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Read Report of Committee of City

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The Committee of City Property beg to report for the information of the City Council, That application has been made by the Military Authorities for the hire of the New Buildings erected on the Steam Boat Slip.

The Committee after full deliberation and considering all the circumstances connected with these buildings, and what it would cost before they can be let to the public recommend to the Council that the said buildings be let to the military authorities for the term of one year for the sum of one hundred and fifty pounds currency. All of which is respectfully submitted

(Signed) William Ackhurst
Chairman

When following resolution is introduced

Report received and adopted

Resolved that the Report of Committee of City Property be received and adopted Moved by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman Jennings to which the following amendment is introduced

Resolved that the Buildings on the Market Slip be let on the same day with any other City Property at Public Auction as the Building now stands for one or more years possession to be given on 30th April Moved by Alderman Nash seconded by Alderman John Duggan which on being put is passed by voting for the same and 5 against it and the names being called for appeared thus

For the amendment	Against it
Alderman John Duggan " Conway	Ald. Richey
Nash " Smiley	Regan
Thermaine " Pattister	Leahy
James Duggan " "	Jennings
	Ackhurst 5

Alderman Jennings gives Notice of reconsideration The hour having expired since the call of Council on report of Street Committee,

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The following Resolution is introduced

Resolution to borrow
£2000 for the Street
Committee

Whereas by the Stat Act of 1861
The Committee of Streets for the City of Halifax is
empowered to lay down within certain limits in said
City, Bricks and Stone Sidewalks and Street crossings
and Whereas by the said act the City Council is auth-
orised to borrow for such service the sum of £500, on
such sums and at such times as they may deem neces-
sary, and Whereas by a Report of the Committee of Streets
it is shewn that the sum of £2000 will be required for
this service in the present year of 1862. Therefore
Resolved that the City Treasurer be instructed to issue
an advertisement asking tenders from parties willing
to loan the said sum to the City in accordance with
the terms of the Act. Moved by Alderman James Dug-
gan seconded by Alderman Conway to which the following
amendment is introduced

Resolved that the Committee
of Streets be not permitted to borrow the sum of £2000
asked for by them until they furnish this Council with
a written report as to the manner in which this large
sum is to be expended and the part of the Street the
Sidewalk and crossings are to be laid. Moved by
Alderman Nash seconded by Alderman Trennaman
which on being put is lost, and the names being
called for they appeared thus.

In support of the Amendment
Alderman James Duggan
Nash
Trennaman

Against it
Mr. James Duggan
Imray, Conway
Leahy, Duggan
Pallister, Jennings
Ackhurst.

The original Resolution is then put and
passed & voting for the same and against it.

Alderman Nash gives notice of recon-
sideration

Read Resolution as entered at
last Meeting relative to alteration of franchise,
amendment introduced as follows

Resolved that the consideration
of the resolution touching the franchise be deferred to the
next meeting of Council, and that the Members of the
Council be notified that the meeting is for the discuss-
ion of that subject. Moved by Alderman Ackhurst
seconded by Alderman Nash which amendment
on being put is lost & voting for the same and against
it and the following amendment is introduced

Ref-rel to the
franchise

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Ref- Rel to altering
the franchise

Whereas there has been introduced into the Legislature by a Member entirely unconnected with the City a Bill to alter the franchise of the City of Halifax which takes away the right of voting from a large body of the citizens, and whereas it is the opinion of this Council that the citizens have at all times shown their intelligence and good sense in the election of Men duly qualified to fill the office of Chief Magistrate or Mayor and are at every election making every effort in their power to obtain the services of our leading Merchants and businessmen as Aldermen.

Therefore Resolved that this Council consider it unwise and unjust to a large body of the citizens of Halifax, who have hitherto enjoyed the franchise, to make the proposed change in the franchise of this City. Moved by Alderman James Peggan seconded by Alderman Smith.

On Motion the Council adjourn

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At a Special Meeting of City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor Aldermen John Puggan, Smlay, Nash, McCulloch, Dunbar, James Puggan, Ackhurst, Egan, Pallister, Ferranino, Roome Conway and Jennings

Read over proceedings of 4th April

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

Alderman Ackhurst Chairman hands in report of Committee of City Property received

Alderman Dunbar hands in appeal from John Metzler relative to his Water tax

Alderman Ackhurst hands in Appeal from Philip Thompson Esq relative to his Water Tax.

His Worship the Mayor submits appeal from James Cogswell relative to his Water Tax and that of Dr Cogswell and Miss Cogswell.

also an Appeal from Judge Bliss relative to his Water Tax.

also Books of Election for Ward assessor for Ward 1. 2. & 3

Alderman Jennings notice of reconsideration is next taken up

Read Report of Committee of City Property submitted this day.

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Aldermans Office

The Committee of City Property beg to report that since the last meeting of the City Council. His Worship the Mayor has been in communication with the Deputy Commissary General when His Worship the Mayor was informed that the Military would take the New Building for one year for the sum of One Hundred and fifty pounds Stg.

The Mayor having communicated this fact to the Chairman of Committee of City Property, that officer called the Committee together when the following Resolution was moved and passed unanimously.

Resolved that the Committee do recommend that the Buildings erected on the Steamboat Slip be

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April 9th let to the Military Authorities for the term of one year for the sum of one hundred and fifty pounds Sterling all of which is respectfully referred to the City Council for their consideration

(Signed) William Acthurst
Chairman

Amendment rel to letting building on Market Slip

Read amendment to No 2 resolution relative to letting Buildings on Market Slip which amendment on being put is lost.

Res = to let the building to the Military

The following resolution is next introduced

Resolved that the Report of Committee of City Property presented this day be received in amendment to the report presented at the last Meeting of City Council and that the building be let to the Military Authorities for £150 Sterling as is recommended in report of Committee. Moved by Alderman Acthurst seconded by Alderman Pallister which on being put is passed 11 Voting for the same and 2 against it and the names being called for they appeared thus.

For the Resolution
Alderman Roome - Nash
Trennamin - Imbay
Mculloch - Pallister
John Duggan - Dagan
Acthurst - Jennings
Punbar

Against it
Alderman Conway
James Duggan

The notice of reconsideration given last Meeting by Alderman Nash is next taken up and the motion to reconsider on being put is lost 5 Voting for the motion and 8 against it and the names being called for they appeared thus.

For the Motion
Alderman Roome
Nash
Trennamin
John Duggan
Punbar

Against it
Alderman Imbay
Mculloch
Conway - Jennings
Dagan - James Duggan
Acthurst - Pallister

Bill relative to the Horse Railway

A Motion is next made that the order of the day be suspended to take up the Bill relative to the Horse Railway which motion on being put is lost 6 Voting for the same and 4 against it and the names being called for they appeared thus

For the Motion

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For the Motion
Alderman McCulloch, Imlay
John Duggan, Egan
Pallister, Ackhurst

Against it
Alderman Roome, Nash
Trennaman, Conway
Sennings, Purbar
James Duggan

Res. to take up
letter from the
Atty General
rel to Railway
Assessment

A motion is next made that the order of the day be suspended to take up Letter from the Honorable the Attorney General relative to Railway Assessment. To which an amendment is made that the order of the day be suspended to take up the Resolution relative to altering the Franchise which amendment on being put is lost 6 voting for the same and 7 against it and the names being called for they appeared thus.

For the Amendment
Alderman Roome, Nash
John Duggan, McCulloch
Imlay, Purbar

Against it
Alderman Trennaman, Conway
Ackhurst, Sennings
Egan, Pallister
James Duggan

The original Motion is then put and passed and the following Resolution (No 2) introduced.

Res. referring the
letter of the Attorney
General to the Com-
mittee of Laws and
Privileges

On reading the letter of the attorney General dated 18th February 1862, on subject of Railway Assessment. Resolved that said Letter be referred to the Committee of Laws and Privileges to report upon at its earliest convenience. Moved by Alderman Sennings seconded by Alderman Imlay.

A call of the Council is made at 20 minutes to 5 o'clock. The Council next proceed with the order of the day.

Read Resolution relative to the Franchise as entered on 31 March and amendment thereto as entered 4th April.

The amendment is then put and lost 6 voting for the same and 8 against it and the names being called for appeared thus.

For the Amendment
Alderman Conway, John Duggan
Imlay, Egan
James Duggan, Compton

Against it
Alderman Roome, Nash
McCulloch, Trennaman
Sennings, Pallister
Purbar, Ackhurst

The following amendment is next introduced

Resolved that the further consideration of the Franchise be deferred until this day three months. Moved by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman Trennaman which on being put is lost 10 voting for the same and 3 against it.

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The original Resolution is then put and lost 4 voting for the same and 11 against it and the names being called for they stood thus.

For the Resolution
Alderman Roome
Nash
Sennings
Punbar

Against it
Alderman Conway "Egan
Jno Duggan "Compton
McCulloch "Pallister
Inlay "Ackhurst
James Duggan "Trenmanis.

The hour having expired since the call of Council on (No 2) Resolution the same is again read, and on being put is passed.

Council Rise

"On Motion the Council rise"

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At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor Alderman John Duggan, Comptroller, Inlay, Nash, Dunbar James Duggan, Acthurst, Egan, Pallister, Coleman, & Jeremiah Leahy, Conway,

Read over proceedings of 9th April instant

The City Council were summoned to take up the business standing over from previous Meetings

Alderman Acthurst Chairman hands in Report of Committee of Public Accounts. On Motion the same is received.

His Worship the Mayor hands in communication from Chairman of Water Commissioners relative to further loan.

also communication from Clerk of Peace relative to amount required to be assessed for County purposes.

also communication from Secretary of Commissioners of the Poor, relative to amount required for support of the Poor.

also appeal from Mr McLeann relative to his Water Tax.

also communication from Secretary of Horticultural relative to Water tax

also communication from His Honor the Recorder relative to Resolution passed on the 14th February last relative to his Salary.

The order of the day is suspended to allow Alderman Coleman to make a Motion.

On Motion His Worship the Mayor has leave of absence for five weeks.

Read Report of Committee of Public Accounts submitted this day. (See First Page)

where following Resolution is introduced

Resolved that the Report of Committee of Public Accounts be received, and that the Mayor be requested to draw cheques for the payment of accounts passed by the Committee. Moved by Alderman Acthurst seconded by Alderman John Duggan which on being put is passed.

Committee of Public Accounts

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_____ Aldermans Office _____
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The Committee of public accounts met
this day present all the Committee
The following accounts
were presented for examination

Public Accounts

_____ City _____		
Hugh Blackadar		\$107. ⁵⁵
_____ Police Court _____		
Phelan & Kelly	\$9. ⁵⁰	
A. McKenzie	23. ²⁵	
S. C. Nash & Co	12. ⁵⁰	
J. H. Metzler	57. ⁰⁰	
W & C Silver	34. ¹²	
Francis Pratie	3. ²⁵	
James Hunter	13. ⁴⁵	
James Shielding	46. ²⁵	
James Hunter	<u>63.⁷⁵</u>	266. ²⁵

Public Accounts

_____ Fire Department _____		
A. Albro & Co	1. ⁴⁰	
Gas Company	40. ⁰⁰	
William Purcell	16. ⁰⁰	
P. Howard	2. ⁵⁰	
Black Bros & Co	1. ⁵⁰	
H. Blackadar	9. ⁵⁰	
Gas Company	54. ⁹⁰	
Thomas Asmand	2. ⁰⁰	
Michael Power	20. ⁰⁰	
Joseph Murphy	7. ⁰⁰	
James Rhind	4. ⁰⁵	
James Wallace	3. ⁵⁰	
Crosstill & Bourinot	2. ⁰⁰	
William Brown	20. ⁸⁷	
Robert Stewart	5. ⁰⁰	
George Ashmore	83. ²⁵	
Patrick Lyons	<u>33.⁵⁸</u>	356. ²⁰
_____ Market House _____		
James Hunter		<u>1.⁴⁰</u>
		<u>\$681.⁵³</u>

_____ The Committee have carefully examined
the above accounts with the vouchers and find them
correct recommend that they be paid.

all of which is
Respectfully submitted for the consideration of City Council.

_____ Signed W Ackhurst
Chairman _____

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The following Resolution is next introduced

Resolution rel
to City Assessor

Resolved that the City Assessor be required to commence forthwith the valuation of the Real and Personal property in the City liable to Assessment for the present year Moved by Alderman James Duggan seconded by Alderman A. Schurst which on being put is passed.

The order of the day is suspended to allow Alderman Thennamun to introduce a resolution the same is read as follows,

Resolution rel
to a Weigher of Hay

Whereas there is frequently in quantities of hay sold at the Richmond Depot and the purchasers of such having no way there to ascertain the correct weight of the same,

Be it therefore Resolved that this Council appoint some competent person to weigh all the hay there that arrives at the Richmond Depot each bundle to be weighed separate and the Weight to be marked on the same before delivered to the purchasers of all such hay and the said Weigher of all such hay to receive per ton or at the same rate for any quantity to be paid by the person or persons in charge of the same, and the said Weigher so appointed to reside at or near the said Depot and to attend to the Weighing of all such hay at reasonable times when called on So to do by the person or persons in charge of the same.

On Motion said Resolution stands over for the present,

Extracts from
the various Insu-
rance agencies

Read Extracts from various Insurance agencies relative to explosive nature of Petroleum Oil On Motion the same is referred to a Committee to report upon

Committee Alderman Nash, Coleman, Egan, Compton, Leahy and A. Schurst.

last.
Memorial from
Society of Halifax
Visiting Dispensary

Read Memorial from Secretary of Halifax Visiting Dispensary (See File) when following Resolution is introduced

Resolved that the sum of one hundred dollars be added to the estimate of the present year for the Halifax Visiting Dispensary and that the Mayor be authorised to sign a cheque for the same. Moved by Alderman Nash seconded by Alderman Pallister which on being put is passed.

Read Letter from Rev. James C. Cochran Secretary of the Deaf and Dumb institution, On Motion the same is referred to the Cemetery Committee to report upon.

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Read Communication from Secretary of Fire Wards relative to Fire Bell when following resolution is introduced

Res. rel to the Firewards

Resolved that the Chairman of Fire Wards be instructed to purchase and have erected a fire Bell at some suitable place at Fresh Water in accordance with the recommendation of the Board of Fire Wards. Moved by Alderman Compton seconded by Alderman Imbay.

To which the following amendment is introduced

Resolved that the Chairman of Fire Wards with the Aldermen of the Ward be requested to procure all necessary information in regard to providing a fire alarm for the South end of the City and the cost of erecting the same, and to report to this Council at an early day. Moved by Alderman Nash seconded by Alderman Coleman which amendment on being put is passed.

Com. - from Grand Division Sons of Temperance

Read Communication from Grand Division Sons of Temperance, on Motion same is ordered to be placed on the Minutes of Council.

Grand Division S. of T. of N.S. Halifax 24 March 1862

Copy of a Resolution passed by the Grand Division Sons of Temperance Province of Nova Scotia at a Special Session held at Halifax on Saturday evening 15th March 1862.

Resolved that this Special Session of the Grand Division, having had brought to their notice a discussion which recently took place at a Meeting of the City Council, take this opportunity of expressing their gratification at the Temperance sentiments uttered by Members of the City Council at the meeting alluded to, and of assuring the City Council that the Grand Division sympathize with their efforts, as understood in reference to any approach to Temperance reformation in the City, hoping that as Members of the City Council intimated the time will arrive when the proper remedy, the total abolition of the indiscriminate traffic in intoxicating liquors will be accomplished by means of the preponderance of public opinion in the Province.

Resolved that a Committee be appointed to carry out by address or deputation or otherwise the foregoing Resolution.

Signed on behalf of the Grand Division Edward Longley P. O. N. S.

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Read Letter from N. Hill Esquire
relative to Gas Lamp opposite Halifax Bank.
On Motion the same is referred to
the Committee on Gas Lamps.

Read Estimate from Commissioners
of Poor relative to amount required to be assessed for
support of the Poor for ensuing year.
On Motion the same is referred
to Committee of Public Accounts.

Read Quarterly Returns of Weighers
of Flour & Meal of 30 Sept and 31st December.

Return of Number of Bbls of Flour
and Meal weighed by Samuel Carton for quarter ending
30 Sept 1861

No Bbls	Bbls short	Lbs short
14783	208	1546

Sig^d Samuel Carton
Weigher

Return of Number of Bbls of Flour
and Meal weighed by John Parker for quarter ending
30 Sept 1861

No Bbls	Bbls short	Lbs short
15297	106	1287

Sig^d John Parker
Weigher

Return of Number of Bbls of Flour
and Meal weighed by William Grant for quarter ending
30 Sept 1861

No Bbls	Bbls short	Lbs short
18437	29	324

Sig^d William Grant
Weigher

Return of Number of Bbls of Flour
and Meal weighed by George Irwin for quarter ending
31st Dec 1861

No Bbls	Bbls short	Lbs short
7756	29	272

Sig^d George Irwin
Weigher

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Return of Number of Bbls of Flour
and Meal weighed by W. R. Logswell for quarter ending
31st Dec^r 1861

No Bbls	Bbls short	Lbs short
4075	91	732

Number of Bbls of Flour & Meal
weighed by Samuel Barten for quarter ending 31 Dec^r
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No Bbls	Bbls short	Lbs short
12833	232	2354

Number of Bbls of Flour & Meal
weighed by John Parker for quarter ending 31 Dec^r 1861

No Bbls	Bbls short	Lbs short
9755	59	613

Number of Bbls of Flour &
Meal weighed by William Grant for quarter ending
31 Dec^r 1861.

No Bbls	Bbls short	Lbs short
8736	12	168

Sig^o William Grant
weighed

Read Letter from Clerk of the
Peace relative to amount required to be assessed on the
City for County purposes for current year. See file

Alderman James Duggan submits
a resolution by way of Notice in reference thereto.

The following resolution No 7 is
next introduced

Resolved that the Weighers of Flour
and Meal be instructed that hereafter all Flour and Meal
found short weight shall be caused by them to be imm-
ediately filled up before permitting the owners or consignees
to have possession of the same. Moved by Alderman
Nash seconded by Alderman Smlay which on being
put is passed

Read Communication from
His Honor the Recorder submitted this day. when follow-
ing resolution is introduced

Resolved that the sum of
Four hundred dollars be paid to the Recorder for
all extra Services that might be performed by him
for the year and that His Worship the Mayor be
authorized to draw checks for the same Quarterly.