

1857

June 22
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Letter addressed by him to His Honor the Recorder relative to same subject

Answer of His Honor the Recorder

Report Supt of Streets
Letter Clerk License

Report of Superintendent of Streets relative to work done on South Street
Letter from Clerk of License asking leave of absence
By Law relative to Gauging of Oil for Amendment.

Quarterly return Clerk License
Tender for loan City Prison

Quarterly return of Clerk of License to 15 June 1857
One tender for loan for City Prison also one received after time.

It is moved and seconded that the By Law relative to Gauging and Inspecting of Oil be recommended for the purpose of being amended passed.

Read the said By Law Clause by Clause as amended. when it is moved and seconded that said By Law as amended be engrossed and transmitted to His Excellency and Honorable Council for approval.

Henry Pryors loan for City Prison.

Council met take up Henry Pryors tender for loan for City Prison £1000 same is read when it is moved and seconded that Mr Pryors offer be accepted. passed (See file)

It is moved and seconded that the tender received 4 July last be now read passed.

James Cochran's loan for City Prison.

Read the offer of James Cochran Esq when it is moved and seconded that said offer be accepted which on being put is passed 10 Voting for it and 4 against it. and the names being called for appeared thus. (See file)

For Motion	Against Motion
Alderman Caldwell	Ald. Longard
Lownds	Hills
Barry	Mackay
Conway	Ross
Noble	Senning

Alderman Ross gives Notice of reconsideration

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July 7th
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By Law rel. to
Bridewell men

Read the By Law relative to
employment of Bridewell men a third time - when
it is moved and seconded that said By Law do
now pass which motion on being put is carried
7 voting for it and 5 against it.

Moved and seconded that
said By Law be fairly engrossed and transmitted
for approval of His Excellency and Honorable
Executive Council passed.

Letter J.W.
Ritchie on behalf
of D. O'Brien

Read Letter from J.W. Ritchie
Esq^r on behalf of M^r O'Brien (See Letter in file July)
when it is moved and seconded that said Letter
be referred to the Superintendent of Streets and
that he be requested to make his report thereon
to which following amendment is introduced

Resol. rel to Letter
J.W. Ritchie being
referred to Supt^r
of Streets

Resolved that His Worship
the Mayor be empowered to direct the Superintendent
of Streets to apply to Daniel O'Brien for liberty
to open his Cellar for the purpose of removing any
obstruction that might be in said Cellar and
Kitchen and that any damage done said premises
be repaired without any further delay. Moved
by Alderman Conway seconded by Alderman
Morrissey which on being put is lost 3 voting for
it and 9 against it and the names being called
for they appeared thus.

For Amendment	Against it
Alderman Conway	Ald. Anderson, King, Bell
Barry	Caldwell, Noble, King
Morrissey	Wills, MacKean, Jennings

The following amendment is next
introduced

Resol. rel to a
Committee being
appointed on Letter
of D. O'Brien

Resolved that a Committee of
three be appointed in connection with the Superinten-
dant of Streets to ascertain the cause of the annoyance
complained of by Mess^{rs} O'Brien and O'Connell and suggest
the most speedy and effectual method of removing such
annoyance. Moved by Alderman Bell seconded by
Alderman King.

A Call of Council is made 10 minutes before 6

It is moved and seconded that
Council adjourn passed 7 voting for it and 5 against
it

"Council adjourn" *Subj^{ct} Mayor*

1857
July 17th

At a Special Meeting of City Council held this day present His Worship the Mayor Aldermen Noble, Lownds, Caldwell, Bell, Cochran, Wills, King, Conway, Barry and Jennings

Council were summoned to take into consideration communication from J. W. Ritchie Esq. report of Committed Tenders relative to repairs to City Building. Report Committee of City Property. Communication from Store office. Communication from Military Secretary Office. business standing over from last meeting

There not being a quorum to do business

"Council rise"

Shepley Mayor

1857
July 20

At a Special Meeting of City Council held this day present His Worship the Mayor Aldermen Noble, Donohoe, Lownds, Caldwell, Bell, Cochran, Wills, King Mackay, Barry, Jennings

The City Council were summoned to proceed with business of Friday last.

There not being a quorum to do business Council stands adjourned until tomorrow at Two o'clock

Shepley Mayor

1857
July 21st

At an adjourned Meeting of City Council held this day present His Worship the Mayor Aldermen Anderson, Noble, Donohoe, Swords, Caldwell, Bell, Lochran, Mills, King Mackay Conway, Barry Longard and Sunders

Read over proceedings of 7th 17th 20 July

Report Committee
Tenders rel. to
City Hospital

Alderman Conway Chairman submits report of Committee of Tenders of 10th July relative to City Hospital

Memo of Tho^s
McCormack

Alderman Caldwell submits Memorial of Thomas McCormack relative to his assessment

Return of Comm-
issioners of Poor

His Worship the Mayor submits Half Yearly return of Commissioners of Poor to 30 June

Likewise Communication from War Department relative to closing of Roads for 24 Hours

Report Street
Committee

Also a report of street Committee requesting further expenditure on South Street & Communications from Home Prov. Secretarys Office of 17th July relative to approval of By Law for Gauging and Inspecting of Fish Oil, and employment of Bridewell men.

from Halifax Fire Insurance Company of 10 July 1857 relative to loads of Hay being on the Streets at Night, from Water Company of 20 July to put down a Combined Water Plug at North Fish Market, from P. H. LeVine Esq of 21 July relative to a Drain, from P. R. Inchtuthill offering to loan the City £600, statement from City Treasurer relative to state of Street Funds,

Resolution of Ald-
Bell rel. to Mess^{rs}
O'Brien & Dupes
Drain

Council next take up Alderman Bell resolution as entered 7 July relative to the Drain passing under Mess^{rs} O'Brien & Dupes premises said resolution is again read and on being put is passed 11 voting for it and 2 against it

Committee Alderman Caldwell, Bell and Noble

Council next take up Alderman Noble notice relative to extension of Collis Street when following resolution is introduced. Whereas,

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Resolution rel.
to obstruction of
Hollis Street

Whereas on considering the Petition of George Henderson and others relative to the obstruction of Hollis Street and Water Street and the Council having passed a Resolution some time since notifying the parties now in possession and obtaining said Road by Gas Company. Hon W^m Young and Government to withdraw from all possession thereon, so that roads may be opened to the Public as originally intended in the plans of the Town and notwithstanding that said notice was given, the Gas Company are placing a Gasometer on the line of said road and the Petitioners desire that this Council should take immediate steps to prevent further obstruction and having expressed a willingness on their part to bear the expense of a suit to obtain the opening of said Public Road as originally dedicated and laid down on the oldest plans of the Town now in the Surveyor Generals office.

Therefore resolved. That as soon as said Petitioners pay into the City Treasurer the sum of Ninety five pounds that H^c is Mayor the Recorder be directed to cause such steps to be taken at the cost of the Petitioners as may be requisite to enforce at Law their claims to said Streets being opened. Provided the evidence they can adduce appears to justify the same and that the Treasurer be requested to pay any fees incurred therein out of said sum paid him by the Petitioners. Provided that it is distinctly understood that this Council will not be responsible for any cost or expenses in these proceedings. Moved by Alderman Bell seconded by Alderman Conner which on being put is passed 12 Voting for it and 1 against it.

Report Committee
Tenders rel to
repairs to City
Court House

Council next take up report of Committee of Tenders of 4 July relative to repairs to the City Court House same is read when it is moved by Alderman Lounds seconded by Alderman Caldwell that said report be adopted and that M^r Malcolm's Tender be accepted on giving the necessary security. See File for Report

Moved by Alderman Cochran seconded by Alderman Conroy that the order of the day be suspended and that report of Committee of Tenders relative to erection of City Hospital be now taken up, passed

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Read report of Committee of Tenders
of 10th July relative to Tenders for erection of City Hospital
this day submitted

Committee Room
10th July 1857

Report Committee
Tenders for Erection
of City Hospital

Committee of Tenders met this day
Present Aldermen Longard, Barry Wills and the
Chairman

Opened following Tenders for erection
of a City Hospital on South Common.

N^o 1 Robert Davis £9035.0.0
3 Robert Malcolm 10575.0.0

The Tender of Robert Davis
being the lowest the Committee would recommend
the same be accepted, provided he gives the requi-
red security for the due performance of said
Contract

Signed Jeremiah Conway
Chairman

where following resolution is
introduced

Resol. rel. to Tenders
for City Hospital

Resolved that the report of the
Committee on Tenders regarding the erection of
the City Hospital be received and adopted and
that Mr. Robert Davis tender be accepted that
His Honor the Recorder do prepare an agreement
for that purpose, that Mr. Davis give the necessary
security that the same be submitted to this Council
for their approval. Moved by Alderman Cochran
seconded by Alderman Noble. Passed unanimously.

Council next take up report
of Committee of Public Property of 19th June relative
to South Ferry Dock the same is read.

Report Committee
City Property
rel. to South
Ferry Dock.

Committee Room 19th June 1857

Present Aldermen Longard, Lounds, Cochran
King, Baldwin, and the Chairman

The Chairman submitted an
elaborate and very able report and opinion of and
drawn up by Hon William Young at the request

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 July 21st of this Committee in respect to the Rights of the
 Continued City Authorities to make certain contemplated
 improvements at the Ferry Dock so called.

This report and opinion gave great satisfaction to your Committee and they believe and trust that the Council will also feel gratified therewith.

Your Committee are unanimous in the opinion that Mr. Waddell should be instructed by the Council to begin the work forthwith inasmuch as beginning the work is the only way left to the Council to bring the whole matter to a speedy issue.

Mr. Aldright who was employed by Mr. Young to make searches into old Records &c &c has sent in a bill of £7.10.0 which the Committee desire should be paid.

All which is respectfully submitted

W^m Mackay
 Chairman

Opinion of Hon.
 W^m Young rel. to
 South Ferry Dock

Read opinion of Hon W^m Young
 on same subject (His opinion see Bill for July)

Moved by Alderman Ring seconded by Alderman Wills that said report be adopted and that Mr. Aldrights bill amounting to £7.10.0 be paid by Check on City Treasurer. passed unanimously.

Moved and seconded that the Council do now proceed with the election of Inspectors and Gaugers of Oil passed.

Applications for
 Gaugers and
 Inspectors of
 Oil.

Read applications of Joseph M^c Gill, John Allen, Edward Gaul, John Brennan, Thomas Watson, James Fortune, Dennis Heffernan, Philip Perrin, Richard Fitzgerald, James Marshall, and John Hoban, and the names being taken there appeared for Joseph M^c Gill 9, Richard Fitzgerald 5, Joseph M^c Gill having received a majority of votes is duly elected.

Richard Fitzgerald having received a Majority of votes is duly elected

Edward Gaul having received a Majority of votes is duly elected.

Dennis Heffernan having received a Majority of votes is duly elected.

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Thomas Wilson having received a Majority of Votes is duly elected.

James Fortune having received a clear Majority of Votes is duly elected.

John Brennan having received a Majority of Votes is duly elected.

Philip Perrior having received a Majority of Votes is duly elected.

On Motion Dr. Cogswell Letter of 25th June is next taken up and read, when it is moved by Alderman McKay seconded by Ald. Bell that the Superintendent be requested to carry out said improvements, which motion on being put is passed (for Letter to File)

"Council rise"

Wheafitt
Mayor

Inspectors and Gaugers of Oil Appointed.

July 20th

Edward Gault, Dennis Heffernan and Philip Perrior having filed their Bonds are this day sworn into office as Inspectors of Fish Oil for the City of Halifax in presence of Alderman Lownds.

Inspectors of Oil Sworn into Office.

At a Special Meeting of City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor Alderman Anderson, Noble Lownds, Caldwell, Cochran, Ring, Mackay, Conway, Barry, Jennings. There not being a quorum to do business the Council stands adjourned until Friday at Two o'clock.

Wheafitt
Mayor

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July 31st

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor Aldermen Bell, Noble, Lounds, Caldwell, Cochran, Morrissey, King, Mackay, Conway, Barry, King, Jennings.

Read over proceedings of 21st and 21st day of July 1857

Report Committee City Property

Alderman Mackay submits report of Committee of City Property of 22 July received, with letter from W^m. W^m. Kindlay.

Letter Shand & Mason re: payment of hose

Alderman Caldwell submits reports from Committee of Streets of 29 July received.

The Mayor submits letter from Shand & Mason London for payment of hose for Fire department which on Motion is received.

when on Motion His Worship the Mayor is requested to draw a check for the amount of said hose when in funds.

Letter John Maher re: to Water in his Cellar

The Mayor submits a Letter from John Maher Water Street relative to surface water running into his cellar, which on Motion is received.

Injunction in Cause of Beamish versus City of Halifax

Read order of Injunction and Injunction in the cause of Beamish et al versus the City of Halifax

Read Injunction in same Cause

Read writ of Summons Beamish et al versus the City of Halifax, when following resolution is introduced

(given to J West Esq 1 Aug 1857)

Resol. re: to Council being employed in Cause of Beamish versus the City of Halifax

Resolved that Jonathan M^{rs}. Cully Esq^r be employed by this Council associated with Mess^{rs} Young and West to defend the Suit about being commenced against the City concerning the Market Dock. Moved by Alderman Caldwell seconded by Alderman Cochran which on being put is passed.

W^m M^{rs} Cully received Papers Sept 16 1857

On Motion His Worship the Mayor is requested to put himself in communication with Mess^{rs} Young and West on same subject to carry out said resolution.

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Read Writ of Daniel O'Brien
versus The City of Halifax relative to obstruction
of a Drain running under his premises.
when following resolution is introduced

Resol. rel to Writ
in Cause of O'Brien
versus The City of
Halifax.

Resolved that His Honor the
Recorder take possession of the writ served upon
His Worship the Mayor in connexion with Mr
O. O'Brien's Drain and make whatever preparation
necessary to defend the same Moved by Alderm-
Caldwell seconded by Alderman Morrissey which
on being put is passed.

Mr. Motion W^m Sutherland
Esq^r is associated with His Honor the Recorder
in the suit of O'Brien versus The City of Halifax

The following resolutions are next
introduced

Securities of
R. Davis for the
erection of the City
Hospital

Resolved that David Calder
and John Stairs as securities for the performance
of Mr Robert Davis Contract with the City for the
erection of the City Hospital on the South
Common be accepted by this Council. Moved
by Alderman Cochran seconded by Alderman
Morrissey which on being put is passed of Voting
for it and 5 against it and the names being
called for appeared thus

For Resolution	Against it
Alderman Noble - Cochran	Alderman Caldwell
Conway - Mackay	Lounds
Morrissey - King	Barry
Bell	King
	Sensings

Resol. rel to W^m
Gordon appointment
as Architect for City
Hospital

Resolved that William Gordon
be appointed as Architect by this Council to Superin-
tend the erection of the City Hospital on the South
Common, that he shall not receive over the Sum
of Two Hundred and fifty pounds for the perform-
ance of the same Moved by Alderman Cochran
seconded by Alderman Noble, which on being put
is passed of Voting for it and 3 against it and
the names being called for they stood thus.

For Resolution	Against it
Ald. Caldwell - Conway	Ald Noble
Cochran - Mackay	Lounds
Morrissey - King	Barry
King - Bell	Sensings

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On Motion the order of the day is
Suspended to take up the report of Committee of
Streets this day submitted.

Read Report of Committee of
Streets of 29 July this day submitted

The Committee of Streets beg to
Report that at a Meeting called for Special business
on the afternoon of July 27 Inst. Present Alder-
men Bell, Jennings, Conway, Noble and the Chair-
man

On opening the Meeting the
Chairman read a statement received from his
Worship the Mayor shewing the Amount of the
years road funds to be expended or anticipated
Your Committee found in said statement a debt
of £694.15.9 Charged to them which had been
Contracted before they come into office and think
it ought not to be taken from the Road Money of
the present year.

Report of Committee
Streets rel. to
State of Street
Funds

The Chairman also called for a
statement of the total expenditure of Road funds
since the commencement of the New Law in conseq-
uence of some enquiries made by Alderman Conway
at the last meeting of Council which after exam-
ining the same the Board were of opinion that all
the Monies had been properly applied and Alder-
man Conway expressed perfect satisfaction with the
statement. But your Committee cannot let the
occasion pass without saying they feel it a great hard-
ship that the Road fund should have to contribute so
much out of its own receipts for Salaries, Commissions
&c with an Old Interest of £31.16.6 and some old account
which were found to have been contracted previous
to the date of the New Law.

Your Committee also beg most respectfully to submit
that unless some provision is immediately made by
this Council furnishing them with additional
means for prosecuting their work they will be compelled
at this early season of the year very reluctantly to suspend
all further operations when the few small pieces of work
which they at present have in hand shall be finished.
not feeling bound to expend more than the actual
receipt of the Year

All which is respectfully submitted
July 29th 1854
Sig^{da} Samuel Caldwell. Chair^{man}
For Statement see next page

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Report Continued

Statement of Street Income and
Expenditure to 25 July 1854

Expended in Ward No 1 including South
Street but not including the Amount
Subscribed £ 101 0 8

Expended in Ward No 2 62 4 0

Ditto " " No 3 113 16 10

Ditto " " " 4 32 9 4

Ditto " " " 5 133 4 6

Ditto " " " 6 242 15 9

£ 665 1 11

Expended in Stone & Gravel in
the Various Wards } 150 5 9
£ 815 7 1

Actually expended in 1854 £ 815 7 1

To be expended on Quin Pool road ~ ~ ~

Voted by Council clear of Subscription 100 0 0

To be expended at St. Andrews Cross 25 0 0

Salaries of Superintendent & Clerk 262 10 0

required to clean the Streets and ~ ~ ~

Keeping the Gutters free from Snow 100 0 0

To be expended on Bottingen

Street Drain ~ ~ ~ £ 385 0 0

Less subscription 49 0 0 } 336 0 0

£ 1638 17 1

Balance of debt from Street fund

1st May 1854 over expended last year 694 15 9

Total amount of liabilities £ 2333 12 10

Estimate of Income in 1854 £ 2100 0 0

Probable amount to be collected

of last years Taxes 100 0 0 } 2200 0 0

over expended and
Liability incurred } £ 133 12 10

For Remainder of Report see Next Page

Report Street
Committee

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1857 Report Continued
 Continued Expenditure on Streets 1856
 July 31st Ward 1 Surface 197.8.0
 " " " Drains 135.18.9 £ 333.6.9
 " 2 Surface 455.19.4
 " 3 Surface 385.15.3
 " 4 Surface 45.3.1
 " 5 Surface 603.8.5
 " " " Drains 124.17.0 728.5.5
 " 6 Surface 168.13.3

£ 2117.3.1

Report Street Committee

13 Feb 1857 Paid for Cleaning Ice & Snow
 Pt Act by Wm. Stairs £ 7.8.3
 Salaries 356.5.0
 Interest on 1855 Debt 31.16.6
 Treasurers Commission 30.7.0
 Peckham & Crow old age 8.15.3
 Albro & Co. Co. 1.0.0
 Murray & Co Wheelwright work 14.11.3
 Taylor for Blacksmith work 50.13.4
 Fairbanks for Wharfage 24.7.6
 Cleaning Gratings 36.10.0
 Grants Bill for Stationary 5.8.3 592.2.4
 Amount Collected 2409.5.5
 £ 3014.0.6
 original Report given to the Mayor 14/5/57 £ 695.4.11

when following resolution is introduced

Resolved to
 borrowing £600
 for Streets.
 Service

Resolved that this Council open
 a Cash Credit to the amount of £600 for the purpose of
 carrying on the Repairs in the Streets of the City, to be repaid
 when Street funds shall be collected. Moved by
 Alderman Morrissey seconded by Alderman Cochran,
 which on being put is passed & Voting for it and 4 against
 it and the names being called for they stood thus.
 For the Resolution Against it
 Alderman Caldwell & Conway Noble
 Cochran & Mackay Lounds
 Morrissey & King Barry
 King & Bell. Sendings

Alderman Lounds gives notice of
 reconsideration

Moved and seconded that Council
 adjourned carried 7 for it and 4 against it
 "Council adjourn"
 Subj. Mayor

1857
August 3rd

Inspectors of
Oil Sworn.

Richard Fitzgerald and James Fortune having this day filed his Bonds are Sworn into office as Inspectors of Fish Oil for the City of Halifax in presence of Alderman Conway.

John Brennan and Joseph M^c Gill having filed their bonds are this day sworn into office as Inspectors of Fish Oil for the City of Halifax in presence of His Worship the Mayor.

Thomas Wilson Jun^r. having filed his bonds is this day sworn into office as Inspector of Fish Oil for the City in presence of His Worship the Mayor.

Shefaty Mayor

August 10th

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day present His Worship the Mayor Alderman Noble, Lownds, Bell, Morrissey, Wills, King, Mackay, Conway, Barry, Longard, and Jennings.

There not being a quorum to do business Council stands adjourned until tomorrow at 2 o'clock.

Shefaty Mayor

August 11th

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day present His Worship the Mayor Alderman Noble, Lownds, Caldwell, Cochran, Morrissey, Wills, Mackay & Barry

There not being a quorum to do business the Council adjourns.

Shefaty Mayor

1857
August 17th

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day. Present His Worship the Mayor Aldermen Noble, Lounds, Young Caldwell, Bell, Cochran, Morrissey, Wilks, King, Mackay, Conway, Longard and Jennings

The City Council were summoned to take up the business standing over from last meeting and the transaction of other business.

Read over the proceedings of 31 July and 10th & 11 August

Memo of Michael Dillon re: Drain Gottingen Street

Alderman Conway submits Memorial of Michael Dillon, Contractor for building drain in Gottingen Street. On Motion the same is received

Letter Wm. McCarty re: Powder Magazine

The Mayor submits Letter from Mr. W. A. McCarty of 13th August inst relative to erection of a Steam Engine near the Powder Magazine (In file for August)

Letter Col. Stodherd

Also a Letter from Col. Stodherd Commanding Royal Engineers on same subject. (In file for August)

Report of Committee City Prison

Alderman Bell submits a Report from Committee of City Prison of 8 August. On Motion same is received

Report Sup^t of Streets re: Drain P. H. Le Noir

The Mayor submits report of Superintendent of Streets in reference to P. H. Le Noir application relative to a drain. On Motion same is received

Also Report of Superintendent of Streets of 17 August relative to drain running under Daniel O'Brien's property. On Motion same is received.

Also Report of Superintendent of Streets relative to Quin Pool road. On Motion same is received

Memo Margaret Hefferman re: her Taxes

Alderman Conway submits Memorial of Margaret M. Hefferman relative to her Taxes. On Motion the same is received

Report Clerk of Streets and Road Assessment books

The Mayor submits report of Clerk of Streets and Road Assessment book accompanying the same. On Motion received

The Council next proceed to the order of the day.