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Selection of
Measurers of Coal

Moved by Alderman Jennings seconded
by Alderman King the old Measurers be selected
which Motion on being put is passed unanimously
and the following persons appointed to the office of
Measurers of Coal for ensuing year.

William S. Madden, John M. Connell, William Ditty,
G. J. Smith, Samuel King, Alexander Grant,
Andrew Siskel, James Brewster, Mark Bradtson,

On Motion W. S. Madden is selected
Supervisor of Coal Measurers for ensuing year.

Measurers of Wood

Return of Super-
visor of Measurers
of Wood

Council next proceed to elect
Read various applications
Read return of Supervisor of Wood Measurers
showing a return of 7651 Cords of Wood landed and
Measured for ~~xxxxxx~~ year 1856

Chengar M. Sab having received
15 votes is selected.

Thomas James having received
15 votes is selected.

Selection of
Measurers of Wood

Read applications of Colin Wilson
Joseph King and James Grant when the names
being taken then appeared for Colin Wilson 12
James Grant 2 Joseph King 2 Colin Wilson having
received a clear majority of votes is elected a
Measurer of Wood.

On Motion Chengar M. Sab is
selected Supervisor of Measurers of Wood for ensuing
year

Council next proceed to elect Sealers
of Leather

Return of Sealers
of Leather

Read James Newwood's application.
Return of Leather Stamped during the year
3700 Sides

Signed James Newwood.

On Motion James Newwood is
selected a Sealer of Leather.

Inspectors of
Mason Work

On Motion James Reid and Augustus
Bright are selected Inspectors and Measurers of Mason
Work

On Motion Henry Merrick and
George Smith are selected Measurers of Painters Work.

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On Motion Thomas O'Beamish
and Newcomb are relected Weighers and Inspectors of Fresh and Salt Beef and of Salt Pork.

On Motion Thomas Keating and Michael O'ran are relected Weighers of Meat.

The following persons are appointed Fence Viewers for the City, Daniel M. Pherson James Graham, and Thomas Wagers.

Report City Property on Memorial of W. P. Woodrill relative to rent of Rock Head Farm.

Alderman Mackay submits report of City Property on Memorial of W. P. Woodrill relative to rent of Rock Head Farm.

It is next moved and seconded that Alderman Mackay have leave to introduce a resolution relative to Building Stone Wharf Walls at North Fish Market, (so called) the work to be executed in accordance with Plan and Specification which will be prepared. Moved by Alderman Mackay seconded by Alderman Conway, which on being put is passed.

Report of Com. of Dredges.

On Motion the report of Committee of Tenders of 18 and 20 December are next taken up.

Read report of said Committee of 18 December when on Motion of Alderman Jennings seconded by Alderman Morrissey that said report be adopted the same is passed.

Tender for Supplies to Bridewell

His Worship the Mayor submits a Tender for the supplies to Bridewell this day handed in and it being the only Tender it is moved by Alderman King seconded by Alderman Morrissey that said report be opened. Motion being put there appeared for the same 12 against it 3. Motion is therefore carried and the names are taken and appeared thus.

For Motion	Against it
Alderman Caldwell - Pops	Alderman Conway
Lounds - Stairs	Longard
Wills - King	King
Keenan - Barry	
Donohue - Jennings	
Morrissey - Mackay	

On opening said Tender the same is signed by W. P. Kennels when it is moved by Alderman Stairs seconded by Ald. Caldwell that said Tender be accepted, passed.

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Council next take up Report of the
Committee of Tenders of 20 December 1856 the same is
read as follows

Committee Room 20 December 1856

Report Committee
of Tenders.

The Committee of Tenders met this day present
Alderman Conway, Lobegard, King, Donahue
and the Chairman

The Committee opened Tenders
from William Grant and W^m Gossip respectively
for Stationery. The Tender of W^m Grant being the
lowest the Committee would recommend the Council
to accept the same

The Committee next proceed to
open Tenders for Printing, Blanks and Handbills,
and find the Tender of Mess^{rs} J. W. Compton to furnish
Blanks at the rate of Two shillings per quire of
Mess^{rs} English & Blackadar for printing Handbills
two shillings per set and Blanks two shillings per
quire The Tender of M^r William Gossip for Handbills
3/ per Set of Thirty, Blanks two shillings and five pence
per quire

The Tender of James Bowes Don for Blanks
two shillings per quire for Handbills one shilling and
nine pence per Set of 30

The Tender of M^r W. A. Penney being the
Committee would recommend the Council to accept the same

The Committee had then to consider
the Tenders for advertising in a weekly newspaper
Mess^{rs} J. W. Compton agree to advertise
for the City of Halifax at the rate of two shillings and
four pence per square

Mess^{rs} English & Blackadar will
undertake the publication of the City Councils advertisements
in the Acadian Recorder for the ensuing year at the rate
of two shillings and three pence per square, as the circulation
and character of these Papers the Catholic and Recorder
has a bearing upon the adoption of these Tenders.

The Committee do not feel called upon to make a
choice, but refer this question entirely to the City Council.

The Committee next take up a Tender
or an offer from three of the Morning papers which reads
as follows,

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The City advertising for the last year at the Contract rates being an actual loss to the publishers, we the undersigned have agreed to tender at a rate one fifth below our regular charges viz four shillings per square the first insertion and one fourth or a 1/4 per square for each insertion continued, leaving a majority of the Council to select whichever two of our papers they may prefer promising that their decision will be perfectly satisfactory to us all.

Report Committee
Tenders relative
Printing and
Advertising

Signed Thomas Clarendon
Morning Chronicle
A. Grant
British Colonist
Wm. S. Penny
Morning Journal

This completes the business before the Committee

Wm. S. Stairs
Chairman.

On reading that portion of the Report relative to a Weekly Publication a Motion is made that the Tender of English and Blackadar be adopted which on being put is passed

On reading the report relative to the Tri Weekly Newspapers for City Advertisements

A Motion is made that the Colonist be one of the Tri Weekly Newspapers for City advertisements which motion on being put is carried

A Motion is made that the Morning Chronicle be one of the Tri Weekly Newspapers for City advertisements

Moved in amendment that the Morning Journal be the Paper which amendment being put is carried 9 voting for and 6 against it.

Colonist and Journal be the Tri Weekly Newspapers for City Advertisements

Moved and seconded that W. S. Pennys Tender for Hand bills and Blanks be accepted which on being put is carried

Moved

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Moved and seconded that William Grant's Tender for Stationary be accepted, which on being put is carried

Report of Committee of Public Accounts

Council next take up Report of Committee of Public Accounts of 18 November. The same is read and on Motion passed & His Worship the Mayor requested to draw Checks for following amounts

William Gossip Junior Nov 1 st	£4.10.0	
ditto " " 8 th	4.10.0	
" " " 15 th	4.12.11	
		£ 13. 12. 11
William Bennett	45. 2. 9	
		£ 58. 15. 0

Council next take up Report of Committee of Public Accounts of 20 December 1856 the same is read and on Motion passed and His Worship the Mayor requested to draw Checks for following amounts

Report of Committee of Public Works

William Gossip Sr Nov 22	£ 5. 0. 0	
" " " 29	5. 0. 0	
" " " Oct 6	5. 0. 0	
" " " 13	5. 0. 0	
" " " 20	5. 0. 0	£ 15. 0. 0
Bridewell		
Wm. McDonald for May	£ 7. 2. 2	
" " " Oct	4. 16. 11 1/2	
Wm. Anderson Wm	1. 5. 6	
Water Company	4. 6. 5	
Charles Barnstead	2. 7. 1	
Cochran & Co	5. 2. 7	
Thomas Adams	2. 8. 5	27. 9. 4 1/2
City		
Duffus Tupper Wm	£ 1. 11. 2	
S. G. Metzler	8. 19. 9	
Wm. Warren (3 accounts)	9. 4. 0	
P. Austin	2. 1. 5	
Henry Brown	20. 0. 0	
Salifad Water Co	1. 10. 0	45. 6. 2
		£ 85. 15. 6 1/2

Motion of adjournment is made which on being put is lost 31 voting for it and 12 against it. The following resolution is next introduced.

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Ald. - rd. - removed
New Posts at
Grand Parade.

Resolved that the Superintendent of Streets be directed to remove the fence posts lately erected on the City Parade grounds without any further delay in consequence of no answer being given to this Council to the Communication sent to the Governor of Dalhousie College relative to said fence Moved by Alderman Caldwell seconded by Alderman Mackay which resolution on being put is passed 12 voting for it and 3 against and the names being called for they appeared thus

For Resolution	Against it
Ald. Caldwell - Longard	Ald. King
Lounds - Mackay	Sennings
Wills - Cochran	Ross
Donohue - Barry	
Conway - Risk	
Morrissey - Stairs	

Alderman Stairs submits a Report of Committee of City Prison of 20 December

Moved by Alderman Morrissey seconded by Ald. Conway that His Honor the Recorder prepare a By Law relative to Gates opening on the Streets.

His Worship the Mayor submits Report from Commissioners of Poor of 1st December 1856

Moved by Alderman Conway seconded by Alderman Cochran that the report of the Committee on appeals relative to assessments be now taken up, amendment that same be postponed amendment lost.

Report taken up and read.

Copied

Committee Room December 18 1856

Report of Comm-
ittee on Appeals
rel. to Assessment

At a Meeting of the Committee to whom were referred the Petitions relative to assessments all being present. The following petitions were duly considered

N^o 1 The Petition of David Kirby for relief of Road Tax, he being a non resident the Committee would recommend that the Council do grant the Prayer of his Petition

N^o 2 The Petition of Edward Le Guise for want of evidence the Committee have to postpone the consideration of this petition

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N^o 3 The Petition of John Murphy for abatement of Road Tax he being a Minor should pay 5^{/-} Road Tax is therefore entitled to an abatement to the extent of 17^{/-}6

N^o 4 The Petition of Andrew Shields Jun^r pleading inability to pay his assessed Taxes. The Committee cannot while he pay £35 a year rental and keeps boarders, recommend his petition.

N^o 5

The Petition of Anthony O'Donnell. The Committee cannot abrogate the Law in his favour it is the case of an aged man taxed 22^{/-} for Road Service

N^o 6

The Petition of Charles Sullivan for abatement of his assessed Taxes. The Committee would recommend an abatement of 9^{/-} See Folio 15 of the Assessment Book.

Report of Committee
on Appeals from
Assessment

N^o 7 The Petition of William H. Sully. The Committee would report Petitioner entitled to a reduction of Taxation to the extent of £1⁻2⁻0 See Folio 20 Assessment Book and also £0⁻14⁻8 See folio 16 Assessment Book.

N^o 8

The Petition of Nicholas Bass to be relieved of Tax upon his Dwelling. The Petitioner by his own statement over looked the order of time in making his appeal. The Committee cannot interfere in this case if the time allowed for appeals is to be disregarded. The whole year would be too short to adjust the Assessment Books.

N^o 9 The Petition of Joseph Gates for reduction of his Road Tax. The Committee consider this a case which to relieve would be to set aside the Law.

N^o 10 The Petition of John P. Muir. This Petitioner is entitled to exemption of Taxation amount £1⁻16⁻8 for the premises he occupies, as the Water Company in whose employment he is, have paid City Tax on the estimate of their property occupied by the Petitioner.

N^o 11 The Petition of William M. Harrington. This petition the Committee cannot at present adjudicate for want of appeal notice. It will have the further consideration of the Committee.

N^o 12 The Petition of Mathew Mooney. This Petition will have a further consideration of the Committee.

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N^o 13 The Petition of John Kennedy an aged man for exemption from Road Tax. The Committee cannot recommend the relief asked for.

N^o 14 The Petition of James Romans. The Committee are satisfied with his statement

N^o 15 The Petition of John Power for reduction of Road Tax. The Committee cannot recommend the prayer of his petition

N^o 16 The Petition of Robert Casias to be exempt from Road Tax on the score of important public Services. The Committee cannot recommend that such services should confer an immunity from the burdens incidental to the maintenance of the Roads

N^o 17 The Petition of Thomas Murray. This is the case of an infirm man being served with road Tax. The Petitioner does not state the amount of his rate if he is rated at 5/- and is infirm or over 60 years of age. The law exempts him, if his Tax is greater than 5/- it is based upon a property qualification and the Committee cannot in this case recommend his exemption from Taxation.

N^o 18 The Petition of George Warren. Petitioner shows he is a weekly tenant is therefore not liable to be assessed, and should be relieved.

N^o 19 The Petition of Christopher Dart. Petitioner is a monthly tenant and is not liable to taxation, and should be relieved.

N^o 20 The Petition of Daniel Lang. Petitioner has shown the Committee that he is a weekly tenant and that his assessed Tax was paid by W. G. Black Esq^r. His road Tax should therefore be amended agreeable to Law

Signed William Mackay
Chairman

Moved by Alderman Conway
seconded by Morrissey that said report be adopted
passed

Council rise
W. G. Black Esq^r

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January 3

James Latis sworn into Office as one of the Board
of Health in presence of His Worship the Mayor.

1857
January 7th

At a Special Meeting of City Council held this day present His Worship the Mayor Alderman Stairs Townsends, Caldwell, Bell, Cochran, Morison, Rips, Wills, King, Mackay, Conway, Barry, King, Longard and Jennings.

The City Council were summoned to prepare a Bill to be submitted to the Legislature relative to (let concerning) Piers and Fire Wards - other matters connected therewith and to appoint Fire Wards and Fire Constables for ensuing year and the transaction of other Business

Read over proceedings of 22 December 1856

Memo of P. Lynch
rel. to Gas Post

Alderman Stairs submits Memorial of Peter Lynch and others for a Gas Post "received"

Memo of D. O'Brien
rel. to a Sewer

Alderman Wills submits Memorial of Daniel O'Brien relative to a Sewer

Report of Committee of City Property, all to renting Rocks Head Farm

On Motion the Report of Committee of City Property on Memorial of W. J. Woodill submitted 22 December last is not taken up. The same is read

Committee Report December 19 1856

The Committee of City Property met this day Present The Chairman Alderman Townsends, Longard and Cochran.

Read a Memorial sent in by W. J. Woodill relative to his occupation of Rocks Head farm and the Committee are unanimous in the opinion that he is entitled to a remission of one quarter rent that is two pounds ten shillings and they report accordingly to the Council.

The Committee are also of opinion that the City should resume possession of the property on the first day of May 1857 and that W. J. Woodill receive notice to this effect.

All which is respectfully submitted

W. Mackay
Chairman

Moved and seconded that said report be adopted which Motion being put is passed.

His Worship

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January 24th
continued

Resolution rel.
to a Committee to
prepare a Bill for
better regulation
at Trials

His Worship the Mayor next calls the attention of the Council that in consequence of the late Conf. Sagration the importance and necessity of an Act to be submitted to the Legislature as to the erection of Wooden Buildings when the following resolutions are introduced

Resolved that a Committee be named to prepare a Bill with the assistance of His Honor the Recorder that shall have for its purpose the limitation of the height of Wooden Buildings within the City of Halifax. Moved by Alderman Stairs seconded by Alderman Jennings, passed.

It is moved by Alderman Jennings seconded by Alderman Cochran that said matter be referred to the Committee on Amendments which motion on being put is carried & voting for it and against it

The following resolutions are next introduced

Resolved for the avoidance of such Committee that the extreme height to be allowed for the Post of any Wooden Building shall be 20 feet the extreme height of the Ridge Pole shall be 15 feet. Moved by Alderman Stairs seconded by Alderman Jennings, passed.

Resolved that Wooden Houses shall not have a foundation Wall above the level of the Street greater than 3 feet unless the gable height of the Post of Ridge be deducted therefrom. Moved by Alderman Stairs seconded by Alderman Jennings passed.

Every Wooden Building the height of Post of which is 12 feet or greater shall have a portion of Roof flat or crowned and shall have a Gutter the flat portion of the Roofs shall be covered with non-combustible materials. Moved by Alderman Stairs seconded by Alderman Jennings which resolution being put is lost & voting for it and against it.

The resolution having by consent altered so to make the height of the Post 14 feet, the same is put and passed & voting for it and against it.

Every Wooden Building exceeding 12 feet of Post and 14 feet of Height of Ridge Pole shall be built with one Brick gable, thickness not less than 12 Inches. Moved by Alderman Stairs seconded by Alderman Gwynne. Lost & voting for it and against it.

Resolution rel. to
height of Wooden
Buildings

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January 1st against it and the names being called for they continued appeared thus

For Resolution	Against resolution
Aldermen Caldwell, Mackay	Ald. Longard, Conway
Lownds - Jennings	Barny - King
Stairs - Bell	Wills - King
Horsey - -	Cochran - King

On Motion Alderman Ross has leave to introduce a resolution relative to better regulation at Fires.

Resolved that a Committee consisting of one member from each Ward be appointed for the purpose of preparing a Bill for the better regulation at Fires. Moved by Alderman Ross seconded by Alderman King passed. Committee Alderman Stairs, Caldwell, Bell, Ross, Barny, & Longard.

Resol. rel. to a Committee to prepare a Bill for the better regulation at Fires

Letter Chairman Fire Wards, re to importing New Horses.

Read Letter from Chairman of Fire Wards of 7 January 1857 relative to the necessity of importing additional Fire Horses, when following resolution is introduced

Resolved that the Chairman of Fire Wards be requested to inspect the number and import the number of fat of Horses required for the Fire Department and that this Council will provide the necessary amount. Moved by Alderman Jennings seconded by Alderman Caldwell, passed.

Resol. rel. to importing New Horses for Fire Department

His Worship the Mayor brings to the notice of the Council the valuable assistance rendered him by Col. Ingall of 62 Regt. Field Officer of the day at the late Fire and the services of the Garrison, when following resolution is introduced.

Resolved that the sum of one hundred pounds be granted to the non commissioned Officers and men of the Garrison as a gratuity for the services at the late Fire on New Year's day, and the further sum of fifteen pounds to the Men of the Naval Guard department for similar services. Moved by Alderman Caldwell seconded by Alderman King which on being put is passed 12 voting for it and 2 against it and the names being called for they appeared thus

Resol. rel. to 100 pounds to the Military & twenty five pounds to Naval Department

For resolution

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Her Resolution

Against it

Alderman	Rep. Morrison	Alderman	Conway
Caldwell	Bury		Hackley
Hills	King		
Lounds	King		
Cochran	Jennings		
Stairs	Bell		

Alderman Conway gives notice of reconsideration

Appointment of Fire Wards

Council next proceed to the appointment of Fire Wards for ensuing year when the following Gentlemen are appointed to that Office

Ward N ^o 1	Ward N ^o 2	Ward N ^o 3
Thomas Holloway	Robert Richardson	Mathew Lounds
John Coult	Benjamin Satter	James Thompson
Donald Murray	Archibald Scott	James Cochran
	Samuel Caldwell	

Ward N ^o 4	Ward N ^o 5	Ward N ^o 6
John Hills	J. G. Chricton	Martin S. Black
M. S. Morris	William West	George O'Neill
James Jackson	David Armstrong	John Longard
	John L. Barry	
	Rich ^d . J. Rossie	

The following Gentlemen are elected to the Office of Fire Constables for ensuing year

Appointment of Fire Constables

Ward N ^o 1	Ward N ^o 2
Henry Tobin	William Randick
John Duffus	William Grant Junior
Robert Gleson	Alvin Grant
George Boggs	John McIntosh

Ward N ^o 3	Ward N ^o 4
William Willis	William Hoir
John Romans	James Hlinn
George Nicholls	Richard Scannell
Charles Lyle	James Hackett

Ward N ^o 5	Ward N ^o 6
John Horgan	James Wilson Junior
George Thompson	Charles Black
John Barron	John J Longard
John Purcell	James West

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Alderman Stairs submits a report of the Superintendent of Streets relative to excavation of a Drain in Gerrish Street, same is read.

Streets Office 31st December 1856

The Superintendent of Streets begs leave to report to His Worship the Mayor and the City Council that Joseph Quin has built the drain in Gerrish Street from Gottingen Street to the Western Side of City Street distance one hundred and eighty three yards east of construction at thirteen Shillings per lineal yard.

Report of Super-
intendent of Streets re-
lat to Gerrish Street

£ 122 " 17 " 0
for extra Work 2 " 0 " 0
124 " 17 " 0

This Sewer has been constructed as near the conditions of agreement as any contract Work for Sewers that I have seen done in the City. The depth according to agreement was to be five feet four inches which depth in some parts has not been strictly conformed to, by three or four inches, also parts of the Side Walls is of less thickness than specified in the agreement, but where there is deficiency of thickness in the walls, the ends of the Glac rests upon the original Rock which is a sufficient support, altogether the Sewer is a good Substantial Job, and being on a rapid declivity towards the Harbour will answer all the requirements of a Sewer in that part of the City.

Respectfully submitted

Signed James Pillock
Superintending of Streets

when following resolution is introduced

Resolved that the Report of the Superintendent of Streets relative to a Drain, Gerrish Street be adopted and the balance of his account £ 97 " 17 " 0 be paid Moved by Alderman Conway seconded by Alderman Stairs passed

Resolved to the
payment of Jos^{ph}
Quin for making
Drain Gerrish St

Council met take up report of Committee of City Prison of 20 December 1856

Committee Room

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January 7thCommittee Room December 20th 1856Report of Comm
ittee of City Prison

Committee of City Prison met this day
all present - Mr. Thinn did not attend. Mr. Barnstead
met the Committee and after some considerable discus-
sion of the matter of the Contract made between Messrs
Barnstead & Thinn and the City Council. Mr.
Barnstead signed a letter addressed to the Committee
setting forth his proposals for a quitance of all
obligations between himself as a Contractor and the
City Council. A copy of which letter is as follows,

Halifax December 20th 1856
Gentlemen a Committee on City Prison
Sir

Letter Messrs
Barnstead & Thinn

As one of the Contractors for the Building
of the City Prison at Rockhead Farm - I have
thought to intimate that from the delay on the part
of the City Council and also in consequence of a dissolution
of Partnership with Mr. Thinn, I, one of the Contract-
ors are not prepared to go on with the building,
and I have further to propose to the City Council, that
I will give a quitance to the City for all losses by delay
under said ~~Contract~~ Contract. If the City Council
will pay me as a remuneration for such delay and
as a payment for my outlay as one of the Contractors
such sum of money as the Contractors have actually
expended in forwarding the now abandoned work.
This is however solely on my own part as I do not
know the mind of Mr. Thinn my share of such
payment would be in proportion to my share in
the Contract as a partner - say one half.

Signed David B. Barnstead

The Committee requested Mr. Thinn
to give them his proposals or views respecting the Contract
(in writing) he has not complied - The Committee
are therefore only able to give the substance of a personal
interview with this gentleman. At a meeting of the
Committee on the 5th December Mr. Thinn then stated
that he understood the Stone for the City Prison was
to be had on Rockhead farm if the Architect thought
the stone suitable.

Mr. Thinn could not say he was
prepared to go on with the work to be completed,
with the extension of one year or to Sept^r 1858.

Mr. Thinn stated that the

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January 7th partnership with Mr. Barnstead was dissolved he expects shortly to have an arrangement with Mr. Barnstead to allow him to represent the firm

The Committee trust these minutes will give the City Council a knowledge of the position they occupy towards the Contractors, and enable them to give the Committee such instructions as will govern their future proceedings

Signed W. L. Stairs
Chairman

The following draft of a Letter prepared by His Honor the Recorder to be addressed to Messrs Barnstead & Shinn Contractors for Building the City Prison is next submitted to the Council when the same having been read and adopted. Copies are directed to be forwarded to Messrs Barnstead & Shinn

Harford 8th January 1857
Messrs Barnstead & Shinn
Gentlemen

By order of the City Council I have to ask you whether you are willing to proceed with the erection of the New City Prison at Rock Head according to the Plans and Specifications annexed to your Contract with the City, provided the City Council should now cause the preparatory excavations, cellar walls &c &c to be made in terms of the Contract and ready for your beginning the erection of the Superstructure the same to be completed and ready for your beginning your operations on or before the first day of June 1857

In the event of your answer being in the negative or your failing to reply distinctly on or before the 15th day of January Instant it is the intention of the City Council to consider the Contract as no longer binding on either party thereto.

I remain
Yours &c
Signed Archibald Scott
Mayor

Saved Copies of above as marked. See File for January.

The following resolution is next introduced
Resolved

Letter from His Worship the Mayor to Messrs Barnstead & Shinn

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January 1st
continued
Resol. rel to Water
not being concentrated
rated on the
First January.

Resolved that a Committee be
appointed to ascertain from the Directors of the
Water Company the cause of the Water not being
concentrated on the first Inst. during the Confla-
gration on that day. Moved by Alderman Jennings
seconded by Alderman King & passed

Committee Aldermen Jennings, Stairs, Mackay
Kop, Caldwell and Bell.

On Motion Council rise

Wm. Moffat Mayor

January 14th
Five Wards
Sworn

George Quillie, John L. Barr, James Cochran,
David Armstrong and Donald Murray sworn into
Office as Five Wards

January 15th
Five Constables
Sworn

Henry Tobin, John Duffus, Mr Robert Letson,
Charles Lyle, William Wilson, Wm Grant Junr, John
Horgan & James Wilson, John Percell, James West, sworn
into Office as Five Constables

16th

Robert Richardson sworn into Office as a Five Ward

22nd

Alpin Grant, James Hinn, Richard Tennant, &
John Barron, sworn into Office as Five Constables.

Wm. Moffat Mayor

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January 23

At a Special Meeting of City Council held this day present His Worship the Mayor Aldermen Anderson, Stairs, Lownds, Caldwell, Bell, Cochran, Mills, Ring, Mackay, Barry and Longard

The City Council were summoned to consider Messrs Bairdstead & Hillman's answer relative to Building of City Prison to fill up vacancies in Fire department and the transaction of other business

There not being a quorum to do business Council rise

Attest Mayor

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At a Special Meeting of City Council held this day present His Worship the Mayor Alderman Anderson, Stairs, Cochran, Lownds, Caldwell, Cochran, Morrison, Mills, Ring, Mackay, Conway, Barry, Longard, and Jennings

The City Council were summoned there not being a quorum to do business on Friday, and the transaction of other business

Read over proceedings of 7 January and 23 January

Alderman Mackay Chairman submits draught of a Law relative to the erection of Wooden Buildings with a vote from His Honor the Recorder received

Alderman Jennings Chairman submits report of Committee of 22 January 1857 appointed to confer with the Water Company received

Alderman Cochran submits Memorial from S. Seldon relative to the pulling down of his House at the Fire on the 1st January 1857

Alderman Conway submits a Memorial from Thomas Rhind for increase of Salary received