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that act the Committee make the present application.
As regards the funds received from the sale of lots within the Cemetery - they are appropriated in preparing the ground for use and providing trees and shrubs and keeping the ground in order, these funds have been applied by the Committee for the above purposes since they have been in office and at the present time they are in debt.
The annual receipts are about £140 or an average of the last four years. In the year 1858 the Committee found it necessary to open a large drain, through a portion of the ground near the centre of the cemetery, the drain is five feet in depth and six feet in breadth on the surface and extends across the cemetery from North to South. It is filled with stones and partially covered over - It has answered the object of its construction, and the ground on the eastward of it has been made available for cemetery purposes. This with other work involved an expense of £408 or thereabouts in that year. In the early part of the year 1859, the attention of the Committee was called to the condition of the western side of the cemetery - a portion of which was then under water and wholly unfit for the purposes of interment for want of proper drainage. In order to remedy the evil the Committee employed a competent person to take the necessary levels and ascertain the most efficient remedy. When this was done it was found that the drain or sewer through which the water coming from the cemetery as well as that which flows into it from the road on the western side was discharged, would have to be extended for upwards of 1000 feet to the Southward before a fall could be obtained sufficient to discharge the water freely. This work being indispensable was undertaken and accomplished at an expense of upwards of £300. The excavation required the blasting of the rock for the greater part of the distance in order to obtain the proper depth. The blasting was done by the Bridwell men under the charge of Mr. Holloway and the only expense named for that purpose was powder tubes and sharpening the drills. The sewer is covered with flags throughout the whole distance and is a permanent work which will not require repairing for a length of time. The work done within the cemetery during the same period in levelling the grounds, filling up the drains and keeping the walls in order cost the sum of £95 or thereabouts. By these necessary expenses the Cemetery funds which have been accumulating for a short time have been wholly expended and the Committee are now in debt. The work required to be done during the present year will be the taking down and rebuilding the North and West fences - and the building of a portion of the South fence. The two former fences have been so much raised by the frost that they require to be taken up and replaced.
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In order to do this effectually it will become necessary to remove the bank now crumbling away from the action of the frost between the fence and the Sublime road which was cut down during the last year. the earth of the bank is required for the purpose of filling up and levelling the ground on the inside. The fence on the Western side which is sunk in a wet and spongy soil, must be taken up and reset throughout. The action of the frost upon the soil is such that until a drain is made on the inside deeper than the post holes, the fence as hitherto will always require annual repairs.

The Committee from the estimates which they have made, that the sum of \$200 will be required for the above purposes - and submit the facts for the action and consideration of the Council.

Charles Twining
Chairman

Committee Room
March 24th 1860

Resolved to Report
Committee of Cemetery

When following resolution is introduced

Resolved that the Report of the Committee of Cemetery be adopted. Moved by Alderman Moir seconded by Alderman Bell which on being put is passed.

On Motion that the order of the day be suspended to allow Alderman Bell to introduce a resolution relative to sale of Common Lots is lost.

Report Committee on
Petition of John Doyle

Read Report of Special Committee relative to petition of John Doyle et al

Resolved to report
on Petition of John Doyle

When following resolution is introduced

Resolved that the report of the Committee on Petition of John Doyle and others be adopted. Moved by Alderman Nash seconded by Alderman John Puggan which on being put is passed.

Alderman Thompson has leave to lay on the table a resolution by way of Notice relative to the time allowed members of Council to speak.

Opinion of Recorder
rel to discharge of
Prisoners from
the Bridewell

His Honor the Recorder's written opinion relative to the discharge of Prisoners from Bridewell and also from the Lock up House, are next read. (See file)

Read Memorial of Richard Power and others for a Pump in Ward No one (See file)

When following resolution is next introduced
Resolved.

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Resolved to Petition
of R. Bowers and
others =

Resolved that the Petition of
Richard Bowers and others be referred to the Aldermen
of Ward No 1 to report upon. Moved by Alderman Nash
seconded by Alderman Evers which on being put is
passed.

Read Ordinance relative to Rules
and Regulations for City Prison a first time.

On Motion Council adjourn.

May 4th

At a Special Meeting of the City Council
held this day Present His Worship the Mayor Aldermen
Cogswell, John Duggan, Lounds, Barnstead, Nash,
Thompson, Mrs. Tremmain, Evers, Leahy, Conway
Roome, Bell, Richey and Jennings.

Read over proceedings of 30 April
last

Alderman Thompson Chairman
submits report of Committee of City Property, On Motion
the same is received.

Alderman Richey Chairman submits
Report of Committee of Tenders, On Motion the same is
received.

The following resolution is introduced

Resolved that a Committee be
appointed to communicate with the Provincial Government
regarding the steps necessary to be taken in order to afford
a proper reception to His Royal Highness the Prince of
Wales and to report as soon as possible to this Council. Moved
by Alderman Bell seconded by Alderman Jennings, which
on being put is passed unanimously.

Committee Alderman Cogswell, Barnstead, Twining
Moir, Roome, Bell with His Worship the Mayor and
His Honor the Recorder,

By Permission Alderman Cogswell
has leave to hand in joint Memorial from Halifax
Yacht and Cricket Clubs.

when following resolution is intro-
duced

Resolved that the Proposition
made by the General Commanding in regard to an
amicable settlement of the dispute with the War
Department.

Resol. to Committee to
Communicate with the
Government re. to recep-
tion of the Prince of Wales

Resol. re. to Settlement
of dispute re. to Comm

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Department be referred to the Committee of Common to report upon. Moved by Alderman Thompson seconded by Alderman Richey which on being put is passed 12 Voting for the resolution and 1 against it, and the names being called for they appeared thus.

For the Resolution
Ald. Lounds - Conway
John Duggan - Bell
Trennamin - Richey
Leahy - Cogswell
Barnstead - Thompson
Sennings - Nash

Against it
Alderman Evans.

The City Council next take up Alderman Bell's resolution relative to lease of Common Lots: when following resolution is introduced.

Resolved that the Committee of Common be authorized to lease by Public Auction the two lots immediately to the Southward of the lots leased this day to the Commissioners of the Poor. Moved by Alderman Bell seconded by Alderman Sennings, which resolution on being put is passed 10 Voting for it and 4 against it and the names being called for they appeared thus.

For the Resolution
Ald. Roome - Bell
Lounds - Richey
Trennamin - Thompson
Barnstead - Sennings
Conway - Nash. 10

Against the Resolution
Ald John Duggan
Leahy
Cogswell
Evans 4

Alderman Evans gives notice of reconsideration

The City Council next take up Alderman Thompson's resolution relative to order of the day laid on the table by way of notice, when following resolution is introduced.

Whereas doubt exist as to the rule and practice of allowing any suspension of the order of the day, be it therefore resolved that whenever a majority of the Aldermen present are in favour of suspending the order of the day, and taking up any other business instead, the order of the day may be so suspended and that His Honor the Recorder be requested to prepare a By Law to regulate this course of proceedings. Moved by Alderman Thompson seconded by Alderman Nash.

Read the opinion of His Honor the Recorder in reference thereto

A call of the Council is made at 20 minutes to 5 o'clock.

Res. authorizing a Lease of Common Lots at Auction

Res. rel to the order of Day suspensions

Opinion of Recorder rel to Order of the Day

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A Motion of adjournment is next made which on being put there appeared for the adjournment 2 against it 3. Adjournment lost.

On Motion the order of the day is suspended to take up the Memorial of the Yacht and Cricket Clubs this day submitted the same is read, an accompanying sketch of proposed arms for City of Halifax is also submitted.

When following resolution is introduced

Resolved that the Petition from the Cricket and Yacht Clubs this day submitted be submitted to a Committee for their consideration, and report the same to this Council. Moved by Alderman Jennings seconded by Alderman Thompson which on being put is passed Committee Alderman Richey, Thompson, Cogswell.

Resol. rel. to Petition of Yacht & Cricket Clubs be referred to a Committee

The following resolution is next introduced

Resolved that the Recorder be hereby censured for the language made use of to Alderman Evers and Nash in saying Evers and Nash stated what was false. Moved by Alderman Nash seconded by Alderman Evers.

Resol. rel. to Vote of Censure on Recorder

The hour having expired since the call of the Council on No 5 Resolution said resolution is again read which on being put is passed 12 Voting for it and 1 against it and the names being called for they appeared thus

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| For the Resolution | Against the Resolution |
| Ald. Lounds " Cogswell | Alderman Evers. |
| John Duggan " Jennings | |
| Trennaman " Conway | |
| Leahy " Bell | |
| Barnstead " Thompson | |
| Richey " Nash | |

reconsideration

Alderman Evers gives notice of

Resolution (No 5) is again read when following amendment is introduced.

Resolved that it is the opinion of this Council that His Honor the Recorder has this day made use of expressions towards Aldermen Nash and Evers which the Council deem is inconsistent with the dignity of this body to pass unnoticed, whilst they admit and regret the provocation under which he spoke. Moved by Alderman Richey seconded by Alderman Cogswell which amendment on being put is passed 11 Voting

Resol. rel. to Recorder being under Censure

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for and against it and the names being called for they appeared thus,

For the Amendment
Ald. "Lounds" Conway
Roome. Cogswell
John Duggan. Jennings
Trennamin. Bell
Barnstead. Richey
Thompson.

Against it
Alderman Nash
Evans

The City Council next take up the Report of Committee of Tenders of 2 May 1860.

Committee Room

3 May 1860

Committee of Tenders met this day Present Aldermen Barnstead, Leahy, John Duggan and the Chairman.

The Committee opened the following Tenders for Work in preparing and finishing the second store in the centre or octagon part of City Prison and other work according to Specification.

To One W. H. Wisdom	£205.0.0
" Two Wm. Lounds	275.0.0
" Three James Lamont & Co	220.16.6
" <u>Four Peter Artz</u>	<u>225.10.0</u>

Mr. Wisdoms Tender being the lowest the Committee recommend that it be accepted on his giving satisfactory security for the performance of the contract.

Sigs M. H. Richey
Chairman

When following resolution is introduced

Resolved that the Report of Committee of Tenders be adopted. Moved by Alderman Jennings and seconded by Alderman Thompson, which on being put is passed.

The following resolution is next introduced

That a Committee be appointed to confer with the Superintendant of Streets and to report to this Council such plan as they may agree upon for keeping the Streets of the City clean and watered during the summer season. Moved by Alderman Richey seconded by Alderman Cogswell, which on being put is passed.

Committee Aldermen John Duggan Nash, James Duggan, Trennamin, Roome and Richey.

Read

Report Committee Tenders rel. to City Prison May 1860

Resol. rel. to report on tenders for City Prison

Resol. appointing Committee rel. to Cleaning & Watering the Streets

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Read Ordinance relative to Moose
Meat and Robins a first time.

The City Council next take
up Report of Committee of City Property submitted this day.

Committee Room May 4th 1860.

The Committee of City Property beg
leave to report as follows.

That their attention having been
directed by the Chairman, to the Dock situate between
Stayners Wharf and the Steamboat landing, the following
resolution was introduced and passed, viz^t

Resolved that
it be recommended to the Council to appoint a special Comm-
ittee in conjunction with His Honor the Recorder, to investigate
the right and title of the City to the said Dock and to
report to the Council at an early day.

All of which is respectfully submitted
Philip Thompson
Chairman

When following resolutions are introduced

Resolved that the Report of the
Committee of City Property be adopted. Moved by Alderman
Thompson seconded by Alderman Logswell which on being
put is passed.

Resolved that the Committee of
City Property with His Honor the Recorder be that Comm-
ittee. Moved by Alderman Bell seconded by Alderman
Logswell which on being put is passed.

On Motion
The Council adjourn

Report Committee
City Property, rel. to
Dock Stayners -
Wharf -

Resol. rel to the
Committee on the
investigation of the
right of City to Docks
near Stayners Wharf

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At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day. Present His Worship the Mayor Aldermen Cogswell, John Duggan, Lounds, Barnstead Nash, Twining, Thompson James Duggan Mr. Benjamin Evens, Leahy, Conway, Thome Richey and Jennings.

The Council were summoned to receive the resignation of Office of Recorder and the transaction of other business.

Read over proceedings of 7th May inst

Alderman Richey Chairman of Committee on Bills verbally reports to the Council the passage of four City Acts, through both branches of the Legislature.

Communication from Mr. W. H. Wisdom re. to Contract for City Prison

His Worship the Mayor submits communication from Mr. W. H. Wisdom contractor for work to be performed at the New City Prison.

Notice of reconsideration

The City Council next take up Alderman Evens notice of reconsideration relative to sale of Common Lots.

The Motion to reconsider on being put is lost.

The Council next take up Alderman Evens Notice to reconsider Alderman Thompsons resolution relative to suspension of order of the day.

The Motion to reconsider on being put is lost.

Resignation of B. Murdoch Esq. of Office of Recorder

His Worship the Mayor next submits to the Council the Resignation of Beamish Murdoch Esq. of the Office of Recorder.

When following resolution is next introduced

Whereas Beamish Murdoch Esq. has resigned the office of Recorder of the City. Be it resolved that His Worship the Mayor do advertise in the usual manner for applicants for said office. Moved by Alderman Evens Seconded by Alderman James Duggan, which on being put is passed.

B. H. Law relative to City Prison

The City Council next take up the B. H. Law relative to Rules and Regulations for government of the City Prison.

The same is read a third time.

Read Second clause which on being put is passed 13 Voting for the same and 2 against it, and the names being called for appeared thus.

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For the Clause

Against the Clause

Ald. Poome - Twining
John Cuggan - Jennings
Lounds - Richey
Trennaman - Thompson
Barnstead - Nash
Logswell - Moir
James Cuggan

Alderman Leahy
Evans

Read - rel to By Law
for City Prison

The following resolution is next introduced

Resolved that the By Law just passed be fairly engrossed and transmitted to the Governor and Council for approval. Moved by Alderman Twining seconded by Alderman Nash and passed.

Alderman Logswell has leave to hand in report of Committee on Petition of Halifax Yacht and Cricket Clubs. On Motion the same is received

The City Council next take up the Communication from W. H. Wisdom this day submitted

Halifax May 10th 1860

Communication of
W. H. Wisdom rel
to his Tender for Work
at City Prison

Sir

Having been notified by you that my tender for the Work at the City Prison had been accepted. I am sorry to say that I have made a great mistake in my tender in my calculation for the holdfasts they amounted to four pounds five shillings by some mistake I carried it out one pound ten. and being in a hurry at the time. I omitted the skirting - altogether which would amount to about ten pounds.

My tender should have been £2/5. which sum I am willing to do it for now otherwise I will have to withdraw.

I am Sir

Yours &c

W. H. Wisdom

To
John L Cragg Esq
Asst City Clerk

When following resolution is introduced

Resolved that Tenders be again advertised for - for the Work to be done at the City Prison. Moved by Alderman Nash seconded by Alderman John Cuggan which on being put it passed -

Read By Law relative to Moose and Robins a Second time.

Read First clause passed

Read Second clause passed

when

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On Motion the By Law just read and passed is ordered to be engrossed to be presented on a future day for a third reading.

The City Council next take up the Memorial of John King and others relative to state of Road Western part of Ward 5th (See File)

where following resolution is next introduced

On reading the Petition of E. Maynell and others relative to the road in the vicinity of Willow Park

Resolved that the sum of fifteen pounds be expended by the Superintendant of Streets in that locality in connection with the subscription list thereto annexed. Moved by Alderman Jennings seconded by Alderman Gounds to which the following amendment is introduced,

On reading the Petition of E. Maynell and others. It is resolved that until the Estimate of the Superintendant of Streets for the Current Year is submitted to this Council, this Council will not provide any money for the Road mentioned in said Petition. Moved by Alderman James Duggan seconded by Alderman Thompson which on being put is passed & Voting for the same and 4 against it, and the names being called for they appeared thus.

For the Amendment

- Md. John Duggan - Nash
- Trennaman - Moir
- James Duggan - Barnstead
- Thompson - Owens

Against it

- Alderman Gounds
- Richey
- Cogswell
- Jennings

A Motion is next made that this Council do now adjourn which motion on being put is there appeared for the same 6 against it 6 and His Worship the Mayor being called upon for his casting Vote gives it against the Motion.

A Motion is again made that the Council do adjourn, which on being put is passed.

———— Council adjourn ————

Resolved Petition of E. Maynell and others for repairs to Roads Ward Six

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At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor Aldermen John Duggan, Cogswell Lounds, Barnstead Nash, Thompson, James Duggan, Moir, Evers, Leahy, Conway, Roome and Jennings.

The Council were summoned to elect a Recorder and the transaction of other Business.

Read over proceedings of 11th May.

Alderman Roome Chairman submits report of Special Committee on Cleaning and Watering the Streets, on Motion the same is received.

His Worship the Mayor submits report of Superintendent of Streets relative to state of Street funds and Estimate for current year.

His Worship the Mayor submits communication from J L Shannon Esq. Secretary of Water Company.

His Worship the Mayor submits estimate from Commissioners of Poor of amount necessary to be assessed for Lunatic Paupers, also communication from Provincial Secretary relative to conference with the Executive Government, on the Reception of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales.

The City Council next proceed to the Election of a Recorder.

Read applications of William Sutherland, Charles Swining and Mathew H. Richey Esq.

Read opinion of Hon William Young relative to resignation of Aldermen on accepting Office - (See File)

A call of the Council is next made at 3^{1/2} o'clock -

The following resolution is then introduced

Resolved that Alderman Therman be placed in the Committee of Tenders and of Cemetery in the place of John Mills Esquire deceased

Moved by Alderman Moir seconded by Alderman James Duggan, which on being put is passed.

Read Report of of Committee on Petition of Halifax Yacht and Cricket Clubs submitted on the 11th Inst. (See Next Page)

Report Committee on Cleaning and Watering Streets

Election of the Recorder -

Opinion of Hon Wm Young rel to Aldermen accepting office

Resolved to place Alderman in Committee of Tenders & Cemetery

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Report Committee
on Petition of Yacht
and Cricket Club

To His Worship the Mayor and the Aldermen
of the City of Halifax.

Your Committee appointed to consider the joint petition of the Halifax Yacht and Cricket Clubs in relative to the adoption by the City of a suitable device for a coat of arms and the accompanying design intended to convey a distinct idea of the kind of device they have in view beg leave to Report.

That the present application coming from two Societies purporting by their titles to include the more active portion of our younger citizens is a gratifying manifestation of the spirit of patriotism. Being drawn up in a modest and respectful style and illustrated by a design which displays both considerable ingenuity and artistic skill. Your Committee are disposed to regard it with much favour. The Clubs having been lately incorporated are understood to be looking out for appropriate devices to signify their respective objects, and they apply to you to adopt a device which while common to the whole city they may be able to modify to suit their particular circumstances, and at the same time show their connexion with the City. The design consists first of a shield (Blue) emblazoned with a Kingfisher (Gold) intended as petitioners explain to represent the belted American Kingfisher Common about Halifax. This seems appropriate considered with reference to the fisheries as the staple resources of Halifax and to the high position claimed by our city among the fishmarkets of the world. The supporters are on one side a fisherman the meaning of which is obvious enough. The other is a rifleman which admits of some difference of opinion some argue the rifleman being by no means peculiar to Halifax, we have no right to appropriate them as a peculiar distinction. But on the other hand it is true that arms and warlike defences are more characteristic of this city than of any other place along an Atlantic Coast, and contains of any other in the British Provinces except Quebec. Besides it is considered highly important by our imperial rulers that the present volunteer rifle companies should become a permanent institution, and therefore this figure in the arms may prove of service in keeping the attention of the Citizens always alive to this duty. The crest is a mural crown which is the famous pattern handed down from antiquity and alludes to a characteristic of Halifax as being crowned as a citadel. The Crown is surmounted by a Mayflower being the common emblem of Nova Scotia and its introduction here seems to signify the connexion between this City and the Province possibly in some such manner as the petitioners propose to identify their own clubs with the city. The Motto "O. Mari Merces" is neat and significant. Freely translated, it means. "The sea is our paymaster. The design when laid