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December 28

At an adjourned meeting of City Council present.
 The Mayor Alderman Mr. Wm. Richardson. Rugg.
 Salsbaw Matt. Miss^{rs} Smiths Braine Bennett
 Baber Naylor King Coleman Northrup King and Jennings

Read over the Proceedings of Yesterday

This Worship the Mayor brings to the Notice of City Council his having suspended William Roddick one of the City Constables and his reasons for his having so suspended him when after some consideration the following resolution is introduced

Resolved that the suspension of William Roddick Constable for Ward No 6 and district No 8 be confirmed and that he be removed from office and that another be appointed in his place on being put is passed unanimously

The City Council proceed with the appointments of City Officers

The City Council next proceeds to elect inspectors of Painters Work when on motion there being no other applicants George Smithies, Stephen Studley, and Henry Mericks are appointed inspectors of Painters work for ensuing Year

Read following return of Supervisors of leather for 1848
 Leather Seals return for the Year 1848

Return of Seals of Leather

Sealers.	Stonford	Smiths	James	Barnes	Stonford	Allison	R. Allen	W. Allen	Elliot	E. Haynes	Johnson	Ward	Washington	Total for the Year
Thos Murray	1410	657	609	338	242					20				3273
W. Misswell	568			1		1362	330	25						2286
Norwood			17			10			563	1034	139	283		2096
														7655

$\frac{13}{100}$ of the Total is 2551. comes to \$15.18.10^c

Signed Thomas Murray Supervisor

The City Council next proceed to elect surveyors and Sealers of Leather when there appeared for Job Hicks & W. H. Saxon 14 Thomas W. Murray 14 William Misswell 12 James Norwood 10 when Thomas W. Murray William Misswell and James Norwood having received a Majority of votes and appointed surveyors of leather for the ensuing year

Clerks of Markets Appointed

The City Council next proceed to elect Clerks of Market when there appeared for Henry H. Parker - Zebina Hall - William H. Saxon having received a Majority of votes are appointed Clerks of Market for ensuing Year.

On Motion

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December 28 — On Motion the Appointment of Weighers and Inspectors of Pickled Beef and Pork are deferred until their return, an *adieu* for.

The City Council next proceeds to elect supervisors of Brick and Lime and Inspectors of Masonry Work — when on Motion there being no other Applicants.

Nicholas Wright, Robert Malcolm, James Reed, and Hugh R. McKinzie are appointed supervisors of Brick and Lime and Inspectors of Masonry Work for ensuing Year

On Motion the Appointment of Inspectors of Pickled Fish and Gaugers of Oil is deferred until the opinion of the recorder is ascertained whether the appointment is an annual one and what power the City Council have over said Appointments

The City Council next proceed to elect Fire Wards for the ensuing Year when the following Gentlemen were appointed

Election of Fire Wards

Ward No 1	Ward No 3	Ward No 5
William G Anderson	Archibald Sinclair	George A. Coughton
Jonathan C. Allison	Adam Reid	William W. Spivey Junr.
Joseph Lewis	James Black	Richard Nugent
Ward No 2	Ward No 4	Ward No 6
Robert Richardson	Robert Roman	John Longand
Henry Spivey	John Egan	Andrew Downs
Benjamin New	Henry Mignowitz	Alast. Mc Donald

The City Council next proceed to elect the Fire Constables for ensuing Year when the following Gentlemen are appointed

Election Fire Constables

Ward No 1	Ward No 3	Ward No 5
John Grant	Francis De Cain	George Woodie
John Sinclair	John Scott	Thomas Donivan
James Poyer	John Brande	George Gray
J. C. Cleary	Henry Laurilland	William Unphray
William Kendrick	George McKinzie	William Ackhurst
William Laudlaw	John G. Cabot	Stephen Harvey
Ward No 2	Ward No 4	Ward No 6
Hindlay McLean	Henry D. Frost	Joseph Hays
William Grant Junr	David Ross	F. L. Harris
John McDonough	Henry O'Neil	Angus McLean
Samuel Noble	John Parker Junr.	Genish Potts
John Gibson	Charles Nepley Junr.	William Clarke
James Rhine		William Rudolf

On Motion Andrew Richardson Esquire Appointed City Gauger for the ensuing Year.

The following persons are next appointed Post and Surveyors for

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 William Anderson Jr _____ Thomas Knight
 Benjamin Satter _____ Simon Bars
 James W. Phair _____ William Holland
 _____ The following persons are next Appointed Juries Viewers for
 ensuing year _____
 _____ James W. Nutt _____ Arthur Bennett _____ Arthur W. Gilvin _____

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January 3 _____ William Holland. _____ James Cullen. _____ James King. _____ Patrick
 O'Connor. _____ John O'Connor. _____ William J. Maddis. _____ Thomas Keely. _____
 and William Buckley. Having taken the oath prescribed by Law
 are this day sworn into office as measurers of Coals in presence
 of His Worship the Mayor. _____

January 4 _____ John Kelly. _____ Thomas McCann. _____ John W. Kay. _____
 Ambrose Watkins. _____ William Robt. _____ James Ault. _____ John Jewy. _____
 and John Martin having taken the oath prescribed by Law
 are this day sworn into office as measurer of salt and Grain
 in presence of His Worship Mayor. _____

January 5 _____ William Misswell. _____ Richard Nugent. _____ Andrew Downs. and
 Alexander W. Donald. having taken the oath prescribed by
 Law are this day sworn into office as Fire Wardens for the City
 in the presence of His Worship the Mayor _____

January 6 _____ John Grant. _____ John Sinclair. _____ James Prya. _____ Blaney
 W. Handick. _____ William Laibau. _____ Samuel Noble. _____ James Rhind. _____
 Francis LeVain. _____ John Scott. _____ Henry Lawrence. _____ John Cabot. _____
 H. D. Frost. _____ David Ross. _____ Henry W. Stur. _____ John Parker Junior. _____
 Charles Muffin Junior. _____ George Goodie. _____ William Wimpsey. _____
 William A. Smith. _____ Stephen Harvey. _____ Joseph May. _____ F. L. Harris.
 Angus W. Lean. _____ Benish Potts. _____ and William Rudolf. Having
 severally taken the oath prescribed by Law are this day sworn
 into office as fire Constables for the City in presence of His Worship
 the Mayor. _____

January 8 _____ John Brand and Thomas Donovan having severally
 taken the oath prescribed by Law are this day sworn into
 office as fire Constables for the City in the presence of the Mayor

Thomas W. Murray. William Misswell and James Norwood having
 taken the oath prescribed by Law this day are sworn into office
 as sealers. _____

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January 8 — as sealers of Leather in presence of His Worship the Mayor

Lebina Hall and William St. Paxton Having severally taken the Oath prescribed by Law are this day sworn into Office as clerks of Market in presence of His Worship the Mayor.

James McPhail, Thomas Knight, Simson Baus and Oliver Holland Having severally taken the Oath prescribed by Law are this day sworn into Office as Goat and Hog reavers for the City in presence of His Worship the Mayor.

James W. Nutt and Arthur W. Gilvie Having severally taken the Oath prescribed by Law are this day sworn into Office as Fine Movers in presence of His Worship the Mayor.

January 9th — Arthur Bennett Having taken the Oath prescribed by Law is this day sworn into Office as Measure of Coal in presence of His Worship the Mayor.

January 10th — George Gray Having taken the Oath prescribed by Law is this day sworn into Office as first Constable in presence of Alderman Richardson.

Jonathan O. Allison having taken the Oath prescribed by Law is this day sworn into Office as first Ward in presence of Alderman Richardson.

January 11 Joseph New Having taken the Oath prescribed by Law is this day sworn into Office as first Ward in presence of Alderman Richardson.

January 12 — Findlay W. Lean & John Gibson Having taken the Oath of Office prescribed by Law are this day sworn into Office as first Constables for the City.

Thomas Cunningham having taken the Oath of Office prescribed by Law is this day sworn into Office as first Constable for the City.

January 14 — Benjamin Saltus and William Anderson Junior having taken the Oath of Office prescribed by Law are this day sworn into Office as Goat and Hog reavers for the City.

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Halifax January 17th 1849

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day present His Worship the Mayor Alderman Mr. Nath. Richardson King Magnowite Lardlaw and Matt. Pessors Anderson Mier Thomas Bennett Cabot. Naylor. King. Coleman and Northup King and Jennings.

The City Council were summoned to Appoint a Constable for Ward No 6. To take into consideration the Act of incorporation Petition for James Bossons. The appointment of Assessors for Wards No 2 & 5 and the transaction of other Business

Read over the Proceedings of 28th December 1848

The City Council proceed to the Appointment of Constable for Ward No 6 district No 8

Selection of City Constable No 6

Read over the various Applications when the Ballot is proceeded with when there appeared for Hugh Campbell 1 W. Minkist John McFarney 2 Thomas Lawler 1 Henry Ingles 1 Patrick Noonan 2 William Reddick 9 who having received a Majority of Votes is elected constable for Ward No 6 district No 8.

Read following return of Inspectors of Pickled Beef & Pork Amount of Beef and Pork Inspected in 1848

324 Barrels Beef & Pork. £16.11.0

out of which expenses is paid

Signed Tho: O. Beamish.
Inspector.

On Motion there being no other Applicants Tho: O. Beamish and John Parker are appointed Inspectors of Pickled Beef and Pork

Petition James Bosson relative to his Property in Barrack Street

Read a Petition from James Bosson relative to the destruction of his Property in Barrack Street when on Motion the same is withdrawn

Read the Act of Incorporation as Law as prepared by the Recorder Clause No 43

The City Council next proceed to consider the same Clause by Clause on reading the 8th Clause the following resolution is introduced

Resolved that the eighth clause stand as it is in the Act passed the 11th day of April 1848 which resolution on being put is lost 4 voting for it and 13 against it. The Clause is then put and carried and the Name being called stood thus for the Clause

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For the Clause	against the Clause
Miss Smith — Wier — King	Miss ^{rs} Mignoult —
Matt — Cabot — Coleman	Jennings —
Naylor — Brain — Anderson	Laidlaw —
Bennett — Rugg — Northup	Richardson —
and Mr ^s Wab	<u>13</u> <u>4</u>

upon the next clause being put and the Question being taken the same is passed 10 Voting for it and 5 Against it and the Names being called they stood thus.

For the Clause	against it
Miss ^{rs} Cabot. — Matt	Miss ^{rs} Smith
Naylor — Laidlaw	Bennett
King — Coleman	Jennings
Mignoult — Anderson	Northup
Brain — Richardson	<u>Wab</u> <u>5</u>
	<u>10</u>

Clauses 10. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15 16 17 18. 19. 20 + 21 are read and passed

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William Roddick having taken the oath prescribed by Law is this day sworn into office as constable for the City.

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Halifax January 22 1849

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day
 present His Worship the Mayor Alderman Wm. Naby, Richardson
 Rugg, Magnowtz, Lavalley, Wm. Mess. Wm. Smith
 Richards, Brown, Bennett Cabot, King Coleman Northup
 King & Jennings

The City Council were summoned to proceed with the
 Act of Incorporation

Read over the Proceedings of the 17 January 1849

Read following Petition of Arthur W. Godfrey relative

Petition of Wm.
 Godfrey, rel. to
 his assessment

to his assessment, which the following resolution is introduced
 Resolved that Mr Godfrey's rate of Assessment be reduced
 to £2.90 and the balance be transferred to the Parties named
 in his Petition to which the following Amendment is introduced

Resolved that since Petition be over for future consideration which
 amendment being put it carried the original resolution is therefore
 lost.

On Motion the City Council take into Consideration the Act
 of Incorporation when 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31. 32. 33. 34
 Having been duly considered and passed. Adjourn until
 to Monday at two o'clock.

January 23 — At an adjourned Meeting of City Council held this day
 present His Worship the Mayor Alderman Wm. Naby, Richardson
 Lavalley & Wm. Mess. Smith
 Bennett Cabot King and Jennings

Read over proceedings of Yesterday.

Took up the Incorporation Act when clauses from 34 to 44
 Having been amended and passed.

Motion made that the remainder of Bill so far as prepared
 by Recorder be now read

Amendment that the same be taken up clause by clause
 which amendment being put to voted for it and against it
 when His Worship the Mayor votes for the whole being read
 over before considered. The various clauses from 44 to
 56 are read

On Motion the City Council proceed to consider the clause
 by clause which amendment being put passed when clauses
 44. 45. 46. 47. 48. 49. 50. 51. 52. 53. 54 & 56 having been duly
 considered are passed

Clause 55 stands over for further consideration.

Council adjourned until to Monday two o'clock

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At an Adjourned meeting of City Council held this day present - His Worship the Mayor Alderman Wm. Richardson, Laidlaw & Matt. Messrs Smith Anderson Wm Brains Bennetts Cabot Naylor Ring Coleman Northup Jernings

Read over proceedings of Yesterday
Take up the Act of Incorporation. Read Clauses. 57. 58. 59 60. 61. 62. 63. 64. 65. 66. 67 68 69 70 having been read and duly considered are passed

On reading Clause 57 the following resolution is introduced Resolved that a fine be imposed on the City Assessors refusing to accept office when on being put is lost. 5 Making for and 10 against it and the names being called stood thus.

For the Resolution		Against the resolution	
Messrs Smith		Messrs Cabot	Naylor
Coleman		Brains	Bennetts
Jernings		Wm	Ring
Richardson		Matt	Laidlaw
McNab	5	Anderson	Northup
			10

On the 60th Clause being passed they stood thus
For the Clause

For the Clause		Against it	
Messrs Taylor	Laidlaw	Messrs Smith	
Brains	Coleman	Cabot	
Bennetts	Anderson	Jernings	
Wm	Northup	Richardson	
Ring	McNab		
Matt	11		11

On re-considering Clause 58 standing over from Yesterday the same is ordered to lie on the Table for future consideration and the following resolution is introduced

Resolved that a Committee of five be appointed to take up the statements submitted by the Commissioners of Poor - make enquiry into the number of City Paupers and transient paupers. The amount necessary for their maintenance and any other matters they may consider necessary to afford information to the City Council on the subject now under consideration. and that Messrs Jernings Naylor. Coleman. Matt & Brains be that Committee which resolution being put is passed

Council Adjourned

Resol. rel. to Committee on Statements of Commissioners of Poor

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Halifax 29th January 1849

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day present His Worship the Mayor. Alderman Messrs Richardson. Rugg. Laclaw & Watt. Messrs Smith Bennett Cabot Naylor. King. Coleman. Northup and Jennings.

The City Council were summoned to proceed with the Act of incorporation. The following Report of the Committee on subject of Poor House Matters is read

The Committee appointed on Poor House Matters.

Report Committee
on Poor House
Matters.

Report that they have taken the subject referred to them into consideration and find from the statement submitted by the Commission of the Poor that the number of transient Paupers far exceed the number of the Halifax Poor in the Asylum while the sum granted by the Provincial Legislature is less than the sum assessed on the City. This evil your committee are of Opinion might be removed by the Commission of the Poor representing the matter to the Legislature who would thus give themselves called upon to vote the amount necessary for the maintenance of the transient Paupers.

Your Committee upon considering the inconvenience of the City Council having no control over the Commissioners of the Poor or Management of the expenditure of the Money assessed on the City for the support of the Poor recommends that Clause 55 of the new Act be such a modification of the 77 Clause of the present Act of incorporation as will make the sum of money to be assessed upon the Inhabitants of the City such as the Commission of the Poor shall certify and the City Council shall deem to be necessary to be assessed upon the City for the support of the Poor of the City in the Poor Asylum for every respective Year all which is respectfully submitted

Signed

John Pratt Chairman

John Naylor

J. Jennings

J. Robinson Board

W. J. Coleman.

On Motion the said report is adopted

On Motion the City Council proceed with the business of the day. 55th Clause being altered agreeable to suggestion of Committee is read and passed

On Motion the remainder of the Act. From Clause 70 to Clause as prepared by the recorder is then read over

The City Council then proceeds to consider the said clause by clause when Clauses 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 having been considered and passed. The Council then adjourns till to morrow at two o'clock

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January 30

At an Adjourned Meeting of the City Council held this day present His Worship the Mayor Alderman Mr Nath Richards Ring Lavalaw and Watt Messrs Smith Bennett Cabot Naylor Ring Northup and Jennings.

Reads over Proceedings of Yesterday

His Worship the Mayor brought to the Notice of the Council a Note received from Mr Mott Chairman of Committee of House of Assembly on the subject of a Petition now before the House of Assembly relative to Powder Magazine. When the following resolutions are introduced

Resolved that His Worship the Mayor be requested to intimate to Mr Mott that this Council cannot recognise the right of the House of Assembly to interfere with the control which the Council have of renting or leasing in such way as they may deem most advantageous for the City any part of the City Property and therefore declines taking any notice of the Petition now before the House relative to the Powder Magazine which on being put is passed unanimously

Resolved that His Worship the Mayor be requested to wait in Mr Mott with the foregoing resolution to Monow at ten o'clock which on being put is passed unanimously

The following resolution is next introduced

Whereas the Grand Jury for the County of Halifax have in a recent presentment to the Court of Sessions reported that they had visited the Bridewell in their Official Capacity and as that establishment is wholly under the jurisdiction of the City authorities and supported altogether by City Funds

The City Council do not consider that the said Grand Jury have any right so to do. Therefore to prevent any such interference in future it is Resolved that His Worship the Mayor be requested to call the Attention of His Honor the Custos of the County to this subject either by forwarding a Copy of this Resolution or in any other mode which he may deem to be most expedient which on being put is passed

The City Council next on Motion proceeds to take into consideration the Act of Incorporation. Other Clauses No 72. 79 80. 81. 81. 82. 83. 84. 85. 86. 87. 88. 89. 90. 91. 92. 93. 94. 95. 96. 97 98. 99. 100. 101. 102. 103. 104. 105. 106. 107. 108. 109. 110. 111. 112. 113 114. 115. 116. 117. 118. 119. 120 & 121 Having been duly considered

Note from the Chairman of Committee House of Assembly rel. to Powder Magazine -

Resol. rel to Grand Jury visiting the Goal.

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The following Resolution is next introduced
Resolved that the Bill now Introduced and read
Clause by Clause de Pas. to which the following Amendment
is introduced

Resolved that the Act passed last Session of the
Legislature and now in force be continued with such
Amendments as were recommended by the Committee

which Amendment being put is lost 5 Voting for it and
3 Against it and the names being called for stood thus

For the Amendment	Against it
Mess ^{rs} Cabot	Mess ^{rs} Bennetts - King
Laidlaw	Smith - Watt
Jennings	Naylor - Northup
Richardson	Coleman - McNab
Rugg	
5	8

The Original Resolution is then put and carried 8 Voting
for it and five against it and the names being called for
stood thus

For the Resolution	Against it
Mess ^{rs} Bennetts - King	Mess ^{rs} Cabot
Smith - Watt	Laidlaw
Naylor - Northup	Jennings
Coleman - McNab	Richardson
	Rugg
8	5

The following Resolution is next Introduced

Resolved that the Bill just passed be fairly engrossed
and that the same be transmitted to the Honorable
the Attorney General to be submitted to the House of Assembly

to which the following Amendment is introduced

Resolved that Tenders be received for printing 500 hundred
copies of the Act just passed. which on being put is lost
6 Voting for it and 7 Against it and the names being
called stood thus

For the Amendment	Against it
Mess ^{rs} Smith - Jennings	Mess ^{rs} Cabot - Watt
Bennetts - Rugg	Naylor - Northup
Laidlaw - Richardson	Coleman - McNab
	King
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January 30 — The Original Resolution is then put and carried 9
Noting Gerrit and 4 against it. and the names being called
for stood thus —

For the Resolution	Against it.
Messrs. Cabell - Watt	Messrs. Smith
Waylor - Nuttall	Loudlow
Ring - Mohr	Jennings
Coleman - Rugg	Richardson
Burns — 9	4

Resol. rel. to a
Committee taking
charge of Bill
to submit to the
House of Assembly

Resolved that a Committee of Three be appointed to take
charge of the Bill have the same fairly engrossed and
submitted to the Honorable the Attorney General to submit
the same to the House of Assembly. and that he be requested
as also that of his Colleagues to give the same their support
which on being put is passed —

Resolved that Messrs Ring Waylor and Coleman be
that Committee which on being put is passed —

February 1

The following Bye Law relative to supplying the City of
Halifax with Water having been assented to is published
in the Royal Gazette

An Ordinance or Bye Law
relative to supplying the City
of Halifax with Water.

Bye Law rel.
to supplying the
City with Water

Whereas the Halifax Water Company have caused
Water Pipes to be laid in different parts of the said City
of Halifax. and have erected and are continuing to erect
Fire Plugs in the different localities pointed out by the City
Council for the use of the said City and whereas the said
Company have expressed their intention to supply the said
City with the full number of Fire Plugs and Hydrants
specified in the second section of the Act passed in the Eighth
Year of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria. entitled
"An Act for supplying the City of Halifax with Water
and Whereas it will contribute materially to the safety of
the said City in the event of Fires and to the Comfort of its
Inhabitants in times of Scarcity of Water. to obtain from the
said Water Company with as little delay as possible the use
of the Fire Plugs now erected and of such Fire Plugs and
Hydrants as may from time during the progress of the said
Water Works. be erected and placed at the disposal of the

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— The said City title the Gale Number contemplated by the Act aforesaid shall be supplied. And Whereas for this purpose it is expedient for the City Council to make certain arrangements with the said Company and and to pass a Bye Law or an Ordinance therefor. —

— At a Meeting of the City Council held this the twenty seventh day of December 1848 it is Ordained

1st — That if the said Water Company shall place at the disposal of the said City the Fire Plugs already erected and such Fire Plugs and Hydrants as may from time to time hereafter be erected, it shall and may be lawful for the City Council from Year to Year to assess the said City in such Amount as may be deemed necessary to pay for the use thereof, which said amount shall be assessed levied collected and paid in the same manner as other City taxes or assessed levies collected and paid — And the said City shall be liable to pay for the use of the said Fire Plugs and Hydrants out of the Monies so assessed and collected a sum or rent at and after the rate of Nine Pounds and Six Shillings per Annum for each Fire Plug or Hydrant now or hereafter to be erected in such localities as shall have been pointed out by the said City Council, which said rent shall be computed on said Fire Plug or Hydrant from the time it is completed and taken possession of by the said City Corporation, and shall be due and payable on the thirtieth day of November in each and every Year — Provided always —

That unless Hydrants shall be erected by the said Company in the various places in the different Wards already pointed out by the said Corporation on or before the thirtieth day of August next so far as the Pipes shall then be laid. The said City shall not be liable to pay for the use of any Fire Plugs or Hydrants which may have been previously placed at their disposal. —

2nd — That no proceedings had by virtue of the Ordinance shall have any force or effect until the said Halifax Water Company shall have duly made and executed a Bond to the said City in such penal sum as may be agreed upon between the said City Council and the said Water Company, which said Bond shall be conditioned for the erection of by the said Water Company of the Gale Number of Hydrants and Fire Plugs mentioned in the second section of the said Act passed in the

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February 6 — in the Eighth Year of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria enacted. An Act for supplying the City of Halifax with Water "to wit" Eighteen Hydrants and Twenty five Fire Plugs in such Places as may have been pointed out by the Mayor and Corporation of the said City within two Years from the Effect of November last

February 17 — Thomas O'Beanish sworn into office as Inspector of Pickled Beef and Pork for the City in presence of the Mayor

February 21st — Halifax 21st February 1849

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day present His Worship the Mayor. Aldermen Richardson Messrs Braime Bennett Cabot Naylor Northup and King

The City Council were summoned to take into consideration a communication from Fire department also from Board of Ordinance. the payment of several accounts and the transaction of other business.

On Motion the Council adjourned until to morrow at Two O'clock

February 22 — At an adjourned meeting of the City Council held this day present His Worship the Mayor. Aldermen Mr Mr Mab Richardson Rugg Mugarowitz Landlaw and Watt Messrs Smith Anderson Mr Braime Bennett Cabot Naylor. King Solomon Northup King and Jennings

Read over the Proceedings of 30 January and 20th February

The following Resolution is next introduced — Resolved that a Committee be appointed to institute an enquiry in whom the right of Property vests of the Burial Ground situated at the south end of the City known and called the Old Burial Ground on which being put is passed

Resol. rel right of Property in Burial Ground

Read the following of communication from Board of Fire wards.

The Fire wards having had under consideration the Resolutions submitted by the City Council for their future Government

It was Unanimously Resolved that the said Resolutions be returned to the said City Council with a respectful

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Communication
of Board of Fire
Wards.

Resolved that Messrs James Black, John Egan and Adam Reid be appointed a Committee to confer with the City Council relative to the returned resolutions —

Yours
B C Prohm

Secretary to the Board of Fire Wards

Halifax 12 Feb 1849 —

When the following Resolutions are introduced —
Resolved that the Rules 15 of the Rules and Regulations of the Council shall be suspended for the present, which on being put is passed unanimously —

Resol. rel to Fire
Department

Resolved that the Resolution of the City Council passed on the 16 December 1848 relative to the Fire Ward Department be now rescinded and that a Copy be transmitted to the Chairman of Fire Wards by the City Clerk, which on being put is passed —

Resolved that the Recorder be requested to take up the acts relative to the Fire Ward Department, and report to the committee at its next meeting what control this Council have over the said department, either in its expenditures or in any other respects. which on being put is passed —

Bye Law rel to
Cemetery

Took up the Ordinance and Bye Law respecting Public Cemetery, when the Amendments suggested having been made the following Resolution is introduced —

Resolved that the Ordinance or Bye Law just amended be transmitted to the Honorable the Secretary of the Province with a request that the same be submitted for the Approval of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, which on being put is passed. —

Letter from Board
of Ordinance rel-
to Two Pumps in
Barracks Street

Read following Letter from Board of Ordinance dated 2nd February subject of two Pumps in Barracks Street

Copy

Office of Ordinance

Halifax February 2 1849

Sir
Two Pumps having been placed within the boundary of the Ordinance Property in Barracks Street by the City
We have the honor to request you will be pleased to —

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informs us whether the City Authorities are prepared to pay to this department the usual acknowledgment of 4. Stating the Amount for each as an acknowledgment of trespass and of the right of the Ordinance to require their removal whenever they ever they may consider it necessary
we have the honor to be

Yours

Very Most Obedient
Humble Servants

Signed — W. J. Savage Lt Col: —
— Com. d. J. Royal Engineers —
— B. Miller Lt Colonel —

Countersigned
" At Ince —
Ston Keeper
Ch. Telfer —
Deputy Ston Keeper

— Commanding Royal Artillery —

To

His Worship The Mayor.

When the following resolution is introduced
Resolved that it be communicated to the Board of Ordinance that this letter of 2nd February 1849 relative to the Pumps in Banack Street having been submitted to a Meeting of the City Council held this day, and the same having been duly considered, and that that Council not being aware of any encroachment they cannot comply with the request. And the Councils Attention having been drawn to plans of the City now in their possession and taken by order of the Surveyor General are of Opinion that said Pumps are placed on City Property which on being put is passed unanimously

Resolved to Letter from Board of Ordinance

The following resolutions are next introduced.
Resolved that Messrs Youngs Bill of Costs in the City of Halifax versus General W. Linnan amounting to Twenty Pounds and Nine Shillings be paid by Check on City Treasurer and that said amount be included in the next assessment. which on being put is passed

Resolved to Costs in suit of the City vs W. Linnan

Council Adjourned until to morrow at Two o'clock

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At an Adjourned Meeting of the City Council held this day present His Worship the Mayor, Alderman Sandlaw, Richardson, Watt, McNab + Rugg, Messrs Smith, Braine, Bennett, Cabott, Naylor, Northup and Jennings

Read over the proceedings.

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February 23rd — Yesterday — Submitted the Hon^{ble} Mr Cogswell's Account Claiming a balance of £16.11.8 on Motion referred to the Recorder to report upon

— Read Secretary's letter of 5th February of His Excellency and Councils Approval of the Bye Laws relative to the Three Plings.

Report Committee
Public Accounts

— The Committee of Public Accounts Having recommended the Payment of the following Accounts the Council direct Checks to be drawn for the Amounts —

Dr Parker — 1. 3. 11	Mr Annand — 7 6
Thos Brown — 9 —	Gas Company — 2. 2. 11
Mr Wm Donald — 10. 7. 10	— do — 9 —
— do — 14. 11. 5	— do — 14. 10. 8
— do — 3. 8. —	— do — 10 5
— do — 10. 5. 4	— do — 20. 0. 0
Doctor Aving — 5 —	Black & Bookes — 11. 6
	Edward Storms — 8. 11. 10

— Read the following ^{report} of Committee on subject of Supervisor of Coals returns.

— The Committee appointed to examine the Memorandum Book kept by the Supervisor of Coal Measures beg leave to report —

Report Committee
rel. Coal Measures

— That they find entered therein about 950 Chaldrons of Coals more than were Reported in the returns handed into the City Council —

— The supervisor has satisfactorily explained how the difference occurs up to 750 Chaldrons and intimates with reference to the Balance of 200 Chaldrons, that the Measures are frequently called upon to take charge of a ship and after a few Chaldrons are discharged, the Master makes a bargain with a Party who takes the Quantity remaining at the measurement at the mines deducting the few Chaldrons that has been previously taken out and as the Law does not authorize the Measures to demand payment for this services until the whole cargo is discharged. They frequently experience losses in this way — the measurement of Coals as found in the Boats, but no money has been forthcoming —

— The discrepancy amounting to 750 Chaldrons has arisen first. — from 250 Chaldrons having been Entered in the Books after the returns have been handed in. These have been transferred to a New Book. — Secondly — from 111 Chald^{rs} having been measured for Mess^{rs} Fairbanks and Allison the charge for which they refused to pay owing to the improper conduct

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of the Measures. — Thirdly From An understanding existing among the Measures by which the sum of sixpence or the Proceeds arising from the measurement of one Chaldron of Coals from each vessel is allowed for the Truckage of Tubs amounting last year to 340 Chaldrons or thereabouts.

And lastly From the proceeds arising from 45 Chaldrons having been appropriated by Mutual Agreement to the Payment of an Attorney whose advice was sought with reference to some Matter in dispute between them and a Collier —

The Committee feel satisfied that there has been no malapropriation of the Monies received. — The Method adopted by the Measures of meeting every Saturday Night and dividing the receipts of each week with of itself prevent such an Occurrence

Not do they believe that there has been any willful design to deceive the City Council in the Mode of Making up the Yearly returns. as the same course was pursued as has been customary in former Years. —

The Committee take the liberty of recommending to the City Council that directions be given to the Supervisor hereafter to make a Return of the whole Number of Chaldrons measured in every Year from the proceeds of which all necessary expensitures can be deducted and thus a return of the Actual Amount of money received in the Year by the Measures can be as exactly reported as is at present the Case under an improper and incorrect system. —

Respectfully submitted —

Signed John Waylor — Chairman

Henry Mignowitz —

Thomas King —

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— on Motion the same is received and adopted —

The subject of Mr A W Gosling's agreement standing over from 22 January is now taken into consideration when the following decision is come to. that —

— 27 — £ 2. 3. 6 returned — £ 1. 9. 0 —

— 12. 2 Confirmed —

— on taking into consideration the suit of the City of Halifax versus George Hoskins the following resolution is introduced —

Resolved that the suit of the City of Halifax versus George Hoskins be discontinued and that Mr Lynch's Bill of Costs amounting to £12. 10. 0 be paid by check to the City Treasurer for said Amount to be included in next year's agreement —

— The following Resolution is next introduced —

Resolved =

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Resolved to take
Lots North of
the City

Resolved that a Committee be appointed to ascertain whether the Water Lots to the North of the City is Praiseworthy. which on being put is passed and made application for said in behalf of the City

Resolved that Messrs. Rugg Jennings and Cabot be that Committee

Resolved that Messrs. Youngs fees of Costs in the suit of Collins vs the City of Halifax amounting to £14 12 2 be paid by Clerk or City Treasurer and that said amount be included in the next Assessment which on being put is passed

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At a Quarterly Meeting of the City Council held this day present the Mayor Alderman Mr. Wm. Richardson Rugg Staalow & Matt. Messrs. Gault. Anderson Bennett Cabot. Naylor Ring and Jennings

On Motion the Council adjourn until to-morrow at two o'clock

March 27

At an Adjourned Meeting of the City Council held this day present the Mayor Alderman Mr. Wm. Richardson Rugg Staalow and Matt. Messrs. Gault. Anderson Bennett Cabot Naylor Ring and Jennings

Read over proceedings of 23rd February and Yesterday

Read Petition of Chas. Rigby relative of Assessment for 1848 and On Motion the Rigby's assessment is reduced to his Rentals £235.0.0

Read the Report of Committee of Tenders

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Report Committee
of Tenders of
March 1st 1849

The Committee of Tenders met this day present the Chairman Alderman Richardson, Councillors Smith Cabot & Naylor Advertisements having been inserted in the "Acadian Recorder" and posted in Handbills. that Tenders would be received for Lumber. Wheel weights (wrought Iron Work). Iron Manufactory. Printing and Stationery for the use of the City for the current year

The Committee proceeded to open the Tenders submitted to them and beg leave to report as follows

for Lumber one tender was handed in. but as the party

tendering

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March 2^d — tendering Board not amended his name no action was taken upon it. — For Wheelwrights work. Tenders were received from Frederick Bacon, and S. Stevens & Son. Mr Bacons tender being the lowest, was accepted —

— Tenders for Iron Work were received from Will^m A. Hearn, Alexander Robinson, W. Caldwell & Sons and Smithers & Taylor. Those submitted by Mess^{rs} Smithers and Taylor averaging the lowest prices were accepted —

— The tenders for Iron Drongery were received. English & Blackadar were the only parties who tendered for Advertising and as their charge was considered moderate their tender was accepted —

— William Popple, A. B. Pritchard, James Bowser & Son and English and Blackadar having sent in tenders for Printing Handbills and Blanks — Mr Popple was found to be the lowest and was accordingly accepted —

— The Committee regret that but one tender has been received for Advertising. This is altogether inadequate to afford the citizens an opportunity of obtaining information when contracts are advertised for. Nor is it sufficient to enable them to be put in possession of a statement of City Accounts or such other matters of public interest to the citizens at large as they have a right to expect. —

— The Committee therefore respectfully suggest to the City Council the propriety of entering into arrangements with at least five of the Tri-Weekly Papers to publish such advertisements. Ordinances as relate to Civic Affairs —

— Respectfully submitted —

Signed — Joseph Bennett — Chairman

— When on Motion the said Report is received and adopted —

— The Chairman of Committee bring to notice of City Council that in Advertising for Tenders only one was received for Advertising and that this only tender was not signed since which the Committee had requested the City Clerk to address a Note to the Four Tri-Weekly Papers requesting a Tender from them and from two of whom only answers were received, and that the tender for Lumber having been since signed the said tender for Lumber — On Motion is received

— it being understood that all Lumber for City Purposes except the work done by the Contractor is to be obtained from the Contractor —

— The Tenders for Advertising from Mr August and Mr Grant having been read. — On Motion the said Tenders is received

— Read the following report of Committee of City Property —

— Halifax 3rd March 1849

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Belfast March 3rd 1849

Report Committee
City Property -

The Committee of Public Property met this day and agreed to recommend to the City Council to grant a sum of Money for the Building of a wing on the Market Slip for the use of the City Officers.

also to draw the Court House Windows to prevent the Escape of Prisoners

also to Repair the Market Slip

all which is Respectfully submitted

Signed

A Mignowitz

Chairman of Property

When on Motion

the same is resolved and that the Commissioners of City Property be requested to have the said work completed

Report Committee
Public Accounts

Read following Report of Committee of Public Acct.
The Committee of Public Accounts recommends the payment of the following Accounts.

Doctor Trevelman for dipping Mamm Heads	to	1.2.6
Thomas Clouston . Repair Police Office	-	13.5
William A. Kearns " do City Property	-	13.1
W. H. Blanchard . Copying Act of Incorporation	3.0.0	
A. Keplin for Rent of Medicines Hall	1.10.-	
Fire Wards for Extra expenses at Cogswells	3	13.0.0
Fire Ward for circles	3	13.0.0
Robert Richardson for Repair City Property	38.3.4	
George Stimpson for Expenses for Bandwidth	3	41.2.9
From Feb 28 to Nov 1 st 1848	3	41.2.9
Robert Muncove for Saddles destroyed at fire	1.5.-	
James Scott Bell Clerk at Purches of paper	5	12.6
J. Botta do do	2	12.6
W. Meisk for Painting & Glazing	2.1.6	
	<u>£</u>	<u>103.13.7</u>

They also submit to the City Council for approval a small Account of William Clowfords for repairs to a Clock contracted in 1846 amounting to five Shillings. as there is no Certificate of Court attached to it. They recommend in future that each Account against the City handed in to the City Clerk be accompanied by a Certificate of its being correct signed by such Member of the City Council whose duty it may be to watch for it. and that the Onus of obtaining such Certificate be borne by the Parties furnishing the Account
They

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They further recommend that whenever practicable the System of Purchasing by "Pap Book" be adopted as it will at Once furnish a Check to improper charges and be a good voucher for Correctness of Accounts in the Absence of other evidence

James John Taylor
Chairman

When on Motion is received and Accounts therein stated be paid by Checks on City Treasurer

On Motion is directed that a Check be drawn for £228. the expense of the Night Watch up to Saturday last

Read Following Report from Committee relative to Hackney Carriages.

Report Committee
rel. to Hackney
Carriages

The Committee appointed by the City Council, by virtue of the second section of the Ordinance for regulating Hackney Carriages &c to take charge of the same, beg leave to present this their first quarterly report

In November 1848 the Committee obtained the consent of the Commissioners of the Province Building to paint the Number for Stands upon the Stone Basement, which supports the Iron Rails situated in Hollis Street. Accordingly stands were numbered from One to Ten and of these Nine have been assigned and Licences issued. These Licences were held by six individuals and no complaint has been made against any of them. For violation of the Ordinance some delay occurred in the first instance in getting the Numbers placed upon the respective Carriages but all have now complied with this regulation

Notices were sent to all the known Levy Stable Keepers to apply for Licences in compliance with the Provisions of that portion of the Act 11th Section which refers to them. but as no attention has been paid to the Notice by this Class of Citizens

Justice to the Owners of Hackney Carriages who have paid for Licences, as well as duty of Submission to the City Ordinance requiring that all Levy Stable Keepers should be compelled to conform to the Law.

Respectfully Submitted
James John Taylor Chairman
J. Rowland Brain
Benjamin Wier

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When on Motion the same is received

Read Bye Law relative to Common 1st & 2nd June

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Read Report of the Committee on the subject of the
Old Burial Ground

The Committee appointed to institute an inquiry
in whom the right of Property rests of the Old Burial Ground
situated at the South End of the City known and called
the Old Burial Ground beg leave to Report.

That in the Allotment Book in the Secretarys Office is
recorded seven Years the settlement of Halifax under date
of September 1756 Lots No 1 2 3 4 5 now occupied by the
Master of the Rolls Mr. Alan the Bishop of Nova Scotia and as
Government Stables the following entry 340 feet by 200 feet
Laid out for a Common Burial ground

Akins in His History of the settlement of Halifax
page 33 states that from the Years 1749 to '54 or '55 Palisades
or Pickets were placed on the southern limits of what was
then the Town and the south Palisade is said to have
extended from where the Roman Catholic Church now stands
to the Beach south of Fairbanks Wharf, it is therefore probable

the the Old Burial ground was not used as a place of
interment anterior to the date of Entry of the Secretarys Office
The same Author also refers page 42 to the "English Burying
Ground" and this term your Committee presumed was applied
to the Lot in question to preserve a distinction between it and
the Dutch Burying Ground situated in the North Suburbs
and not in any way referring exclusively to Members the English
or Episcopalian Church. This Plot of ground appears to have
been used as a place of interment and held by the Original
Settlers in Common 37 Years or until 1793. when a grant was
made by General Boscawen making it over to the Church
Wardens and Vestry of St. Pauls Church in Halifax, to be used
as a Burying Ground for the said Parish Church in the manner
heretofore accustomed. What the accustomed manner was
your committee can only infer from a deed executed in 1801
by the Rector, Church Warden, and Vestry of Saint Pauls to St
Matthews Church

The deed recites that whereas His
Majesty George the 3^d by grant bearing date June 17 1793 did
Grant and Confirm to the Church Warden and Vestry of St. Pauls
Church in Halifax and to their successors in office all that Lot
situated in South suburbs of Halifax commonly called and
known as the Old Burial ground containing 2 and 1/4 Acres
85 Rods to be used as a burying ground in the manner
heretofore accustomed and whereas doubts had been suggested
whether the rights of Protestant dissenters from the Church of
England, to be buried in the said ground on payment of
the

Report Committee
on subject of Old
Burial Ground.