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be committed to the Gaol within the said City, for a period
not exceeding Forty Eight Hours.

And be it further Ordained, That all prosecutions under this Ordinance
shall be commenced within forty Eight Hours after the
committing of the offence complained of.

Edw. Henry
Mayor.

Halifax August 19th 1842

Edward Gould having taken the Oath prescribed by Law is this day
sworn into office as Inspector of Pickled Fish and Gauger of Oil for
the City, in presence of His Worship the Mayor.

Halifax September 6th 1842

At a Meeting of the City Council held this day
Present, His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Fremant, Duffies,
MacKilay & Starr. Messrs Anderson, Allison, Gray, Caldwell,
Jennings, Kemmeon, Clarke and Steele.

— Absent to be fined —

Alderman Uniacke	2/6	Hon Mr Bell	2/6
Alderman Williams	2/6	Mr West	2/6
Mr Keith	2/6		
Mr Sinclair	(Excused)		

The City Council were summoned to reconsider several appeals, a Letter from W. A. Black Esq, a Petition from the Butchers, several Accounts presented for payment, and the transaction of other business.

Read over proceedings of 8th August 1842.

Read a Letter from W. A. Black Esquire on the subject of his demand against the City, when the following Resolution is introduced

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to examine Mr Black's accounts against the City, and to report thereon to the City Council at its next meeting. That Alderman MacKilay, Messrs Allison, Caldwell, Jennings and Clarke be that Committee.

which on being put is passed.

Read a Letter from Chairman of Firewards transmitting an Account of Messrs Sinclair & McLean amounting to £102.8.0 for Engine Hoses & imported for the use of Engines. when it is moved that the same be referred to the Committee of Public Accounts to report upon at the next meeting.

Read a Letter from Charles Twining, Solicitor of the Nova Scotia Banking Association relative to City Assessment; also a Letter from Charles Twining Esq, President of the Halifax Fire Insurance Company relative to City Assessment; also a Letter from the Honorable H. H. Cogswell, relative to the amount of his City Assessment when the following Resolution is introduced:

Resolved, A time having been fixed for the City Council to hear appeals, and that time having expired after due consideration having been given to every case brought before them and relief granted where they thought just. The City Council cannot now further interfere with any new appeals, and particularly with the communications of the Hon. H. H. Cogswell and Charles Twining Esq, for the Halifax

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Fire Insurance Company, and the Bank of Nova Scotia, but leave the parties to any ulterior remedies they may think proper to adopt.

which on being put is passed.

The following Resolutions are introduced:

Resolved, That the sum of £1.6.10⁰ assessed on Mr. John King as the Agent of Quarter Master Moore be laid on W. Keating he being the lessee of the premises at the period of Assessment which on being put is passed.

Resolved, That Mr. A. Davidson's taxes (who was absent from town at the time of Appeals) be reduced 40% leaving him 45% to pay. which on being put is passed.

Resolved, That Henry Conroy's assessment be reduced 50% which on being put is passed.

Resolved, That Thomas J. Pulgin's Account, claiming a Balance of £20.15.0 for repairs to the roof of Exchange Building, upon being certified and approved of by the Chairman of Public Property, His Worship the Mayor be authorized to draw a Check for said amount

which on being put is passed.

Resolved, That His Worship the Mayor be authorized to draw Checks for the following Accounts:

Andrew Beecher for 6 Months Salary as Keeper of Powder Magazine to 30th June 1842 £10.0.0

Henry Bateman for 3 Months attending to Fish Market to 31st August 1842 £6.5.0

The Commissioners of Streets lay before the Council the following Statement

Memorandum of Expenditures by the Commissioners of Streets from July 25th to September 3

Ward No 1 £70.2.6

" " 2 £4.11.9

" " 3 " 18.3

" " 5 £34.16.3

" " 6 £13.18.3

J. Currie's Salary, quarterly ending 31st Aug. 30 £64.7.0

£94.7.0

When the following Resolution is introduced.

Resolved, That His Worship the Mayor be authorized to draw Checks in favor of Jacob Currie Overseer, for the above amounts to be repaid from the Statute Labour collections in each Ward, also

a Check in favor of Jacob Currie for megrantia's Salary £30.0.0
due 1st August

which on being put is passed.

Resolved, That an address be presented to the 7th Regiment on
their departure from the Province.

Resolved, That the Health Inspector's report now submitted, be
referred to the Board of Aldermen, to report upon at next
meeting.

The Council then adjourned.

Edw. Kenny
Mayor.

Halifax September 26th 1842

At a Quarterly Meeting of the City Council held this day
Present, His Worship the Mayor Aldermen Uniacke, Finlay,
Duffus, & McKeiday Messrs Anderson, Alison, Keith, Gray,
Caldwell, Sinclair, Hon. Mr. Bell Jennings, Hummer, Clarke
and Steele.

— Absent to be fined —

Alderman Starr 2/6

Mr. Caldwell 1/3

Alderman Williamson 2/6

Mr. West 2/6

Read over proceedings of 6th September 1842.

His Worship the Mayor communicates to the Council
that the Board of Aldermen had taken into consideration the
Services performed by James Ham as Health Inspector and
Keeper of Markets, whereupon the following Resolution is
introduced:

Resolved, That the sum of Twenty Pounds be paid James Ham
for his Services as Health Inspector and Keeper of Markets
for the Year commencing 25th April last.

which on being put is passed.

The City Council direct the payment of the following Account
Joseph Quin 11-8-72

The following Resolution is introduced:

Resolved, That application be made to His Excellency Lord Falkland
for the Balance of the Auction Licence fund in the Hands of the
Treasurer of the Province, to be expended on the Campbell Road
and on the Fresh Water Bridge and the Road leading South
from it.

which on being put is passed.

A Petition from John Murphy and others, Butchers of the City
is read, where the following Resolution is introduced:

Resolved, That John Murphy and others, Butchers, whose Petition
has just been read, have leave to withdraw the same.

which on being put is passed.

The Committee to whom was referred the Account of Messrs
Sinclair & McLean amounting to £102-0-0 for amount
advanced for the purchase of Hosiery for the use of Engine
Company having reported that the same was correct, and
recommending the payment of the same, the following
Resolution is introduced:

Resolved, That His Worship the Mayor be authorised to draw a check
in favor of Messrs Sinclair & McLean for the sum of £102-0-0 being

amount advanced for purchase of Hose for the use of Engine Company.

which on being put is passed.

The following Resolution is also introduced. (His Worship having withdrawn)

Resolved, That a Check be drawn on the City Treasurer by Edward Kenny Esquire, present Mayor of the City for the sum of One Hundred and Seventy five Pounds being amount of Salary due him from the first day of March 1842 up to the 30th September at the rate of £300 per annum.

which on being put is passed.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be requested to make up a Balance Sheet showing the amount of Receipts and expenditures from the first commencement of the Corporation to the 30th September.

which on being put is passed.

The City Council then adjourned.

Edw. Kenny
Mayor.

Halifax October 3^d 1842

At a Meeting of the City Council held this day
 Present His Worship the Mayor Aldermen Freeman, Williams,
 and McKintay. Messrs Allison, Stoy, Sinclair, Jennings
 West and Peete.

— Absent to be fined —

Alderman Umacke 2/6

Alderman Starr 2/6

Alderman Puffus 2/6

The City Council were summoned to attend this day to
 elect a Mayor for the ensuing Year agreeably to the Act of
 Incorporation, as also two Auditors of the said City, and the
 transaction of other business connected therewith.

The Returns for the Election of City Councillors
 and Assessors for the ensuing Year, held on Saturday last agreeably
 to a Proclamation of His Worship the Mayor for the Wards No. 1
 3. 4 & 6. having been read, and the following Gentlemen having
 been returned:

William S. Anderson Esquire for Ward No 1.

William Caldwell " " " " " 2.

Hon. Hugh Bell " " " " " 4

John Winters Esquire " " " " " 6.

and these Gentlemen being in attendance and having taken the
 Oath of Allegiance, and the Oath of Office prescribed by Law, take
 their Seats at the Board.

The following Resolution is introduced:

The City Council having met this day for the purpose
 of Electing a Mayor for the ensuing Year agreeably to the Act
 of Incorporation, and whereas the returns for the Elections of
 City Councillors and Assessors held on Saturday last are
 not now complete, it is therefore

Resolved, That this Council will adjourn until tomorrow at
 2 O'clock for the purpose of Electing a Mayor for the ensuing
 Year, as also two Auditors of the said City.

which on being put is passed.

The Council adjourned until tomorrow at Two O'clock.

Halifax October 11th 1842.

At an Adjourned Meeting of the City Council held this day. Present, His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Uniacke, Fenwick, Duffus, Williamson, McKinlay and Starr, Messrs. Allison, Anderson, Gray, Sinclair, Caldwell, Jennings, Mr. M^r. Bell, Steele and Hunter.

— Absent to be fined, M^r. West. —

The Council met this day for the purpose of proceeding with the business standing over from yesterday the returns of Members Elected being incomplete. The proceedings of yesterday's meeting are read.

The returns for the Election of City Councillors and Assessors for the ensuing Year held on Saturday last agreeably to a Proclamation of His Worship the Mayor for the Wards No 2 & No 5 having been read, and the following Gentlemen having been returned:

Alexander Keith Esquire for Ward No 2.

Adam Neumann Esquire for Ward No 5.

and those Gentlemen being in attendance, and having taken the Oath of Allegiance and the Oath of Office prescribed by Law take their Seats accordingly.

The following Resolution is introduced:

Resolved, That the Recorder be called upon for his opinion whether the Salary of the Mayor can legally be reduced from the sum of Three Hundred Pounds

which on being put is passed.

Resolved, That the City Council do now proceed to the Election of a Mayor for the ensuing Year, which Election shall be determined by Ballot.

which on being put is passed.

The City Council then proceeds to Elect a Mayor by Ballot, when there appeared for Alderman Williamson, Seventeen (17) Alderman Williamson is therefore unanimously Elected Mayor of the City of Halifax for the ensuing Year.

His Worship the Mayor having quitted the Chair, Alderman Uniacke takes the same, the following Resolution is introduced.

Resolved, That a complimentary Address be presented to His Worship the Mayor Edward Kenny Esquire, on his retiring from office, and that the following be adopted.

which on being put is passed unanimously.

To Edward Kenny Esquire,

for

The consciousness of having discharged a public duty faithfully and honourably will be its own reward.

— October 11th —

It is notwithstanding gratifying to such to know, that their motives and efforts have been fairly appreciated, and that they have the approbation of those for whose benefit their energies and abilities have been employed.

We therefore who have been associated with you in the City Council, and under your Supervision as Mayor of the City since the 1st of January last conceive that we only pay a justly earned tribute of respect, on your retirement from the Civic Chair, in conveying to you the Assurance of our approval of the manner in which the duties of that important Station have been discharged. Uprightness, frankness and integrity guided by prudence and moderation, have in our opinion characterized your official course, and Courtesy and urbanity marked your conduct towards those acting with you in the performance of public duties.

We beg to convey to you the assurance of our cordial esteem, and our best wishes for your future welfare and happiness.

Halifax October 10th 1842.

(Signed) Tho. Williamson Mayor

A. M. Uniacke

James Freeman

John Puffus

Andrew McKinlay

John Edw. Starr

Attest

Edward Allison

Wm. G. Anderson

Wm. Stoy Junr

Alex^r Keith

Rich^d Sinclair

William Caldwell

Joseph Jennings

Hugh Bell

Conrad West

Adam Keenan

John Steele

John Whites

The following Resolution is next introduced:

Resolved, That a Copy be presented by the City Clerk to His Worship the late Mayor, Mr. Kenny, and that he will request that he will appoint a time and place to receive the Address.

which on being put is passed unanimously

The City Council next proceed to the Election of Auditors of the City of Halifax, Mr. George Whidden, Mr. Thomas Bolton Junr, and Mr. Thomas Lydiard having been proposed the Ballot is proceeded with, when there appeared,

(for)

For Mr. George Whidden 5

Mr. Thomas Polton junior 6

Mr. Thomas Lydiard 6

where Mr. Thomas Polton junior and Mr. Thomas Lydiard having a Majority of Votes are duly Elected Auditors of the City.

The following Resolution is also introduced.

Resolved, That His Worship be authorized to draw a Check on the City Treasurer in favor of Stephen Binney Esquire for the Sum of Fifty pounds, being for two Months Salary as late Mayor up to 1st March last.

which on being put is passed.

The following Resolution is next introduced.

Resolved, That the opinion of the Recorder be taken in Writing as to the propriety of consenting to make a Case for the decision of the Principle of Taxation on the Banks and other Corporate Bodies.

which on being put is passed.

The Council then adjourned

W. Williamson
Mayor

Halifax 5th October 1842

The following Letter from the deputy Provincial Secretary was this day received:

Provincial Secretary's Office
Halifax 4th October 1842

Sir,

I am Commaned by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of this days date, addressed to me, and in reference to its contents to state for the information of the City Council, that His Excellency approves of their choice of Thomas Williamson Esquire to be Mayor of the City of Halifax, and that His Excellency will receive Mr. Williamson tomorrow at one o'clock at the temporary Government House in the Dock Yard, for the purpose of administering the requisite oaths.

I have the Honor to be,

for,

Your most Obedient Humble Servant

To
James S. Clarke Esq:
City Clerk &c &c

(Signed) John Whidden

Halifax October 5th 1842

Thomas Williamson Esquire unanimously Elected Mayor of the City having taken the Oaths of Office was this day sworn into office as said Mayor in the presence of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor.

Halifax October 7th 1842

The following Answer from Edward Henry Esquire late Mayor of the City to the address of the City Council was received this day

To The Mayor,

Aldermen, and Common Councilmen of the City of Halifax:

Gentlemen,

Though fully impressed with the opinion that a consciousness of fidelity in the discharge of duty is ever attended with its own requital, I feel fully sensible of the value of so flattering an estimate of my motives and efforts as your address conveys. To receive an approval of them from those with whom I have been so happily associated, animates me with emotions at once of pleasure and of pride and fails not to excite an unfeigned sentiment of Gratitude for their kindness.

That the labours of my situation have been greatly diminished, and its difficulties more successfully surmounted by the aid and advice of my fellow Councilors, has been to me matter of experience most sensibly felt, and my Civic Supervision as Mayor of the City has imposed no duty which was not rendered easy by your promptitude and zeal constantly at my command.

I sincerely acknowledge the tribute of your approval of the manner in which the functions of my Magistracy have been performed, and your assurance that my Official course has been characterized by prudence and moderation inspires me with confidence in the belief that such dispositions are the best suited to its obligations.

Your expressions of "cordial esteem and wishes for my future welfare and happiness" excite sensations of the most fervent thankfulness, and in reciprocating the spirit of your sentiments you will permit me to regret the inadequacy of my language to convey the earnestness of my feelings.

I have the Honor to be, Gentlemen, your most Obedient
Halifax N.S. 7th October 1842.

humble Servant
(Signed) Edward Kenny

Halifax October 14th 1842

At a Meeting of the City Council held this day
 Present His Worship the Mayor Aldermen Uniacke
 Truman Duffus MacKintlay & Starr. Messrs Anderson
 Hoy, Keith, Sinclair Jennings Hon. Mr. Bell, Kemmison
 and Steele.

— Absent to be fined —

Mr. Allison \$/6 remitted

Mr. Muters \$/6 remitted

Mr. Caldwell \$/6 remitted

Mr. West \$/6

The Council were summoned to elect
 an Alderman and the transaction of other business

Read over proceedings of 11th Instant

The return for the Election of City Councillor held yesterday
 agreeably to Proclamation of His Worship the Mayor for Ward
 No. 2 having been read William P. Fairbanks Esquire having been
 returned as duly elected for said ward, and being in attendance
 and having the Oath of Allegiance and the Oath of Office
 prescribed by Law takes his seat accordingly.

The City Council next proceeds to elect an
 Alderman in the place of His Worship the Mayor, when the
 Ballot being proceeded with Alexander Keith Esquire having been
 unanimously elected to that Office, and having taken the Oath of
 Allegiance and the Oath of Office prescribed by law, takes his seat
 accordingly.

The following Resolutions are introduced.

Resolved, That the Commissioners of City Property be authorised
 to obtain a Shutter for the Lockup House.

which on being put is passed

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to ascertain the number
 of lights required in the City Hall and Offices and also to ascertain
 the probable expence, and that Alderman MacKintlay, Hon. Mr. Bell,
 and Alderman Truman be that Committee

which on being put is passed.

Read the following communication from Edward Henry
 Esquire:

Halifax N.S. 6 October 1842

Gentlemen

The period for which I was Elected Mayor of the City
 having terminated, and as under the sixteenth section of the
 Act it is stated that the former Mayor shall occupy the Office
 and place in the City Council of the Mayor then Elect unless

The outgoing Mayor shall desire to retire from the City Council.
In compliance with the Act they leave respectfully to
inform the City Council that for the reasons publicly expressed
it is my desire to retire

I have the honor to be,
Gentlemen,
Your most obedient servant
(Signed) Edw. Henry
To The City Council
Halifax

Read the following Communication from Brigade Major Tryon
and the Report accompanying the same

Major of Brigade's Office
Halifax 27th Sept. 1842

Gentlemen

I have the honor to enclose copy of a Report received
yesterday from the Person in charge of the Fort Mapey Burial Ground, and
to request that immediate steps may be taken to repair the same in
order to prevent the Cattle destroying the Head Boards of the Graves
and otherwise damaging the Property.

I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,
Your most obedient humble servant
(Signed) M. Tryon
Major of Brigade
To His Worship
The Mayor & other
Commissioners of
Public Cemeteries
Halifax

(Copy)
Halifax 25th Sept. 1842

Sir,
The Picket fence surrounding the Burial Ground at Fort
Mapey is in the same state as reported by me on the 19th Inst.

(Signed) J. Wright
Capt. R. Artillery
Major of Brigade
Halifax

The following Resolution is next introduced.

Resolved, That Alderman Amiacke, Hon. W. Bell, Messrs. Allison,
Fairbanks, Jennings, Story, Anderson & West be appointed a Committee
to take charge of the Cemetery
which on being put is passed.

Resolved, That Alderman McHulay be appointed one of the
Committee of Public Accounts in place of His Worship The Mayor.

October 11th 1842

The following Account is ordered to be paid by order on City Treasurer Thomas J. Bulgin, £1.1.10.

The following Opinion of His Honor the Recorder is read.

"I am of opinion that the questions here involved may judiciously be made the subject of a Case for the Supreme Court, such a course under existing circumstances would obviate much formal labour be more economical and expeditious while I conceive it would fully meet the objects sought for by all parties

(Signed) W D Sawers

5th October 1842.

Recorder.

which stands over until Thursday next.

The Commissioners of Streets lay before the City Council the following Account.

Amount of Expenditure by the Commissioners of Streets since 1st September to 31st October 1842.

Ward No 1 £ . 13.6

" " 2 29. 6. 5

" " 3 82. 11. 9

" " 4 32. 15. 3

Giving Stones " 15. 0

£146. 1. 11

When the following Resolution is introduced

Resolved, That His Worship the Mayor be authorised to draw a Check on City Treasurer in favor of Commissioners of Streets for the above amount to be repaid from the different Ward Collections which on being put is passed.

The following report of the Committee in charge of Bridewell is read.

The Committee in charge of the Bridewell beg to Report

to the City Council, That the expenditure of that establishment for the ten Months ending 30th September 1842 has amounted to

£265. 0. 7

The Amount received for labour performed during that period is 117. 16. 0

Leaving the actual charge on the County £147. 12. 7

Exclusive of 145 Yds of cloth manufactured for the use of the establishment.

For the maintenance of that establishment until 31st December there still remains the sum of £115. 19. 5 to be accounted for by the City Treasurer when collected, which the Committee trust will be sufficient for that purpose.

(All)

All demands against the establishment have been paid up to 30th September 1842.

The number of Commitments during the above period have been of men 100 women 44, total 152.

The Committee think it proper to state for the information of the City Council, That the Keeper of the Bridewell has usually charged a fee of five Shillings from each person on their discharge. According to the Keepers return those Fees have on an average of the last three years amounted to the sum of £17-19-3. This practice although of long duration is objectionable on many points, and not sanctioned by Law, The Committee therefore recommend it to be discontinued.

The Committee are of opinion that as a respectable Salary is allowed for the Office of under keeper, That person ought to be appointed by and be under the control of the City Council, both as regards his mode of living and payment of his salary.

(Signed) J^r Duffus
Andrew M. Kinlay
W. G. Anderson.

D^r The Bridewell in Account with the County of Halifax - C^t

1841 Dec ^r	To Expenditure for this month	26 0 5	1841 Dec ^r	By Proceeds of work performed this month	4 6 7
1842 Jan ^y		23 9 1	1842 Jan ^y		11 12
Feb ^y		10 6	Feb ^y		9 10 7
Mar		24 17 10	Mar		1 18 1
April		14 . 4	April		2 17 10
May		17 12 10	May		5 . 1
June		30 16 11	June		1 19 10
July		20 11 3 1/2	July		3 1 .
Aug ^s		30 5 1	Aug ^s		4 10 10
Sept ^r		26 7	Sept ^r		3 16 10
	Paid W. Hardwin for Stone	5 . .		Cash for Stone & Broken for Comptrol ^r	30 6 10
	" " M ^r Dede	12 10 .		" " for Wood sold	13 12 .
	" " for Coal	17 3 9		360 1/2 Bush Broken Stone supplied Com ^r of Streets (2 1/2 Bush)	38 7 6
	Balance to be accounted for by City Treasurer	115 19 5		This Am ^t approved by the Grand Jury for the Year 1842 for support of the Bridewell	250 . .
		£ 381 8 .			£ 381 8 .

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(Signed) J^r Duffus
Andrew M. Kinlay
W. G. Anderson.

By Balance brought down 115 19 5

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When the following Resolution is introduced.

Resolved, That the Report handed in by the Committee in charge of the Bidwell be received, adopted and published.

which on being put is passed.

The following Communication from Secretary of Province relative to Auction License fund is read:

Provincial Secretary's Office
Halifax 5th October 1842.

Sir

With reference to your communication to me of the 4th Instant transmitting a resolution of the City Council of the 26th September in relation to the Auction License fund, I am commanded by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to state to you for the information of His Worship the Mayor that His Excellency has given directions to have the balance of that fund remaining in the Provincial Treasury placed at the disposal of the City Council for the purposes mentioned in said Resolution, the application thereof being the same as is directed by Law.

I have the honor to be

Sir

James S. Clarke Esq.
City Clerk
cc &c &c

Your most Obedient humble servant
(signed) John Whidden.

When the following Resolution is introduced:

Resolved, That the Treasurer be authorized to draw on the Treasurer of the Province for the balance of Auction License fund on hand agreeably to the answer received from the Secretary of the Province and the same be paid to the Commissioners of Streets to be expended

which on being put is passed.

The following Resolution is also introduced.

Resolved, That the Committee of Bidwell be authorized to purchase a quantity of Wood to be appropriated in the same manner as that of last year and that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to draw on the Treasurer for the amount required to pay for the same

which on being put is passed.

The Council then adjourned

J. M. Williamson,
Mayor

Halifax October 17th 1842

Samuel Graham is sworn into office as Special Constable to execute Warrants &c for the City and County Treasurer, in presence of His Worship the Mayor.

Halifax October 20th 1842.

At a Meeting of the City Council held this day Present, His Worship the Mayor, Alderman Uniacke, Freeman & Starr. Messrs Stoy, Fairbank, Sinclair, Caldwell, Jennings, Hon. Mr. Bell, Messrs Hemmison, Steele & Muters.

Absent to be fined

Alderman Uniacke	1/3	Mr. Allison	2/6
Alderman Puffus	2/6	Mr. Anderson	2/6
Alderman Keith	2/6	Hon. Mr. Bell	1/3
Alderman McKimley	2/6		

Read over proceedings of yesterday

The City Council order payment of the following Account.

Bruce McDonald £5.

The following Report of the Gas Committee is read.

The Committee appointed to ascertain the number of Lights required in the City Hall, and also the expenses attending the fitting and lighting of the same,

Report

That there will be required for the use of the City Hall three single jets, viz: one in the Hall, one in the Police Office, and one in the City Clerk's room. The expense of fittings for these including a metre will be about Six Pounds, and the annual expense of lighting will be about four Pounds.

There will also be required a Light at the South West corner of the City Hall, the annual expense of lighting which will be about Five pounds per annum.

All which your Committee beg leave respectfully to submit.

Halifax 20th October 1842

(Signed) James Freeman
Andrew McKimley
Hugh Bell

When the following Resolution is introduced.

Resolved, That the Report of the Gas Committee just read be received and adopted, and that the Committee be authorized to make the

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necessary arrangements to have the lights therein mentioned introduced.
which on being put is passed.

The following Resolution is next introduced.

Resolved That twenty Chaldron of Coals one load of Wood and two sets fire Irons be purchased for the use of the City Hall and Offices, which on being put is passed.

The following Opinion of the Recorder is read:

After a careful examination of the language used in the Statute in reference to the amount of the Mayor's Salary and the accompanying expression "in lieu of all fees and perquisites" I am of opinion that notwithstanding the looseness of the words, the Legislature meant to fix the Salary at Three hundred pounds, and not to leave the amount discretionary with the City Council.

The spirit of the discussion on the clause in the Legislative Council, as I am informed, leaves no doubt as to the impression on the mind of that Body on the subject.

(Signed) W. D. Lawrence

5th October 1842.

Recorder, which stands

over for future consideration. The following opinion of the Recorder is then read (see page 284.)
When the following resolutions are introduced.

Resolved, That the opinions of His Honor the Recorder just read be received adopted, and acted upon.

which on being put is passed.

Resolved, That His Honor the Recorder be authorized, with the consent of His Worship the Mayor, to employ such Counsel as may be deemed necessary to carry into effect the foregoing Resolutions.

which on being put is passed.

The following Resolution is next introduced

Whereas the Union (Marine) Insurance Company, ^{after a long} has been granted to them upon their appeal have still refused to pay their assessment in toto on the grounds that they have no Corporate Property on which to levy though they admit real Estate, Money and Books of the Body in their possession. Resolved, therefore that the opinion of the Attorney General be taken with that of the Recorder as to whether under present circumstances the City Corporation can in any way enforce the payment of the Union Insurance Office of the said Assessment.

which on being put is passed.

The following Report of the Cemetery Committee is read:

The Committee of Cemetery beg leave to report that they have examined the site at Fort Maysy selected for a Burial Ground, and that after measuring the space enclosed they found that whether eligible or not the extent is not sufficient for such a period of time as is

desirable for the purpose intended, and having inspected the ground on the Southern side of Windmill Hill they find that a site of sufficient extent and in all other respects suitable, can there be obtained and they recommend that the requisite steps may be taken to procure it.

- (Signed) H. K. Bell
- " N. W. Uniacke
- " William Story Junr
- " William B. Freibanks
- " Jo: Jennings
- " C. West.

When the following Resolution is introduced

Resolved, That the foregoing Report be received and adopted which on being put is passed.

Resolved, That application be made to His Excellency to sanction by and with the advice of the Executive Council, the situation chosen by the City Council as a site for the Public Cemetery.

which on being put is passed.

The Council then adjourned.

J. M. Davidson
Mayor

Halifax November 11th 1842.

At a Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His
Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Uniacke, Fenwick, Keith, McKimley,
Starr, Messrs. Allison, Fairbanks, Sinclair, Caldwell, Jennings, Hon
Mr. Bell Hemmick & Writers

The City Council were summoned on business of importance.
The proceedings of 30th October were read.

His Worship the Mayor states to the Council the subject
for which he had directed the Council to be summoned viz: the
difficulty of agreeing upon a case being drawn up for opinion of Supreme
Court relative to assessment made on Bank of Nova Scotia and other
Corporate Bodies.

Read opinion of Recorder as entered October 11th. (page 284)
Read resolution of 6th September, when after some conversation
the Council is adjourned.

The Mayor

Mayor

Halifax November 22nd 1842

At a meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor Aldermen Uniacke, Tremain, & McKinlay. Messrs. Allison, Sumner, Fairbanks, Sinclair, Caldwell, Jennings, Hon. Mr. Bell, West, Hemmerson, Steele and Whittier.

— Absent to be paid —

Alderman Duffus	2/6	Mr. Fairbanks	1/3
Alderman Keith	2/6	" Steele	1/3
Mr. Gray	2/6		

The City Council were summoned to appoint a Committee to act with the Auditors in examining Treasurers Accounts & to appoint a Committee to prepare amendments to Act of Incorporation - to audit several Accounts presented for payment, and the transaction of other Business

Read over proceedings of 11th November instant

Read opinion of the Recorder relative to Mayor's Salary.

His Worship the Mayor leaves the chair. Alderman Uniacke takes the Chair. when the following Resolution is introduced.

Resolved, That the Salary of His Worship the Mayor for the present year be Two Hundred and Ninety nine Pounds which on being put is passed unanimously

The following Resolution is next introduced.

Resolved, That the following Gentlemen be appointed a Committee to prepare amendments to the Act of Incorporation: - Aldermen Uniacke Tremain and McKinlay, Messrs. Fairbanks and Hemmerson.

which on being put is passed.

Resolved, That Alderman McKinlay Hon. Mr. Bell, Mr. B. Fairbanks, Joseph Jennings, and Adam Hemmerson Esquires, be a Committee to examine all the Public Accounts and Vouchers relative to City affairs.

Resolved, That the accounts this day laid before the Council be submitted to the Committee appointed to examine the various Accounts.

which on being put is passed

Read the following report of the Committee relative to Mr. Black's demand against the City:

The Committee appointed by the City Council to examine the Accounts of William A. Black Esquire against the City have to Report, That as the claim preferred is a large amount and was incurred by the Magistrates some years previous to the Act of Incorporation the Committee deem it right that the Council should be put in possession of the fullest information connected therewith, and with that view upon examination they find as

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follows: That at a Special Sessions held on the 8th October 1831 present John Howe for R. Fairbanks, J. Liddell H. Yeomans, M. Tobin and M. Richardson Esquires; William Hague having made an offer in writing to sell to the Magistrates for the use and benefit of the Town, the Lot of Land purchased by him recently from the Ordnance for the sum of £610, the propriety of acceding to the offer was now taken into consideration, and after some discussion it was Resolved that the Lot should be purchased at the sum proposed for the benefit of the Town all the Magistrates concurring but Mr. Fairbanks who opposed the measure. It was Resolved That the Commissioners of Town Property together with Mr. Tobin be a Committee to manage the purchase of the said Lot and to complete the same.

That a Bond bearing date 7th Nov^r 1831, was made by James Tobin and Michael Tobin to James Foreman Esquire Custos Notularum and others, In trust for the Inhabitants of Halifax by which it appears That Messrs. Tobin's having agreed to advance the sum of £610 for and towards the purchase of the said Lot of Land, on repayment thereof being secured to them with Interest at Five pounds ten Shillings per Cent; and the Inhabitants of Halifax not being a Corporate Body capable by Law of taking or holding lands, nor of Mortgaging the same, it was agreed by the said Justices acting on behalf of the Public, that the said Lot of Land should be conveyed to Messrs. Tobin in Fee for the consideration of £610, and that the Interest should be paid to them from the proceeds of the Public Property, and that on full payment to them of the Principal and Interest, they should convey the said Lot of Land unto such person or persons, or Body Corporate or Politic, as by the order or Resolution of said Justices in Special Sessions shall at any time hereafter be ordered or appointed, and that in the mean time the said Lot of Land shall be possessed and occupied in such manner and for such purposes as the said Justices shall direct. That in pursuance of such agreement a Deed bearing date 5th Nov^r 1831, of said Lot of Land was made by Mr. Hague to Messrs. Tobin who by their said Bond agreed to convey the same upon repayment of Principal and Interest as above mentioned.

That at a Special Sessions held 10th May 1832 present J. Foreman C. R. J. Howe Jun^r, R. Fairbanks, J. Head, H. Yeomans, J. Albro, M. Tobin, J. L. Starr, J. S. Morris, J. Howe Jun^r, S. Sidmarsh Esquires. It was Resolved, that the Commissioners of Town Property and Mr. Tobin be authorized to erect a Two Story Building with a

pitch roof on the land purchased from Hague.

And at a Special Sessions held July 6th 1832, present J. Foreman
C. R. J. Howe Senr, R. Fairbanks, S. Head, H. Geomans, J. Albro, M.
Tobin, G. N. Russell, J. L. Starr, W. H. Beach, J. S. Morris, J. Howe
Junior Esquires, It was Resolved, That the Commissioners of Town Property,
be hereby authorized to complete the Building, make the same three
Stories high with a suitable roof to the same, and that they are hereby
authorized to borrow on Interest upon the best Terms they can a
sufficient sum to erect and complete said Building according to
the original plan, and that the Resolution, relative to the Building, of
10th May be rescinded.

That in accordance with the last Resolution the sum of
£665 was borrowed by the Commissioners of Town Property from William
A. Black Esquire, who as they received the amount in five different sums, gave
Notes therefor in their official capacity, a Copy of which Notes is herewith
annexed. - That on 30th November 1837, the Sessions directed an order to
be drawn in favor of M^r: Black for the sum of £40.19.0 on account.

That at a General Sessions held on 6th December 1838, present
W. D. Sawers, C. R. J. Sibley, R. Freeman, J. Starr, C. W. Wallace, M. H. Henshaw,
W. A. Black, Esquires, S. Binney, C. Allison, W. Saltus Esquire, The subject
of the demand of M^r: Black, amounting to £29.17.11 was taken up, when
it was Resolved, That the same be brought to the notice of the Grand Jury
by the Custos, with a strong recommendation that they take means to secure
the same.

That the Grand Jury in December Term 1838, made the following
presentment, The Grand Jury have had under their consideration the
claim of the Heirs of the late Samuel Black against the Town of
Halifax for money borrowed from them by former Commissioners of Town
Property to complete the range of Woodrow Buildings near the Ordnance,
amounting now with Interest to £29.17.11. - The title Deeds of this
Property are (now) in the name of Mess^{rs}: Tobin who advanced the purchase
money and part of the Cost of the Building, and to whom it is
also indebted in the sum of £424.12.11 for Principal and Interest
to this time. - At present the Rents of the Property are barely sufficient
to pay the Interest to Mess^{rs}: Tobin and insurance, - and the debt upon
it is therefore constantly accumulating. Under these circumstances
it is desirable that the Property should be sold, the Jury being
of opinion that it will sell for nearly as much as the whole
debt it now owes, but in the present defective state of the Law, this
object cannot be effected, nor can the Grand Jury assess the Town
for any balance which may remain unpaid after a sale has
been made, altho' they distinctly recognize the Debt as one