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City of Halifax

Council Minutes

July 29, 1884

to

Feb. 14, 1888

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July 29th

"Afternoon Session"

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair Aldermen Pearson, Hesklin, McCoy, Poyall, Stephen, McCweeney, Wilson, Shearston, McCollan, O'Mullin, Shand, Cad, McC James, O'Bryan, and Taylor.

The Council were summoned to receive a report from His Honor the Recorder on the letter from St. J. Tremaine Esq. Solicitor of James Walker in re suit of Walker vs the City of Halifax. To consider letter from J. W. Lyons, Solicitor of William P. Sullivan, claiming damages for a defective sewer on Pleasant St. Matters relating to Health Inspection, and the transaction of other business.

Read over proceedings of Meeting held on the 15th instant which were confirmed.

Alderman McCollan, Chairman of the Board of City Works submits the Annual Report from the Board of City Works, City Engineer, Clerk of Works to 1st May 1884.

Also the Report of the Board of City Works on the proposed alterations to Provincial Penitentiary for fitting it up as a Poor Asylum.

Also Report of the Board of City Works on the Petition of Garick Street for Water Extension.

Also Report from the Board of City Works on letter from P. Lynch Esq. Solicitor of Thos. O'Brien in re property Water Street.

Alderman O'Mullin, Chairman submits a Report from Police Committee on charges against Policemen Dewling with the resignation of Michael Keating Policemen.

Alderman O'Mullin, submits a report from the Committee of City Prison with a/c for June 1884.

Alderman Taylor submits a report from Committee of Public Accounts on several matters which were referred to said Committee.

Alderman Cad submits Petition of residents of Wandeor Street asking an extension of water to said Street.

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His Worship the Mayor submits
the Annual Report from the City Auditor to 1st May 1884.

Also the Annual Report of
the Inspector of Buildings.

Also Report from His Honor
the Recorder on letter from St. J. Drenaine, Solicitor in re
suit of Walker vs The City of Halifax

Also the Bonds of Asst. City
Clerk, City Marshal, Clerk of Works and Asst. Clerk of Works
as certified by Recorder.

Also a communication from
H. G. Hamilton, City Collector enclosing letter from Provincial
Insurance Associations Solicitors Messrs Henry & Weston in
reference to license duty for said companies.

Also Applications from Messrs
Smith, Conway, Wilson and Billman to open Fish Markets
in the City of Halifax agreeably to Ordinance of City.

Also a Report from the City
Medical Officer in reply to resolution of City Council asking
information in reference to disposal of refuse material at dumps.

Also letter from J. W. Lyons
Solicitor of William Sullivan claiming damages for defective
Sewerage Pleasant Street.

Also Annual Report from
the City Clerk to 30th April 1884.

Also Report from Supervisor
of Weighers of Flour & Meal.

Also an Account from Messrs
Buckley & Allen for Stationery to 31st Dec. 1883.

Also a Memorandum from
the Mayor and Health Inspector on various Sanitary mat-
ters in relation to Health Inspection.

On Motion of Alderman
O'Byrnon seconded by Alderman Taylor the "Order of the
Day" is suspended to read the papers handed in this day.

Read Report from the Com-
-mittee of City Prison on a/c for June 1884.

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Report City
Prison Comm-
ittee on a/c.

City Prison
July 5th 1884.

At a meeting of the City
Prison Committee held this day the following were present
Aldermen Wilson, Cad, Hesselin and the Chairman.

The following accounts were
examined found correct and recommended to the City
Council for payment.

Theakston & Arquin.	\$9.09	H. D. Harrington.	\$87.87
Babot & Sons.	5.35	Jno. McQuade.	7.50
J. Allen & Sons.	8.00	C. Morrison & Co.	1.25
G. P. Henry.	8.40	A. F. Buckley.	10.35
			<u>\$137.81</u>

Respectfully Submitted.
Patrick O'Mullin.
Chairman.

When the following resolution
No one is introduced.
Resolved that the report of the
City Prison Committee be received and adopted and His Worship
the Mayor be authorized to sign warrants for the payment
of the same amounting to \$137.81. Moved by Alderman O'M-
ullin seconded by Alderman Cad which resolution on being
put is passed.

Report Police
Committee in
dismissal of
Policeman Dew-
ling

Read Report from Police
Committee on the dismissal of Policeman Dewling from the
force.

City Building
July 18th 1884.

At a meeting of the Police
Committee held this day the following were present Alder-
men Sedgwick, Longard, Mc Dougall and the Chairman.

Your Committee met to inves-
tigate charges preferred against Policeman James Dewling
and after carefully examining the facts connected therewith
beg to recommend that he be notified that his services be no
longer required.

Respectfully Submitted.
Patrick O'Mullin.
Chairman.

On Motion of Alderman
O'Mullin seconded by Alderman Mc Dougall the said report
is received and adopted.

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of Policeman
Mr. Keating.

Policeman Michl. Keating.

Read Resignation from

Annual Report
Board of Works,
City Engineer &
Clerk of Works.On Motion of Alderman
McCullin seconded by Alderman Mac Dougal the City
Clerk is directed to advertise for applicants to fill the two vacan-
cies in the Police force.Read Annual Report from
the Board of City Works, City Engineer, and Clerk of Works
to 30th April 1884.Report Board
of Works.On Motion of Alderman
McCullin seconded by Alderman O'Byrne the same is
referred to Committee on the publication of the Annual Rep-
ort to have the same published.Read Report from the Board
of City Works on alterations to Poor Asylum buildings.Report Board
of Works on
petition residents
of Garick Street.On Motion of Alderman
McCullin seconded by Alderman Pearson the said report is
received and adopted.Read Report from the Board
of City Works on Petition of residents for water extension Garick
Street.Report Board
of Works on
letter from Peter
Lynch.On Motion of Alderman
McCullin seconded by Alderman Pearson the said report is
received and adopted.Read Report from Board of
City Works on the letter from Peter Lynch Esq. Solicitor of
Shos. O'Brien claiming compensation in re property Water Street.Office of Commissioners.
Board of City Works.
June 30th 1884.

The Board of Works beg leave
to submit the accompanying report from the City Engineer with
reference to letter from Peter Lynch relative to ground alleged to
have been taken from Mr O'Brien on Upper Water Street and
which at a meeting of the Board held this day was read and
on motion ordered to be forwarded to the City Council with a
recommendation that the said report be adopted.

(see file)

Respectfully submitted.
Geo McCullin,
Chairman.On Motion of Alderman
McCullin seconded by Alderman Pearson the said report
is received and adopted and the City Clerk is directed to inform
Mr Lynch of the action of the Council thereon.

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Report Com-
mittee of Public
Accounts on
several matters

Read Report from Committee
of Public Accounts of July 28/84 in reference to several matters
referred to them to report on.

City Building
Halifax July 21st 1884.

The Committee of Public
Accounts met this date Present Aldermen McInnes,
Sheakston, and Taylor, Chairman.

The Committee considered care-
fully several subjects referred by the Council and respectfully
report as follows:.

First: In reference to a com-
munication from the Board of Works touching an intimation
from the City Treasurer near the close of the Civic year, that
a reduction of Five per cent on the appropriations to the Board
owing to short collection at that time would be made. The
Committee beg to intimate that such a reduction, after the Board
had expended the most of the appropriations and entered into
such engagements as would exhaust any balance undrawn
would if enforced be attended with very unpleasant and unnee-
-cessary results. However the Committee believe the Treasurers
suggestions have some importance and are entitled to careful
consideration by the Council. The allowance for uncollected
taxes is five per cent, but at the end of the year there is
still about ten per cent unpaid. It is therefore only proper
that the Treasurer be protected in the outlay in the different
services of the City so that unpleasant results may not occur
in his department also by demands on his office for funds that
are not in his possession even the Council itself may expend
only such monies as are derived from authorized resources for the
year. There appears therefore to the Committee considerable to
justify the Treasurers intimation provided it be made in proper
season.

Secondly: The Committee have
carefully examined the accounts of the Department of Public
Charities for the support of the Hospital and Poor Asylum for
the four quarters ending in the last Civic year. This examination
has been made with the intention of finding how the Citys allot-
-ment compares with the amount estimated for the year, and
to show how the amount so allotted exceeds the Estimate over
\$fifteen hundred Dollars. This result is certain to follow when
the Board find it advisable to expend so large a sum for
certain services of these institutions as is shown below. The
Committee are aware that the chief duty of the City Council
is to provide the funds asked for by the Board of Public
Charities with it may be said, the least possible control in the
expenditure viz: That of the Mayor of the City having a seat
at the Board without any remuneration on that account while
the appointment of the other Members of the Board is outside
of the City Council.

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The Accounts of the Hospital for the four quarters referred to show an expenditure about as follows for different purposes, supplies &c viz:

Day Goods.	\$ 1290.	Medicine.	\$ 2730
Gas.	502.	Bread.	827
Furniture.	848.	Beef &c.	1411
Plumbing &c	2280.	Fuel.	948
Repairs.	5995	Powder & Soda water.	302
Brandy & Wine.	805	Salaries & labor	5426
Contract supplies.	<u>2614.</u>	Sundries	<u>2359</u>
		or a total Expenditure of	\$ 28337.45.
Receipts from the Dominion Government	\$ 3729.31		
Interest from various sources.	<u>1427.00</u>		<u>5156.31.</u>
Balance to be paid by the City and the Province			\$ 23181.14.
Of which the City is charged $\frac{1}{3}$	\$ 7727.04		
and the balance to the Province	<u>15454.10</u>		<u>\$ 23181.14</u>

The Accounts of the Poor

Asylum for the same period exhibit an expenditure about as follows viz:

Day Goods.	\$ 1766.	Bread.	\$ 2964.
Beef &c.	1858.	Medicine.	396.
Fuel.	943.	Wages & Salaries.	3426.
Contract supplies	4646.	Sundries.	<u>2953.30</u>
		Total Expenditure	\$ 18952.30
		Less Receipts	<u>708.24</u>
			\$ 18244.06

This balance is paid according to the daily attendance of the poor at the Institution as follows:

Dartmouth poor	3131 days	pay	\$ 657.51
Provincial	" 37815	" "	6785.15
City	" <u>59258</u>	" "	<u>10801.40</u>
	Total days		99204
			<u>\$ 18244.06</u>

The City and Province are charged on account of the Hospital \$ 23181.14.

Do	Do	Poor Asylum	<u>17586.55.</u>
		or a total of.	\$ 40767.69
		of which the Province pays.	<u>22239.25</u>
			\$ 18528.44

leaving a total of \$ 18528.44 charged to the City which exceeds the amount estimated by \$ 1528.44.

The Committee look upon the number of days charged for patients at the Poor Asylum to the City as very large and think it only reasonable that means whereby the correctness of the same should be furnished to the City Council.

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The Committee also refer the Council to the large expenditure for plumbing & repairs account at the Hospital amounting to \$8375⁰⁰ for the year which your Committee look upon as entirely in excess of what should be a charge in any one year and quite sufficient almost in itself to cause the excess of over expenditure.

Thirdly: In reporting on the letter of the President of the Halifax Visiting Dispensary, the Committee find no mention of any appropriation in the Estimates of last year or the present for the amounts referred to, consequently the Committee refer the letter back to the Council to be disposed of in keeping with such arrangements as may have been made in connection with the same if possible.

Fourthly: The Committee have examined several accounts as mentioned below, and recommend their payment when funds are available namely:

Morning Herald Printing Co. account of October 1882	\$ 3.00
Do Do June 1883	5.62

both belonging to the Fire Department.

Also accounts of the list from the office of the City Clerk under date of July 15th 1884.

City Account

Halifax Gas Light Co. for Market Clock.	\$ 56.50
Do Police Office	26.75
Do Watch Station	21.50
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	\$ 104.75

Fire Department.

Halifax Gas Co for Central Engine House	\$ 43.75
Do Genish St. Do	23.25
Do Islesville Do	14.75
Do No 6 Do	10.00
Do Queen St. Do	21.50
Do Hook & Ladder Co	25.25
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	\$ 138.50

Citizens Library
Halifax Gas Co. \$ 4.50

Printing & Stationery
A. & H. Macmillan \$ 106.87

The above are recommended for payment out of the present years appropriation

The account of Messrs Longard Brothers of 26th February 1884 comes within the appropriation of 1883-84 from which source the Committee recommend payment of the amount viz: \$ 7.40

All of which is respectfully submitted
Wm Taylor
Chairman

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No 2 is introduced.

When the following Resolution

Resolved that the portion of the report of the Committee of Public Accounts designated as the fourth section recommending the payment of certain accounts therein mentioned in detail be received and adopted and that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to sign warrants to pay the same. Moved by Alderman Taylor seconded by Alderman Mac Dougall which resolution on being put is passed.

On Motion the balance of the Report is laid over until next meeting of Council.

Report from His Honor the Recorder

Read Report from His Honor the Recorder in reference to Letter from J. J. Tremaine in re suit of Walker vs the City.

Annual Report from City Auditor.

Read Annual Report from the City Auditor to 30th April 1884.

On Motion of Alderman O'Mullin seconded by Alderman Taylor the same is referred to Committee of Public Accounts to review and if not objected to to be handed to Committee on publication of the Annual Reports for publication in said report.

Petition Robt. Morton & al rel to water supply Windsor St.

Read Petition from Robert Morton and others residents Windsor Street asking Water extension in said Street.

On Motion of Alderman Cad seconded by Alderman MacInnes the same is referred to the Board of City Works to report on.

Letter J. N. Lyons, Solicitor of Mrs Sullivan claiming damages

Read Letter from J. N. Lyons Solicitor of William Sullivan claiming damages for defective Sewer Pleasant Street injuring his property.

On Motion of Alderman Mac Bellan seconded by Alderman Pearson the same is referred to the Board of City Works to report on.

Report City Medical Officer rel. to depositing refuse & City St. & other places.

Read Report from City Medical Officer on resolution of City Council of last meeting in reference to depositing refuse and other material in the dumps at City Street and other places complained of as detrimental to public health.

Office of City Medical Officer. Halifax July 25th 1884.

To His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen

In accordance with resolution

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of the City Council passed at its last meeting, held July 15th having reference to the disposal of ashes and other refuse material. I beg to report as follows. There are at present three public dumps or places allotted for the depositing of ashes &c one at Artz St. Smiths Fields where the ashes from Hards One & Two are deposited on Monday night. One at the West End of Sackville St. in the field, Corner of Summer St. which receives the refuse from Hards Three and Four, on Tuesday night and the third on the North Common, near Robie St. to which is carted the waste material from Hards Five and Six, on Wednesday and Thursday Evenings.

I have visited these several places at different times, and have made inquiries of those living in their immediate neighbourhood, as to the extent of any offensive odours given off from these heaps, and have found very little complaint. Indeed in the case of the Artz St. filling to which the resolution mainly refers, the immediate neighbours to whom I spoke on the subject, with but one or two exceptions, found so little cause of complaint, that they were anxious that the work of filling up should not be discontinued, but that what they felt to be a great public improvement, the building of Artz St. should go on uninterruptedly. Every care seems to be taken by the Board of Commissioners of City Works, to carry out this work in a safe and satisfactory manner. After each night's accumulation of ashes, men are employed levelling, burying anything offensive, and covering the whole with clay, sods and street earth, of which from forty to eighty loads, are used after each time of deposit. At the Sackville St. dump, a man is constantly employed, under the control of the Superintendent of Common, watching the depositories, deeply burying anything offensive and causing the material as it comes, to be placed to the best advantage. The whole field being finally covered with clay and earth to the depth of a foot and a half, thus thoroughly providing against any unpleasant or unwholesome smell.

While I am satisfied that as at present carried out, the work of removal and depositing of ashes &c is without danger to the lives of the citizens, yet in deference to the wishes of those, who fear injury to the health of the neighbourhood, I would recommend that Artz St. cease to be a place of deposit for any material, during the months of August and September, that the other places of deposit be continued and the ashes from Hards One and Two be deposited at the Sackville St. filling.

I am Gentlemen

Your Obedient Servant.

J. Hos. Grenaman.

City Medical Officer.

On Motion of Alderman
McClellan seconded by Alderman Shand The same is referred

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July 29th to Board of City Works for their information.

Annual Report from the City Clerk. Read Annual Report from the City Clerk of fines, fees &c received in Police Office to 30th April 1884.

On Motion of Alderman Taylor seconded by Alderman Cad the same is referred to Committee on publication of Annual Reports.

Bond of various City Officers. Read Bonds of Asst. City Clerk, City Marshal, Clerk of Works and Asst. Clerk of Works as certified by His Honor the Recorder.

On Motion of Alderman MacLellan seconded by Alderman MacSweeney the same are approved.

Annual Report from the Inspector of Buildings. Read Annual Report from the Inspector of Buildings to 30th April 1884.

On Motion of Alderman MacSweeney seconded by Alderman Stephen the same is referred to Committee on publication of Annual Report.

Letter N. S. Hamilton in re letter from Messrs Henry & Weston Solicitors N. S. Fire Ins. Co. Read Letter from N. S. Hamilton Collector of Taxes covering a letter from Messrs Henry & Weston Solicitors of Nova Scotia Fire Insurance Association in reference to license fees charged to various Insurance Companies under the recent Assessment Law.

On Motion of Alderman MacLellan seconded by Alderman Pearson the same is referred to His Honor the Recorder to instruct Mr Hamilton on the subject of said letter, and in collecting said license.

Applications to open fish Markets. Read Applications from Mr Billman, James Smith & Chas. Conway, Charles W. Renner & Alexander Wilson for license to open and maintain a Fish Market in accordance with an Ordinance of City of Halifax.

Extract & Memorandum from the Mayor and Health Inspector to Sanitary matters. Read in Extract and Memorandum from the Mayor and the Health Inspector in reference to Sanitary matters.

On Motion of Alderman Taylor seconded by Alderman Pearson the above are referred to Committee on Sanitary affairs to report on.

Annual Return Supervisor of Weighers of Flour & Meal. Read Annual Return of Supervisor of Weighers of Flour & Meal to 1st May 1884.

On Motion of Alderman O'Bryan seconded by Alderman Shand the same is referred to Committee on publication of Annual Report.

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Account from Buckley and Allen.

Messrs Buckley & Allen for Stationery for Treasurers Office to 31st Dec. 1883.

Read an Account from

On Motion of Alderman

Taylor seconded by Alderman Mc James the same is referred to Committee of Public Accounts to report on.

Report His Honor the Recorder in re suit of Walker vs the City.

The "Order of the Day"

Council proceed to take up

the Recorder on letter from St. J. Tremaine, Solicitor of James Walker in re suit Walker vs the City. When the following resolution No 3 is introduced.

Read Report from His Honor

Resol. rel. to suit of Walker vs the City.

Recorder be instructed to proceed with the case of Walker vs City of Halifax before the Supreme Court of Canada till a judgment is given in the suit. Moved by Alderman Mc Sweeney seconded by Alderman O'Byrne. which resolution on being put is passed 7 voting for the same 4 against it.

Resolved that His Honor the

Report Committee on license in re return of license duty to Stephen Mitchell.

on license in reference to return of license duty to Stephen Mitchell

Read Report from Committee

Halifax July 4th 1884.

The Members of the License Committee having met this day to consider applications of Messrs Mitchell, Bogswell and Della Stone for return of money paid for City Licenses to sell liquor recommend that the sum of \$437⁰⁰ be refunded Stephen Mitchell. Moved by Alderman O'Mullin seconded by Alderman Pearson

- H. B. Mc Sweeney, Chairman
- P. O'Mullin.
- B. St. Pearson.
- John Cad
- Jno. P. Longard.
- D. Mc Fougall

Resol. rel to refunding of license money to Stephen Mitchell.

No 4 is introduced.

When the following resolution

License Committee of July 4th be adopted and that His Honorship the Mayor sign a warrant in favor of Stephen Mitchell for \$437⁰⁰ return license fee. Moved by Alderman Mc Sweeney seconded by Alderman Stephen to which the following amendment is introduced.

Resolved that the report of the

concerning the refunding of the money to Mr Mitchell for license received by him from the City be deferred until His Honor the

Resolved that the matter con-

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Recorder give his opinion on the matter. Moved by Alderman
McClellan seconded by Alderman Sheakston which amendment
on being put is lost & voting for the same 9 against it. The
original resolution on being put is passed.

On Motion of Alderman
McClellan seconded by Alderman Sheakston.

"The Council Adjourn"

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"Afternoon Session"

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair Aldermen Sedgewick. Spelman. Stephen, McC-Sweeney, Wilson, McC Lellan. O'Mullin, Cad, McC James. O'Byrne and Langard.

The City Council were summoned to appoint a Presiding Officer for holding an Election in Ward No One. To appoint a Committee to take charge of Annual Scull Race business standing over and the transaction of other business.

Read over proceedings of Meeting held on the 29th July 1884 which were confirmed.

Alderman O'Mullin. in Chair - man submits a report from the Police Committee on the appointment of two Policemen

Alderman O'Mullin. in Chair - man submits report from Committee of City Prison on a/c for July 1884.

Alderman McC James. in Chair - man submits a report from the Sanitary Committee on applications from persons for license for Irish Market.

His Worship the Mayor submits a letter from Messrs Sheekston & Angwin in reference to fire in their premises on the 2nd inst.

Also a letter from Peter Lynch Solicitor of Thos. O'Brien with a Notice of Action in re encroachment of property Water Street.

On Motion of Alderman Langard seconded by Alderman McC James the "Order of the Day" is suspended to read the papers handed in this day.

Report Committee of City Prison on a/c.

Read Report from the Committee of City Prison with a/c for month of July 1884.

City Prison
August 2nd 1884.

At a meeting of the Committee on City Prison held this day the following were present Aldermen Cad, Hessein and O'Mullin.

The following accounts were examined found correct and recommended to the City Council for payment.

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George Rent.
 E. Morrison & Co.
 John O'Connell.
 H. B. Fidler.
 A. J. Buckley.
 J. Allen & Sons.

\$6.89	G. P. Henry.	\$ 8.40
47.00	R. Babot & Sons.	4.65
16.76	Theakston & Angwin.	8.75
15.90	H. Baron & Co.	80.00
10.31	H. D. Harrington.	31.40
7.00	James Adams.	3.00
		<u>\$ 240.06</u>

Respectfully submitted
 Patrick O'Mullin
 Chairman

When the following resolution

is introduced.

Resolved that the report of the Committee on City Prison be received and adopted and His Worship the Mayor be authorized to sign warrants for payment of same in all \$240⁰⁶. Moved by Alderman O'Mullin seconded by Alderman Cad which resolution on being put is passed.

Read Report from the Police Committee in reference to appointment of two Policemen to fill

Report Police Committee on the appointment of two Policemen

the vacancies

City Building
 August 4th 1884.

At a meeting of the Committee on Police held this day the following were present. Aldermen Longard, Mc Dougall, Sedgewick, Shand and O'Mullin. Your Committee met to receive applications from parties desirous of obtaining positions on the Police Force, made vacant by the retirement of Mr. E. Keating and J. Dewling and beg to recommend James Beazley and Robert Mc Kenzie to fill the said vacancies

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Patrick O'Mullin.
 Chairman

On Motion of Alderman O'Mullin seconded by Alderman Mc Bellan the said report is received and adopted.

Read Report from the Sanitary Committee on the various applications for licenses to open and

Report Sanitary Committee re to applications for license to open fish Markets.

maintain fish Markets &c

Committee Room
 Halifax August 1st 1884

At a meeting of the Sanitary Committee held this evening there were present His Worship the

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August 5th the Mayor Aldermen Taylor, Wilson and the Chairman, with the City Medical Officer.

The report of the Health Inspector with the names of several persons who had failed to clean their premises was then considered. It was felt that the law as at present was inadequate to the proper cleansing of the City.

On Motion it was resolved to have the Charter so amended, as to make the neglect to remove ashes and filth from any premises punishable by fine and imprisonment. It was suggested that the City Recorder be requested to be present at the next meeting of this Committee. In the meantime the names of those persons handed in by the Health Inspector will be sent to the Board of Health to take action upon.

The question of Fish Markets and licenses therefor referred to this Committee by the City Council was then considered. Applications were read from Duffy & Brackett, Market Harf, Alex. Wilson, South Hollis St. Leas. W. Renner, City Harf, Smith Rowway, Allen's Harf, Edw. Billman, 273 Up. Water St.

On Motion it was resolved to recommend that these applications be severally granted.

The question of a change in the present system of Health Inspecting, by returning to the old system of two regularly appointed Health Inspectors, was then considered. It was felt that the work could thus be more efficiently done, as the time of the Police Sergeants are so fully occupied with their Police duties, and the frequent changes in the Sergeants from day duty to night and office duty, prevented them doing the work as systematically and thoroughly as the needs of the City demanded.

It was on motion resolved to make this matter the subject for consideration at a subsequent meeting as no change could be effected during the present season no provision being in the Estimate for the payment of such officers.

On Motion the Committee then adjourned.

John Mac James
Chairman

On Motion of Alderman Mac James seconded by Alderman O'Byrne the said report is received and adopted.

Read communication from Messrs Sheakston & Angwin in reference to the fire in their store. (Ordinance Square)

Communication
from Sheakston
& Angwin.

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SzyrchResol. rel to
an election in
Ward One for
Alderman.Resol. rel. to
Annual Scull
Race.Report Board
of Works in re
plans for altera-
tions to Poor
Asylum.

Read Letter from Peter Szyrch
Solicitor of Thomas O'Brien with Notice of Action

Council proceed to the "Order of the Day"

When the following resolution

No 2 is introduced.

Resolved that His Worship
the Mayor be requested to issue a proclamation directing an Election
to be held in Ward One to fill the vacancy caused by the Election
of His Worship the Mayor to his present office that the date of
Election be the Second Tuesday of September next and that
Alderman Pearson be Presiding Officer. Moved by Alderman
Sedgewick seconded by Alderman Mc Sellow which on being put
is passed.

is next introduced.

Resolved that the Annual
Scull Race for the Championship of Halifax Harbor take place
on Wednesday the 13th inst and that Aldermen Sedgewick, Stephen
Spelman, Mc Sellow, Cad and O'Bryon be a Committee to
take charge of the arrangements for carrying the same into effect.
Moved by Alderman O'Bryon seconded by Alderman Mc Sellow
which resolution on being put is passed.

Read Report from the Board of
City Works in reference to plans for alterations to Poor Asylum.

Office of Commissioners.
Board of City Works.
July 28th 1884.

The Board of City Works beg
leave to report with reference to proposed new Poor Asylum that
at a meeting held this day the following resolution was submitted
by Commissioner O'Bryon and seconded by Commissioner
Shand.

Whereas the City Council hav-
ing deemed it advisable to refer the plan and specification for
altering the building known as the old Penitentiary at North
West Arm into a Poor Asylum to this Committee to report
upon.

And Whereas this Board while
having every confidence in the City Engineers ability reconstruct
the old building in accordance with the plan and specification
submitted are of opinion that by approving of the said plan would
unnecessarily involve the adoption of the site as it is apparent that
the former cannot be chosen without the latter

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And Whereas this Board recognizing the fact that Chap. 42 of the Acts of the Legislature of Nova Scotia 1866 vests that tract of land known as the South Common on which the late Poor Asylum was erected, in the Commissioners of the Hospital and Poor Asylum, ^{and their} successors for ever for the purpose of erecting therein an Asylum.

And Whereas the City of Halifax having borrowed under the authority of said Act certain sums of money for that particular purpose.

And Whereas all the powers and privileges vested in the Commissioners of the Hospital and Poor Asylum aforesaid have been transferred to and vested in the Commissioners of Public Charities as also the duties and obligations of the City Council of Halifax by Chap. 15 of the Acts of the Legislature of Nova Scotia 1878.

And Whereas a great part of the money so borrowed is now in the possession of said Commissioners of Public Charities and available for the purpose for which it was originally intended.

Be it therefore Resolved that this Board recommend to the City Council the desirability of requesting the Board of Public Charities to erect the new Poor Asylum on the old site. passed. Commissioners Pearson and Stephen dissenting.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Geo. Mac Bellan.
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Mac Bellan seconded by Alderman Langard That said report be received and adopted. to which it is Moved in amendment by Alderman Sedgewick.

Resolved that this Council refrains from expressing an opinion as to the location of the new Poor Asylum inasmuch as the whole matter is vested in the Board of Charities. which being seconded by Alderman Stephen and on being put is lost. The original motion to adopt the report is then put and passed.

On Motion of Alderman O'Bryan seconded by Alderman O'Mullin.

"The Council Adjourn"

Resol. rel. to location of new Poor Asylum.

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"Afternoon Session"

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair Aldermen Sedgewick, Hesselin, Spelman, McCougall, McC Sweeney, Sheakston, McC Lellan, Cad, McC James, O'Bryan, Longard and Taylor.

The City Council were summoned to proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business.

Read over proceedings of Meeting held 5th August inst. which were confirmed.

Alderman McC Lellan, Chairman of the Board of City Works submits a Report from the Board of the Petition for water extension to Windsor and Hilford Streets.

Also the Report from the Board of City Works on petition from Joseph Moulcahy.

Also the Report from the Board of City Works on letter from Frank Eden.

Also Report from City Engineer and letter from Mayor O'Brien, Commanding R.E. in reference to sidewalk on Brunswick St. from Cogwell to Buckingham Street.

Also Report from City Engineer and letter from Mayor O'Brien, Commanding R.E. in reference to proposed widening of Cogwell Street.

Alderman Sedgewick, Chairman submits report from Committee of Laws and Privileges in reference to certain alterations in the Court of Appeal.

Also a report from Committee of Laws and Privileges on the subject of storage of Petroleum

Also a Report from the Committee of Citizens Library on the general state of the Library and its funds.

Alderman McC Sweeney, Chairman submits a report from the Committee on License recommending the granting of two licenses.

Alderman O'Bryan, Chairman submits report from Committee on Annual Scull Race for Championship Halifax Harbor.

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His Worship the Mayor submits a letter from Wallace Graham, Solicitor in reference to Deed of Cotton Factory Railway siding through City Prison property.

Also a letter from W. L. Hamilton, City Collector asking leave of absence.

Also a letter from W. Saunders asking a return of license fee paid to Clerk of License.

Also a letter from W. Kingfield Bonnyon, Civil Engineer in reference to Dry Dock.

Also Extract from a letter received from W. Darvel Bentley in reference to Dry Dock.

Also an Extract from Minutes of Board of Fire Wards asking the purchase of a new Steam Fire Engine.

Also a letter from City Clerk covering a number of apes for consideration of the Committee of Public Accounts.

Also the Annual Report from the City Marshal to 30th April 1884.

Also a return from the Collector of Rates and Taxes of amounts collected in Month of July 1884, of Rates and Taxes, and also of Water Rates collected.

Alderman Mc Sweeney submits a resolution by way of Notice under a suspension of "The Order of the Day"

On Motion of Alderman B'Bynon seconded by Alderman Sedgewick the "Order of the Day" is suspended by read the papers handed in this day.

Read Report from the Board of City Works on letter from Michael Mulcahy complaining of Sewerage accumulation filling up his dock.

Read Report from Board of City Works on the ^{letter from} Frank Eden in reference to open drain near his property.

Office of Commissioners.
Board of City Works.
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The Board of Works beg leave to submit the accompanying report from the City Engineer on letter

Report Board of Works on letter from Michl. Mulcahy

Report Board of Works on letter from Frank Eden.

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August 26th letter from St. Eden together with the opinion of His Honor the Recorder thereon and which at a meeting held this day were read and ordered to be transmitted to the City Council for its information.

Respectfully submitted.
Geo. Mc Bellan.
Chairman.

(see file)

On Motion of Alderman Mc Bellan seconded by Alderman Sedgewick the said report is received and adopted.

Report Board of City Works.

Read Report from Board of City Works in reference to water extension to Welsford and Windsor Street as petitioned for.

Report City Engineer with letter from Mayor O'Brien rel to Bogswell Street.

Read Report from City Engineer with letter from Mayor O'Brien, Commanding R. & C. in reference to widening Bogswell Street at the Glacis of the tidal. When the following resolution No one is introduced.

Resol. rel to widening of Bogswell Street

Resolved that the City Board of Works be empowered to enter into and complete negotiations with the Imperial Authorities to rent a portion of the Glacis of the tidal not exceeding in width 12 feet in order to widen Bogswell Street, the rent to be paid therefor to be determined by the Board. Moved by Alderman Mc Bellan seconded by Alderman O'Bryan, which resolution on being put is passed.

Communication Col. Aher with report from City Engineer rel to sidewalk Brunswick St.

Read Communication from Col. Charles Aher, Commanding R. & C. with Report from City Engineer in reference to Sidewalk on Brunswick Street from Bogswell to Buckingham Street. When the following resolution No 2 is introduced.

Resol. rel to widening of Brunswick St.

Resolved that the City Board of Works be authorized to enter into and complete arrangements with the Military Authorities to acquire for the use of the City a strip of land to widen Brunswick Street between Buckingham and Jacob Streets as represented in the Engineers plan submitted to this Council at this date. Moved by Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman Mc Bellan which resolution on being put is passed.

Report Committee of Laws & Privileges rel to inspection of petroleum.

Read Report of Committee of Laws and Privileges in reference to inspection of petroleum and storage thereof

To His Worship the Mayor

The Committee on Laws and Privileges together with the Recorder and Harbor Master to whom was referred a communication under date of May 9th 1884 from the Department of Inland Revenue in reference to the storage of Petroleum beg to report as follows:

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1 They find that the City Council has no authority under the City Charter to make any ordinance or bye law in relation to the storing of Petroleum or other explosives except gun powder.

2. To obtain such authority application would have to be made to Parliament but inasmuch as the regulations made by the Governor General in Council under the Petroleum Inspection Act appear to be sufficient they recommended that the Department of Inland Revenue be notified that the City Council is satisfied with such regulations and with their enforcement by the Officers of such Department

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Robt. Sedgewick
Chairman
J. W. Ritchie
Recorder

On Motion of Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman Longard The said report is received and adopted.

Report Committee
of Laws and
Privileges rel
to members of
Court of Appeal.

Read Report from Committee of Laws and Privileges on the subject of the amendment to Law in reference to Members of Court of Appeal.

The Committee of Laws and Privileges to whom was referred the letter of His Lordship the Chief Justice in reference to the refusal of Mr Benjamin Russell to act as a Member of the Court of Appeal on Assesments beg to recommend that the following clause be inserted in any Bill relating to the City of Halifax that may be presented by the Council at the next Session of the Local Legislature.

"Section 41 of Chapter 28 of the Acts of 1883 is hereby amended by inserting, between the words 'Court' and 'The' in the 12th line of such section the following words. In the event of any member (other than the Recorder) dying, refusing to act becoming incapacitated or being otherwise unable to act, his place shall be considered vacant and upon such vacancy being notified to the Government or the Chief Justice by His Worship the Mayor (who shall have power to determine the fact of such vacancy) a new appointment shall forthwith be made by the Government or by the Chief Justice as the case may be.

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On Motion of Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman McCollan The said report is received and adopted.

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Report Committee on License granting licenses

Read Report from Committee on License recommending the granting of license to John Stafford and Frederick Allen to sell liquore in the city of Halifax.

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The License Committee met this day and recommend that licenses be granted to John S. Stafford and Frederick Allen and that Henry Becker be not granted a license

W. C. B. Mc Sweeney.
D. Mc Dougall.
Geo. P. Langard.
Patrick O'Mullin.

On Motion of Alderman Mc Sweeney seconded by Alderman Mc Dougall The said report is received and adopted.

Report Committee of Library

Read Report from Committee of Citizens Library on the general state of the Library and its finances &c

Report Committee on the Annual Scull Race.

Read Report from Special Committee on the Annual Scull Race for the Championship of Halifax Harbor.

On Motion of Alderman O'Byrne seconded by Alderman Mc Bellan The said report is received and adopted and His Worship the Mayor is authorized to hand over the Prize and Medal to the successful competitor.

Extract minutes of Board Fire Wards.

Read Extract from Minutes of Board of Fire Wards in reference to purchase of a new Steam Fire Engine.

Report City Clerk in re a/c.

Read Report from City Clerk covering several accounts for consideration of Committee of Public Accounts.

Office of City Clerk.
Halifax 25th August. 1884.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council

Gentlemen

I have the honor to report to the City Council the following a/c for the consideration of the Committee of Public a/c.

Your Obedt. Servt.
Thos. Behind
City Clerk.

City Contingent a/c	---	Gas & Fuel a/c City Building	---
Chas. Amund	\$3.00	Gas a/c	---
Fire Dept.	---	Gas a/c	\$72.75
Gas Light Co	\$74.00	Gas Light Co	---
Citizens Library	---	Gas Light Co	\$2.50 total \$152.25

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Annual Report from City Marshal.

On Motion of Alderman Taylor seconded Alderman Sedgewick The same is referred to Committee of Public Accounts.

Read Annual Report from

City Marshal to 30th April 1884.

On Motion of Alderman

McClellan seconded by Alderman McC James The same is referred to Committee on publication of the Annual Report.

Letter Collector of Taxes.

Read Letter from W. L. Hamilton

ton, Collector of Taxes asking leave of absence.

On Motion of Alderman

Taylor seconded by Alderman McClellan leave asked for is granted.

Letter Mrs Saunders asking return of license duty.

Read Letter from William Saunders asking return of license duty paid by him.

On Motion of Alderman

McC Sweeney The same is referred to Committee on License to report on.

Letter W. W. Bonny.

Read Letter from W. Kingfield

Bonny in reference to Dry Dock.

Letter W. D. Bentley.

Read Extract from Letter of

W. Darnley Bentley in re Dry Dock

Letter Wallace Graham. in re deed of Railway Siding property.

Read Letter from Wallace Graham, Solicitor in reference to Deed of Railway Siding property.

On Motion of Alderman

McC Dougall seconded by Alderman Spelman The said letter is referred to His Honor the Recorder to report on.

Resol. rel. to sidewalk around the House of Assembly & Government House.

Read following resolution submitted by Alderman McC Sweeney under a suspension of the "Order of the Day"

Resolved that His Worship the

Mayor and the Chairman of the Board of Works confer with the Local Government for the purpose of making an arrangement to put the sidewalk around the House of Assembly and Government House in good order, said sidewalks being now in such condition as to render travel over them dangerous to pedestrians. Moved by Alderman McC Sweeney seconded by Alderman McClellan which resolution on being put is passed.

On Motion of Alderman

Bongard seconded by Alderman McC James The "Order of the Day" is suspended to take up Report from the Board of City Works on water extension to Kelsford and Windsor Streets. The same is again read.

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Report Board of
Works rel to water
extension Windsor
& Helsford Sts.

Office of Commissioners,
Board of City Works.
August 18th 1884.

The Board of City Works beg
leave to report that at a meeting held this day they had under
consideration the accompanying report from the City Engineer
on petition for water extension Windsor and Helsford Streets
together with the estimated cost of said work and it was on motion
resolved to forward the same to the City Council with a recom-
mendation that the work be carried out.

Respectfully Submitted.
Geo. Mc Bellan.
Chairman.

On Motion of Alderman
Mc Bellan seconded by Alderman Longard The said report
is received and adopted

On Motion of Alderman
Stephen seconded by Alderman Mc Bellan The "Order of the Day"
is suspended to permit Alderman Stephen to make the following
Motion.

That a communication be
addressed to the Dry Dock Committee asking them to report as
early as possible to this Council. Motion put and passed

On Motion of Alderman
Mc Sweeney seconded by Alderman Longard The "Order of
the Day" is suspended to take up Alderman Mc Sweeney's
resolution on purchase of Steam Fire Engines.

Letter A. Moir

Read letter from A. Moir in
reference to present condition of No 2 Steam Fire Engine. when
after discussion

On Motion of Alderman
Longard seconded by Alderman Hesslein.

"The Council Adjourn"

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"Evening Session"

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this evening Present Alderman Sedgewick. McC Sweeney, Wilson, Sheakston, McC Bellan, Shand, Cad, McC Innes, O'Byan, and Longard.

The Council were summoned to appoint a Presiding Officer for holding an Election in Ward One in place of Alderman Pearson. To proceed with business standing over, and the transaction of other business

Before reading of Minutes His Worship the Mayor presented the Medal and Prize to Peter Day the Champion in the Annual Scull Race.

Read Minutes of last meeting 26th August which were confirmed

On Motion of Alderman Shand Alderman Gouldrick of St John N.B. is accorded a seat at the City Council during its business.

Alderman Hessler in the absence of the Chairman of Committee of City Prison submits a report on accounts for Month of August.

Alderman McC Bellan, Chairman of the Board of City Works submits Report of the Board and City Engineer in reference to Bell Telephone Co letter asking permission to make alterations.

Alderman McC Bellan, Chairman submits report from the Board in reference to broken stone purchase from City Prison.

Alderman Taylor, Chairman submits report from Committee of Public Accounts on Sundry a/c referred to them

Alderman McC Innes, Chairman submits a report from the Sanitary Committee with the Draft of an ordinance in reference to Public Health.

His Worship the Mayor submits a letter from His Honor the Recorder in reference to letter from Wallace Graham, Solicitor on Railway Siding Road.

Also a letter from His Excellency J. C. Commerall, Vice Admiral in reference to nuisance from the smoke of Sugar Refinery, with letter from Secretary of Sugar Refinery Company on the subject.

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Also letter from Alderman Pearson in reference to his being unable to attend as Presiding Officer in Ward No One on 9th Sept. 1884.

Also a Memorandum from the Mayor in reference to Irish Markets and the selling of fish on the streets of the city contrary to law.

Read Report from Committee of City Prison with a/cs for month of August 1884.

Report Committee on City Prison on a/cs.

City Prison
September 1st 1884.

At a meeting of City Prison Committee held this day the following were present Aldermen Hesselin, Cad. Wilson and O'Mullin.

The following accounts were examined found correct and recommended to the City Prison for payment.

N. S. Cotton Co.	\$ 7.00	H. D. Harrington.	\$ 44.70
Sheakston & Angwin.	8.58	Labot & Son.	6.87
Halifax Carpet Co.	87.75	G. P. Henry.	7.80
J. Allen & Sons	7.00		<u>\$ 169.70</u>

Respectfully Submitted
Patrick O'Mullin.
Chairman

When the following resolution is introduced

Resolved That the report of the Committee on City Prison be received and adopted and His Worship the Mayor be authorized to sign warrants for payment of same in all \$169.70. Moved by Alderman Hesselin seconded by Alderman Wilson which resolution on being put is passed.

On Motion of Alderman MacCollan seconded by Alderman O'Byrne The "Order of the Day" is suspended to take up the papers handed in this evening.

Report Board of Works in re letter from Bell Telephone Co.

Read Report from the Board of City Works in reference to letter from Bell Telephone Company asking permission to make certain alterations on line of Telegraph

Office of Commissioners
Board of City Works
Sept. 4th 1884

The Board of City Works beg

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September 4th leave to submit the accompanying report from the City Engineer on letter from the Bell Telephone Co and which at a meeting of the Board held this day was read and ordered to be forwarded to the City Council with a recommendation that said report be adopted.

Respectfully Submitted.
Geo. MacLellan.
Chairman

On Motion of Alderman MacLellan seconded by Alderman O'Bryon the said report is received and adopted

Extract Minutes

Board of Works

Read Extract from Minutes of Board of City Works in reference to purchase of broken stone from Committee City Prison (laid over)

Report Comm-

ittee on Sanitary

rel. to ordinance

on Public Health

Read Report of the Sanitary Committee enclosing an Ordinance in reference to a more summary method being provided for dealing with offenders of City Health regulations.

Committee Room
Halifax Sept. 3rd 1884.

The Sanitary Committee having in view, the great need which exists for a more summary method of dealing with offenders against the Sanitary laws of the City, have had a conference with the Recorder, and beg to submit the accompanying "Draft of an Ordinance in relation to Public Health" for the consideration of the City Council.

Respectfully Submitted.
John MacInnes.
Chairman.

On Motion of Alderman MacInnes seconded by Alderman MacLellan the said report is received and adopted.

Read Ordinance in relation to Public Health a first and second time.

Report Comm-

ittee of Public

Affs on letter

Graham, Sup-

-per & Co & afs.

Read Report from Committee of Public Accounts on letter from Messrs Graham, Supper & Co and also in reference to certain accounts passed by the Committee.

Halifax September 2nd 1884.

The Committee of Public Accounts beg to report on the letter of Messrs Graham, Supper & Borden of 4th July 1883 regarding \$137⁷⁴ costs due Messrs

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Thompson and Graham in the suit Inglis vs Greenwood for replevin on a suit for water rates. Immediately examining the circumstances the Committee find that Inglis paid \$20⁰⁰ to the Board of Works on the rates being only a part of the said rates

The letter states that nothing could be collected from Inglis under an Execution and that the Bondsmen (Anderson & Jackson) are both dead leaving no available assets. If the Council decide to pay the claim your Committee cannot say where the funds are to be found for that purpose.

The undersigned accounts are recommended for payment from this years appropriation

Chas Ammand,	Advertising.	\$ 3.00
Gas Light Co	Fire Department.	74.00
Do	Market block &c	72.75
Do	Library.	2.50

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Wm Taylor.
Chairman.

When the following resolution

No 2 is introduced

Resolved that the second portion of the report of the Committee of Public Accounts be received and adopted and His Worship the Mayor be authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the accounts recommended in said report. Moved by Alderman Taylor seconded by Alderman McC Innes which resolution on being put is passed.

Letter from His Honor the Recorder.

the Recorder in reference to Deed of Siding at Rockhead for Cotton Factory uses.

Read Letter from His Honor

Letter from the Admiral & Secty. Sugar Refinery re rel to smoke from Refinery.

Vice Admiral J. G. Commerell in reference to smoke from Sugar Refinery being a nuisance and detrimental to health of patients in Naval Hospital. Read Letter from Secretary of Sugar Refinery Company in reference to the same.

Read Letter from His Excellency

On Motion of Alderman O'Byrne seconded by Alderman Shand His Worship the Mayor is requested to forward a copy of the Secretary's Letter to the Vice Admiral.

Memo from the Mayor re. Fish Markets &c

His Worship the Mayor in reference to obsolete Fish Market regulations asking that a new Ordinance be framed to regulate the fish selling trade.

Read Memorandum from His

On Motion of Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman Bongard The same is referred to Committee of Laws & Privileges with His Honor the Recorder to prepare an Act in accordance therewith.

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Better Ald.
Pearson

Pearson asking to be excused from serving as Presiding Officer in Ward One on the 9th inst. in consequence of serious illness of his Wife at Sydney.

Read Letter from Alderman

McClellan seconded by Alderman Sedgewick Alderman Heeslein is appointed Presiding Officer.

On Motion of Alderman

The "Order of the Day"

Council proceed to take up

Report Board
of Works.

of City Works in reference to broken stone purchase from City Prison. The "Order of the Day" being suspended for that purpose

Read Report from the Board

Report Board
of Fire Wards
rel to purchase
of a new Steam
Fire Engine.

of Board of Fire Wards in reference to purchase of new Steam Fire Engine and the letter from A. Moir in reference to state of engine and boiler No 2 Steam Fire Engine.

Read Report from Minutes

Extract from Minutes Board Fire Wards

August 21st 1884.

Read Letter from Mr A. Moir in reference to condition of Steam Fire Engine No 2. The report being very unfavorable it was on Motion Resolved to recommend to the City Council the purchase of a new Steam Fire Engine without delay.

A True Extract.

R. S. Suttiffe
Secty. B. of F. W.

When the following resolution No 3 is introduced

Resolved that the Board of Fire Wards purchase a new Steam Fire Engine and that the amount of the purchase money be paid out of the appropriations of 1885-6 and that the Board arrange for payment within those years when the purchase is made. Moved by Alderman McClellan seconded by Alderman Songard to which the following amendment is introduced:

Resol. rel to
Steam Fire
engines. repairs
and in re new
Steam Fire
engine.

Resolved that the Board of Fire Wards be authorized to place the Steam Fire Engines at present in use by the City in a state of perfect repair and that it be referred to the City Engineer, Alderman McClellan and Spelman to report to this Council at an early day as to the advisability of purchasing a new Steam Fire Engine Moved by Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman

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On Motion of Alderman
Shand seconded by Alderman Taylor.

"Council Adjourn"

Office of City Clerk
Halifax Sept. 9th 1884.

George Rent Esq. having been returned as duly Elected Alderman for Ward No One and having taken and subscribed the oath of allegiance the oath of office as well as that of Justice of the Peace for the City of Halifax signs the roll and takes his seat as an Alderman for the City of Halifax in presence of His Worship the Mayor.

"Afternoon Session"

September 9th

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair Aldermen Rent, Spelman, Stephen, Mac Sweeney, Mac Sellan, Cad. O'Byrne, Longard and Taylor.

The Council were summoned to proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business.

There being no quorum to do business the Council stands adjourned until Tuesday the 16th inst by consent.

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"Evening Session"

At an adjourned Meeting of the City Council held this evening Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair Aldermen Reent, Pearson, Sedgewick Spelman, McC Dougall, McC Sweeney, Wilson, Theakston, McC Lellan, O'Mullin, Cad, McC James, O'Bryan, Longard and Taylor.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment of the 9th inst. To proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business.

Read over proceedings of last Meeting which were confirmed.

Alderman McC Lellan as Chairman of Special Committee appointed to report on Steam Fire Engines submits a report of that Committee.

Alderman McC Sweeney, Chairman submits report from the License Committee on several applications with other matters.

His Worship the Mayor submits return from City Collector of City Rates collected in August also the list of Water Rates collected in August 1884.

Also a communication from William Billman, Fish Dealer complaining of the sale of fish by hawkers on the streets

Also a letter from Patrick Slattery asking a return of certain license duty paid to the City.

Also a report from Fire Department on accounts passed and audited by that department.

Also a letter from Professor George Lawson in reference to entertaining the Members of British Association for the advancement of Science.

Also a report from the City Engineer as Secretary of Dry Dock Committee.

Moved by Alderman O'Mullin seconded by Alderman McC Lellan That the "Order of the Day" be suspended to read the papers handed in this day. (Objected to)

Council proceed with the "Order of the Day"

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Report Committee of Public Accounts. clauses 1, 2, & 3 submitted & read 29th July

Committee of Public Accounts as submitted and read 29th July 1884 in reference to reduction of 5% shortage in collection in amount placed to credit of Board of Works 1883-4

On Motion of Alderman Taylor seconded by Alderman McJames the said clause of the report is received and adopted

Read Second clause in reference to the shortage in City's proportion of amount for support of Poor Asylum and Hospital as per Act of Commissioners Public Charities.

On Motion of Alderman Taylor seconded by Alderman McJames the said clause is received and adopted

Read Third clause in reference to the letter from President of Halifax Visiting Dispensary asking amount voted to that Institution 1883-84.

On Motion of Alderman Taylor seconded by Alderman McJames the said Third clause is received and adopted.

Moved by Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman McSweeney that the "Order of the Day" be suspended to allow Alderman Roents nomination to certain vacancies on the Standing and other Committees (objected to)

Report Committee on Citizens Library.

Read Report from the Committee of the Citizens Library in reference to state of their funds and the appropriations of previous years being insufficient to meet their demands

Moved by Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman Wilson that said report be received and adopted, to which it was moved in amendment by Alderman McSollan seconded by Alderman McJames that the matter be deferred for future consideration this day four weeks which amendment on being put is passed.

On Motion of Alderman O'Byron seconded by Alderman McJames the "Order of the Day" is suspended to take up and read the Report of Committee on the Dry Dock.

Letter Secty. Dry Dock Committee

Read Letter E. H. Keating, as Secretary of said Dry Dock Committee with Report of said Committee.

On Motion of Alderman O'Byron seconded by Alderman Sedgewick the "Order of the Day" is suspended to read the papers handed in this day.

Report Committee to inspect & report on Steam Fire Engines.

Read Report of Special Committee appointed to inspect and report on Steam Fire Engines.

On Motion of Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman Spelman the said report is received and adopted.

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Report Com-
mittee on
License in re
licences & other
matters

Read Report from Committee
on License in reference to granting licenses and other matters

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The License Committee having
considered letter of William Saunders ^{referred} to them beg to report
that as he paid for a city license which has been issued to
him, they cannot recommend his request for a transfer of the
money to another purpose be granted.

The License Committee recom-
mend that Licenses be granted to John Kennedy District
One, Ward Two and James Smyth, 30 Leonard St.

H. B. Mc Sweeney, Chairman.

John Cad.

Jno. P. Songard.

B. St. Pearson.

P. O'Mullin.

On Motion of Alderman
McC Sweeney, seconded by Alderman McC James the said report
is received and adopted

Report Secty.
Board of Fire-
Wards in re
accounts.

Read Report from Re. S. S. S. S. S.
Secty. Board of Fire Wards in reference to number of Fire
Dept. a/c audited by Board of Fire Wards.

On Motion of Alderman
Taylor seconded by Alderman McC James the same are referred
to Committee of Public Accounts to report on.

Letter George
Lawson.

Read Letter from George Lawson
Esquire Secretary of Committee of British Association for Advan-
cement of Science.

Letter Patrick
Slattery asking
return of license
duty.

Read Letter from Patrick
Slattery asking a return of license duty paid by to the city.
On Motion of Alderman McC
James seconded by Alderman ^{Spelman} The same is referred to the license
Committee to report on.

Letter G.
Billman in
reference to sale of fish
on streets.

Read Letter from Mr. G. Billman
in reference to sale of fresh fish on streets of the city in contra-
vention of the Ordinance.

On Motion of Alderman
O'Bryan seconded by Alderman Sedgewick the said letter
is referred to Committee of Laws & Privileges to report on.

On Motion of Alderman
Sedgewick seconded by Alderman O'Bryan the "Order of the
Day" is suspended to allow Alderman Peart to be placed by
Motion on the various Standing and other Committees.
Motion passed.

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2 on Rent on the
27 various Comm-
7 ittees

Moved by Alderman Sedgewick
seconded by Alderman O'Bryan that Alderman Rent be pla-
ced on the various committees in which there is a vacancy for
Hard No One (Motion passed)

"Order of the Day" is again taken up.

Moved by Alderman Wilson
seconded by Alderman Taylor that the Council adjourn. Motion
put and lost

Report Board of City Works on letter from Joseph Mulcahy complaining of
of Works on letter the filling up of his dock foot of Cornwallis Street by Street Sewe-
Jos. Mulcahy - rage accumulation with the letter of His Honor the Recorder
with letter from on the same subject.
His Honor the Recorder.

Office of Commissioners.
Board of City Works.
August 18th 1884.

The Board of Works beg leave to
submit the annexed report from the City Engineer on petition from
Joseph Mulcahy relative to the silting up of his dock, also the
opinion of His Honor the City Recorder thereon, which at a meeting
of the Board held this day were read and ordered to be forwarded to
the City Council for its information.

Respectfully Submitted,
Geo. Mac Lellan,
Chairman.

On Motion of Alderman Mac
Lellan seconded by Alderman Pearson the said report is received
and adopted and Mr Mulcahy to be notified by the City Clerk
of the Council's action in the matter.

On Motion of Alderman
O'Mullin seconded by Alderman Sargard "The Council Adjourn"