

June 5th

Read following Petition from Samuel King and other City
Measurers, residing at Dartmouth.

To His Worship the Mayor
and the City Council.

The Petition of Samuel
King, William Lovett, and Joseph Findlay.

Humbly sheweth, That
the said Samuel King, and Joseph Findlay are measurers of Coal
and the said William Lovett a measurer of Lumber for the City of
Halifax. That your petitioners although they reside at Dartmouth
have always well and faithfully attended to their said duties as such
City Officers and have been ready at all customary hours to attend
to such duties. That your petitioners have received notice from
James S. Clarke Esquire City Clerk, that by virtue of an ordinance
passed on the seventh day of January last, they will be excluded
from such offices unless they remove to the City before the first
day of May next. And your petitioners humbly represent to your
Worshipful Council that the united incomes of your petitioners
amount to little more than the sum of One Hundred pounds per
annum and that they are unable on so small incomes to live in
the City with comfort, and to provide their families with the
necessaries of life, but, that by residing in Dartmouth where two
of your petitioners have always lived, and where they have family
connections, they are enabled to subsist on such income.

And your petitioners further state that the circumstance of their
residing in Dartmouth does not interfere with their said duties,
and that they are in every respect as much under the control of
Worshipful Council as if they resided in the City. And Your
petitioners further state, that at the time of their original appointment
as City Officers, no stipulation was required of them, that they should
reside in the City.

Your petitioners therefore humbly pray that
the ordinance of your Worshipful Council
passed on the seventh day of January last
may be repealed and that the circumstance
of your petitioners residing in Dartmouth be
obstacle in future to their enjoyment of said
Offices or to their reappointment thereto so long as
they perform their duties with regularity. And your
petitioners humbly crave that before proceeding to expel
Your petitioners from said Offices your Worshipful Council
will suffer them to appear before your Worshipful
Council to advocate the prayer of this their Petition.

And your petitioners as in duty bound will
we pray do

(sgd) Samuel C King
William Lobett
Joseph Findlay

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When the following Resolution is introduced:

Resolved, That the Resolution of the City respecting City
Surveyors and Measurers of Smecher residing in the City be
suspended until the next annual appointments
which on being put is passed.

The following Accounts are ordered to be paid by Checks on the
City Treasurer:

Jacob Ferris	30 . . .
Daniel McQuire	6 5 . .
Daniel Starr	17 5 . .
Gas Company	2 10 5 .
Ditto	9 . . .
Ditto	5 8 . . .

Read the Ordinance or Bye Law relative to Dogs a first
time, which on motion is referred to Aldermen MacKenlay, Poyor
and Mr. Fairbanks to act with the Recorder.

The following Resolution is also introduced:

Resolved, That Aldermen MacKenlay, Poyor and Mr. Fairbanks
be a Committee to act with the Recorder in drafting and
preparing Ordinances relative to Gas, Water and Geese -
which on being put is passed.

The following Resolutions are next introduced:

Resolved, That the new work in the Fish Market lately
completed be painted, and that Tenders be taken for the same
at the lowest rates.

That the left floor in the old Market be raised
up two feet in height in order to give the Market below
more air and comfort.

That the fence from the lower part of the Market
between the City and Government Property be made good &
that a new sky light in the old Market be put in.

That the Fish Markets in the City be white
washed - that the Meat Market also be whitewashed -
all the work to be done by Contract at the lowest rate.
which on being put are passed.

The subject of the remarks made in the several Morning Post Papers relative to proceedings in the Police Office is brought to the notice of the Council by one of the Council.

The Letter of His Worship the Mayor addressed to the Honorable the Attorney General having been called for is read:
"Mayor's Office 2^d June 1845

"Dear Sir,

I beg leave to call your attention as the Attorney General and as the Counsel for the Corporation to the Editorial of this Morning Post in reference to a trial in the Police Court on Saturday last, and to require, on behalf of the Corporation and of the Community who are deeply interested in protecting the Courts of Justice from insult, to take such legal steps against the author of that Publication as the safety of the Public by upholding the dignity of every Court of Justice demands.

I am, Sir, &c. &c.

To the Honble

(sgd) H. Bell

The Atty Genl.

Mayor.

When the following Resolution is introduced

Whereas the City Council feeling the importance to those they represent of sustaining the Mayor and Aldermen composing the City or Mayor's Court in the discharge of their important duties, and observing with deep regret the gross and unwarrantable libel on that Body in the various Morning Posts of the last and present week, tending to bring that Court into dispute and contempt, and thereby tending to destroy its respectability and usefulness to the Citizens, and having heard read a letter addressed by His Worship the Mayor to Her Majesty's Attorney General requesting legal proceedings to be adopted against the author of that publication

in Court of

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Resolved, That this Council highly approve of the course pursued by His Worship in the steps taken by him to vindicate the character of the Court over which he presides and sanction the Prosecution being instituted against the Author and Publisher of the libel complained of, and that a Copy of this Resolution be sent to the Honorable Attorney General.

Which on being put is passed unanimously

The Council then adjourned.

H. Bell Mayor

Halifax June 17th 1845

At a Special meeting of the Council held this day present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Mc Kinley, Caldwell and Benjamin Black Esquire Council Adjourned until tomorrow at 2 O'clock

H. B. [Signature]

Halifax June 18th 1845

At a Special meeting of the City Council held this day present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Gray, Mc Kinley, Starr, Poyer, Caldwell and Jennings, Messrs: Cleary, Anderson, Sanbanks, Black, Sinclair, Hunter, Meynoury, Rhind, Thomson, Rugg & Winter

Read proceedings of 5th June 1845

The City Council were summoned to take into consideration the ordinance in relation to Pops, the appointment of a Measurer of Lumber a letter from Hon Attorney General, report of Commissioners of City property relative to the Petition of Messrs: Duggall and Richardson, Petition from Butchers, as also fixing the rents of Fish Market Stalls, and the transactions of other business.

The Bye Law or ordinance relative to Pops is read a second time

Read the Bye Law or ordinance relative to lighting City with Gas.

The City Council next proceed to appoint two Surveyors of Lumber for City.

Read following report of Commrs: for City property.

"At a meeting of the Committee of City property present the Chairman Messrs: Meynoury, Spike, Sinclair, Cleary and Rhind. Agreed to recommend to the City Council that Messrs: Mc Duggall and Richardson be released from their security for Mr Parr, by giving up the Gas fittings in the Exchange, and that Messrs: Mc Duggall and Richardson receive the amount of funds desired from the sale of distrained property and that the Building be let forthwith. That Mr: Clarke the City Clerk immediately take measures for obtaining tenders for completing the Fish Market agreeably to the Resolutions passed at the last meeting of the Council, and for letting the Stalls in said Market

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(Signed)

for Edward Starr
Chairman.
Henry Meynoury
John Rhind
Henry Spike
Charles Mc Cleary
A Sinclair..

Read letters of John McPherson, Thomas Mills, John Penney and Patrick Heffernan, as also their respective recommendations when the Ballot is provided with, when they appeared for McPherson & Mills, McPherson & Heffernan. McPherson is therefore appointed one of the Surveyors of Lumber.

The Ballot is again provided with, when they appeared for Penney & Mills. Mills is therefore appointed the other Surveyor of Lumber.

Read following letter from Hon Attorney General addressed to City Clerk.

Halifax June 10th 1845

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a Copy of a Resolution passed by the City Council on the 5th Inst under cover of your Letter of the 6th Inst.

Having answered the Letter of the Mayor adverted to in that Resolution, I do not suppose any other reply is required to the communication you favoured me with, than reference to my answer to His Worship

I am Sir

Jas. J. Clarke Esq.
City Clerk

(Sigs)

Your very obt. Serv^t
J. M. Johnston

Read following letter from Honble Attorney General addressed to his Worship the Mayor

Halifax 10th June 1845

Dear Sir,

"Your Letter of the 2nd Instant would have been earlier answered, but for the pressure of business. I was happy however to be aware, that as no steps could be taken immediately that would hasten the object you had in view, the delay could not be injurious

The publication of which you complain is not an offence within the necessary official duty of the Attorney General; but as no reason exists to preclude my conducting the prosecution you refer to, I am prepared to accept a retainer in the case, as on any other application to me, in my general professional character. Your Letter, and a resolution of the Common Council passed respecting it on the 5th Inst, leaving it doubtful who I am to consider my clients, it will be proper I should know on whose behalf I am thus professionally engaged. Whether yourself; or Yourself and Colleague in giving the judgment complained of, being the parties aimed at by the Libel on the

City Council

I am Sir

Yours respectfully

(Signed)

J. W. Johnston

His Worship
the Mayor

Read Letter from Alexander Primrose Esquire to Attorney General in Morning Post of 12th June Halifax Monday 9th June 1845.

Referring to the interview I had with you and subsequently with the Mayor, on Saturday last, on behalf of Mr Croftskill on the subject of the Mayor's letter addressed to you as Attorney General and Standing Counsel of the Corporation, and the Resolutions of the City Council passed in consequence thereof, and which appeared in the Chronicle newspaper of the 7th inst. requesting you to institute proceedings against Mr Croftskill for an alleged libel contained in the Morning Post a few days previously on the Mayor and Aldermen Jennings; I beg to repeat in a more formal manner the application they made.

I stated to yourself and also to the Mayor that Mr Croftskill was willing to withdraw and apologise for the offensive expressions complained of and which he declared were penned without malice or any intention of bringing the Court or Magistrates into disrespect, but solely from irritated feelings at the moment in consequence of being convicted and fined for what he conceived to be strictly defusive conduct on his part, and without being permitted to appeal from the decision.

Whether, in point of Law, the conviction of Mr Croftskill and subsequent refusal to allow him an appeal, be right or wrong, must obviously strike you as questions which involve principles of general and great importance, and which deeply affect not only his rights, but those of every member of the Community.

The terms however used by Mr Croftskill, with reference to the Mayor and Aldermen Jennings in alluding to these proceedings he regrets, and he authorises me to state that he is willing to withdraw and apologise for such expressions as do not come within the scope of fair and decent comments on public proceedings.

I am, Sir, very respectfully, your obedient Servant
The Honorable, The Attorney General. (Signed) A. Primrose.

Read also Mr Crofshill's explanation in "Morning Post" of 17th June:

"Mr. Primrose's Letter. Some of our friends having enquired whether the Letter published in our paper of Wednesday last, addressed by A. Primrose Esq. to the Hon. the Attorney General, was put forth as "our act and deed," we inform them each and all that it was written with our full sanction and concurrence, and published as early as we could possibly insert it. We wish this to be fully understood, because altho' we may have considered our legal rights invaded, and may have used harsh and unjustifiable expressions while smacking under a sense of wrong, we are not ashamed in cooler moments to apologise for disrespectful language, as we have cheerfully done — for the purpose of upholding the authority of one of the constituted courts of justice, whose dignity should not be undimmed even though a citizen may have the best reason for believing that one of its decisions has been founded in error."

When the following Resolution is introduced:

Resolved, That His Worship the Mayor tender to Her Majesty's Attorney General a Fee as a retainer for his services in proceedings directed to be instituted against Mr Crofshill for a libel on His Worship the Mayor and his Court; and that the Attorney General be requested to proceed with the action unless a full, ample and satisfactory Public apology be made by Mr Crofshill for the offence committed.

Resolved, That the Council will provide the amount of the Fee paid to the Attorney General and costs of prosecution

to which following amendment is introduced.

Resolved That His Worship the Mayor, tender to the Hon Attorney a fee as a retainer in the cause at the instance of the City against Mr Crofshill for a libel, and that the Council will provide for the same.

Which amendment being put is passed unanimously

Read following report Commsrs of City property on petition of Messrs Richardson and Mc Dougall on subject of rent of Exchange

"At a meeting of the Committee of City Property. Present the
 Chairman. Messrs. Mignowitz, Spike, Sinclair, Cleary and Rhind
 Agreed to recommend to the City Council that Mr. McDougall and
 Richardson be released from their security for S. R. Park by giving up the
 Gas fittings in the Exchange. and that Messrs. McDougall and
 Richardson receive the amount of funds derived from the sale of destitute
 property and that the Building be let forthwith. That Mr. Clarke the
 City Clerk immediately take measures for obtaining tenders for
 completing the Fish Market agreeably to the Resolutions passed at
 the last meeting of the Council, and for letting the Stalls in said
 market

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(signed)

- Geo. Edward Starr
Chairman
- Henry Mignowitz
- John Rhind
- Henry Spike
- Chas W. Cleary
- A. Sinclair

When the following Resolution is introduced.

Resolved. That the report just read, be received, and adopted,
 and that the Premises be offered to let, and that notice to that effect
 be given in the newspapers untill 1st July next

which on being put is passed

✓ Mr. Winters gives notice that he will move for a reconsideration of
 this resolution on the next day of meeting

Read following Petition from Butchers occupying Meat Market
 Stalls:

"To His Worship the Mayor, and Aldermen
 Common Council of the City of Halifax. Greeting

✓ We the undersigned
 named tenants of the Butchers Stalls in the Meat Market take
 the liberty of addressing your honorable body to address an grievance
 of which we labour under in the meat market. The most of the
 out Stalls is kept open on Sunday morning from five to
 nine O'clock (for which privilege operates much against
 the Corporation Tenants) and on the Sabbath morning they
 are able to dispose of more Beef &c. than the Tenants of the
 Corporation will dispose of for half the week as Tradesmen so
 knows they can get supplied from them on Sunday morning
 and will not purchase on Saturday nights. Therefore the
 undersigned would respectfully request your Honourable body
 to take their case into your serious consideration, and extend

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to them the same privileges, as the Out Stalls enjoys. Or otherwise to compel them to close on Saturday night, and not open until Monday morning. In justice to both parties

(Signed) Daniel De Reen
 John Murphy
 Timothy De Reen
 Patrick Murphy
 William Murphy

When the following resolution is introduced

Resolved: That it is not in the Power of the City Council to comply with the former part of the Petition, but that the attention of the Police be called to the opening of Butchers Shops on Sunday morning

Which on being put is passed.

The City Council next proceeds to take into consideration the Rents of Fish Market Stalls. when the following resolution is introduced

Resolved: That the Rent of the Stalls in both Fish Markets be thirty shillings

Which on being put is passed.

The following resolution is next introduced

Resolved That the sum of Nine pounds be placed at the disposal of Commissioner of Ward Number Six, for the purpose of making a Drain between Young Street and Campbell Road

Which on being put is passed

Read Petition from John Trider and others for a resident constable in Ward Number One

Which on motion stands over

Read Petition from William Bates and others relative to a Drain in Pleasant Street.

Which on motion stands over

The Council adjourns until tomorrow 19th June

N. B. Bell / Mayor

Halifax June 19th 1845

At an Adjourned meeting of the City Council held this day
Present His Worship the Mayor Aldermen Story, MacKilay, Starr,
Pryor, Caldwell, Jennings, Messrs. Clay, Anderson, Fairbanks,
Black, Sinclair, Keate, Mignoury, Chas. Keenon, and Winters.

Read the following Letter from the Honorable Attorney General
on the subject of the premises now in course of erection by Doctor
Avery:

Monday 2 June 1845

"Dear Sir,

I have with the Recorder carefully examined
the Plans brought me regarding the claim of the City to a part
of the property on which Dr. Avery and McMurphy are about
erecting a building at the foot of Buckingham Street.

Before I can give any opinion on the claim
or the probable result of litigation, it is necessary to know distinctly
the lines of the Streets in that neighbourhood previously to
the grant to Messrs. John, and the proof by which those
lines as then existing, can be made apparent.

Upon receiving this necessary information I will
lose no time in making up an opinion for the Commissioners
of Streets, and I shall endeavour to attend the examination
of the witnesses with the Recorder at such time as may be
appointed.

A careful examination of the witnesses and proofs
(always proper before commencing legal Prosecutions) being in
this case peculiarly indispensable:

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours &c.

His Worship the Mayor.

(sgd) J. W. Johnston.

When the following Resolution is introduced:

Resolved, That the Commissioners of Streets be a Committee
to examine into the Title and search for the evidence of the claim
of the City to Part of the premises now in the course of Erection
by Doctor Avery near the Ordnance, and supposed to be City
Property.

Which on being put is passed.

Read the following Letters from A. M. Uniacke Esquire:

Halifax 2 June 1845

Sir, Having been forbidden by the Commissioners of Streets
to erect a Porch upon what I hold to be the boundary of
my own property, having had the same in possession, through my
Father

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Father upwards of Seventy years, and never having parted with the occupation I am therefore compelled under the Law, to request you will have the line of Sackville Street laid off by the Surveyor General, whereby any misunderstanding on the Subject may be prevented.

I have the honor to be
To His Honor The Mayor
Your obt^d Serv^t
(sgn) A. M. Uniacke

Halifax 12 June 1845

Sir, My absence from Town has prevented my acknowledging the receipt of your Note enclosing the Copy of a Resolution passed at a Meeting of the Commissioners of Streets. My object in addressing myself to you was that as the Mayor and head of the City Council I conceived all official communications should through you be laid before the Corporation for their consideration. I therefore cannot take the same view of the Law as appears to me you adopt viz: "that the Commissioners of Streets have the superintendance and management of every thing relative thereto free and from under the control of the Council and much less can I concur in the legality of the Resolution passed by the Commissioner and transmitted to me.

I shall however pursue such a course as will I think protect my private rights, without encroaching upon those of the Public.

I have the honor to be, your obt^d serv^t
To His Honor the Mayor. (sgn) A. M. Uniacke.

Halifax 16th June 1845.

Sir, Being informed that a meeting of the City Council will take place tomorrow, I shall feel obliged if you would bring under their consideration my letter addressed to you relative to the line of Sackville Street, requesting that the same may be laid off in conformity with the Law by the Surveyor General, by whose decision I am willing to abide

I Remain
Your obt^d serv^t
To His Honor The Mayor (sgn) A. M. Uniacke

When the following resolution is introduced
Resolved. That the Surveyor General be requested to run the lines of Sackville Street.

The which following amendment is introduced

Resolved That the application of A M Uniacke Esquire for a Survey of Sackville Street be referred to the Commissioners of Streets, to whom the Supervision of the Streets is by Law committed and by whose decision, with respect to the rights of the Citizens to the Public Streets based upon the best information they can obtain from the Surveyor General and other sources this Council feel themselves bound to be guided.

Which amendment being put is passed

<u>For the Amendment</u>	<u>Against it</u>
Messrs Starr	Messrs Pryor
" Hemmeon	" Black
" Winters	" Caldwell
" Rhina	" Anderson (4)
" Mynowitz	
" Hunter	
" Jennings	
" Fairbanks	
" Story	
" W. Kenney	
" Sinclair	
Oliver	
Spicer (13)	

The following resolution of the Commissioners of Streets read.
 Extract from the Minutes of the Commissioners of Streets
 "Halifax June 7th 1845

Resolved. That it be recommended to the City Council to grant the sum of Twenty five pounds out of the general Road fund, for the purpose of assisting the Commissioners of the Common to make a good repair of the Road across the north end of the Common."

When the following resolution is introduced
 Resolved That the sum of Twenty five pounds be appropriated out of the general fund towards the repairs of the road at the north end of the Common

Which on being put is passed

The following resolutions are next introduced

Resolved That the sum of Fifty pounds be appropriated out of the common funds towards the repair of the roads at the north end of the Common.

Which on being put is passed

Resolved. That His Worship the Mayor be authorized to draw Checks on City Treasurer for the various demands passed by the City Council in December last.

Which on being put is passed

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The following account is ordered to be paid by Check on City Treasurer.

Jacob Currie £23. 13. 7

The following resolution is next introduced

Resolved. That the resolution of yesterday relating to relieving Messrs Mc Dougall and Richardson from their liabilities as security for the rent of Exchange Building and the letting of the same be rescinded

Which being put is lost there appearing seven for it and nine against it, and the names being called for stood thus

<u>For the resolution</u>		<u>Against it</u>	
Messrs	Dryor	Messrs	Starr
"	Black	"	Rhuid
"	McKinlay	"	Mignovitz
"	Stony	"	Youngs
"	Hunter	"	Pantankis
"	Winters	"	Clary
"	Thomson (7)	"	Linclain
		"	Spike
		"	Caldwell (9)

The resolution of yesterday is therefore confirmed

The following resolutions are next introduced.

As the well lately dug in Gottenzen Street has been rendered all together useless.

Resolved that the same be put under the Commission of the ward for Pumps and Wells, to put it into such repair, as may be required

Which on being put is passed

The following resolution is next introduced

Resolved That the Petition of William Bates and others relative Victoria Street be referred to Commissioners of Streets to report upon at the next meeting of the Council

which on being put is passed

The Council then Adjourned

W.B.

T. Bell Mayor

Halifax June 23rd 1845

At a quarterly meeting held this day present His Worship the Mayor Aldermen Story, Pryor, Jummings, Mess^{rs} Cleary, Anderson, Spink, Black, Sinclair, Hunter, Mignouty, Rhina, Hemmison and Winters
Read over proceedings 19th of June

Read Petition from John Trede junior and others for resident constable

"To the Mayor, Aldermen
and Common Council of
the City of Halifax - - -

The Memorial of the
Subscribers, residents in Ward Number One of the said City. Respectfully
Sheweth, that the said Ward is the only one in the said City, in which
there is no resident Constable. That the necessity for such an Office
is every day increasing in consequence of the misconduct and petty
thefts of boys and others in said Ward. That it is impossible for the
person appointed to act as Ward Constable (who is also a Police
Constable) to discharge efficiently the duties of the Office, as from
the extent of the Ward, the constant supervision and control of a
resident Constable is absolutely necessary. Your Memorialists

therefore humbly pray that the vacancy
may be immediately filled up by a resident
Constable competent to fulfil the duties of
the Office, and an appointment be made
accordingly in order that you memorialists
may enjoy the same right and privileges
to which they deem themselves entitled in common with
the other Wards of the City.

And Your Petitioners as in duty bound & & &

(John)

(Signs) John Fisher Jr
 James Allan
 pro A Bauer
 William Pryor
 Charles Jones
 Mrs. Munson
 J. Munro
 Mr. Davidson
 George Henderson
 Tho. Poyss Jr
 M. Richardson
 James Spike
 William Adams
 William Scott
 Thomas Adams
 John Crompton
 Tho. Eaton
 W. M. Richardson
 Tho. Sargent
 W. E. Cooke
 William Morrall
 Robert W. Allen.

(Signs) Hugh Lyle
 Philip Hampton
 Agor Stevens Sen
 Tho. Goudge
 William Hay
 Nelson Marvin
 Agor Stevens Jun
 E. Duckett
 Cha. E. Wiswell
 Dennis Doyle
 Michael Hays
 John Mitchell
 John Allen
 William Wood
 William Bates
 E. Ruymer
 P. McCarthy
 John Cat
 Gregory J. Dwyer
 Edward Goudge
 John D. Bell
 William Verge.

When the following Resolution is introduced:

Resolved, That a Ward Constable be appointed for Ward Number One, in the place and stead of Andrew Thom deceased.

To which the following Amendment is moved:

Resolved, That Police Constable George Glasgow be required forthwith to remove into Ward Number One and perform the duties of Ward Constable for said Ward.

which amendment being put is passed, and the names being called for they stood thus:

— For the Amendment —
 Mr. Hemmeon
 Winters
 Rhind
 Mignowitz
 Hunter
 Jennings
 Hoy
 Sinclair 18

— Against it —
 Mr. Anderson
 Gray
 Spike
 Black
 Pryor 15

Alderman

Alderman Poyer gives notice for the reconsideration of this Resolution on the next day of Meeting.

Read application from Doctor Hoffman Health Officer for remuneration in Boarding vessels with Passengers which on Motion is referred to the Board of Health.

The Statement of letting Rock Head Farm for Twelve pounds a year is read for information of the Council and a Bond taken from His Worship the Mayor in whose name the Deed is taken to reconvey the said Property to the City if the amount is tendered him in two years from this date.

Read the Ordinance or Bye Law relative to lighting the City with Gas a second time.

Read the following Report of Commissioners of Streets on Petition of William Bates and others for Sewer through Victoria Street to the Sea referred to them:

Extract from the Minutes of the Commissioners of Streets
Halifax June 21st 1855

Whereas the Citizens living on that part of the City called Mitchell's field have subscribed the sum of Twenty pounds towards building a Sewer through Victoria Street to the Sea

Resolved, That it be recommended to the City Council to grant the sum of Fifty pounds to enable the Inhabitants of that part of the City to complete the Sewer through Victoria Street to the sea. The money not to be drawn until the work is completed to the satisfaction of the Commissioners of Streets

A True Copy
(Signed) William Story jun^r
Chairman

When the following resolution is introduced

Resolved That the report of the Commissioners of Streets just read be received and adopted, and the sum therein mentioned Fifty pounds be granted, for said purpose out of general funds

Which on being put is passed

The following resolution is next introduced

Resolved That Alderman Story, Mess^{rs} Spike Fairbanks, Rhina, Mignowitz, Alderman Caldwell and Mr. Sinclair be a Committee to report upon the additional number of Sinks required for the use of the City. The most eligible situation and if the water can be brought in from the Common, at what expense the Gas Company will undertake to introduce the same and

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on any matters they may conceive of advantage to the subject
which on being put is passed

Read communication from Mr. J. H. Croftwell addressed to His
Worship the Mayor and Council on subject of Publication in
the Morning News Papers.

Which on motion stands over until tomorrow

The Council then adjourned

J. Bell Mayor

Halifax June 24th 1845

At an adjourned meeting of the City Council held this day.

Present Aldermen Story, Starr, Pryor, Caldwell and Jennings
Messrs Cleary, Anderson, Spike, Parbantes, Black, Sinclair, Hunter,
Mignowitz, Rhind, Hammecow and Winters

Read over proceedings of yesterday.

The City Council proceed to take into consideration, the resolution of
yesterday relative to removal of Police Constable to Ward Number One
when the following resolution is introduced

Resolved That the resolution of yesterday relative to
removal of Police Constable George Glazebrook to Ward Number
One, and to perform the duty of Ward Constable for said Ward be
Rescinded, and which resolution being put is lost, there being seven
for it, and nine against it, and the names being called for they
stood thus

<u>For the Resolution</u>		<u>Against it</u>	
Messrs	Pryor	Messrs	Hammecow
"	Black	"	Winters
"	Caldwell		Rhind
"	Spike		Mignowitz
"	Cleary		Hunter
"	Anderson		Jennings
"	Parbantes (7)		Starr
			Story
			Sinclair (9)

On motion, Mr Sinclair is added to the Parks Committee

The Bye Law or Ordinance relative to lighting City with Gas is read a third time, that the same be transmitted to the Secretary of the Province, to be laid before Governor General and Council for approval

The Bye Law or Ordinance relative to Dogs going at large is read a third time, that the same be transmitted to the Secretary of this Province to be laid before Governor & Council for approval.

Read Mr. J. H. Croft's Letter addressed to His Worship the Mayor. Halifax June 28th 1845

To the Honble Hought Bell Mayor of Halifax. Sir, Oursing by a report of proceedings in the City Council, that there is some misapprehension as to the intention of the letter of Mr. Pinnace to the Hon. Attorney General on my behalf, and my editorial in reference to that letter, and having from the moment I applied to Council, on the subject of an alleged Libel on Your Worship and Alderman Jennings, resolved that no effort on my part should be wanting to vindicate the dignity of the Court, whose impartial Character I had impugned in a moment of haste and indignation. I beg leave more distinctly to prefer the explanation, retraction and apology therein intended should be made. Your Worship may rest assured that it was with no reluctance I gave instructions to tender full satisfaction for the offensive publication against the Authorities of the Police Court, because, upon reflection I felt that it was not consonant with my duty, or inclination to bring any Court into dispute in the estimation of my fellow Citizens. I was therefore, not only willing but most anxious, that the offensive expressions should be withdrawn, and that every possible reparation should be made for the hasty use of them. In taking this direct mode of communication with Your Worship, I may be permitted to correct a mistake, which appears in some of the remarks in the debate in the City Council.

Alderman McKimley and Councillor Hornmeow are reported to have said, that the offensive publications were continued "through several successive papers" Had this been the case, I should indeed have little hope, that any explanation I can now make would be satisfactory to yourself, or the City Council, but I beg respectfully to state to those gentlemen, through Your Worship, that the whole of the offensive matter was written on the same day that the fine was served on me, under excitement and a deep sense of injury. The only two publications that can be complained of is the extra issue on the Saturday evening aforesaid and a single

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paragraph in the Morning Post of the following Monday, which was the first regular paper issued from my office after I had been fined by the Court, nor was any offensive language continued after that morning. When these facts are known to Your Worship and the City Council, no doubt you will materially alter your conclusions, as to the imputed nature of the attacks complained of.

With regard to the delay mentioned by some Members of the City Council it is proper for me to state that I applied to Council on the same morning I was apprised that the publication was deemed offensive and that a correspondence was instantly opened with the view of making proper reparation. Subsequent delays have been unavoidable. I waited for a reply to Mr. Pinrose's letter to the Hon. the Attorney General, but this, having been anticipated by a debate on the subject in the City Council I determined to address the explanatory letter to Your Worship. I now wish Your Worship and the City Council distinctly to understand, that I was desirous by Mr. Pinrose's letter, and by my succeeding editorial note to make satisfactory reparation for the attack hastily made upon the Police Court, and to exhibit that deference to authority, which every citizen ought to observe, even when dissatisfied with the decision of that tribunal.

I feel it to be my duty to withdraw any expressions attributing improper motives to Your Worship and Alderman Jennings, and likewise to apologize for the hasty use of impassioned and improper language. Feeling convinced that the offensive matter I now retract would have a tendency to derogate generally from the respect done to the Civic Functionaries, a result I have, not only no wish to accomplish, but should sincerely deplore. In conclusion I respectfully request your Worship to lay this letter before the City Council, and to give such publication to it as Your Worship may think fit.

I am Sir

Your Obedt. Servant

J. H. Crosshill.

(Signed)

When the following Resolution is introduced:

Whereas Mr. J. H. Crosshill has in a letter addressed to His Worship the Mayor signified to the Council his extreme regret for the improper and intemperate remarks in his several Morning Post Newspapers, and has therein tendered to the Council an ample apology for said imprudence. Be it therefore Resolved, That said apology be accepted upon condition of Mr. Crosshill paying the expenses incurred, the expunging of the Paragraph alluding to the / only publication

in the extra of Saturday and the paper of Monday morning following and that the same be published in the Morning Post and other papers and upon his complying herewith the Prosecution be discontinued.

Which on being put is passed unanimously.
The Council then adjourned.

WB

A. Bell
Mayor.

Halifax July 9th 1845

The following Appeals were heard this day and decided upon as follows: Present Alderman Jennings, Messrs Rugg & Cleary

Names of Appellants	Def.	Am't of Tax	Am't. relief	Am't to be paid
Rowley William	8	3 2 ¹ / ₂		3 2 ¹ / ₂
Shea Michael	47	9 7 ¹ / ₂		9 7 ¹ / ₂
Skinner William	28	12 1		
"	84	0 2 ¹ / ₂	for Council	
Lewis John	98	6 5		
Murphy Michael	91	19 3		
This is Mick Murphy under Market		19 3		
"	93	12 10		12 10
Conroy Henry	27	15 3 ¹ / ₂	for Council	
"	82	3 2 ¹ / ₂		
Pender Thomas	73	9 7 ¹ / ₂		9 7 ¹ / ₂
" M Kennedy to pay	81	6 5	6 5	
Bills	81	6 5	6 5	
Gallivan Thomas	8	9 7 ¹ / ₂		
let to William Mills. L18		9 7 ¹ / ₂		
"	8	15 3 ¹ / ₂		15 3 ¹ / ₂
"	27	12 5 ¹ / ₂		12 5 ¹ / ₂
Sydiard Thomas	27	2 11 4		2 11 4
"	35	4 9 10		4 9 10
Flinn John	83	6 5		6 5
Winters Thomas	75	12 10		12 10
" sold to John King 12 months ago who is to pay	76	1 8 10	1 8 10	
" Major Sullivan to pay	86	12 10	12 10	
"	86	6 5		6 5
Pactista John on his father	58	12 1	9 7 ¹ / ₂	12 5 ¹ / ₂
Jones Charles	1	2 11 4		2 11 4
July, Walsh & the Graham 4/5 each	1	1 5 8	19 3	6 5
"	1	2 1 8		2 1 8
"	30	4 2 ¹ / ₂		4 2 ¹ / ₂
Mooney Matthew	30	15 3 ¹ / ₂		15 3 ¹ / ₂
O'Keal Jeremiah	6	9 7 ¹ / ₂		9 7 ¹ / ₂

S. Jennings Alderman

Adjourned

Halifax July 10th 1845

The following Appeals were heard this day and decided upon as follows. Present, Alderman Pryor, Messrs Clary &

— Names of Appellants —	Lot	Am ^t of Tax	Am ^t relieved	Am ^t to be paid
Halifax Fire Insurance Company	37	20 4 3	for Council	
Curri Jacob	26	1 12 1		1 12 1
"Kellogg H. H. Copwell who is to pay	27	6 5	6 5	
Horticultural Society	25	3 4 2		
Roller Joseph	47	12 10		12 10
occupied by Walter Whelton	6	16		16 1/2
"	31	1 2 1/2		1 2 1/2
Wall Mrs	95	6 5		6 5
Kennedy Hugh	85	12 10		12 10
Gibson John	12	1 7/2		1 7/2
this is John Gibson in Baulds	20	1 12 1	1 12 1	
"	24	9 7/2		9 7/2
Smith James	6	19 3		19 3
this is James Smith in Pleasant Street			19 3	
this is James Smith Jun	25	6 5	6 5	
Quinn George	23	12 10		12 10
this is William Cooper yearly tenant			12 10	
"	46	19 3		19 3
Shea Timothy	76	12 10		12 10
this is Timothy Shea Jr	76	12 10	12 10	
Thompson Robert	87	6 5		
Barrett William	29	6 5		6 5
"	94	9 7/2		9 7/2
Dechman James Jun	2	3 17		3 17
"	23	1 2 5		1 2 5
"	50	12 10		12 10
Kelly Capt	86	6 5		
Clifford Gilbert	29	1 12 1	for Council	
Lord Bishop of Nova Scotia	5	16 10	for Council	
Chief Justice	1	12 16 18	for Council	
"	10	3 4 2	for Council	
Bannister Mrs.	10	6 5		
Buckley William	49	9 7/2		
weekly tenant to Jeremiah Patie				

Adjourned until tomorrow

Henry Pryor
Alderman

Halifax July 11th 1845

The following Appeals were heard this day and decided upon as follows: Present Alderman Hoy, William B. Finbunke Esq.

Lawson Hon William	17	4	16	3		4	16	3	
occupied by Thos Pendar	73		16	2		16	2		
Crowell Daniel	92		12	10			12	10	
rents by Mchll Purcell	98		4	9 ¹ / ₂		4	9 ¹ / ₂		
Cooper & Watt	28		9	7 ¹ / ₂			9	7 ¹ / ₂	
	31		19	3			19	3	
Watt Adam	26		16	1			16	1	
Carroll John	27		1	5	8				
Kearney Michael	38		6	5			6	5	
"	39		6	5			6	5	
"	50		2	11	4		2	11	4
Smith David	76		9	7 ¹ / ₂			9	7 ¹ / ₂	
wrong person - John House	86		3	2 ¹ / ₂		3	2 ¹ / ₂		
Hall Andrew	45		6	5			6	5	
Gabriel William	61		1	12	1		1	12	1
Smithers John	21		9	7 ¹ / ₂			9	7 ¹ / ₂	
"	39		1	12	1				
"			1	5	8				
"	45		9	7 ¹ / ₂			9	7 ¹ / ₂	
Noble Robert	10		4	10			4	10	
"	20		4	16	3		4	16	3
"	31		16		10				
Brown Thomas	29		16		2		16	2	
Fenton Dennis	45		9	7 ¹ / ₂			9	7 ¹ / ₂	
this is wrong person	45		16		16				
Philips Miss	15		9	7 ¹ / ₂			9	7 ¹ / ₂	
Lockyer Henry	17		12	16	8		12	16	8
Amor Hon M	43		4		2		4	2	
"	44		9	7 ¹ / ₂			9	7 ¹ / ₂	
"	32		16		10		16	10	
Donchue Jeremiah	46		1	2	5 ¹ / ₂		1	2	5 ¹ / ₂
paid let to John Palmer					11	3		11	3
Smith George	9		16		2		16	2	
this is George Smith Esq					16			16	
"	22		6	5			6	5	
Schragge John	72		16		2		16	2	
Milled/Santa/ to pay	80		6	5		6	5		
let to Jas English	68		16		2		16	2	

for Council

Wills William	73	97	410	410
John Drwin occupies part				
Leppert Richard	74	65		65
let & April to Mrs. Mullig				
Murder Hance	23	1210		
"		97		
"	41	1186		1186
Rutledge Mrs.	58	32		for Council
Parsons Isaac	85	65		65
Monahan Thomas	60	1210		1210
" this is Tho Monahan Mason	81	65	65	
Woodhouse Mrs	21	65		for Council
Kenny John	95	32		for Council
Summers Michael	66	8		8
Cashman William	77	32		32
Leppert William	52	16		for Council
let to W. Wiswell, Cordwainer	97	32	32	
"	100	1810		
Tracy William	47	16		16
Brown Dr	61	65		65
"	70	2179		2179
Mick Gray, yearly tenant	71	1210	1210	
"	78	1210	1210	

Adjourned until Monday
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