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before the last meeting of the Council seemed on the whole to be approved of, but objections were made to the rifleman as a supporter and to the motto being in Latin. A sailor has been proposed as a substitute for the rifleman, and we are informed that such was the original intention. From its pointing to commerce as a chief means of our support it may be admitted in one point of view to have a better claim, and it remains to be decided whether this consideration outweighs that already placed before you with regard to the importance of a defensive force. Your Committee are led to believe that the sailor will find most favour with the public. Two English Mottos have been suggested. One is "We plough the main" indicating that Halifax does not boast of possessing great agricultural capabilities but that its principal industry is expended in maritime pursuits. The other is "The Fisheries and Commerce" certainly very expressive and appropriate but wanting in that elevated and inspiring tone which is commonly thought desirable in such conceptions. Your Committee are divided between these and the Latin Mottos and they therefore respectfully prefer to leave the selection to your wisdom or the adoption of any other that may be suggested.

Halifax, C. Cogswell,
May 10th 1860 Chairman

When following resolution is next introduced

Resol. rel to Report
Committee on Petition
of Yacht and Cricket
Clubs

Resolved that the report of the Committee on the Petition of the Yacht and Cricket Clubs be adopted substituting the figure of a Sailor for that of a Rifleman and retaining the Latin motto. Moved by Alderman Cogswell seconded by Alderman Moir which the following amendment is introduced.

Resolved that the Report of the Committee on Petition of Halifax Yacht and Cricket Clubs be laid on the table for further consideration. Moved by Alderman James Duggan seconded by Alderman Gounds, which amendment on being put is lost 4 voting for it and 8 against it.

The following amendment is then introduced

Resolved that the Report of the Committee on the Petition of the Yacht and Cricket Clubs be adopted substituting the figure of a Sailor for that of a Rifleman and adopting the Motto, "We Plough the Main" Motto to be in English. Moved by Ald. Nash seconded by Alderman Thompson, which amendment on being put is lost. The

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The Original resolution is next put when there appeared for the same of against it 4. The resolution is therefore carried,

His Worship the Mayor hands in Report of Superintendant of Streets relative to Drain in Morris Street and Chesden Row.

Alderman Thompson has leave to hand in a communication from George Fraser & Co. relative to a vacant dock north of Mitchells wharf, On Motion the same is received.

The hour having now expired since the call of Council was made. The Council proceed to election of a Recorder.

The Names are taken when there appeared for Mr. Richey 4 Wm. Lutherland 5 and Chas. Twining 4 Votes and neither of the gentlemen having a majority of votes of members present the names are again taken when there appeared for Mr. Richey 2 Votes Chas. Twining 6 Votes and Wm. Lutherland 5 Votes and neither Gentlemen having a majority of Votes the names are again taken when William Lutherland Esq. was unanimously elected Recorder -

By Lawrel to Moore and Robins

Read By Law relative to Moose and Robins a third time

When following resolution is introduced

Resolved that the By Law just passed be engrossed and presented to the Governor and Council for approval. Moved by Alderman Coogs well seconded by Alderman Roome which on being put is passed.

Comm^{tee} rel to the reception of Prince of Wales

Read communication from the Provincial Secretary of 14 May relative to reception of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales. (See file)

Comm^{tee} Secretary Water Company rel to reception of Proposition for extra Water Supply

Read communication from S L Shannon Esq. Secretary of Water Company this day submitted. (See file)

When following resolution is introduced

Resolved that an answer be returned to the Secretary of the Water Company stating that the Council are not at present in a position to treat with the Water Company relative to the subject of their letter. Moved by Alderman Nash seconded by Alderman Lownds which on being put is passed -

Resolⁿ of answer to Secty Water Co. rel to Water supply

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Resolved that this Council attend the funeral of the late Hon. Hugh Bell tomorrow Saturday at Dooleys in a body. Hee having formerly been Mayor of this City Moved by Alderman Lounds seconded by Ald. Nash which on being put is passed, unanimously.

Read Report and Estimate of the Superintendant of Streets for the current year, this day submitted,

Streets Office Halifax 19th May 1860

Report and Estimate
of Supt. of Streets
May 19th 1860

The Superintendant of Streets begs to leave to report for the information of His Worship the Mayor and the City Council - that during the last year the following sums have been expended for the Street Service in the different wards.

Ward One

Cleaning Street Gutters &c	£ 29 . 9 . 0
Culverts drain & Surface Improvements	340 . 1 . 4
Cleaning & Cutting Ice from Jan to May	10 . 4 . 11
	379 . 15 . 3

Ward Two

Culverts drain & Surface	222 . 7 . 2
Cleaning &c	41 . 14 . 2
Sewer Foot of Gatter Street	62 . 13 . 10
Cleaning &c from Jan to May	10 . 4 . 11
	337 . 0 . 1

Ward Three

Cleaning &c	53 . 2 . 4
Culverts drains & Surface	151 . 19 . 6
Cleaning and Cutting Ice Jan to May	10 . 4 . 11
	215 . 6 . 9

Ward Four

Cleaning &c	52 . 8 . 4
Culverts drains & Surface	75 . 10 . 9
Cleaning Ice from Jan to May	10 . 4 . 11
Crossing at Cleverdon's Corner	3 . 15 . 0
	141 . 19 . 7

Ward Five

Cleaning &c	59 . 13 . 10
Culverts drains & Surface	422 . 13 . 11
Cleaning & Cutting Ice to May	20 . 9 . 9
	502 . 17 . 6

Ward Six

Cleaning &c	7 . 13 . 0
Culverts drains & Surface	355 . 17 . 9
Cleaning & Cutting Ice to May	10 . 4 . 11
	373 . 15 . 7

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Amount Brought Forward	1950	14	9
Balance due Treasurer 30 April 1859	166	8	3
Amount paid to Committee of Common	45	0	0
Murray Wheelwright Bill	8	5	4
C. Hobney Blacksmith	42	5	1
H. A. Jennings Lumber	6	2	10
Treasurers Commission	46	17	0
	<u>£2296</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>2</u>

Total Amt received from the Treasurer			
to 31 st Decr 1859	2128	7	10
Cash received by him	1910	6	6
Advanced by Treasurer for cleaning			
& from Salary to 30 April 1860	105	3	6
do for drain Salter Street	53	13	10
	<u>385</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>8</u>
Due the Treasurer			

Warrants have been issued for the defaulters and about £200 more will be collected.

The Superintendent also submits his estimate for the present year assuming that the Street Funds amount to £2000.

To Build a Gutter from Dresden Row to Fresh Water River through the Catholic Cemetery or by Morris Street and Summer Street into the Brook	£500	0	0
Repairing & cleaning Main Sewer Hollis St	40	0	0
do Branville Street below Prince & Sackville	27	0	0
Cleaning Sewers in Abermarle & Sackville	25	0	0
do Prince Street	15	0	0
Culvert across Barrack Street	120	0	0
To complete Sewer Salter Street now constructing	200	0	0
Cleaning the Streets & Gullies	100	0	0
Winter Contingencies			

which will leave a Balance of about £400 for the construction of New Sewers purchase of paving Stones &c

There are Sewers not named in the above which may require cleaning and improving particularly one North of Mr Hearts in Ward One. I have not particularized any portion for the City surface improvements, the sum is so small after amount for Sewers is deducted it will not be sufficient to keep the Streets in repair.

The Superintendent feels it a most imperative duty to draw your attention to the practice of throwing all kinds of Rubbish in the Streets and grates making them a receptacle for all kinds of nuisance, causing extra labour in scavenging the Streets and the effect upon the sewers is most seriously injurious. The Superintendent would respectfully suggest to this Council that as no funds can be made available for Street purposes before the middle of August that the Council would authorize the City Treasurer to advance a sum in anticipation of this years assessment, to enable the Super-

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Superintendent to proceed with the work while the season is so favourable.

All of which is respectfully submitted
James Pollock,
Supt. of Streets

Resol. referring the Report Supt of Streets to Committee =

When following resolution is introduced

Resolved that the Report of Superintendent of Streets just read be referred to a Committee consisting of an Alderman from each Ward to report upon, Moved by Alderman Conway seconded by Alderman James Duggan, which on being put is passed.

Committee Alderman John Duggan, Nash, Thompson - Moir Leahy and Richey,

The following resolutions are next introduced

Resol. authorizing the Treasurer to borrow £800 on acc of Streets

Resolved that the City Treasurer be authorized to open a Cash account with one of the Banks for the purpose of paying off the weekly expenditure on the Streets, not to exceed £800 to be paid out of the Road Tax to be collected the present season. Moved by Alderman Nash seconded by Alderman Conway which on being put is passed.

Resolved that His Worship the Mayor be directed to cause the usual notice to be given in the papers, advertising for the City, for applications for City Clerk Moved by Alderman Conway seconded by Alderman Roome which on being put is passed.

Report Supt of Streets rel to Drain Dresden Row - Morris Street.

Read Report of Superintendent of Streets relative to Drain passing Dresden Row and the Catholic Cemetery.

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The Superintendent of Streets begs leave to report for the information of His Worship the Mayor and the City Council.

That to construct a Sewer 3 feet wide and 4 feet deep from the South end of Dresden Row through the Catholic Cemetery into Fresh Water a distance of 800 feet including a viaduct on South Street would cost £800. What makes this line expensive is depth required to be excavated as will appear by the plans submitted nine feet of earth being the depth required over the flags.

If this line can be adopted it will be a self cleansing Sewer for all time to come with a fall of 2 feet 3 inches to every 100 feet - from the South end of Dresden Row to Fresh Water River on South Street, and would give a level of 5ft 6 in lower than the present drain at the South end of Dresden.

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Row and by raising the lowest part of Dresden Row about 3 ft would give drainage at a fall of 3 ft to 100 through all the flat ground westerly of Queen Street and would forever set at rest the applications for public Sewerage in that locality -

To excavate and rebuild the present Sewer commencing at the south end of Dresden Row thence West by South Street and South by Summer Street to Fresh Water River corresponding in depth with the red line marked on the plan shewing an inclination of 1 foot Vertical to 100 feet Horizontal and would cost about £375 such inclination is very doubtful. I think not sufficient to make the Sewer self cleansing in which is a matter of the greatest importance, and should be so constructed when practicable (as a frequent opening and closing of public Sewers will exceed the cost of building new ones) sufficiently elevated to clear all accumulation that may be washed from the Streets.

The line of the bottom of the present Sewer in Morris Street is represented by a blue line on the diagram the red line represents an inclination of 1 foot Vertical to 100 Horizontal commencing at Dresden Row the same height as the red line and extending on the same inclination that the blue line represents to Fresh Water River on South Street 1065 feet cost about £800 and would be self cleansing, from Dresden Row to the river at South Street, but not on the lower dip of Dresden Row without raising the Street about 3 feet that the Sewer could be carried on the same inclination as the sections in Morris and Summer Streets,

Recapitulation

1st as represented on the plan and Diagram of the Sewer proposed to pass through the Cemetery inclination 2 feet 3 inches Vertical to 100 Horizontal length 1065 feet expence of Construction £800

2nd Second proposition improving the present Sewer according to Mackays Survey as marked by red line on diagram 1 foot Vertical to 100 Horizontal £375

3rd To deepen the present Sewer to the blue line marked on the diagram inclination 1 foot 6 inches Vertical to 100 feet Horizontal length 1065 feet cost £800

His Grace the Archbishop has with all willingness to save the City in company with Dr Hannan pointed out the line for the Sewer and although every possible way has been considered to avoid the interments a number would have to be removed, which to accomplish and replace in 24 hours would hardly be practicable the time which his Grace mentioned of the work in the removal and replacement.

Your ~~xxxxxx~~ Superintendant would in closing call your attention to the necessity of Survey of the present Sewerage with plans shewing their position both vertically and

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and horizontally, their size condition and grade - this with the topographical survey made by Mr. Bossip will give all the information necessary for establishing the Sewerage on the best system that the topography of the country will allow. This subject is of the greatest importance at the present time as there will be extensive alterations required in the main outlets most of them being very deficient in their grades and in not being carried out far enough into the Harbour. By having such survey and plans shewing the drains built and to be built it would enable parties building to get the correct depth for their cellars and such like as at the present time the great obstacle in the way of good drainage is the depth of the cellars,

All of which is respectfully submitted

James Pollock

Supt. of Streets

When following resolution is introduced

Resolved that the Report of the Superintendent of Streets relative to Drain through Catholic Cemetery be referred to the Committee just appointed on Street Estimate for 1860. Moved by Alderman James Puggan seconded by Alderman Barnstead which on being put is passed

Resol. referring Report of Supt Streets on Drain Dresden Row to a Committee

Estimate Commission Poor relative to support Lunatic Paupers

Read Estimate of Commissioners of Poor relative to amount required for support of Lunatic Paupers for ensuing year.

When on Motion said Report is handed over to the Committee of Public Accounts,

Petition of George Fraser & Co. re: to Dock

Read Communication from George Fraser & Co this day submitted - when following resolution is introduced

Resolved that the Petition of George Fraser & Co be referred to the Committee of City Property to report upon. Moved by Alderman Jennings seconded by Alderman Roome to which the following amendment is introduced

Resolved that this Council have decided on a former occasion not to let or lease the property applied for by Messrs George Fraser & Co. Moved by Alderman Nash seconded by Alderman John Puggan which amendment on being put is passed & voting for the same and 2 against it

The following resolution is next introduced

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for City Property.

Resolved that the Committee of City Property be requested to consult as to the advisability of affixing a distinguishing mark to the property of the City, and should they decide in the affirmative, that they be requested to recommend a suitable mark for that purpose. Moved by Alderman Cogswell seconded by Alderman Barnstead which on being put is passed.

On Motion
The Council adjourn

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William Sutherland Esquire having taken and subscribed the oaths of Office agreeably to Law is this day sworn into Office as Recorder for the City of Halifax in presence of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor.

May 23

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day present His Worship the Mayor Alderman Cogswell John Duggan, Lounds. Barnstead Nash Twining Thompson James Duggan Miss Ewins Shennamin Leahy Conway Poome, Bell, Richey and Jennings

The City Council were summoned to consider the Resolutions to be submitted at the Public Meeting to be held this evening.

By Permission the Honorable Joseph Howe addresses the Council.

Read First Second and Third Resolutions to be submitted at the Meeting. The same are discussed. On Motion the same are ordered to lie on the table.

On Motion the Council adjourn

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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, James Duggan Tremmaine Evens, Leahy, & Conway, Roome Bell and Jennings.

The City Council were summoned to elect a City Clerk and the transaction of other business,

Read over proceedings of 23 inst

Alderman Cogswell submits draft of a By Law relative to City Coat of Arms. Read a ^{short} time

Alderman Twining hands a communication from Rev^d. S. C. Cochran on Motion same is received

His Worship the Mayor submits communication from Surveyors of Lumber, received -

His Worship the Mayor submits a communication from B. Muddock Esquire with an accompanying account received,

The following resolutions are then introduced

Resolved that this Council do appoint a City Clerk and Assistant Clerk agreeably to the Act of Incorporation - that the Salary of the City Clerk be £250 per annum and the Assistant Clerks be £150 per annum, moved by Alderman Evens seconded by Alderman Twining, to which the following amendment is introduced

Resolved that the Salary of the City Clerk be £300 and that of Assistant Clerk £175 Provided that no third Clerk be required, Moved by Alderman Conway seconded by Alderman Nash which amendment on being put is lost 4 voting for the same and 10 against it, and the names being called for they appeared thus,

For the Amendment
Alderman Conway
 Jno Duggan
 Leahy
 Nash

Against amendment
Ald Lounds " Jennings
 " Roome " Bell
 " Tremmaine " Cogswell
 " Barnstead " Jno Duggan
 " Twining " Evens

The following amendment is next introduced

Resolved that the Salary of the Chief Clerk shall in future be £250 per annum, Moved by Alderman Bell seconded by Alderman Lounds which amendment on being put is passed, -

Resolⁿ rel to Salary of City Clerk and Assistant Clerks

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Resolved that the Salary of the Assistant Clerk shall in future be \$175 per annum Moved by Alderman Bell seconded by Alderman Lounds. To which the following amendment is introduced

Whereas it is the opinion of this Council that the office of Assistant City Clerk can be filled by a competent person, at a Salary of \$150 per annum Be it therefore resolved that this Council when they advertise for applicants for said office do fix the Salary at \$150 per annum Moved by Alderman Evans seconded by Alderman James Puggan which amendment on being put is lost & Voting for it and 11 against it and the names being called for they appeared thus.

For the Amendment
Alderman Conway
James Puggan
Evans

Against it
Ald. Lounds - Barnstead
Roome - Swising
Trennamin - Jennings
Leahy - Bell
John Puggan - Cogswell
Nash

The Original Resolution is then put and passed

The City Council next proceed to the election of a City Clerk and John L Cragg,

Read applications of W S Snadden The names are then taken when John L Cragg was unanimously elected City Clerk.

The following resolution is next introduced

Resolved that the order of the day be suspended for the purpose of appointing an Assistant City Clerk Moved by Alderman Nash seconded by Alderman Trennamin to which the following amendment is introduced

Whereas the office of Assistant City Clerk has become vacant by the appointment of Mr Cragg to the office of City Clerk.

Be it therefore Resolved that this Council do advertise for applicants for said office Moved by Alderman Evans seconded by Alderman Lounds which amendment on being put is passed.

The following resolution is next introduced

Resolved that in accordance with the 31st Section of an Act passed at the last session of the Provincial Parliament entitled "an Act respecting Assessments in the City of Halifax" the City Assessor do forthwith commence the valuation of the Property liable to Assessment within the said

Election of City Clerk.

Resol. authorizing City Assessor to proceed with City Assessment

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Continued the property within said City. Moved by Alderman Conway
seconded by Alderman Lounds which on being put is
passed.

The order of the day is next suspended
to allow the tenders for work to be done at City Prison to
be opened, when the following resolution is introduced

Resol. rel to opening
Tenders for work at
City Prison =

Resolved that with the direct consent
of the Committee of Tenders, certain tenders relating to
the New City Prison be now opened. Moved by Alderman
Coggswell seconded by Alderman Evans which on being
put is passed.

The City Council next proceed to
open the Six Tenders handed in,

No 1	McDougall & McDonagh	\$ 255 " 0 " 0
" 2	Alfred Harris	235 " 0 " 0
" 3	Lamont & Clements	220 " 7 " 6
" 4	William Lounds	250 " 0 " 0
" 5	Edward Boarke	237 " 0 " 0
" 6	Peter Arty	<u>243 " 0 " 0</u>

The following resolution is then introduced

Resol. accepting
Tender of Lamont
& Clements =

Resolved that the Tender of Mess^{rs}
Lamont & Clements be accepted provided they give good
and sufficient security for the due performance of the
contract. Moved by Alderman Conway seconded
by Alderman Evans which on being put is passed.

On Motion
Council adjourn -

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June 1st

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor Aldermen John Duggan, Cogswell, Lounds, Barnstead, Nash Twining, Thompson, James Duggan, Tremamanin, Evans Conway, Roome, Bell, Richey and Jennings.

Read over proceedings of 23 May last

The City Council were summoned to elect an Assistant City Clerk and the transaction of other business.

Alderman Thompson Chairman hands in Report of Committee of City Property, with a Specification for Work to be done at Fish Market; On Motion the same is received

His Worship the Mayor hands in communication from Secretary of Committee on Prince of Wales celebration

His Worship the Mayor submits Ordinance relative to Moose and Robins returned by the Government.

Also Writ of Replevin served on one of the Police for goods seized by him for Poor and County Rates.

On Motion the order of the day is suspended to allow His Honor the Recorder to explain the nature of the writ.

When the following resolution is introduced

His Worship the Mayor having communicated to the Council the fact that a Writ of Replevin had been issued against one of the City Constables and upon hearing the explanation of the Recorder it is therefore, Resolved that the Recorder be directed to take the necessary steps to defend the suit Moved by Alderman Twining seconded by Alderman James Duggan which on being put is passed,

Resd. rel. to Writ of Replevin served on one of City Police.

The City Council next proceed to the Election of an Assistant City Clerk.

Read application of Thomas Rhind. The names are taken when there appeared for Thomas Rhind an unanimous vote

Election of an Asst. City Clerk

Read communication from the Secretary of Committee on reception of the Prince of Wales. (See File) when following resolution is introduced.

Resolved that His Worship the Mayor Aldermen Conway and Alderman Bell be a Committee from this Council to meet the Executive Committee and assist

Communication from Secretary of Committee re. to reception of Prince of Wales.