were read from:-

MESSRS. LEE & HOLDER, Chartered Accountants, stating that they had examined the Books and Accounts of the Dartmouth Housing Commission from November 1st. 1923 to July 31st. 1925 and had verified the receipts and expenditures and found them to agree with the carbon copies of receipts and the vouchers. The instalments in arrears to July 31st. 1925 amounted to \$4847.69. This amount does not include any provision for interest on instalments in arrears. On motion resolved that this report be received and placed on file and that the Clerk be instructed to send a copy to the Secretary of the Dartmouth Housing Commission with recommendations from this Council that interest be charged on overdue instalments.

JAMES HARRISON asking whether the Town proposed to compensate for damages sustained by him through the changed grade of the sidewalk on Prince Street as set forth in his letter of September 19th. Letter received and on motion of Councillors Pettipas and Young resolved that this Council cannot entertain any such proposal as set forth in Mr. Harrison's Letter.

REV. W. B. BEZANSON asking for a reduction on his taxes. On motion of Councillors Pettipas and Munro resolved that the Clerk be instructed to write Mr. Bezanson and inform him that the Council has no power to make a reduction on his taxes for this year, and that his proper course would be to appeal from his assessment when the

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Assessment Court of Appeal meets early in 1926.

COUNCILLOR PETTIPAS reported that several camps around the Lake had been broken into and property destroyed and moved a resolution, seconded by Councillor Munro that the Clerk be instructed to write the Attorney General's Department and ask them if they could see their way clear to have a man detailed to look after these depredations.

On motion of COUNCILLORS PETTIPAS and MUNRO resolved that the matter of rearrangement of the hours of the Policemen with a view to having three men on duty at night from say 10 p.m. or 12 p.m. to 5 a.m. be left in the hands of the Police Committee with authority to carry out.

Number of bills signed by two Councillors were passed for payment.

Meeting adjourned and met as

THE BOARD OF HEALTH

COUNCILLOR PETTIPAS reported that the house on Boggs Street recently occupied by Mrs. D. O'Hearn was not fit for habitation and a motion was adopted that the Clerk be instructed to write the Nova Scotia Trust Company, Agents for Mrs. Caroline Young Estate, stating that this property is unsanitary and unfit for habitation, and must not be rented in its present state.

Health Board adjourned.

Approved

W. J. Smith
TOWN CLERK

C. M. Lear MAYOR.

Dartmouth, N. S., Monday, December 7, 1925.

Town Council met this date at 8 p.m.

Present:- Mayor McLean, Councillors Munro, Walker, Webber, Pettipas, Young and Smith. Also Town Solicitor Murray.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

COUNCILLOR WALKER, Chairman of the Street Committee reported re widening of Oak Street and stated that it would cost somewhere in the vicinity of \$200.00. After some discussion thereon Councillors Young and Walker moved a resolution that Oak Street be widened at a cost not to exceed \$200.00. Passed.

LETTERS were read from:-

J. ALBERT MacDONNELL, Treasurer Municipality of the County of Inverness Port Hood, enclosing deposition of Mary McGrath wife of Thos. McGrath who lived at 33 Dahlia Street, showing that her settlement is in the Town of Dartmouth, and also enclosing account for her maintenance at the Mabou Asylum amounting to \$57.50 and asked for payment of same. Referred to the Charities Committee to investigate.

F. E. LAWLOR, Medical Superintendent Nova Scotia Hospital stating that the following patients undergoing treatment at the Nova Scotia Hospital are not likely to be benefited by further care and asked that some other arrangements be made for their future care, namely, Janet R. McArthur and Nellie Grey. On motion resolved that arrangements be made for the transfer of these patients to the County Home and that the Committee be authorized to arrange with the Town Solicitor for the collection of maintenance on account of Nellie Grey and that the matter of the maintenance of Janet R. McArthur be referred to the guardian, Mr. J. Lorn Allan.

W. P. MORRISON, Secretary Treasurer of the Association of Professional Engineers of Nova Scotia, Halifax, stating that Legislation had been obtained that no person shall perform any engineering work unless he is registered and in good standing in the Association and if at any time the Town desires to ascertain the standing of any person who claims to be an engineer that they would be glad to place their records at our service. Received and placed on file.

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MAJOR J.A. RUDLAND, Fire Marshall, Halifax, stating that a complaint had been made to him of the dangerous condition of a dilapidated building on Myrtle Street close to the Carter stables, and asked that some action be taken to have this fire menace removed. On motion the letter was received and the Clerk was instructed to notify Mr. John Russell the owner of the building to either have the building put in proper repair or else torn down.

DEPUTY PROVINCIAL SECRETARY, stating that the Attorney General's Department had objected to Clause No. 2 of the Building By Laws recently submitted them for approval. On motion of Councillors Smith and Pettipas resolved that the By Laws respecting buildings on the shore of Lake Banook be amended by striking out the words "and every day during which an offence continues shall be deemed to be a fresh offence" in Section 2 of said By Laws.

COUNCILLOR PETTIPAS advocated that some action be taken by the Town in regard to the proposed changes in the Automobile fees and moved that a Committee of two with the Mayor be appointed to confer with the Committee of the Board of Trade re proposed taxes on gasoline, Provincial Highway Tax and Fees on Automobiles. On motion Councillors Munro and Pettipas were appointed with the Mayor to act on that Committee.

On motion resolved that the new street lights be cleaned.

Number of bills signed by two Councillors were passed for payment.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved.

W.D. Smith
TOWN CLERK.

C.A.M. Lears MAYOR.

Dartmouth, N. S., Friday, December 11, 1925

Special meeting of the Town Council held this date at 7:30 p.m.

Present:- Mayor McLean, Councillors Pettipas, Young and Webber.

Also Town Solicitor Murray.

On motion of Councillors Pettipas and Young the following resolution was adopted.

"Whereas the coal mines and coal industry play one of the most important parts in the development of the Province of Nova Scotia, upon the prosperity of which many thousands of Nova Scotians depend and many thousands are materially affected in times of distress.

And Whereas it is the feeling of the Town Council of Dartmouth that conditions could be vastly improved in the mining districts, not only from a material standpoint, but also by giving the miners and their families greater chances of social, educational and living advantages.

And Whereas in the past there seems to have been more attention paid to the production of coal to the enrichment of a few high salaried directors and officials rather than the giving of a living wage to the ordinary miner.

And Whereas while miners and their families have been denied, thru inadequate wages, many of the necessities of life, while the operators and those close to them have been paid salaries far beyond, what in the opinion of this Council, the returns of the mines justified.

AND Whereas it is also felt that the people of the Town of Dartmouth as well as those of the Province have paid, due to the central and exclusive control of Besco, more for their coal per ton than do the people in the Upper Provinces for the same amount of weight notwithstanding the shipping and transportation charges to those Provinces.

And Whereas it is also felt that the coal industry should be run on a separate basis from the steel industry, which latter industry is, in the opinion of many, not a basic productive or remunerative industry of the Province, while it is felt that the coal industry could make better returns if separated from the steel industry.

THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Town Council of the Town of Dartmouth appoint representatives to appear before the Royal Coal Commission, which shortly meets in Halifax, and place before it data which they consider vital not only to the consumers of Dartmouth, but to the people of the Province, including the miners, in the hope and expectation that ^{with} the material already before the Commission, something may be done to alleviate and improve the conditions which for so long a time have been a source of great concern and anxiety to all Nova Scotians. "

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Views on the above question were expressed by Councillors Pettipas and Young and Mr. A. C. Johnstone being present was also heard and on motion of Councillors Pettipas and Young resolved that a Committee of two or three from the Council be appointed with authority to act in the matter, and if necessary employ a competent man to present the Town's case before the Royal Coal Commission. Mayor McLean and Councillor Pettipas and Town Solicitor Murray were appointed as that Committee.

MAYOR McLEAN reported that Mr. C. E. Clarke would like to repurchase the stump puller. On motion resolved that the stump puller be sold to Mr. Clarke for Sixty (\$60.00) Dollars.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved.

Wm McLean MAYOR.

W. H. Smith
TOWN CLERK.

Dartmouth, N.S., Monday, December 21, 1925.

Town Council met this date at 8 p.m.

Present:- Mayor McLean, Councillors Walker, Webber, Pettipas and Smith.

Also Town Solicitor Murray.

Minutes of last two meetings were read and approved.

TOWN SOLICITOR MURRAY reported re MR. H.R. HUXTABLE'S claim for exemption from Taxes on his property on Windmill Road on the grounds that he was notified by the Town that they required a portion of his property for street widening purposes as follows:-

"I do not think Mr. Huxtable's claim is tenable under the circumstances. Mr. Huxtable could easily have discovered the intention of the Town with reference to the land in question, and in any event could have built, taking the chances if he wished to do so."

Report received and adopted and the Clerk was instructed to send a copy to Mr. Huxtable.

LETTERS were read from:-

TOWN SOLICITOR enclosing Deed from F.J. Otto and Mrs. Otto to the Town of Dartmouth together with letter from Mr. W.C. McDonald, Solicitor for Mr. Otto asking that the Town make arrangements so that Mr. Otto could finance the \$1500. which is to be paid by the Town of Dartmouth for the purchase of his water lot on First Lake. Referred to the Town Solicitor to draw up an Agreement which he did as follows:-

"This Indenture made the Twenty-first day of December in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty-five, between the Town of Dartmouth hereinafter referred to as "The Town" of the One Part, and Pius Otto and Sarah Otto, his wife, hereinafter referred to as "The Grantors" of the Other Part.

WHEREAS the Grantors have pursuant to the minutes of the Town Council conveyed to the Town all the estate, right, title, interest, claim and demand of the Grantors or either of them, in, to or out of all that certain lot of land covered with water and water lot situate on the south shore of the First Dartmouth Lake on the north side of the Public Highway and being the western portion of a certain water lot or lot of land with water conveyed to H. R. Silver by Charles Willoughby Anderson and wife by Deed dated the 11th. day of September, A.D., 1917 and recorded at Halifax in Book 469, page 1061 and more particularly described therein and which shall be considered as being incorporated in this Agreement.

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The Town pursuant to the terms of the said minutes hereby covenants and agrees to pay to the said Grantors the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars, the said sum to be paid by the Town on or before the 1st. day of February A.D., 1926, and in the meantime that until the said payment, the said sum shall bear interest at the rate of Six per centum per annum, the said interest to be paid the said Grantors until the full payment of Fifteen Hundred Dollars is made.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Town by its Mayor and Clerk, duly authorized have hereunto set their names and affixed the seal of the Corporation, the day and year first above mentioned.

SIGNED, SEALED and EXECUTED
in the presence of

On motion resolved that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign a copy of the within Agreement.

CRAWFORD BRUSH CO. LTD., Halifax, stating that they were free to locate their manufacturing plant in a Town where they could be certain of local support, low power, low tax rates etc. They would employ probably about 25 people at the start and would like to receive an offer from the Town of Dartmouth not later than January 12th. 1926. On motion the letter was received and a Committee comprising the Mayor and Councillors Pettipas and Walker were appointed with authority to go into the matter and report back at next meeting of the Council.

Number of bills signed by two Councillors were passed for payment and the Clerk was instructed to send the bill of Messrs. Lee & Holder for \$50.00 to the Housing Commission for payment.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved.

Samuel Lear
----- MAYOR

W. D. Smith
----- TOWN CLERK

Dartmouth, N. S., Monday, January 4, 1926.

Town Council met this date at 8 p.m.

Present :- Mayor McLean, Councillors Munro, Walker, Webber, Pettipas, Young and Smith. Also Town Solicitor Murray.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

COUNCILLOR WALKER reported in reference to complaint of John Sharp, 78 Rose Street, re overflow of water and moved a resolution seconded by Councillor Smith, that the Clerk be instructed to notify Mr. John Sharp that due to the natural water course of the brook, the Town does not assume any liability in the matter. Passed.

LETTERS were read from:-

J. LORN ALLAN, Secretary Dartmouth Board of Trade asking the Council what progress was being made re hearing before the Public Utilities Board re electric light rates. On motion of Councillors Pettipas and Young resolved that the Clerk notify the Secretary of the Dartmouth Board of Trade that this Council intends to carry through the hearing and will recommend that a sufficient amount be put in the estimates of 1926 to cover the costs.

JOHN W. McLEOD, President U.M.W., expressing their appreciation for the resolution which was presented at the Coal inquiry by the Town of Dartmouth. Received and filed.

H. S. PETHICK, Manager Bank of Nova Scotia, expressing appreciation of business entrusted to them, and complimented the Town on the way affairs have been carried out. Received and filed.

The matter of arranging for delivery of ASSESSMENT NOTICES was left to Councillor Pettipas and the Town Clerk with authority to have same delivered.

THE CLERK was instructed to get a price for the printing of the annual report.

The matter of printing of Voters List was left with the Mayor and Town Clerk to do as they see fit in the matter.

TOWN SOLICITOR MURRAY presented some of the new proposed By-Laws of the Town of Dartmouth and recommended that in order to expedite matters it would be necessary to have some outside legal assistance. On

motion resolved that Mr. Everett Moseley who has recently opened a law office in the Town of Dartmouth be employed to act in conjunction with Town Solicitor Murray for the revision of the Town By-Laws for the sum of Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars.

Number of bills signed by two Councillors were passed for payment.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved.

W. H. M. J.

-----TOWN CLERK

Samuel L. ...

-----MAYOR.

Dartmouth, N. S., Monday, January 18, 1926.

Town Council met this date at 8 p.m.

Present:- Mayor McLean, Councillors Munro, Walker, Webber, Pettipas and Smith. Also Town Solicitor Murray.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

MR. ROCK and MR. JACKSON, representing the Crawford Brush Company were present and were given a hearing on behalf of the Company. They asked for cheap power, tax exemption for 10 years and financial assistance. After some discussion it was resolved that the Crawford Brush Company be asked to present their request in writing with a prospectus of the Company.

COUNCILLOR PETTIPAS presented a lengthy report placing himself on record as strongly against the change in the Assessment and recommended that this Council appoint a representative to appear before the first session of the Court of Appeal to protest against the change made in the Town's Assessment and to ask the Court to revalue all properties on the same basis as they were in 1925, except the property owned by the Starr Manufacturing Company, the Court to have respect for the decision of the Supreme Court. On motion of Councillors Smith and Munro the report was received and adopted and Councillor Pettipas was appointed to appear before the Court of Appeal to appeal the valuation on all properties as now assessed.

LETTERS were read from:-

MAJOR H. O. LAWSON asking the Council if they would be willing to allow the fire apparatus and force belonging to the Town of Dartmouth to be furnished in event of a fire breaking out at the Air Station at Baker's Point and upon what terms. Letter received and the Clerk was instructed to notify Major Lawson that as the Town has only one engine, they regret that they are unable to allow it to be taken outside of the Town limits.

A. M. FLEMING, Secretary Shannon Chapter, I.O.D.E, expressing thanks for the Town's help in the transportation of Christmas dinners and etc. Received and filed.

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A.S. JOHNSTON, Chief of Police, stating that owing to the arrangements of the Police Officers being on night duty it was inconvenient for them to accompany the Imperial Oil Company's paymaster while transferring cash from the Bank on pay day to the Company's office at Imperoyal, and asked that they be relieved from this duty. On motion resolved that their request be granted and the Clerk be instructed to write Mr. D.M. Allan, Manager of the Imperial Oil Company stating that under the present circumstances the Police regret that it is inconvenient for them to afford protection to the Company's paymaster.

The question of MR. T. P. STEWART using a building for purposes other than that specified in his application for a building permit was referred to the Town Solicitor to take whatever steps he deems necessary under the circumstances.

The matter of repairs for ROAD ROLLER was up for discussion and finally referred to Councillor Walker to report on at next meeting.

On motion of COUNCILLORS WALKER and MUNRO resolved that the following, H. S. CONGDON, C.W. BELL and EDGAR LEVY be appointed Revisors under the Nova Scotia Franchise Act at a salary of \$350.00 collectively to include all duties as laid down by the Statutes in respect to said office, their appointments to terminate the 30th. day of April, 1926, and that the appointment of Revisors for the year 1927 take place at the first meeting of the Town Council in May 1926.

TENDER read from THE DARTMOUTH PRINTING AND PUBLISHING COMPANY to print the Town Annual Report and publish the financial statement in the Patriot for the sum of \$2.25 per page for 400 copies. Accepted.

APPLICATION from W.C. SULLIVAN for a bus license was referred to the Police and License Committee with authority to grant.

Number of bills signed by two Councillors were passed for payment.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved.

W. H. Smith
TOWN CLERK.

Cam Lear
MAYOR.

Dartmouth, N. S., Friday, January 29, 1926.

Town Council met this date at 8 p.m.

Present:- Mayor McLean, Councillors Munro, Walker, Webber, Pettipas, Young and Smith.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

On motion of Councillors SMITH and PETTIPAS resolved that under the Hackney regulations, this Council is unable to accept the License Committee's report in reference to W.C. Sullivan's application for License to May 1st. 1926 in regard to the fee charged him for same namely \$12.50 and that the Clerk notify him that his License will be revoked unless he pays the full amount of the fee according to the regulations, the Committee having no authority to make a reduction for part time which is \$50.00.

COUNCILLOR WALKER reported that the Road Roller was now at Hailey's machine shop being stored at the cost of \$15.00 per month and that it had been taken down by the Town workmen.

THE CLERK was instructed to call tenders for repairs to Roller according to specification.

APPLICATION for a Building Permit for a garage from F.O. LOVETT, Prince Street received and referred to the Building Committee and Town Solicitor to report on.

LETTER read from MESSRS. LEE & HOLDER, Chartered Accountants, Auditors, stating that they had audited the books of the Town Clerk and Treasurer of the Town of Dartmouth and also accounts of the Board of School Commissioners for the year ending December 31st. 1925. Referred back to the Auditors for further particulars.

LETTERS were read from:-

MRS. EMILY C. ROSENBERG calling attention to the overflow of water from the upper street onto her property.

JOHN SHARP, 78 Rose Street again requesting the Council to take some action to remedy the condition of overflow of water on his property on Rose Street. Both these complaints were referred to the Chairman of the Water Committee, Chairman of the Street Committee and the Town Solicitor to report on.

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CRAWFORD BRUSH COMPANY, LIMITED, in reply to our letter of January 21st. putting their requirements in writing as suggested by us as under:-

"In the matter of taxation we would expect to be assessed as low as possible, conforming in every respect with the law covering such matters. The period for which we would expect a fixed taxation we believe, should be from seven to ten years. Light and power is quite an important item. We would be well satisfied if granted the very lowest minimum possible.

In addition to this we would expect to sell not less than \$20,000. worth of our preferred and common stock to the Dartmouth citizens, and while we would hesitate to make this one of the stipulations in the contract nevertheless we would consider it a great help if the members of the Council or whoever should be chosen as a special Committee for this purpose, to give all the aid possible to assist us in raising the above mentioned amount. We feel certain that mutual arrangements can be made that will be beneficial to both the Dartmouth citizens and the members of this Company."

On motion of Councillors Pettipas and Young resolved that their proposal be referred to the Industries Committee of the incoming Council.

JOHN J. THOMPSON, Jamieson Street, stating that he was in arrears in his rent to Mr. George C. Bishop owing to the fact that he had been in quarantine and asking that the Town go good this amount. Letter received and the Clerk was instructed to notify Mr. Thompson that the Town cannot assume any responsibility for paying rent.

On motion resolved that MR. EVERETT MOSELEY and MR. CICERO RITCHIE be appointed PRESIDING OFFICERS and MR. G.M. DOUGLASS and MR. CARMAN BROWN, POLL CLERKS for the election to be held on Tuesday, February 2nd. 1926, and that the Mayor and Town Clerk be authorized to engage suitable places for polling.

On motion of COUNCILLORS PETTIPAS and WEBBER resolved that for the purpose of defraying the annual current expenditure of the TOWN OF DARTMOUTH, which has been duly authorized by the Council, the Council do effect a temporary loan from the ROYAL BANK OF CANADA, for the sum of \$70,000, and that the Mayor and the Town Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to execute in the name and under the corporate seal of the TOWN OF DARTMOUTH, the agreement with the said

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Bank in relation to said loan which has been presented to this meeting and is hereby approved.

On motion resolved that the Clerk be instructed to notify CHARLES MYERS that the Town will not be responsible for MRS. D. O'HEARN'S rent after February 28th. 1926.

Number of bills signed by two Councillors were passed for payment.

Council then adjourned and met as

THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

Dr. Payzant was present at the meeting of the Board of Health.

Report read from Sanitary Inspector and Plumbing Inspector as follows:

"On the 18th. of January 1926, Mr. Arthur Cooper, 133 Prince Albert Road, complained to Councillor Smith of what Mr. Cooper thought was an unsanitary condition of his backyard, caused from a drainage from a barn and manure bin on property of Mr. Alex. Patterson, 135 Prince Albert Road (next door neighbor).

Your Chief Sanitary Inspector and Plumbing Inspector accompanied by Councillor Smith, inspected the two properties with Mr. Cooper. There was snow on the ground which in several places was discolored, showing that the drainage from the barn and manure bin has coursed its way down through Mr. Cooper's property.

In our opinion, we do not think that this complaint of Mr. Cooper's is a menace to public health, just a matter for neighbor's to arrange among themselves. We took a sample bottle of the water or drainage referred to and this sample is now in possession of the Chief Sanitary Inspector. As earth when frozen will not absorb any liquid, the water or drainage will course down hill. Mr. Patterson's property being on higher ground than Mr. Cooper's, any drainage from the barn or manure bin would naturally flow on to Mr. Copper's property. When the earth is not frozen, any drainage would be absorbed before it would reach the lower land.

We do not think that the complaint is at all serious and should be settled between the parties themselves."

After some discussion a resolution was adopted instructing the Clerk to notify Mr. Patterson that the nuisance must be stopped and that he must either put in a concrete pit or some other suitable means to remedy conditions complained of.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved.

W. H. M. J.
TOWN CLERK.

Edw. L. Lear-----Mayor.

I, Charles A. McLean, Mayor, elected for the Town of Dartmouth do sincerely promise and swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King George V. as lawful sovereign of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the Dominion of Canada, dependent on and belonging to said Kingdom, and that I will defend him to the utmost of my power against all traitorous conspiracies or attempt whatsoever which shall be made against His Person, Crown and Dignity, and that I will do my utmost to disclose and make known to His Majesty His Heirs and Successors, all treasons or traitorous conspiracies and attempts which I shall know to be against Him or any one of them, and all this I do swear, without any equivocation, mental evasion or secret reservation.

SO HELP ME GOD.

SWORN to before me, this third day
of February, A. D., 1926

W. R. Z. [unclear]
----- J.P.

W. [unclear]
----- J.P.

In and for the County of Halifax.

Charles A. McLean

MAYOR.

I, Charles A. McLean, do swear that I am duly qualified as required by law, for the office of Mayor of the Town of Dartmouth, and that I will faithfully perform the duties of Mayor while I hold office to the best of my ability.

SO HELP ME GOD.

SWORN to before me, this third day
of February, A.D., 1926.

W. R. Z. [unclear]
----- J.P.

W. [unclear]
----- J.P.

In and for the County of Halifax.

Charles A. McLean

MAYOR.

TOWN OF DARTMOUTH, S. S.

WE, the undersigned.

Cecil E. Zink

Councillor for Ward One

Harry A. Young

Councillor for Ward Two

Arthur C. Pettipas

Councillor for Ward Three

For the Town of Dartmouth do severally, sincerely promise and swear that we will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King George V, as lawful sovereign of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the Dominion of Canada, dependent on and belonging to the United Kingdom, and that we will defend Him to the utmost of our power against all traitorous conspiracies or attempts whatsoever which shall be made against His Person, Crown and Dignity, and that we will do our utmost to disclose and make known to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, all treason or traitorous conspiracies and attempts which we shall know to be against Him or any one of them, and all this do we severally swear, without any equivocation, mental evasion or secret reservation.

SO HELP ME GOD.

SWORN to at Dartmouth,
 this Third day of February,
 A.D., 1926.

Clarence Lewis

 Mayor

Cecil E. Zink

H. A. Young

Arthur C. Pettipas

TOWN OF DARTMOUTH, S.S.

WE, the undersigned

Cecil E. Zink

Councillor for Ward One

Harry A. Young

Councillor for Ward Two

Arthur C. Pettipas

Councillor for Ward Three

For the Town of Dartmouth, do severally solemnly swear that we are duly qualified as required by law for the office of Councillor for the Town of Dartmouth, and that WE will faithfully perform the duties of Councillor while we hold office to the best of our ability.

SO HELP ME GOD.

SWORN to at Dartmouth, this Third day of February, A.D., 1926.

Cecil E. Zink

H. A. Young

Charles A. McLean

Mayor.

Arthur C. Pettipas

I CERTIFY, that the oaths of office of Charles A. McLean as Mayor, Cecil E. Zink, Harry A. Young and Arthur C. Pettipas as Councillors, were duly taken on the third day of February, A.D., 1926, the said oaths as taken, appearing in these minutes and dated the said Third day of February, A.D., 1926, and identified by my initials.

DATED at Dartmouth, N.S., this *third* day of February, A.D., 1926.

W. G. Hunt

TOWN CLERK
Town of Dartmouth.

Dartmouth, N.S., Wednesday, February 3, 1926.

Town Council met this date at 8 p.m.

Present:- Mayor McLean, Councillors Munro, Walker, Webber, Pettipas, Young and Zink. Also Town Solicitor Murray.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

THE TOWN CLERK reported that pursuant to Chapter 84, Section 69 and 102 of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, he declared the following Candidates elected for Mayor and Councillors for the ensuing term as follows:-

For Mayor	- -	Mayor Charles A. McLean, acclamation	
For Councillor Ward 2		Councillor H. A. Young	"
For Councillor Ward 3		Councillor A. C. Pettipas	"

The result of the election for Councillor in Ward 1, was as follows:

Walter Mosher	222	Votes
Cecil E. Zink	331	"
Majority for Cecil E. Zink	109	"

COUNCILLOR WALKER was appointed Presiding Councillor for the ensuing year.

On motion of COUNCILLORS PETTIPAS and YOUNG the three Senior Councillors namely Councillors Munro, Walker and Webber were appointed a Nominating Committee to appoint Standing Committees and etc. for the ensuing year. They retired and shortly after presented a report which with a few changes was adopted as follows:-

STANDING COMMITTEES 1926.

COUNCILLORS

FINANCE	Munro	Webber	Zink
STREETS & PUBLIC PROPERTY	Walker	Webber	Zink
POLICE & LICENSE	Webber	Munro	Pettipas
FIRE APPARATUS	Young	Walker	Webber
CHARITIES	Pettipas	Young	Zink
WATER & SEWERAGE	Zink	Walker	Pettipas
D. A. A. A.	Munro	Young	
BUILDING BYE LAWS	Zink	Pettipas	

The first named on each Committee to be Chairman thereof.

COMMISSIONERS

SCHOOLS	Munro	Webber	Young
FERRY	Pettipas	Walker	
TOWN PLANNING	Mayor	Munro	Webber
COUNTY COURT HOUSE	Mr. H. A. Russell and Mr. J.P. Whebby		
PARK	Mayor	Young	Pettipas

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SPECIAL COMMITTEES

APPEAL COURT	E. L. Smith	J.L. Allan	
REVISORS OF JURY LISTS	Zink	Young	Munro
LEGISLATION	Mayor	Pettipas	Munro
INDUSTRIES	Mayor	Munro	Webber
FIRE WARDS	Young	Walker	Webber
VENDOR	Walker	Munro	Clerk
COMMITTEES TO REVISE RATE ROLL	Munro	Zink	Webber

On motion resolved that Mr. Michael S. Regan be reappointed as Ferry Commissioner.

Public Weighers

Other Town Officers were appointed as follows:-

FENCE VIEWERS	G.W. Misener	George Hilton	
FIRE CONSTABLES	James Garde	D. Himmelman	J.P. Dunn
SURVEYORS OF LUMBER	Alex. Smith	Earle McElmon	
CARETAKER OF ENGINE HOUSE	John Dunn		
HEALTH OFFICER	Dr. H. A. Payzant		
AUDITORS	Messrs. Lee & Holder		
CHIEF OF POLICE, Sanitary Inspector & License Inspector,		A.S. Johnston	
DEPUTY CHIEF OF POLICE, Sanitary Inspector		J. T. Clarke	
POLICE OFFICER 1. Sanitary Inspector		J. J. Lawlor	
POLICE OFFICER 2. Sanitary Inspector		D. J. O'Connell	
LEGAL VENDOR	Lester Corkum		
PLUMBING INSPECTOR	W. N. Forbes		
ASSISTANTS IN TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE	Miss C.M. Bisp,	Miss D.F. Edwards and	Miss T. R. Mitchell.

All at the same salary as last year with the exception of the three Policemen whose salaries have not yet been fixed.

REPORT read from MESSRS. LEE & HOLDER, Chartered Accountants, Auditors, stating that they had audited the books of the Town Clerk & Treasurer of the Town of Dartmouth and the accounts of the Board of School Commissioners for the year ended December 31st. 1925, and found same correct and in order. On motion the report was received and filed and the statements as attached ordered to be printed in the Town's Annual Report.

LETTER read from ROY KEELER, Chairman Finance Committee Baptist Church, stating that they were tendering the Town Clerk a cheque for \$100.74 in payment of an amount claimed by the Town of \$164.47 for taxes for the 1921. The difference they claimed represented the taxes on a property sold to Mr. Walter deW. Barss on July 7, 1921 which Mr. Barss stated he had paid and had a statement under seal of the Town that all taxes were cleared on this property. Referred to the Town Solicitor and Town Clerk.

ARTHUR S. BARNSTEAD, Deputy Provincial Secretary, stating that a hearing will be given by the Executive Council on Thursday the 4th. day of

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February, at 2.30 p.m. in regard to by-laws passed by the Town Council re buildings on the shore of Lake Banook and asked that the Town send a memo. of the reasons why the by-laws should be approved etc. It was decided that all members of the Council who possibly could go to attend this hearing with the Town Solicitor and that the Clerk notify Mr. Boland, President of the Dartmouth Board of Trade to have as many members there of that body present as possible.

J. T. CLARKE, JOHN J. LAHLOR and JOHN O'CONNELL asking for an increase in their salary. Referred to the Police Committee.

MAYOR McLEAN reported that a building on Cunard Street owned by Caroline Young Estate was not fit for habitation and was a fire menace. Referred to Superintendent Nichols, Building Inspector, to report on at next meeting.

Number of bills signed by two Councillors were passed for payment.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved.

W. H. Mott
TOWN CLERK

C. M. Leary -MAYOR.

Dartmouth, N. S., Monday, February 15, 1926.

Town Council met this date at 8 p.m.

Present:- Mayor McLean, Councillors Walker, Webber and Zink.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

COUNCILLOR WEBBER, Chairman Police & License Committee, reported that a meeting had been held recently in reference to Officer D.J. O'Connell and he recommended that he be asked to tender his resignation at once to take effect March 31st. 1926, otherwise his dismissal to take effect February 28th. 1926. On motion of Councillors Zink and Walker the report was adopted.

SUPERINTENDENT NICHOLS reported in reference to building # 4 Boggs Street owned by estate of Mrs. Caroline Young, that the building is in a very dilapidated condition, practically only a fire trap and a place for liquor drinking. He recommended that the building be condemned and destroyed. Report received and on motion of Councillors Walker and Webber, resolved that the Clerk notify the Nova Scotia Trust Company, Agents, for the Young Estate that this building must be either torn down or put in a proper state of repair in thirty days, failing which the Town will do so at their expense.

TENDERS for repairs to Road Roller according to specification and covering letter were received from :-

Halifax Shipyards Limited	\$496.
Dartmouth Machine & Motor Company	725. including storage.

On motion of Councillors Zink and Walker the tender of the Halifax Shipyards Limited was accepted.

LETTERS were read from:-

DARTMOUTH FERRY COMMISSION asking the Council to procure Legislation at the present session of Legislature for the following resolutions in addition to the resolution contained in their letter of September 16th. last.

1. Resolved that our Town Solicitor obtain Legislation at the next meeting of Legislature giving this Commission power

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to pay, if they see fit, any amount up to 55% of their wages to any permanent employee who may be laid off from his or her workthrough illness.

2. Resolved that the Commissioners get legislation to make an annual appropriation not exceeding \$450.00 to the Natal Day Committee for the celebration of Natal Day.

Request granted.

MESSRS. FERGUSON & FERGUSON, Truro, N. S., stating that on October last a man by the name of William Muise was killed on the railway track near Onslow Station, the remains had been sent to Dartmouth by Mr. J.C.B. Olive, Undertaker, and his bill being \$48.00, and that the man had a residence in Dartmouth, his mother residing at 20 North Street, and a brother at 8 Wentworth Street, and asked that a cheque be sent to them for the amount. Referred to the Town Solicitor.

MESSRS. BEAZLEY BROS., Halifax, N. S., returning bill sent them by us for water per meter amounting to 4,258,890 gallons, stating that there was evidently some error in quantity charged them. Letter received and the Clerk was instructed to notify them that as the reading of the meter appears to be correct the Town holds them liable for the amount of water as registered by the meter.

C. DONALD, Secretary Dartmouth Housing Commission, enclosing cheque for the Town's bill for having the books of the Commission audited and stating that in future before an audit is ordered, that the Chairman of the Commission be consulted. Request granted.

C. HATTON applying to have his salary increased to \$21.00 per week. Referred to Finance Committee.

On motion of COUNCILLORS WALKER and WEBBER resolved that on and after March 1st. 1926, the tax on the owners, possessors or harbourers of dogs within the Town of Dartmouth be fixed as follows:-

Male Dogs	\$4.00 per year
Female Dogs	6.00 per year.

on motion of COUNCILLORS WALKER and WEBBER resolved that MR. P.J. OTTO be paid the sum of \$1500.00 and interest for purchase of his water lot on shore of Lake Banook as per agreement.

COUNCILLOR ZINK brought up the question of the Town making application to the Provincial Government to have a first class road built from

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Dartmouth to ~~Haverley~~ and a resolution was adopted that the Clerk make an appointment with the Minister of Highways to grant a hearing with members of the Dartmouth Town Council, Board of Trade, and citizens who were interested.

MR. WILLIAM HARRISON being present asked that the Town give the Dartmouth Electric Light Company authority to connect up his room in the Engine House with the 220 power circuit so as to enable him to do wood work and small machinery work in his spare time. On motion his request was granted providing that the Company bill Mr. Harrison direct for the power which he is to pay himself and that the work will not interfere with his duties.

The following matters requiring Legislation were referred to Committee on Legislation. -

1. A bill to empower the Dartmouth Ferry Commission to pay, if they see fit, any amount up to 55% of their wages to any permanent employee who may be laid off from his or her work through illness.
2. Also permission for the Dartmouth Ferry Commission to make an annual appropriation not exceeding \$450.00 to the Natal Day Committee for the celebration of Natal Day.
3. Legislation authorizing an increase of \$150.00 in the annual grant to the Natal Day Committee for the year 1925. by the Dartmouth Ferry Commission,
4. A bill to empower the Town of Dartmouth with authority to charge a business tax of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.) on all Insurance Companies doing business in the Town of Dartmouth.
5. Authority to borrow upon debentures of the Town a sum not exceeding \$50,000. for paved streets.
6. Authority to amend the present Legislation on Paved Streets relieving the abutter from paying one-half the cost as at present (Acts 1921).
7. A bill to provide that no Town rates, taxes or charges of any kind whatsoever come under the Board of Public Utilities Commission.
8. Authority for the issuing of debentures of the Town for a sum not to exceed \$45,000. for the purpose of retiring an issue of \$54,000. maturing October 1st. 1926.

Number of bills signed by two Councillors were passed for payment.
Meeting adjourned.

Approved.

Wm. Leary MAYOR

W. S. Smith
TOWN CLERK.

Dartmouth, N. S., Monday, March 1st. 1926.

Town Council met this date at 8 p. m.

Present:- Mayor McLean, Councillors Munro, Walker, Webber, Pettipas and Zink. Also Town Solicitor Murray.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

Town Solicitor Murray reported re proposed Legislation to be obtained as follows:-

- (1) Authority for the Town of Dartmouth to borrow or raise by way of loan on the credit of the Town the following:-
 - (a) A sum of money not exceeding Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) to be used for the purpose of paving streets in the Town.
 - (b) A sum of money not to exceed Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) for the extension and supply of water within the Town.
 - (c) A sum of money not to exceed Forty-five Thousand Dollars (\$45,000.00) for the purpose of applying the amount raised towards retiring debentures for water and sewerage of Fifty-four Thousand Dollars (\$54,000.00) due on the 1st. day of October, 1926, issued under Chapter 75 of the Acts of 1906.
- (2) Authority for the Town to expropriate the land and land covered with water lying on the northeast side of Lake Banook extending from northeast boundary of the George Hutchinson property along Prince Albert Road to the western boundary of the Carter Ice Company, Limited.
- (3) Authority to assess and collect for the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1500.00) paid to P. J. Otto for the purchase of a certain lot of land on the shore of Lake Banook.
- (4) Authority authorizing an increase of One Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) in the annual grant made by the Dartmouth Ferry Commission to the Natal Day Committee for the year 1925.
- (5) Authority to amend the present Legislation of paved streets relieving the abutter from paying one-half the cost as at present (Acts 1921).
- (6) Provision that no Town rates, taxes or charges of any kind whatsoever come under the Board of Public Utilities Commission.
- (7) Authority for the Dartmouth Ferry Commission to make an annual expropriation of Four Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$450.00) to the Natal Day Committee for the purpose of celebrating Natal Day.
- (8) Authority for the Dartmouth Ferry Commission to pay, if they see fit, any amount up to 55% of their wages to any permanent employee who may be laid off from his or her work through illness.
- (9) All property liable to taxation shall be assessed at cash value to be determined by the Assessors, Rule 2,

and Section 17 of Chapter 86, Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia 1923, shall not apply to the Town of Dartmouth.

COUNCILLOR PETTIPAS voted against Legislation for paved streets. On motion of Councillors Walker and Munro the report as submitted was approved.

MR. J.M. HENNEBERRY being present was heard in reference to the property assessed in the name of Winton Henneberry, 38 Tulip Street. He stated that the property was assessed at \$1800. which he claimed was too high. On motion of Councillors Pettipas and Munro resolved that the matter be dealt with at the next meeting of the Council.

LETTERS were read from:-

CHRONICLE PUBLISHING COMPANY, also HALIFAX HERALD soliciting advertisements from the Town of Dartmouth in the tourist edition of these papers. Referred to the Finance Committee with authority to act.

PETITION signed by a number of ratepayers on Upper end of Cameron Street protesting against the installation of the pressure valve on the property of Department of Marine & Fisheries on the grounds that it would not produce the necessary results and urging the Council to take steps to alleviate the distressing situation there. Referred to the Water Committee

with authority to have the valve installed as soon as conditions permit;

THOMAS GIBSON 103 Portland Street, protesting against being billed by the Town for medical treatment for his wife at V.G. Hospital on the grounds that she had left his house and was housekeeping for Jid Murphy, and further stating that he had her published in the local press as having left his bed and board. Referred to the Clerk and Town Solicitor.

DEPOSITION and BILL presented from the Town of Lunenburg for the keep of Herbert Goobie and family \$23.41, was referred to the Town Solicitor and Town Clerk.

COUNCILLOR PETTIPAS reported that the Police Committee's report as put in by the Chairman at the last meeting of the Council, in regard to Officer O'Connell was not correct as understood by the Committee, and after some discussion he moved that the report be referred back to the Committee.

There being no secondor, the motion was ^{not} put.

Number of bills signed by Two Councillors were passed for payment.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved.

W. J. Munro
TOWN CLERK.

James Leane
-----MAYOR.

Dartmouth, N. S., Friday, March 12th, 1926.

Special meeting of the Town Council held this date at
3 p.m.

Present:- Mayor McLean, Councillors Munro, Walker, Pettipas
Young and Zink. Also R. H. Murray, Town Solicitor.

MR. PAUL CREIGHTON of Dartmouth and MESSRS. ROBERTSON and
BURTON of the MARITIME FISH CORPORATION being present were
heard in connection with the proposal of the Company to
build a plant at Dartmouth on the property known as "Faulkner's
Field". The concessions asked for by them were that they
be not taxed for improvements and that they be granted free
water for a period of twenty years. On motion of Coun-
cillors Munro and Walker resolved that the Mayor, Councillors
Pettipas, Zink and Munro be appointed a special Committee to
go into the matter and prepare suitable legislation.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved.

W. H. Smith
TOWN CLERK.

Cam McLean - MAYOR.