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When in Motion it is Resolved that the said various documents do lie on the table

On Motion the Ordinance relative to Rules and Regulations for Conducting of Business in the City Council stands over,

The City Council next take up the Act relative to Drains and Sewers, the same is read and stands over for future Consideration

The City Council next take up the Act relative to erection of a Prison on Rock Head farm, when the same is read and stands over,

Read following Memorial of Mr George Irwin City Marshal for increase of Salary

Malpas Nov 22nd 1853

To His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Malpas Gentlemen

I beg respectfully to lay before you the following statement showing my present income, and hope you will take my case into consideration and make such arrangements for the future as you may deem most expedient, I beg also to enclose a return of writs issued in the Mayors Court for the last five years which shows a constant falling off in that time to the extent of nearly one hundred per cent

I am Gentlemen
Your obedient Servant
Signed G Irwin

1853. Summons & Capias	767		
Executions	123	3/4	74.17.6
Commissions			7.10.0
Bonds	43	2/4	4.6.0
Salary			<u>70.0.0</u>
			<u>£159.13.6</u>

Expenses			
Salary to Assistant	45.0.0		
Lopes	10.0.0		
Stationary	<u>5.0.0</u>		<u>60.0.0</u>
Net Income			<u>£99.13.6</u>

Number of writs received in the City Marshal Office for the last five years.							
1849	Mesne Procep	1121	Executions	356	—	1477	£179.4.9
1850	do	987	do	313	—	1300	113.15.0
1851	do	819	do	270	—	1089	90.18.3
1852	do	842	do	152	—	994	86.19.6
1853	do	767	do	123	—	890	77.18.6

Signed G Irwin

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Memorial of
George Irwin
City Marshal

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When following resolution is introduced

Resolved that the sum of Two Hundred pounds be allowed the City Marshal annually for his services exclusive of any fees, and that the fees be received by him as usual and agreeably to law and be paid over to the City Treasurer monthly and that the Committee of Public Accounts be authorised to include the amount of said salary in the next years account, which on being put is passed unanimously.

On Motion City Council met take up the opinion of His Honor the Recorder this day submitted relative to the Claim of Mr James Pollock against the City which is read,

The Office of Overseer of Streets is one mentioned in the first Act under which the City was incorporated 1841. 11 Victoria Chap 55 Section 110. again in amending Act 1843. 6 Vic. Cap. 28 Sec 17. In 1848. 11 Vic Cap 39 Sec 118. One or more Supervisors of Streets are to be annually appointed and the 11th Section of said Act mentions the Overseer. The Act of 1849. 12 Vic Cap 14. Sec 16. directs the annual election of one or more Supervisors of Streets and the present Charter Act passed 31 March 1851. Section 53 includes one or more Supervisors of Streets among the Officers to be annually elected by the City Council on the 15th October yearly. The Act regulating Highway Labor in the City. Revised Statutes Cap 65. Sec 6. mentions the Overseer. The precise Duties of these Officers have not been defined by these Acts but in practice they have acted up to last year under the orders of the Commissioners of Streets in calling out the Statute labor by serving notices, and in superintending and executing the road work. Their Salaries were at one time £80 a year each but were at last settled at £100 a year each. In October 15th 1852. the City Council elected Mr James Pollock as an Overseer of Streets under the laws then in force. I am of opinion he was then elected to serve for one year at the salary of £100.

The question then is whether any thing has taken place to annul or rescind the Contract then entered into between the City as the employer and Mr Pollock as the employed. First then does the Act of 1853 Cap 36 which has substituted Superintendants for Commissioners of Streets, vacate this Contract. It was as I am aware the intention of the Council in procuring the passage of that Act by the Legislature to dispense in future with the two Overseers of Streets, and thereby save the amount of their salaries when the Act should come into full operation; which saving is now effected. But the Act in question makes no mention of Overseers, and the Change it does make of placing Superintendants in room of Commissioners does not necessarily prevent the existence of the Office of Overseers who might consistently with the terms of that law, act under the Superintendant, as they did before under the Commissioners. I need not therefore enquire what would be the effect if the Office of Overseer had been expressly abolished by law.

2. Mr Pollock accepted and acted as temporary Overseer under the new Act, as this office was not incompatible with that of Overseer. I do not see that he necessarily lost the other Office thereby

Resolution rel: to
City Marshals
Salary

Opinion of
Recorder, relative
to James Pollocks
Claim

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320 After the present Superintendent was appointed, Mr Pollock no longer did any duty, and indeed was absent from the City for some time on an employment in another part of the County. I do not think these circumstances impair his legal right to the salary for the remainder of the year for which he had been duly elected, And he been called upon by the Superintendent or by the Council to perform any duties attached to this Office and refused to obey, that would be a breach of contract on his part and might amount to a forfeiture of compensation, but I do not find any facts in this case on which I could safely rely, to show that he had broken his engagement. I therefore think it probable that it would be difficult to defend the action he has commenced with reasonable hopes of success. Although he has not during the summer of 1853 performed his usual duties, yet he was apparently excluded from doing so, by the new arrangements, and if a clause had been introduced into the act to terminate his employment in April 1853 he might have remonstrated against its passing on the ground that it would throw him suddenly out of employment in breach of an existing contract.

Welford 5 January 1854. Signed Bramish Murdoch Recorder

When following resolution is introduced

Resolution re: to Recorder's Opinion re: Jas Pollock's claim

Resolved that the Opinion of His Honor the Recorder just read be adopted and that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to draw a check on the City Treasurer for the amount due Mr James Pollock by fifty pounds together with such costs as are legally taxable, which on being put is passed,

Resolution Committee to select five Wards

On Motion it is resolved that a Committee of five Aldermen from each Ward be appointed to select Gentlemen for the Office of Firewards for ensuing year and that Aldermen Adams, Scott, Rumsore, Evans, Coleman and Longard be that Committee which on being put is passed,

On Motion Council adjourn until Friday then to meet for business

Henry Fryer Mayor

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Measurers of Salt and Grain Sworn

John Martin (Supervisor) William Robt. James Cull, Ambrose Keating, Thomas McCann, James Mahony, Michael Murphy, and James Cullen Having severally taken the oath of Office prescribed by law, are this day sworn into Office as Weighers and Measurers of Salt and Grain for the City in the presence of His Worship the Mayor.

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Measurers of Coal Sworn

William J. Madden (Supervisor) Samuel King, John Connell, Alexander Grant, Mark Maddison, James Preslow, William Bully, Andrew Smith and Andrew Nesbet. Sworn into Office as Measurers of Coal in presence of His Worship the Mayor.

Measurers of Wood Sworn

George McShab (Supervisor) Malcolm Brown Joseph Findlay and William Holland. Sworn into Office as Measurers of Cord Wood in presence of His Worship the Mayor.

At an adjourned Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor Aldermen Adams, Pugsley, Scott, Fetter, Hartshorne, Gibson, O'Neil, Evans, Nugent, Woodill, Coleman, Longard and Sutherland.

Read over proceedings of 11 and 12 January

The Mayor being absent on Motion Alderman Sutherland takes the Chair

Alderman Scott submits report of Special Committee relative to Selection of Fire Wards and Fire Constables for ensuing year.

Read following Memorial of Thomas Bayers and others relative to repairs to be done on Blue Bell road.

To the Mayor and Council of the City of Halifax
The Petition of the undersigned residents in and its vicinity Humbly Sheweth, That the Highway known as Blue Bell road has been excavated at its junction with the High Road in such a manner as to be impassable much to the inconvenience of those living in the neighbourhood and your Petitioners pray that the Supervisor of Streets may be directed to inspect the same and make such repairs as he may deem necessary to render it passable before the ensuing Winter, and as is duty bound Your Petitioners will

Memorial of Tho. Bayers & others relative to Blue Bell Road

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Resolved 21 Dec 1854 Signed Thomas Bayers and 29 Others

When following Resolution is introduced

Resolution rel. to
Petition Thos. Bayers
Blue Bell Road

Resolved that the Petition of Thomas Bayers and others be referred to the Superintendent of Streets to report upon immediately

His Worship the Mayor takes the Chair

The following Amendment is introduced

Resolved that the Petition of Thomas Bayers and others be referred to a Committee of this Council, and that said Committee visit the road in question and report upon the same to this Council, which amendment being put is lost 5 voting for it and 9 against it and the names being called for they stood thus.

For the Amendment
Alderman Dapley
" Evens
" Hartshorne
" Longard
" Woodill 5

Against the Amendment
Alderman Colman, Crut
Gibson, Scott
Attans, August
Drimrose, Galtor
Lutherlane 9

The following Amendment is next introduced

Resolved that the Petition of Thomas Bayers be referred to the Superintendent of Streets to report upon immediately. And that the Superintendent do also report whether the stoppage complained of by the Petitioners was caused in whole or part by him, and if not caused by him, when and by whom the same was caused so far as he can ascertain which amendment being put is lost 6 voting for it and 7 against it.

The Original is then put and Carried 8 voting for it and 5 against it, the Original is therefore Carried.

His Honor the Recorder submits to the Council a communication from Messrs. McCully, Attorneys of Messrs. James Robert Clavin, in interest, as his demand.

On Motion the report of Special Committee for visiting the Wards and the Constables is next taken up and read, and on taking the same into consideration

W. Ritchie Ward No One
Hartshorne Ward No Two
Thompson.

On Motion John A Croftill is nominated in place of Donald Murray is nominated in place of Hugh William Langley is nominated in place of James

Report of Special
Committee rel. to
Fire Wards

The

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The following Resolution is next introduced.

Resolution rel. to
appointment of
Fire Wards

Whereas it appears by the 111th Section of the Act of Incorporation, that the City Council have by law the power to appoint from time to time annually, or otherwise as many Fire Wards as they may deem necessary and such Fire Wards being under the Control of Said Council. Resolved that it is in the opinion of this Council incompatible for any member of its body to hold the Office of Fire Ward, without resigning his seat as Alderman of the City.

On Motion Council adjourns until tomorrow at Two O'Clock then to adjourn until Monday to meet for business

Henry Fryer
Mayor

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At an adjourned Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor Aldermen Tubertane and Primrose

at Two O'Clock

On Motion Council adjourns until Monday

Henry Fryer
Mayor

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At an adjourned Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor Aldermen, Peter Adams, Dwyer, Scott, Martineau, Gibson, Memsey, Crail, Evans, Nugent, Woodill, Colerain, Longard, Crail, Tubertane.

Alderman Scott lay on the table a list of articles not handed over to Superintendent of Streets by Mr James Sedlock late Overseer of Streets for Wards 4, 5 and 6.

Read following resolution as entered of 13th Instant and standing over for to day.

Whereas it appears by the 111th Section of the Act of Incorporation the City Council have by law the power to appoint from time to time annually or otherwise as many Fire Wards as they may deem necessary, and such Fire Wards being under the Control of said Council. Resolved that it is the opinion of this Council incompatible for any member of its body to hold the Office

Resolution rel. to
appointment of
Fire Wards

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Office of the Ward without resigning his seat as alderman of the City which Resolution being put is lost 1 Voting for it and 13 against it, and the names being called for a motion is made that the names be taken which an amendment is moved that in future the names be not taken unless agreed to by a majority of the Council, which amendment being put is lost 5 Voting for it and 10 against it, the names are then taken on the Amendment when there appeared

For the Amendment
Alderman Withers
Lougans
Ornel
Primrose
Gibson 5

Against the Amendment
Alderman Clewley, Woodill
Pugsley, Power
Hartshorne, Evans
Morrison, Scott
Adams, August 10

The names are then taken on the Resolution

when there appeared
For the Resolution
Alderman Evans 1

Against the Resolution
Alderman Pugsley, Woodill
Hartshorne, Power
Gibson, Ornel
Morrison, Lougans
Adams, Withers
Primrose, Scott 12

A Motion is then made that the following Gentlemen be elected Fire Ward and Constables for ensuing Year which motion on being put is carried 14 Voting for and one against it and the names being called for they stood thus

For the appointment
Alderman Clewley, Woodill
Pugsley, Ornel
Hartshorne, Power
Gibson, Lougans
Morrison, Withers
Adams, Scott
Primrose, August 14

Against it
Alderman Evans 1

List of Fire Ward and Fire Constables.

Ward No 1
Thomas Holloway
James B. Coley
J. J. Swinney
J. H. Croftill

Ward No 3
George McKeown
William Kelly
William Langley
John Hill

Ward No 2
Archibald Scott
John Dove
Donald Murray

Ward No 4
John Richardson
Thomas McKim
H. S. McNeil

Ward

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Ward No 5
 G. A. S. Houghton
 Richard August
 W. J. Coleman

Ward No 6
 John Longard
 W. C. Marvin
 W. L. Black

Five Constables

Ward No 1
 John J. Mylde
 John Wallace
 William Hill
 John A. Sinclair

Ward No 4
 James Norwood
 John Murphy
 Joseph Northrup
 Will. C. Moir

Ward No 2
 W. Kennedy
 Samuel Noble
 James Scott
 A. B. Richardson

Ward No 5
 John Starr
 W. D. Cusack
 Joseph Wooding
 Thomas W. McKie

Ward No 3
 M. I. Brown
 H. A. Taylor
 J. E. Cabot
 John Campbell

Ward No 6
 Joseph Kaye
 Edward Pilling Jr.
 Peter Artz
 W. J. Williams

Memorial of John McGuire and also accompanying affidavit
 The City Council next take up following

To His Worship Henry Poyer Esquire Mayor of
 the City of Halifax &c &c
 Humbly Sheweth
 The Petition of John McGuire of Halifax most

That Your Petitioner begs leave to approach Your
 Honorable and Worshipful Council in explaining to you the manner in which he
 came to such serious loss in the Contract in cutting down and Completing Barrack
 Street, that in accordance with advertisement the width of said Street was stated
 to be 45 feet and the depth to be completed according to sections Plans and
 Specification, that Petitioner tendered agreeably to advertisement but as appears
 there was a mistake on the part of the Surveyors that the Street should be cut
 down 48 feet in width your Petitioner was informed by one of the Committee that
 his tender was the only one agreeable to advertisement but that there was a
 mistake in the survey, and that the Street had to be made 48 feet wide, His
 Gentleness. Your Petitioner had confidence with the same gentlemen of the Com-
 mittee referred to, and came to a Conclusion to admit the difference of 3 feet
 in width of the said Street, in full length of the said Hill, at the same time
 stating into Consideration the three Cross Streets on the footing, allowing for the extra
 work it was agreed to perform the whole for \$4000 that there was an understanding
 with the Chairman of the Commissioners of the Common that whoever would
 get the Contract, that the Messrs. Enos Collins would get liberty to deposit the earth
 on the Common opposite Mr. Haas in aid of the said Contractor, that in the morning
 of the said Contract the given Your Petitioner proceeded to Mr. Collins stating his
 intention to tender for the Contract, if that Gentleman would assist him with his
 Horses

Memorial of
 John McGuire
 Compensation for loss
 Cutting Barrack St

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Horses and Carts in hauling the earth, that Gustman said he would assist me in any way that he could. Your Petitioner then proceeded to Mr McDonalds of the House of Correction asked of him, what in case of getting the contract of said Street would he purchase the Stones he said he would and give 9 per Ton, and that he would try to get 4 of the load, and May and Worshipful Gutterman but for these promises and upon these grounds Your Petitioner had no hand or part in making the said bargain, that after the Contract having been signed the Hon. Ems Collins sent his four Horses and Carts to haul the earth but were returned home and not allowed the earth to be deposited on the Common. Petitioner thereupon became quite at loss what to do, but then afterwards to Col Savage R.E. asked of him would he want the earth he said he would, and that he would assist me in any way he could and grant me as near a place as he could possibly to land the earth, on the same day the Committee of the Common sent for Your Petitioner when about to give the earth to Col Savage, Your Petitioner took another thought that it would be a pity and unfair to deprive the Corporation of the earth while the Commissioners required it for the improvement of the Common. Your Petitioner thereupon agreed to give them the earth for a Hundred pounds G. that every act proved ruinous to Your Petitioner for had he kept the earth with the assistance he could have obtained from other people that wanted it along with the Stones, Your Petitioner in place of losing so much might have come out with profit and credit to himself in place of meeting with such great loss. Your Petitioner began to state to Your Hon and Worshipful Gutterman that he kept a check of all the loads that went from Barrack Street as well as possible and as appears there were four exceeding 80,000 loads and according to general opinion of others with some that there was one fourth of 80,000 loads, Surface Stone say 20,000 allowing 10 Cwt to a load at 9 per load would realize £375 with that and the assistance I should have had from Col Savage in sending men to level the earth, together with the assistance I should have otherwise received from other persons in hauling the earth it would at least have brought Your Petitioner free from loss, the men, Horses and employed 130 days on the Street, of this period 132 days Your Petitioner paid two men each 3/- a day for levelling the earth which amounted to £45.12/- that Your Petitioner had also to employ another extra man 28 days at 2/- per day amounting to £3.10/- these sums would have been saved had Your Petitioner not been overseer in the Contract, Your Petitioner thought it hard to be obligated to level the earth which he never agreed for but pressed so to do and the same was done, Your Petitioner had his limits to deposit the earth on the Common between the Old Bridge and Pykes Bridge Your Petitioner sent 2210 loads of earth round the Horticultural Gardens, the Overseer telling Your Petitioner to keep a check saying he would make the Ward pay for it, Your Petitioner gave a return of the same that there were also 10,114 loads deposited on the Common beyond the Old Bridge far beyond the limits of the Contract, another thing came hard upon Your Petitioner, by order of the Overseer that after collecting a large heap of Stones on the Street which he said he would require when the Street was finished, but afterwards said that he could not pass the Street for me unless the Stones were removed to the Common, in this case it also became very hard there being 400 loads, Your Petitioner had to employ 4 Horses and Carts and two men for nearly two months in gathering and removing the said Stones, and the Waterloo Tavern made good at his own expense for the benefit of the Street which cost much trouble to do so with all its costs, Your Petitioner seeing that

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He was going much behind from the undertaking became much in despair yet however consulting a few friends explaining how situated, but whose advise was to continue and complete the work, under an assurance and in hopes that His Worship the Mayor and Hon. Gentlemen of the City Council would see Your Petitioner righted. Your Petitioner continued and completed the said work by incessant labours and toils, with all his hired men with cattle and implements necessary to prosecute the said work, together with his own continued labour with all possible economy, the work was finished with great loss to Your Petitioner as stated in a former petition it has been intimated that Your Petitioner in the transaction was only a copartner and that he was paid for his labour. Your Petitioner most solemnly declares that to be an untruth, but that himself was the sole contractor, he further declares that he sacrificed every shilling that he had industriously earned for the last twenty years, upon Barrack Street Contract, and besides left much in debt, which your Petitioner can declare on oath if required, that he has thus become a very poor man both advanced in years, with a family and has no remedy but by application and relief from Your Hon. and Worshipful Body. Your Petitioner therefore most humbly solicits that you will be pleased to take his case into your favorable consideration, under all the circumstances and he humbly hopes and trusts thereby, as a poor individual amongst many, that you will at least grant him some portion of his loss, should it be paid by instalments from one to five years to come whatsoever Your Hon. Body may think fit to grant and do for him in this case will be most duly appreciated by Your Petitioner and as in duty bound for the same will ever pray

Malifax
Dec 20th A.D. 1853

Signed John Maguire

Came before me one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the City or County of Malifax in Her Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia the person of John McGuire of the City of Malifax Grocer who being duly sworn deposed and said that the Contract of Cutting down and Completing Barrack Street of the City of Malifax agreeable to Specification, that he himself was the sole Contractor and him alone, but that C.D. Hunter Esq. and M. James Esq. were the Sureties for the due performance of the said Contract
Sworn to at Malifax this
20th December A.D. 1853 before me
By Andrew Macphailday J.P.

Signed John Maguire

When following resolution is introduced

Resolved that a Committee of Six be appointed to take into consideration the matter connected with Petition of John McGuire and report thereon at its earliest convenience, with power to send for persons and Papers, which on being put is passed,
The following Gentlemen were appointed the Committee. Aldermen Popley, Galter, Morrissey, Orvil, Woodill and Sutherland

Read

Resolution rel: to
John McGuire's
Petition

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Read following report of Special Committee
relative to G.A. Blanchard Esq. Claim

Report of Committee
rel. to G.A. Blanchards
Claim

The Committee to whom the account for Cost and Charges in the Suit City of Halifax v John Willis due to the attorneys engaged therein, was referred having enquired into the matter recommend the account be paid. Some items in the Bill of Costs. "Counsel Fees" "Brief on argument" "Brief and Copy in trial" "Minutes of trial for Court on argument" for instance seem to be of questionable shape and rather extravagant - all the circumstances considered at Five pounds each, particularly as one of the parties interested was at the time holding a somewhat remunerative office in connection with the Corporation Body, but Your Committee ascertained in looking into the Act of Incorporation then in force that it did not recognize a principle included in the amended act now before us, in Section 46 viz. to take the Charge and Management of all legal business connected with the affairs of the City and to act as Counsel and attorney for the City in any suits in the Provincial Courts to which the Corporation is a party. Your Committee also informed themselves that the Bill of Costs so rendered having been duly allowed by the Chief Justice and approved as accurate by the Prothonotary was included subsequently in the demand for which Mr John Willis' security was taken under the authority of a preceding Council Your Committee consequently restrained their hand and sought the opinion of the present Recorder "Whether having taken Willis' Bond for the payment of Debt and Costs in the Suit City of Halifax v John Willis the City had not made itself liable for the payment of the Bill rendered without reserving any privilege to alter or amend the same by reduction or otherwise," To which question His Honor the Recorder answered affirmatively.

Your Committee have the alternative only of recommending that the account be received and paid
Signed Richard Nugent Chairman
P.W. Foster

When on Motion said report stands over for the present

Read Report of Special Committee relative to Night Costs (Lib. E. folio 11) when on Motion His Worship the Mayor is authorized to draw a Check in favor of William Ferris amount \$12.0.0.

Read following return of Robert Graham
Amount of Lumber Surveyed for the Current year

Timber	45,000 feet	\$22.10.0
Spence	25,000	1.5.0
Hardwood Boards & Plank	20500	1.0.0
Timber	2,500	0.8.4
Scantling	10,000	1.5.0
	<u>507,500</u>	<u>26.8.4</u>

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Signed Robert Graham

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Return of
Surveyor of Lumber
Robt Graham
and appointment

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On Motion Robert Graham is selected Measurer and Surveyor of Lumber

Read following return of William Henderson

Mr Henderson's return of Timber and Lumber Surveyed and Measured from January 1853 to January 1857.

Return of Surveyors of Lumber
Wm: Henderson
and appointment

Pine	140,065	feet	£ 15. 10. 3
Spruce	54,216		
Hemlock	82,043		
Hardwood	10,236		
	<u>316,560</u>		
Timber	18,535		2. 6. 3/4
			<u>£ 18. 2. 9 1/2</u>
Signed Wm Henderson			

On Motion William Henderson is appointed Measurer and Surveyor of Lumber

Read following return of James Dechman

Memorandum of the quantity of Lumber Surveyed and Measured by me for the year 1853. viz

Return of James Dechman
and appointment

Pine Lumber	58,213
Spruce Lumber	16,687
Hemlock do	25,741
Hardwood do	<u>750</u>
	100,791 ft. Feet 5. 0. 9
Signed James Dechman	

On Motion James Dechman is selected Measurer and Surveyor of Lumber

Read following of Henry Spike

For the information of Your Honorable Council I humbly submit a return of the quantity and quality of Lumber received by me from 1 December 1852 to 1 December 1853. And the amount received therefrom, and solicit appointment in office for the ensuing year,

Return of Henry Spike
and appointment

Merchantable Pine Deals	21,260	feet
Refuse do do	7,390	
Merchantable Spruce do	26,160	
Refuse do do	29,336	
Merchantable Birch do	160	
Refuse do do	397	
Clear Pine Boards	321	

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Merchantable Pine Boards	187,532
No 2 do do	100,110 6
Refuse do do	16,434 0
Merchantable Spruce do	111,326
No 2 do do	15,200
Refuse do do	16,216
Merchantable Hemlock do	190,311 7
No 2 do do	50,166
Refuse do do	36,165
Merchantable Birch do	20,356
Refuse do do	8,396
Merchantable Oak Boards	6,210
Refuse do do	206
Clear Pine Weather Boards	1260
Merchantable do do	3,667
Refuse do do	606
Merchantable p. Birch do	16,162
Refuse do do	9,167
Refuse Mab. Boards	36,121
Shalogany	3,111
<u>Total No of Feet</u>	<u>1069,895</u>
Now Timber	
Merchantable Oak	3,26
do Pine	6,30
Refuse do	2,14
Merchantable Spruce	117,38
Refuse do	1,314
Merchantable Hemlock	12,26
Refuse do	2,16
<u>Total Now</u>	<u>174,114 feet</u>

Merchantable Dimension Timber 8x8 36011
 Refuse do do 197
 Merchantable Lumber do 6x6 10200
 Refuse do do 110
 Merchantable Lumber do 4x4 4300
 Refuse do 216
 Amount received for Lumbering \$83,216
 Signed Henry Spite

and Surveyor of Lumber On Motion Henry Spite is selected Measurer

and following return of James Norwood

To His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen of the

City of Halifax

Return of Leather sealed by me during the Year 1853
 1336 Sides at 1/2 per Side \$8,740
 Signed James Norwood.

Return of Dealer
of Leather
James Norwood
and appointment

of Sole Leather.

On Motion James Norwood is selected Inspector

and following report of the Committee of Traders

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Extract from Minutes of Committee of Auditors 25 Dec 1851
After due consideration the Committee
decided to accept the following tenders they being the lowest viz.

Report of Committee
of Auditors rel. to
Contracts for Year

To Advertising A. Grant
J. H. Croftell
English and Blackractor Advertising only
Sandhills & Hawks J. Munroe

Stationary William Grant Jr.
Bridwell Supplies Groceries, Mr. Russell's
Shaw Calc Putnam
Extra feet Mr. Harrison
Shaw Copy
George A. Munroe, Chairman

When on Motion said report is confirmed and
the parties requested to enter into the usual Bonds

On Motion the Subject of His Honor the Recorder's
Notice relative to the Cause of The Queen v William Woodrup stands over.

Submitted following report of Superintendent
of Streets relative to Tenders for ensuing year,
Office of Superintendent of Streets
Madison 28 Dec 1851.

To His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen &
Gentlemen. They have to submit the
following tenders for the Street Service for 1851.

Report of Supt of
Streets relative to
Contracts for Streets

Blacksmiths Work, William Caldwell & Son
Smithers and Taylor
Wheelwrights Work, William Stevens
William Murray
Summering and Lumber, No Tenders

Wm Caldwell's Tender is the lowest for Blacksmiths
Work and the prices precisely the same as last year, with the exception of three Hammer
& parts for, and setting and repairing Wedges for each.

Mr Murray's price for wheelbarrows is 8 for each
less than Mr Stevens but all the other prices are higher, and as there will not be
any new wheelbarrows required. I consider Mr Stevens's tender the most advantageous
to the City.

Respectfully Submitted
George James Jones
Superintendent of Streets.

When on Motion it is Resolved that the said
Report as also other Tenders relative to Street Service be referred to the Committee
of