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Memorial of
Constables

Alderman Primrose submits Memorial of
Constables relative to their Statute labour. On Motion the same
is received

Report of Comtee
of City Property

Alderman Oniel Charnman submits
Minutes of proceedings of Committee of City Property of 27 July
On Motion the same is received,

Resolution ref:
to Mep. Leonard of
Apfement

On Motion the Memorial of Leonard of
relative to their Apfement as read 15 July is next taken up
When On Motion the same is referred to a special Committee
of three, who are requested to see the City Apfementors and Mr Henry
Boggs and report thereon and that Aldermen Egan, Gibson
and Noble be that Committee, which on being put is passed,

Resolution rel:
Mep. Henry Brown of
Apfement

The City Council next take up the
Memorial of Mep^r Henry Brown also relative to their Apfement
as read 15 July when On Motion the same is referred to the
same is referred to the last mentioned Committee to report
upon,

Read following Memorial of Mr Henry
G Hill relative to opening of a road at Spring Gardens

To His Worship the Mayor and City
Council

Memorial of
H G Hill relative
road in Spring Gardens

The Petition of Henry G Hill Sheweth
that he purchased from the late Benjamin E Black a lot of
land situate to the Westward of the Convent in the suburbs
of the City bearing an annual rent exceeding six pounds/
with a full understanding that the road from Spring Gardens
to Morris Street was to be completed, this induced your
Petitioner to erect three costly buildings with side paths and
stone drains in connection with said premises at his own
expense. Your petitioner respectfully solicits the attention
of the City Council to his heavy outlay which is wholly
unproductive until the aforesaid road is completed, being
untenable for want of a communication beyond said
premises. Your Petitioner would suggest that no road on
the suburbs could be opened or finished so beneficial to
the Public at large or so conducive to the extension of the City
as the one now petitioned for. That it is of paramount importance

made

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none can deny, and your petitioner therefore solicits that the City Council will take immediate steps to have the said road completed not for his special benefit but for the Public at large. With an impression that Your Honorable Body will carry into effect that what is just, Your Petitioner humbly subscribes himself with the highest respect

Salutary
15 July 1853

Your obedient humble servant
Signed Henry G Hill

Resolution rel:
H.G Hill Memorial
opening road at
Spring Gardens

When a motion is made that the same be referred to the Superintendent of Streets, to which an Amendment is made that it be referred to the Committee of Common, which amendment being put is carried 10 voting for it and 3 against it. Said Memorial is therefore referred to the Committee of Common,

Read following Memorial of Richard O'Neil relative to opening a drain in Dresden row
Salutary 11th July 1853

To His Worship the Mayor
and City Council
Dear Sir

I wish to know from you if you will grant me the privilege to open a drain from my property in Dresden row, the lot from which I wish you to grant me that privilege is forty feet front. I am in no particular hurry to open the drain but wish to know if you will grant me the privilege when I may want to open the drain

I remain Yours &c
Signed Richard O'Neil

Memorial of
Rich O'Neil rel: to
opening drain in
Dresden Row

When following resolution is introduced

Resolved that Richard O'Neil have leave to carry the drain petitioned for into the drain lately excavated on his paying to the City £5 as his proportion of the expense of said drain lately excavated, which on being put is passed,

Resolution rel
to Rich O'Neil Meml.

Read following Memorial of Mr Stefferman relative to erection of corner posts to her building in Upper Water Street, when on Motion the same is referred to the Superintendent of Streets to report upon (See July file 1853)

Memorial of
Mr Stefferman rel:
to Corner Post her property

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Read following Memorial of John S Hall
relative to a Combined Fire Plug and Hydrant in Ward 5

To His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen
The City Council

Memorial of
John S Hall and others
Hydrant in Ward 5

Your Petitioners beg leave to call
the attention of your Worship to the privation of Water they
suffer in consequence of the Fire Plug situated at the foot
of Gerrish St. being locked from which they cannot
procure any water.

They would respectfully request
Your Worship either to permit the Water from the Plug to be
running for their use, or that you would have a Hydrant
placed there, whichever in your wisdom might be
deemed most advantageous to your petitioners and
least expensive to the public

Halifax N.S.
6 June 1853

Signed John S. Hall and 38 others

When on Motion same stands over for future
Consideration

1/2 Yearly Return of
Inmates of Poor
Asylum submitted

Submitted to the City Council the Half yearly
return of the inmates of the Poor Asylum, when on Motion
same is referred to Committee of Public Accounts,

Read following Minutes of Committee
of City Property this day submitted,

Extract from Minutes of Committee of City
Property 27 June 1853.

Tenders were opened for building a Stone
Wall at Fresh Water as follows.

Robert Davis \$6 per Yard
Richard McLaughlin 6 1/2 "

On Motion it was agreed that the tender
of McLaughlin being the lowest be accepted, it being
understood that the Public Dock to the Southward be inclu-
ded

Mr. Findlay's plan and specification being
read for making certain repairs to the City Court House, the
Estimate being \$518.18.6 and the other \$220.

Report of Committee
of City Property
Wall at Fresh Water
and repairs to Court House

On

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On Motion it was agreed that the first named sum being over the amount contemplated by the Committee and the smaller one not embracing as general a repair as they would wish, it was agreed to refer them both to the City Council for their action

True Copy
Signed B. O'Neill
Chairman

When following resolution is introduced

Resolution rel:
Wall at Fresh
Water Bridge

Resolved that the tender of Richard McLaughlin for building of a Stone Wall at Fresh Water Bridge be accepted and that he be required to execute a Bond for the faithful performance of the Contract, which on being put is passed

The remainder of said report stands over for the present

By Law. relative
to Lime Kilns read a 2nd time
2nd time

Read By Law relative to Lime Kilns

A. Keith Mayor

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August 12

At a Special meeting of the City Council held this day. Present His Worship the Mayor Aldermen Adams, Scott, Primrose, Nugent, King and Longard,

The City Council was summoned to receive a report of Committee relative to letting of Fish Market Halls, also communication from Board of Fire Wards, relative to Tender for repair of Tank in Argyle Street

Council adjourned until Saturday at which time to meet for business on Monday,

A. Keith Mayor
A. K.

August 13

At an adjourned meeting of City Council held this day. Present His Worship the Mayor Aldermen Scott and Nugent,

A. Keith Mayor
A. K.

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The City Council were summoned to attend an adjourned meeting of the City Council, on the business for which they were summoned for Friday last Present His Worship the Mayor Alderman Anderson, Adams, Noble, Scott, Morrissey, Gibson, Timrose, Egan, Nugent, Knight, King and Longard,

Had over proceedings of 28 July 12 and 13 August,

Report of Comtee rel. Messrs Leonard & Co and Avery Brown & Co Petition rel: Apportionment

Alderman Egan submits report of Special Committee on subject of Messrs Leonard & Co and Messrs Avery Brown & Co Apportionment. On Motion same is received

Report of Comtee rel. Selling Fish Market Stalls

Alderman Adams submits Report of Committee of City Property, relative to the letting of the Fish Market Stalls. On Motion the same is received,

Memorial of Math. Heffernan Fire Plug in Ward 5

Alderman Nugent submits Memorial of Mathew Heffernan and others for the alteration of Fire Plug into a Combined Fire Plug and Hydrant in Brunswick Street Ward 5. On Motion the same is received,

Memorial of Robt. Graham Drain in Matland St

Alderman Nugent submits Memorial of Robert Graham relative to a Drain in Matland St. On Motion the same is received

Memorial of John Gordon & others Building on Parade

Alderman Nugent submits Memorial of John Gordon and others relative to Claim on Building erected on Grand Parade. On Motion same is received,

Memorial of Messrs Kennys rel Apportionment

Alderman Gibson submits Memorial of Messrs Kennys relative to their Apportionment. On Motion same is received,

Memorial of Wm Young and others Road N.W. Arm

Alderman Nugent submits Memorial of William Young and others relative to opening a line of Road along the North West

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Alderman Argent submits Mr Powers
Statement of his Apegment on Motion same is
received

On Motion the Report of Special Committee
on Subject of Messrs S. Leonard & Co and Messrs Avery Brown
& Co. relative to their Apegment is taken up and read,

Report of Comtee rel.
Messrs Leonard and
Avery & Browns
Apegment

The Committee to whom was referred the
Petition of S. Leonard & Co and Avery Brown & Co on the
Subject of their Apegment for the present year. Do leave
to report that they have had the matter under Consideration
Having had before them the City Apepers, as well as
petitioners and after hearing their Statements

The Committee have come to the
Conclusion, that they cannot recommend the prayer of
Petitioners.

All of which is respectfully submitted

Committee Room
Melfas 13 Aug 1853

Yours John Egan
" Robt Noble
" John Gibson

When following resolution is introduced

Resolution rel.
Messrs Leonard and
Avery Brown Apegment

Resolved that the Apegment of Messrs
S. Leonard & Co and Messrs Avery Brown & Co. be confirmed
as it now stands in the Books agreeably to the report of
the select Committee appointed for that purpose
which on being put is passed

On Motion the report of the Committee
of City Property relative to letting the Fish Market Stalls
is next taken up and read,

Report of Comtee of
City Property rel: to
letting Fish Market
Stalls

Melfas August 11th 1853.

The Committee of City Property have to
report that agreeably to a resolution of the City Council
they proceeded on Saturday last to let the Fish Market Stalls
by Auction and were met by the Fishermen who exhibited a
good deal of angry feeling at their being let in that way
Several stalls were offered for public competition but they
refused to bid, and used threatening language towards
those who would. They would be quite satisfied to draw
for them in the usual way and as they say Consider it
their birthright to do so, the Committee therefore submit
the

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of D. Mac, Chairman
John Gibson
Thomas Adams
Robt. Scott

Read following Memorial of John
Keefe and others Fishermen occupying Stalls in the Fish
Market,

Presented June 3rd Aug 1853

To the Worshipful the Mayor and City
Council

Petition of John Keefe
and other Fishermen

Your humble petitioners most
respectfully sheweth that your petitioners has been from
year to year in the branch of Industry supplying the
Market of the City of Halifax with Fish during all seasons
of the year, and Your humble petitioners therefore now crave
that your Honorable body will take no undue advantage
at the present Crisis. Your humble petitioners therefore crave
as their Fathers and forefathers have been in the habit
of drawing Stalls yearly, the favour of continuing the
same, and that we your humble petitioners considers
that it our birthright, and that Stalls should not be
granted to forestalers but to the Fishermen that has
been in the habit of drawing them annually and Your
humble petitioners will ever pray for you &c &c

Signed John Keefe and 45 others

The following resolution is introduced

Resolved that the Stalls of the Fish
Market be drawn for, that the price of the Stalls in the
North Fish Market recently covered with Stalls be 50/- for
each Stall and those in the South Market 30/- each for
one year only ending 30 June to which following
amendment is introduced

Resolved that the resolution of City
Council of 15 July last as to the letting of the Stall of Fish
Market at Public Auction be adhered to, and that Public
Notice be given to all Fishermen both on the Eastern and Western
Shore to that effect for one month, and that the same
will be let at public Auction for one year from 20th
Sept.

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to Fish Market
Stalls

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September next, which amendment being put is lost 5
voting for it and 7 against it, the Original is then put
and 6 voting for it and 6 against it, His Worship
having given the casting vote in favour of original resolution
the same is carried

Read following Communication from
Secretary of Board of Fire Wards relative to state of tank
in Argyll Street as also tender of Hugh Scutrim,

Communication
Board of Fire Wards
rel. to tank in
Argyle Street

Salisbury 12 August 1853

Sir

I am directed to inform you for the
information of His Worship the Mayor and City Council
that agreeably to their resolution, tenders were received
for repairing the tank in Argyll Street until yesterday
at 12 o'clock the enclosed tender was the only one presented

I am further directed to acquaint you
that the Chairman of Fire Wards had the tank exposed
to view for sometime past, and that at present it is
some obstruction to the travel upon the Street

I am Sir

Your very obt. Servt
Signed B. C. Dublin
Secy to B. Fire Wards

James Clarke Esq
City Clerk

Salisbury 11 August 1853

Sir

The undersigned will engage to repair tank
opposite Messrs Northrops Shop Argyll Street according to
specification for the sum of One Hundred and ten pounds

To
B. C. Dublin Esq

Signed Hugh Scutrim

The following resolution is introduced

Resolved that the Chairman of Fire Wards
be authorized to put the Water Tank in Argyll Street in good
repair if it can be done for thirty pounds, and that the
Council will provide for the expense, which on being
put is passed

Resolution rel.
to tank in Argyll
Street

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The following accounts having been duly approved of His Worship the Mayor is requested to draw Cheques for the Same

Payment of Accounts

Forbes Black Chain w Dunsmuir Street	£ 127. 10. 0
McC. McDonald, for January	8. 10. 3
do " February	9. 9. 8
do " March	9. 3. 9
do " April	9. 0. 6
do " May	9. 11. 3
do " June	9. 9. 6
do " July	9. 15. 3

A. Keith Mayor

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At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor Aldermen Anderson, Power, Noble, Lott, Salter, Morrissey, Painrose, Egan, O'Neil, Davey, Nugent, Woodill, Knight, King and Longard,

The City Council were summoned to appoint presiding Officers for the election on 1 October next, and Inspectors for each ward for ensuing year, to take into consideration a communication from Board of Ordnance relative to Strip of land leading to the Fish Market, various matters standing over from last meeting, payment of several accounts, and the transaction of other business,

Read over proceedings of 15 August,

Alderman Noble presents Memorial of James Wilson the Garder. On Motion same is received,

Memorial of Jas Wilson Garder

Alderman Scott submits Memorial of H. Cogswell Esq relative to his Apartment. On Motion same is received,

Memorial of H. Cogswell Esq relative to his Apartment

Alderman Scott Chairman submits report of Public Accounts, relative to Statement of Annates of Poor Asylum. On Motion same is received,

Report of Pub Acct of Poor Asylum

Alderman Woodill submits Memorial of Thomas Mc Braine and others for a lamp post in Goringen Street Ward 15. On Motion same is received,

Memorial of Thos Mc Braine & others Lamp post Ward 5

Alderman Scott submits report of the Superintendent of Streets relative to line of Sackville Street,

Report - Supt of Streets line of Sackville St

The City Council next proceed to appoint Presiding Officers for the Election on 1 October next, and likewise inspectors of Elections for ensuing year,

Presiding Officers Inspectors appointed

The following persons are appointed to fill the Offices affixed to their respective names in accordance with the Act

Ward

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Ward No 1.
Presiding Officer, Alderman King
Andrew Mitchell
Inspectors Joseph Graham
James B Smithers

Ward No 2
Presiding Officer, Alderman Gibson
Frederick W Charnock
Inspectors Sampson S B Smith
William Kennedy

Ward No 3
Presiding Officer, Alderman Salter,
Angus McLean
Inspectors Patrick Limerigan
Maurice McSheath

Ward No 4
Presiding Officer, Alderman Adams
William Cleverdon
Inspectors William A Hepow
Thomas McEneaney

Ward No 5
Presiding Officer, Alderman O'Neill
Daniel O'Brien
Inspectors William M Harrington
Thomas Creighton

Ward No 6
Presiding Officer, Alderman Nugent
Frederick Herbert
Inspectors William Jones
Edwin DeWolf

Had following communication
from Board of Ordnance relative to Strip of land leading
to Fish Market,

Office of Ordnance
Messrs 20 August 1853

Gentlemen

Having submitted to the Hon.
Board of Ordnance your offer to purchase from
this Department the Strip of land leading from
Water Street to the Fish Market, for the sum of Eighty
pounds

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pounds Sterling, We beg to acquaint you that they agree to the terms proposed

We have the honor to be
Gentlemen

Your most obedient humble servants

- J. M. Ince - Surgeon
- " W. J. Savage Lt. Col.
- " Comms Royal Engineers
- " Will. Fraser Lt. Col.
- " Comms Royal Artillery
- " Will. H. Tapp Dr Surgeon

Communication from Board of Ordnance re: Strip of Ground to Fish Market

The Worship the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Halifax

When following resolution is introduced

Resolution re to above Comms

Resolved that on a Deed from the Board of Ordnance or such other parties as may be legally authorized to execute the same be completed His Worship the Mayor is authorized to draw a check on the City Treasurer for the amount of eighty pounds Sterling being the amount agreed upon for the purchase of said strip of land, which on being put up passed,

And following report of Superintendent of Streets relative to road in rear of Studley on Petition of William Poyer and others,

Report of Supt of Streets relative to road rear of Studley

Report on North West Arm Road

To make the Road between the Estates of Studley and Colburg passable for Carriages from Chely Road to the Dutch Village North to Willow Park say 18 feet wide in the Centre and finished same as the Chely road will cost about 157 per perch,

There are six Blocks in this length each containing about 98 perches 588 perches @ 157 £114.

The extreme ends of this Road beyond the above points have yet to be surveyed, the lines determined and taken possession of, the Road could be opened at Convenience it would then form a continual drive from Point Pleasant to the three mile House giving a view of the whole peninsula, There

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There is in the line of the road between Chazy and Colburg and contiguous to the City, an excellent quarry of Flag Stones suitable for Ciringing Trains, if this Quarry were opened for the privilege of City Contractors the tenders for City Trains might be very much reduced from the present rates, as both flags and good building stones have now to be carted three times the distance that this Quarry is from any part of the City, the opening of the Quarry would also contribute to the making of the new Road,

The whole length of this line when opened from South to North will be about four miles, the portion on the South end requiring to be surveyed is about one and a half miles, that on the North end one mile less 5 Chains

Respectfully Submitted
 J. James Snow
 Superintendent of Streets

Albany 15 July 1853.

When on Motion same is received and the following resolution introduced

On reading the report of the Superintendent of Streets on the Petition of William Paper and others. Resolved that a Survey be made of the Road referred to in said Petition and report, which on being put is passed,

Read following report of Superintendent of Streets relative to Mrs. Heffernan's Petition.

Albany 13th August 1853.

The Superintendent of Streets beg to report to His Worship the Mayor and the City Council that according to Instructions he has carefully reviewed the measures adopted by himself in forbidding Mrs. Heffernan to erect a port on the North West Corner of her building in Upper Water Street, and still adheres to his original opinion that the old line of said House fronting on Water Street is an encroachment on the true line of the street as given by late Commissioners to the person who owns the property immediately to the North of Mrs. Heffernan's House, had he allowed the old line to be claimed for the purpose of rebuilding he would have knowingly alienated the rights of the public and violated his solemn obligation to the City,

Respectfully Submitted. J. James Snow. Supt of Streets,
 when

Report of Supt of Streets, rel: to Mrs. Heffernan's Petition

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When on motion said report is received,
adopted and confirmed,

Read following application from George H
Lawson for use of Common for race course.

Halifax N.S. August 27th 1853
The Committee in Charge of
The Common of Halifax
Gentlemen

Application of Geo. H
Lawson Secty of the Turf
Club for Part of Common
for Races

I am directed by the Halifax
Turf Club to enquire of you if there will be any objection to
this Club making use of a portion of the Common for
horse races during the month of October, most probably
the last day of the proposed agricultural exhibition

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most obedient servant
Signed George H Lawson
Secty Halifax Turf Club

Read following report of Committee of
Common relative to said application
Committee Room
29 August 1853

Report of Comtee
of Common rel. to
G.H. Lawson application

I judge an application of the
Halifax Turf Club for the use of a part of the Common
for horse races, this day submitted to the Committee of
Common, when it was resolved that said application
be referred to the City Council.

Will you be pleased to place this
document upon the Minutes of business to be brought
before the Council at the first meeting
Yours truly
Signed James Clarke City Clerk
Signed Archd Scott Chairman
Committee of Common

The following resolution is introduced

Resolved that the application this day
submitted to the Council of Mr George H Lawson Secretary
of

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Resolution rel:
to granting Common
for Horse races

Subsequent motion to rescind

of the Halifax Jurf Club be acquiesced in, it being fully understood that any damage or injury that may be done to the Common by said Races, will be made good and put in perfect state of Condition by said Halifax Jurf Club to the satisfaction of the Committee of Common, which resolution being put is passed & voted for it and against it, and the names being called for they stood thus

For the Resolution		Against the Resolution	
Alderman Anderson	Princoe	Alderman Scott	
" Knight	King	" Madell	
" Davay	O'Neil	" Longard	
" Satter	Epon	" Noble	
" Morrisey		"	
	9		August 6

The City Council next take up the Report of Committee of Common relative to Mary G Mills Petition (follows)

Report of Comtee
of Common rel: to
M.G. Mills Petition

Report of Committee of Common to show the Petition of M. Mary G Mills was referred on 28 July 1853

The Committee report that the subject referred to therein has had their best attention, and regret they cannot recommend the Council to grant the prayer of Petitioner

Respectfully Submitted
Halifax 30 Aug 1853
By Richd Scott
Richd August

When on Motion said report is adopted and confirmed

Memorial of
Henry Veth
Wichshaw

Read Memorial of Henry Veth and others for opening of road from old Blue Bell road to Hempst. Road. Alderman King with permission of Council withdrew said memorial

Rescinding of
Res. rel: to Common
for Race Course

Alderman August gives notice for rescinding of the resolution just passed relative to granting use of part of Common for race course

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The City Council next take up Memorial of William Young and others relative to opening of Road near North West Arm which is read

To His Worship the Honorable Alexander Keith Mayor and their Worships the Aldermen of the City of Halifax

The Humble Petition of the undersigned Proprietors and residents on the Peninsula and in the vicinity of the North West Arm &c &c

Sheweth

Memorial of
Wm Young and others
rel to Quin Pool road

That your Petitioners respectfully beg leave to suggest to the Worshipful Corporation of the City of Halifax the great advantage which the Citizens and the Public in general particularly the many travelers who arrive from the Westward would derive from the continuation of the "Quin Pool" road in a direction towards the western limits of the City.

The Quin Pool Road commences from the Centre of the Common running on a level through the improved and valuable part of the peninsula, nearly to the eastern banks of the North West Arm, but abruptly terminates by meeting with the boundary wall of land owned by Thomas Asteman Esquire. The continuation contemplated from this point would run in a North West direction approaching the Shore until it intersected the main road leading from Halifax to the Margarets Bay road. affording a comparatively straight and level drive from Brunswick Street across the Centre of the Common to the head of the North West Arm and communicating directly with the main road to the Western Shores. And having many advantages over the present main road leading from the North West Corner of the Common to the head of the river which with all the annual expediture and Statute labour is considered the roughest road in the City very filthy and very much exposed to the winds, which in Winter causes the snow to drift from off the Centre of the road making it decidedly a bad Winter road and sometimes quite impassable.

Your petitioners are convinced that if the Quin Pool road should be carried out it would form the best main Road and keep in order with less labor and cost than the former, affording to the Citizens of