

Read petition of R. W. Longueil and others for water extension North Street, west from Windsor Street. Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that said petition be referred to the Department of City Works for report. Motion passed.

Read application of J. M. McElmon and others for Water extension along the street leading from Pleasant Street to Sutherland's Laundry.

Moved by Alderman Geldert seconded by Alderman Faulkner, that the same be referred to the City Engineer for report. Motion passed.

Read petition of Wm. H. Harrington et al for the construction of a sewer, and also for water extension on LeMarchant Street. Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Mitchell, that the same be referred to the City Engineer for report. Motion passed.

Read letter from J. W. Jago, Secretary of the Dartmouth Ferry Commission, covering a resolution passed by said commission relative to the reduction of the rental of the Ferry property on the Halifax side of the Harbor,

On motion, said letter is fyled and the City Clerk directed to acknowledge the receipt of same.

Alderman Hawkins gives notice that he will at a future meeting of the council move to rescind the resolution passed by this council on the 25th February, 1898, reducing the rental of the Dock property belonging to the City of Halifax and used by the Dartmouth Ferry Commission.

Read draft of lease from the City of Halifax to the Dartmouth Ferry Commission of the property on the Halifax side of the Harbor known as the Ferry property and used and occupied by said Commission for Ferry purposes.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that said draft lease be referred to the committee on Laws and Privileges for report. Motion passed.

Read letter from John T. Bulmer asking that compensation be made to the family of the late W. H. Lewin, a fireman who died from injuries received at the recent Tower Road fire.

On motion said letter is fyled, and the City Clerk directed to acknowledge the receipt of the same.

Moved by Alderman Mitchell, seconded by Alderman Redden that His Worship the Mayor, the Board of Fire Commissioners, together with His Honor the Recorder, be a committee to take into consideration the matter of allowance to Mrs. Lewin, and report thereon to this council. Motion passed.

Read report City Engineer *re* Veith and Young Street sewer. Placed on Order Paper.

Read report City Engineer *re* lines and grades Lockman Street. Placed on Order Paper.

Read letter from the City Clerk covering sundry accounts for payment.

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the same be referred to the committee on Public Accounts for report. Motion passed.

Read petition of Wm. H. McArthur and others for the extension of the sewer from Robie Street west to Oxford Street on North Street, &c.

Moved by Alderman Eden, seconded by Alderman McFatrige, that said petition be referred to the City Engineer for report. Motion passed.

Read return of Coal Measures for the month of January. Fyled.

Read petition of the Halifax Typographical Union asking that in all tenders for City Printing the following stipulation be inserted:—"That the work be done in the usual manner, that is to say: by means of hand composition only, and not on Type-setting machines."

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Musgrave, that Emmanul DeFreytas, a representative from the Halifax Typographical Union be allowed to address the council on behalf of the petitioners. Motion passed.

Mr. DeFreytas addresses the council to the effect that the introduction of Type-setting Machines has thrown a large number of compositors out of employment, and asks that in City contracts for printing the stipulation shall be made that the work shall be done by hand composition only.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that said petition be referred to the committee on tenders for report. Motion passed.

Read City Treasurer's cash statement "General" and "Water" for the month of February. Fyled.

Read City Collector's returns "Rates" and "Water Rates" collected during the month of February. Fyled.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Geldert, that No. 24 on Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 24 viz: Clause of report of committee on Laws and Privileges *re* claim of F. Wm. Horley, for piece of land taken to widen Lockman Street.

February 7th. 1898.

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

Gentlemen—The committee on Laws and Privileges beg to report that they held a meeting this evening to consider the draft Act proposed to be submitted to the Legislature, all members of the committee being present.

Clause one of said draft Act, empowering the City to locate sewer outlets on private property is an important amendment to Law, affecting private rights which has not been considered by the council and is reported up without recommendation for the Council's action.

Your committee cannot concur in the amendment to debar voters from the right they now enjoy of choosing the ward or polling booth in which they may vote if they are qualified to vote in several, and have expunged the clause.

It is recommended that His Honor the Recorder be instructed to prepare a further amendment to section 62 of the City Charter allowing presiding officers and poll clerks to vote in the polling booth in which they preside if they are qualified thereto, and if they are not qualified to vote in the booth in which they preside to entitle them to vote by proxy in any ward or polling booth in which they are qualified.

It is also recommended that His Honor the Recorder be instructed to consider the question of the legality of the operation of Trading Stamp and other similar concerns, and that if necessary he prepare an Act on the subject.

Your committee found it necessary to amend several of the clauses of the draft Act as submitted to them and herewith return the same embodying the said amendments recommending it as amended to the favourable consideration of the council.

In a former report it was recommended that Mr. F. Wm. Horley, be paid by the City for a certain piece of land in connection with the widening of Lockman Street for which the arbitrators had allowed him no award. It has been ascertained that the amount agreed upon was based upon an error as to the quantity of land taken, and was not sufficient to meet Mr. Horley's claim which is for 403 square feet instead of 322 feet as originally calculated. This would give Mr. Horley at 42½ cents per foot \$172, and your committee recommend that that amount be paid him in full and final settlement of his claim.

J. M. GELBERT, JR., *Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Geldert, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that said clause of said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the Order of the Day be further suspended to allow Alderman Rogers, to move a resolution. Motion passed.

The following resolution is now introduced:—

Resolved, That the Halifax Electric Tram Co. be and are hereby requested to have the rails laid, and put in operation Tram service similar to that now running throughout the City, on the following Streets: Brunswick Street, from the foot of Cogswell Street, to North Street, along North to Gottingen along Gottingen to West Young, along West Young to Kempt Road, along Kempt Road to the City Limit at the Three Mile House.

And Further Resolved, That His Worship the Mayor instruct the City Clerk to forward a copy of this resolution to the Secretary of the Tram Co., requesting them to take action thereon forthwith, in accordance with Section 34 of their Charter.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Ryan, and passed.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that No. 27 on Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 27, viz: Alderman Butler's resolution by way of notice for the appointment of a committee to revise the City Charter and Ordinances and arrange for the publication of the same in book form.

The following resolution is now introduced:—

Resolved, That His Worship the Mayor appoint a committee of three, to consist of one member of this Council, His Honor the Recorder and one other gentleman, not a member of this Council, to revise the City Charter and Ordinances and arrange for the publication of same in book form.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Mosher.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the foregoing resolution relative to the revision of the City Charter and Ordinances of the City of Halifax be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges for report. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Redden, that the following named items be struck from the Order Paper, viz:

No. 2. Report Inspector of Buildings *re* Violating of Building Act at 14 Bell's Lane.

No. 4. Resolution of Alderman Ryan, *re* Chief of Fire Department.

No. 5. Report Inspector of Buildings of a violation of the Building Act by Fred T. DeWolfe and John Foster.

No. 6. Report of Inspector of Buildings of a violation of the Building Act by Richard Fitzgerald.

No. 8. Notice of Resolution by Alderman O'Donnell, *re* granting a pension to John Egan.

No. 10. First Clause of Report of Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners *re* dismissals and appointments Fire Department.

No. 16. Alderman O'Donnell's notice of motion *re* work and expenses in connection with the widening of Quinpool Road.

No. 17. Alderman O'Donnell's notice of motion *re* abolition of Board of Health as at present constituted.

No. 18. Alderman O'Donnell's notice of motion *re* reestablishment of Board of City Works.

No. 19. Alderman O'Donnell's notice of motion *re* office of City Recorder.

No. 20. Letter George Mitchell, M. P. P. covering draft Act to amend the City Charter *re* Assessment.

No. 26. Bill amending the Charter of the People's Heat and Light Co.

Motion passed.

The following Resolution is now introduced :—

Resolved, That Section 24 of the Act recently passed by the Legislature relative to Trading Stamps and other matters be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges for the purpose of making rules and regulations relative to said Company, and report to this Council at an early day.

Moved by Alderman Eden, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, and passed.

Moved by Alderman Geldert, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the following items be struck from the Order Paper, viz :—

No. 21. Report City Engineer *re* Legislation respecting Asphalt sidewalks.

No. 25. Alderman Geldert's Resolution *re* Office of City Auditor.

Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Geldert, seconded by Alderman Musgrave, that No. 7 on Order Paper, viz :—Report City Engineer *re* Macara Street sewer, be struck therefrom. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Butler, that No. 11 on Order Paper, viz : Report City Engineer on application of J. Gordon Bennett for water extension Mumford Road, be struck therefrom. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Redden, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the council adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 5.55 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

3.10 o'clock.

APRIL 5TH, 1898.

A meeting of the City Council was held this day.

At the above hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen O'Donnell, Hubley, Faulkner, Lane, Mitchell, Eden.

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the time for meeting be extended until 3.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

3.30. Roll called. Present the above named, together with Aldermen, Campbell, Ryan, McFatrige, Rogers, Mosher and Hawkins.

The Council was summoned to appoint Presiding Officers for the ensuing Civic Election, to proceed with business standing over, and the transaction of other business.

The minutes of last meeting are read and confirmed.

Alderman Faulkner submits a report from the Committee on Public Accounts.

Alderman Hubley submits a report from the City Prison Committee.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers :

Report City Engineer, *re* double track Gottingen Street.

Petition of Mary Nicholson, *re* expropriation of land near Chain Lakes.

Protest Baron De Hirsch Hebrew Benevolent Society against the granting of a liquor license to Mrs. Stafford, &c.

Letter from City Treasurer, *re* loans authorized.

Invitation from Good Citizenship Club to Council to attend a lecture on "Public Health."

Letter T. V. Mulcahie, *re* renting Exhibition Building.

Petition of Robert Boak for water extension Fenwick Street.

Letter from John Naylor, Secretary Society for Prevention of Cruelty, *re* inspection of horses and vehicles of expressmen, peddlers and hawkers.

Report of His Honor the Recorder and the City Engineer, *re* commutation of common lots, "Ferguson Property."

Petition H. R. Silver and others against the extension of tramway service on North and Gottingen Streets.

Petition of E. J. Longard and others against the extension of tram service on Brunswick Street.

Letter J. T. Bulmer, *re* prosecution in bastardy cases.

Applications (7) for the position of Grain Measurer.
 Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the Order of the Day be suspended to read the papers submitted. Motion passed.

Read report City Prison Committee, *re* accounts, &c., for March.

April 5th, 1898.

To His Worship the Mayor and Members City Council :

GENTLEMEN,—The Committee on City Prison beg to recommend for payment the following named accounts, all of which have been examined and found correct, viz. : Dominion Cotton Mills Co., \$7,50; William Roche, \$11.73; Shaffner & Co., \$17,60; Melvin & Co., \$6,63; W. J. Hopgood, \$51,13; Mrs. C. Manley, \$3,25; Leaman & Co., \$9,36; Wm. Jordan, \$4,15. Total \$111,35.

A. HUBLEY, *Chairman*.

The following resolution is now introduced :

Resolved, That the Report of the City Prison Committee be received and concurred in, and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the accounts named therein.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Lane, and passed.

Read report of Committee on Public Accounts, recommending sundry accounts for payment.

April 5th, 1898.

To His Worship the Mayor and Members City Council :

GENTLEMEN,—The Committee on Public Accounts beg to report that they have examined the within named accounts, found them correct, and recommend that they be paid, viz. :

Maritime Steam Lithograph Co., \$94,00; Blackadar Bros., for advertizing, &c., to Jan. 31st, \$37,97; A. & W. Mackinlay, for binding reports, \$28,92; T. C. Allen & Co., for City Clerk Stationery, &c., February, \$7,20; Minutes for January and February, \$49,70; Recorder, printing Bill for Legislature, \$15,00; City Treasurer to 28th Feb., \$1,80; City Assessors, for December, \$46,55; City Collector, January and February, \$13,04. Total \$294,18.

G. E. FAULKNER, *Chairman*.

The following resolution is introduced :

Resolved, That the report of the Committee on Public Accounts be received and adopted, and his Worship the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the accounts named therein.

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Mitchell, and passed.

Read report City Engineer, *re* double tracks Gottingen Street. Placed on Order Paper.

Alderman Ryan gives notice that he will at a future meeting of the Council move to rescind the resolution passed August 10th, 1897, fixing the location of the double track on Gottingen Street.

Read petition Mary Nicholson, *re* payment for land expropriated near Chain Lakes.

Moved by Alderman Ryan, seconded by Alderman McFatrige, that the same be referred to His Honor the Recorder for report. Motion passed.

Read protest of the Baron de Hirsch Benevolent Society against the granting of a liquor license to the administratrix of the estate of late Teresa Cody.

Placed on Order Paper for consideration with No. 1 thereon, viz:— Notice of reconsideration, *re* application of administratrix of Teresa Cody's estate for a liquor license.

Read invitation of the Hebrew Society to the Mayor and Council to attend the Passover Service at the Synagogue on Friday next. Accepted.

Read letter from the City Treasurer submitting statement of loans authorized for various services.

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Mitchell, that the same be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts for report. Motion passed.

Read invitation from the Good Citizenship Club to the Mayor and Council to attend a lecture before said Club this evening. Subject "Public Health."

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Faulkner, that said invitation be accepted. Motion passed.

Read letter of Thomas V. Mulcahie, *re* letting of Exhibition Building.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Mitchell, that the same be referred to the Department of City Works for report, and also for a report in the event of the City deciding to sell said old exhibition property on the advisability of disposing the same en bloc or dividing it in lots. Motion passed.

Read Letter of Robert Boak, asking for water extension Fenwick Street.

Moved by Alderman Eden, seconded by Alderman Faulkner, that the same be referred to the City Engineer for report. Motion passed.

Read letter from the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty, *re* inspection of horses and vehicles of expressmen and hawkers.

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Mitchell, that the same be referred to the Commissioners of Cabs for report. Motion passed.

Read report of His Honor the Recorder and the City Engineer, *re* commutation of common lots.

April 5th, 1898.

IN RE COMMUTATION OF FERGUSON LOT.

Since Mr. Ferguson has made an application to commute his lot of land, an Act has been passed enabling the Council to commute any particular portion of the half acre lots originally leased, and as we believe a large number intend to apply to have their lots commuted, we would beg that the following principles should be adopted by the Council:

1. That all lots facing on Spring Garden Road should be commuted for a sum not less than the amount equal to twenty-five years' rental of their portion of the original rent under the lease from the City; those fronting on Carleton Street twenty-two years, and those fronting on the new street called College Street, at a rental of twenty years.
2. That they should only be called upon to pay their portion of any rents due on the lease of the City.

The exact size of their lot to be commuted will have to be ascertained by measurement, which will have to be made by one of the City Engineer's Staff, and the party commuting should pay for his services.

WILLIAM F. MACCOY, *Recorder.*

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

To His Worship the Mayor.

Moved by Alderman Ryan, seconded by Alderman Mitchell, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read petition of H. R. Silver and others against the extension of the tram service on North and Gottingen Streets.

Also read petition E. J. Longard and others against the extension of the tram service on Brunswick Street. Placed on Order Paper.

Read letter of J. T. Bulmer, *re* prosecutions in bastardy cases.

Moved by Alderman Ryan, seconded by Alderman Mitchell, that the same be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges, together with His Honor the Recorder for report. Motion passed.

Read applications from the following named for the position of Salt and Grain Measurer, viz.: James H. Bezanson, Henry Brown, William Wrayton, Edward Dauphiney, W. Arthur, Malcolm McLeod and A. M. Scott.

On a vote being taken, there appeared: For J. H. Bezanson, 1; Edward Dauphiney, 2; A. M. Scott, 2; and for W. Arthur, 7.

His Worship the Mayor declares W. Arthur duly elected to said position.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

No. 1. Alderman Hubley's notice of reconsideration of "Application of Katie Stafford, administratrix of the estate of Teresa Cody for an hotel license," is now read.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that the matter of said application be now reconsidered.

Motion put and lost, 5 voting for the same and 7 against it. Names being called for, there appeared:—

For reconsideration.

Aldermen Hubley, O'Donnell,
Eden, Mosher,
Hawkins.—5.

Against it.

Aldermen Faulkner, Campbell
Mitchell, Lane,
Ryan, McFatridge,
Rogers.—7.

Alderman Mosher, by leave of Council, introduces the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the Deed from the Halifax Land Company, Ltd., dated the 28th day of September, 1892, conveying the piece of land therein described to the City for a Street be accepted, provided the title is acceptable to the Recorder.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, and passed.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Eden, that the Order of the Day be further suspended to allow Alderman Lane to introduce a resolution. Motion passed.

The following resolution is now introduced :—

Resolved, That the Mayor be, and is hereby authorized to draw a warrant and pay the sum of one hundred dollars to James Knowlan in accordance with a previous resolution of this Council.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Eden.

Read opinion of His Honor the Recorder, dated 21st February, 1898, in *re* Knowlan deposit.

February 21st, 1898.

IN RE KNOWLAN DEPOSIT.

When the City advertised for tenders for the purpose of building a road around Chain Lakes, the specification required that deposits should be made on the amount of the tender, and in case the tender was accepted, and the party refusing to enter into a contract with the City, the amount deposited should be forfeited to the City. The contract, I am informed, was awarded to Mr. Knowlan, who refused to accept it, on the ground that he had made a mistake in his tender. Sometime afterwards an application was made to the Council to return the amount, but the Council of that day, by a vote, refused to do so on the ground that the money became the property of the City, and could not be returned under the terms of the tender.

In June, 1895, the Council voted that the amount should be returned to Mr. Knowlan, which has not been done to the present time. I then gave the opinion, and see no reason to change it, that the money was the money of the City, and the Council could not deal with it. Although under less desirable circumstances, since that time the amount of tender was returned to another party, and it is for the Council to say what course they shall pursue in this instance.

WILLIAM F. MACCOY, *Recorder*.

To His Worship the Mayor.

Resolution of Alderman Lane and Eden is now put and passed' Alderman Hawkins dissenting.

Alderman Lane gives notice that he will at a future meeting of the Council move the following resolution :

Resolved, That the City Engineer be instructed to prepare an estimate on the cost and advisability of constructing a sewer on Quinpool Road.

The Council now proceed to appoint Presiding Officers for the ensuing civic election.

On motion the following named gentlemen are appointed :

- For Ward 1.—Aldermen Geldert and Faulkner.
 2.—George McLellan and J. L. Barnhill.
 3.—Alderman Mitchell and William Crowe.
 4.—Aldermen Ryan and O'Donnell.
 5.—Aldermen Eden and McFatridge.
 6.—Aldermen Hawkins and Creighton.

The following resolution is now introduced :

Resolved, That the City Clerk be and is hereby directed to provide two polling booths in each Ward for the accommodation of the electors at the election for Mayor and Aldermen to be held 27th April, inst., and, in alphabetical order, equally divide the names on the register of voters between the two booths of each Ward.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Rogers, and passed.

Aldermen Eden, by leave of Council, introduces the following resolution:—

Whereas, There are three streets at the north end of the City known as Young Street, which is the cause of many mistakes and much annoyance to business people in sending parcels, which very often are sent to the wrong place;

Therefore resolved, That the City Engineer be and is hereby requested to submit new names for these streets at the next meeting of the Council.

Moved by Alderman Eden, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, and passed.

Moved by Alderman Mitchell, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the Council adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 5.30 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

APRIL 22ND, 1898.

The City Council was summoned to meet this evening. At the above hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Alderman O'Donnell and Faulkner.

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Faulkner, that the time of meeting be extended until 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8.30—Roll called. Present the above named, together with Aldermen Lane, Menger, Hubley, Rogers, Mosher and Creighton.

There not being a quorum to do business, the Council stands adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

3.10 o'clock.

APRIL 29TH, 1898.

A meeting of the City Council was held this day.

At the above hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Faulkner, Creighton, Butler, Hubley, and Musgrave.

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the time for meeting be extended until 3.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

3.30. Roll called. Present the above named, together with Aldermen Geldert, Campbell, Redden, Lane, Mitchell, O'Donnell, Ryan, McFatrige, Rogers, Mosher, Menger and Hawkins.

The Council was summoned to receive the returns of the elections, to proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business.

The Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Alderman Butler, Chairman, submits a report of the Charities Committee.

Alderman Faulkner, Chairman, submits a report of the Committee on Public Accounts.

Alderman Menger, Chairman, submits a report of the Committee on Tenders.

Alderman Lane, Chairman, submits a report of the Board of Fire Commissioners.

His Worship the Mayor, submits the following papers:—

Petition and deed *re* Willow Street.

Application of Mrs. Thomas Boutillier for assistance.

Petition of Wm. J. Butler and others for water and sewer construction on Lucknow Street.

City Treasurer's Cash Statements, "General" and "Water" for month of March.

City Collector's returns "Rates" and "Water Rates" for the month of March.

Petition of R. Theakson, agent, for water extension Corner Young and Windsor Streets.

14 Reports from the City Engineer, viz:—

Re Maitland Terrace Extension.

Removal of Ashes and Garbage.

Tenders for Supplies.

Water Meters and rentals of same.

Widening Lockman St. at Heisler property.

Agricola St. Extension, with plan and description.

Water Extension on the following Streets, viz:—

Clifton, North, Fenwick, Laundry (so called), Oakland,

Edward, Beech and West Harvey.

Report special committee *re* Lockman Street properties.

Alderman Geldert submits a report of the Laws and Privileges Committee.

The City Clerk submits the nomination papers of the several candidates for Mayor and Alderman, together with the returns of the presiding officers at the civic elections, held 27th April inst.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Faulkner, that the order of the day be suspended to read the papers submitted. Motion passed.

Read return of City Clerk covering the original nomination papers of Alexander Stephen for the office of Mayor for the ensuing civic year, he being the only candidate for said office. The Assistant City Clerk declares Alexander Stephen duly elected Mayor of the City of Halifax for the ensuing civic year.

Read return of the City Clerk covering the original nomination papers of George Musgrave, for the office of Alderman for Ward No. One, he being the only candidate for said office. His Worship the Mayor declares George Musgrave duly elected an Alderman of the City of Halifax.

Read return of the City Clerk covering the original nomination papers of William J. Butler for the office of Alderman for Ward No. Two, he being the only candidate for said office. His Worship the Mayor declares Wm. J. Butler duly elected an Alderman of the City of Halifax.

Read report of the City Clerk covering the returns of the Presiding Officers at the several polling booths in Ward No. Three for the election of an Alderman for said ward, showing Charles S. Lane to have received 290 votes and Adam B. Crosby 277 votes. His Worship the Mayor declares Charles S. Lane to be duly elected an Alderman of the City of Halifax.

Read report of the City Clerk covering the returns of the Presiding Officers at the several polling booths for the election of an Alderman for Ward No. 4, showing Andrew Hubley to have received 222 votes, Norman E. McKay 185 votes and Andrew Lamphier 135 votes. His Worship the Mayor declares Andrew Hubley duly elected an Alderman of the City of Halifax.

Read return of the City Clerk covering the original nomination papers of Peter F. Martin for the office of Alderman for Ward No. Five, he being the only candidate nominated for said office. His Worship the Mayor declares Peter F. Martin duly elected an Alderman of the City of Halifax.

Read report of the City Clerk covering the returns of the presiding officers at the several polling booths in Ward No. Six, for the election of an Alderman for said Ward, showing Saul Mosher to have received 306 votes and Reuben P. Proctor to have received 179 votes. His Worship the Mayor declares Saul Mosher duly elected an Alderman of the City of Halifax.

The following resolution is now introduced:—

Resolved, That the City Clerk be directed to notify the Honorable the Provincial Secretary of the election of Alexander Stephen Esq. to the Office of Mayor of the City of Halifax, and to request that His Honor the Lieut. Governor may be pleased to name the time and place at which he will be prepared to administer the oath of office to the Mayor elect.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Butler, and passed.

Read report of the Committee on Charities for the month of April, *re* Accounts, &c.

APRIL 28TH, 1898.

The Charities Committee met this day and beg to make the following report. Accounts chargeable to maintenance account to the amount of \$2,046.06 were examined, found correct and recommended for payment. The Superintendent's report was submitted and showed that during the month there were 19 persons admitted to the Poores Asylum, 1 born, 49 discharged and 6 died; leaving the total number of inmates at this date 355. On the same date last year there were 197 Men, 141 Women, and 10 Children, a total of 348.

The Secretary's Financial Statement shows that after all accounts against the institution, and the maintenance of Insane in Mount Hope Asylum have been paid, there is still a balance to the credit of maintenance account of \$26.06.

Read letter from Mr. John A. Bell, City Auditor certifying that he had examined the books and accounts of the Poores Asylum and found everything correct,

WM. J. BUTLER, *Chairman*.

The following resolution is now introduced:—

Resolved, That the report of the Charities Committee be adopted, and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the accounts mentioned therein.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Mosher, and passed.

Read report of Committee on Public Accounts *re* loans and accounts for payment.

APRIL 21ST, 1898.

To His Worship the Mayor and Members City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—The Committee on Public Accounts beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had under consideration a letter from the City Treasurer in reference to amounts to be borrowed for various services.

Your Committee recommended that the City Treasurer be authorized to advertise for tenders for a loan to cover the following amounts on 4 per cent. debentures:

PERMANENT ACCOUNT.

To retire Water Bonds due 1st July.....	\$15,000
For Water extension.....	10,000
Exhibitions Building.....	25,000
Land in Young Avenue, Expropriated.....	2,500
Extension of Young Street.....	1,140
Esplanade at Freshwater.....	6,500
Sewerage (bal. of \$400,000 authorized).....	20,700
Permanent Pavement (bal. of \$250,000 authorized).....	23,000
$\frac{1}{2}$ Subsidy to Dry Dock.....	5,000
New Engine House Bedford Row.....	6,000
	\$114,840

TO BE REPAYED IN INSTALMENTS, (YEARLY).

Fire Department overdraw 1896-7.....	\$ 450 00
County of Halifax, (Arrears,).....	1350 00
Union Axe Co.....	100 00
Exhibition deficiency.....	5000 00
Nicholas Power.....	659 00
New Hose.....	2500 00
Bathing Houses.....	8000 00
Camp Hill Cemetery.....	500 00
	\$18,559 00

The amount authorized to be borrowed for Young Avenue drainage under certain conditions is not recommended the conditions not yet having been complied with.

Your Committee is desirous of further considering the matter of the proposed payment of \$1,000.00, to the the Widow of the Late Lieut. Lewin, of the Fire Department and have deferred the item.

It is recommended that when the land expropriated on Young Avenue is sold, the proceeds be placed in the Sinking Fund.

The following accounts are recommended for payment, T. C. Allen & Co., Stationery, Bookmaking &c., His Worship the Mayor, \$1.25; City Clerk, March, \$3.85; Minutes, \$7.50; City Assessor, March, \$42.25; Police Dept., \$37c.; City Auditor, \$7.25; City Collector, \$36.40; Total \$98.87.

GEO. E. FAULKNER, *Chairman.*

The following resolution is now introduced:—

Resolved, That the report of the Committee on Public Accounts be received and concurred in and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the accounts named therein.

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Mitchell, and passed.

Read petition of R. Theakston, agent, water extension to house at corner of Young and Windsor Streets.

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the same be referred to the Department of City Works for report: Motion passed.

Read report of Committee on Tenders *re* Tender for blank books, advertising, blank forms and printing minutes of Council.

APRIL 22ND 1898.

The Committee on Tenders beg to report that at a meeting held this day they opened tenders for various civic services and recommend that the following tenders be accepted.

Printing Minutes of Council and Order of the Day—Herald Publishing Co., provided they will agree to do the work by hand Composition only.

Advertising—Chronicle and Recorder.

Blank Books—A. & W. MacKinlay.

Blank Forms—T. C. Allen & Co.

J. MENGER *Chairman*.

Moved by Alderman Menger, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read petition of Elizabeth Boutillier, widow of Thomes Boutillier, for assistance.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, that the same be referred to His Honor the Recorder for report. Motion passed.

Read petition of Wm. J. Butler and others for water and sewer construction on Lucknow Street.

Moved by Alderman Redden, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that the same be referred to the Department of City Works for report. Motion passed.

Read report of Board Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners recommending sundry accounts for payment.

APRIL 22ND, 1898.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council :

GENTLEMEN,—The Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners beg to report that at a meeting held this day they had before them the following accounts, which were examined, found correct and recommended for payment, viz :

Frank Reardon, \$2.50; Thomas Hurley, \$15.00; Morning Herald P. & P. Co., \$11.06; Charles Annand, \$2.50; Industrial School, \$14.10; Vail Bros., \$3.23; John O'Connell, \$21.40; George T. Smith, \$7.55; Robert Horner, \$5.52; W. W. Griffin, \$15.00; John Starr, Son & Co., Ltd, \$5.86; Hoben & Wooten, \$7.67; Simson Bros. & Co., \$33.59; H. H. Fuller & Co., \$33.88; Black Bros. & Co., \$2.90; Halifax Electric Tramway Co., \$37.57; James Dempster & Co., \$9.05; Hosterman, Graves & McKay, \$6.35; Charles Putman, \$12.00; R. R. Kennedy, \$5.95; Wm. M. Willis, \$12.00; Peoples Heat & Light Co., \$17.75; DeWolfe Son & Co., \$7.50; Nova Scotia Nursery, \$12.00; W. R. Brander, \$66.70; Wm. Jakeman & Son, \$31.00; A. Lamphier, \$1.50; Joors Asylum, \$3.00; Farquhar Bros., \$6.30; S. Cunard & Co., \$358.10; Neil Fox,

\$18.60; John Davison & Son, \$11.08; McDonald & Co., \$18.55; Holland & Kuhn, \$10.82; Daniel McLeod, \$22.34; A. J. Wilkinson & Co., \$18.10; Thos. E. Moreash, \$12.70; The Goodyear, Vulcanite Co., \$11.59; Canadian General Electric Co., \$2.39; Austin Bros., \$2.50; Brookfield Bros., \$5.09; French & Healy, \$1.25; John McInnes & Son, \$3.00; John F. Kelly, \$15.00; Blackadar Bros., \$1.65; Brown & Webb, \$29.13; Halifax Coal Co., \$43.92; E. H. Hancock, \$9.52; Charles W. Davies, \$4.35; E. A. Thompson, \$6.65; H. Trenaman, \$30.00; Cragg Bros, \$1.25; Est. Timothy Toomey, \$52.00; James H. Dow, \$50.00; S. B. Cross, \$5.00; W. N. Brown, \$5.10. Total \$1160.16.

C. S. LANE, *Chairman.*

The following resolution is introduced:—

Resolved. That the report of the Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners submitted this day be received and adopted, and that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to sign warrants for the several amounts therein named.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Butler, and passed.
The following resolution is next introduced:—

Resolved. That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars be taken out of any sum of money in the hands of the Fire Wards on the first day of May next and be paid to the Union Protection Company.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Hubley, and passed.

Read letter of S. J. Harnivel asking that the City accept the deed (accompanying said letter) of a portion of Willow Street and that they expropriate the balance of the street not included in said deed.

Moved by Alderman McFatrige, seconded by Alderman Ryan, that the same be referred to the Department of City Works for report.
Motion passed.

Read report of Special Committee on certain Lockman Street properties owned by the city covering tenders for the same.

APRIL 28TH, 1898.

TENDERS LOCKMAN STREET PROPERTIES.

To His Worship the Mayor:

SIR,—I beg to submit the following report in reference to the Properties owned by the City on Lockman Street.

The Committee to which the disposal of these properties was referred consisted of His Worship the Mayor, His Honor the Recorder and the City Engineer.

It was considered advisable to offer these properties by tender, and accordingly an advertisement was inserted in the papers asking for tenders. The offers received did not include all the properties. The following were opened by Your Worship.

Lot No. 13-15, James Davidson, \$825.00; Lot No. 97-99, George McKerron, \$300.00; Lot No. 105, William M. Nodwell, \$1,001.00; Henry D. Blackadar, \$464.00; W. T. Horton, \$398.00; H. S. Rhind, Agent, \$327.00; Lot No. 151, (with buildings), W. B. Slack, \$1,525.00; Lot No. 163, W. J. G. Thomson, \$20.00.

Your Committee beg to recommend that the offer of James Davidson, (\$825.00) for lot 13-15 be accepted, and His Worship the Mayor be authorized to give the deed of the property on the receipt of the amount named.

The offer of \$300.00 from George McKerron for lot 97-99 is also recommended for acceptance.

Your Committee also beg to recommend the acceptance of the highest tender for lot No. 105, viz: that of William Nodwell, \$1,001.00.

Lot No. 151, with buildings, cost the City, on the Arbitrators' award, \$3,400.00. The total amount expended on this property by the City was nearly 4,000.00, and your Committee believe that they are in a position to obtain at least \$270.00, rent on the property. They would therefore recommend that the offer of \$1,525.00, for the property be not accepted.

They would also recommend that the offer of \$20.00, for lot No. 163 be not accepted, as in their opinion it is worth more money.

ALEX. STEPHEN, *Mayor*.
 W. F. MACCOY, *Recorder*,
 F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer*.

Moved by Alderman McFatrige, seconded by Alderman Butler, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report City Engineer *re* extension of Maitland Terrace. Byled, and copy of report to be sent to petitioners for said extension.

APRIL 27TH, 1898.

EXTENSION MAITLAND TERRACE.

His Worship the Mayor:

SIR,—In February 1895, a petition was submitted to the City Council from a number of citizens asking for the widening and extension of Maitland Terrace between Brunswick Street and Gottingen Street. A survey was made by this Department, when it was found that it would be necessary to acquire certain lands from the War Department for the purpose of Widening that portion of Maitland Terrace at present opened and for extending it from Maitland Street to Gottingen Street. The proposed extension in line with the present street would open a thoroughfare the South line of which would be bounded by the Military Hospital. I have never received any satisfactory answer from the War Department until last week, when a letter was received from the Commanding Royal Engineer stating that the transfer of the War Department land required would be so detrimental to the interests of the Imperial Troops that he could not recommend it under any conditions whatever. He added that he did not think it would be any use giving the matter any further consideration.

Under these circumstances, I have reported the petition back to the Council.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer*.

Alderman O'Donnell, gives notice that he will at a future meeting of the Council move to the effect that His Worship the Mayor communicate direct with the Home Office of the War Department relative to the extension of said street.

Read report City Engineer *re* Tenders for removal of Ashes and Garbage.

APRIL 27TH, 1898.

TENDERS FOR ASHES AND GARBAGE.

His Worship the Mayor:

Sir,—I beg to report on the tenders opened by Your Worship on the 21st, inst. The following tenders were received:—

	No. 1 Specification	No. 2 Specification.
David Elliott.....	\$39 95	\$44 00
John Weaver.....	44 50	56 00
Peter Kiddy.....	49 50	57 50
Robinson Bros.....	62 50	80 00

No. 1 Specification provides that the work shall be done on the same terms and conditions as were specified in the Contract last year.

No. 2 Specification provides for the removal of all ashes placed within ten (10,) feet of the gate or entrance of any property within the district from which ashes and garbage are removed, so that it will not be necessary for property owners to place their ashes and garbage on the street.

The lowest tender, that of David Elliott, is \$39.95, about \$5.00 per week lower than last year. His tender on No. 2 Specification, viz: for the removal of ashes from entrance to properties, is \$44.90—the same figure for which the work was done last year under the old Specification.

After a consultation with Your Worship, it was decided that it would be advisable to accept the tender on No. 2 Specification.

I therefore beg to recommend that David Elliott's Tender (\$44.90.) on No. 2 Specification, for the removal of Ashes and Garbage from the entrance to Properties, be accepted.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

Moved by Alderman McFatrige, seconded by Alderman Butler, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report City Engineer *re* Tenders for supplies

APRIL 22ND, 1898.

His Worship the Mayor:

SIR,—I beg to submit herewith a report on Tenders for supplies for the ensuing civic year, and recommend the acceptance of the following Tenders:—

Castings,—James Hillis & Son.

Gravel and Sand,—James Freda.

Brick.—Jacob Miller.

Horses and Driver for Sprinkler,—George Harvey,

Drain Pipe,—Brookfield Bros.

Cement,—S. M. Brookfield.

Hardware,—Black Bros. & Co.

Comparative statement of prices attached.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman McFatrige, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report City Engineer *re* Water Meter Rentals.

APRIL 29TH, 1898.

His Worship the Mayor:

SIR,—A scale of Water Meter Rents was adopted by the Council when Meters were first introduced in the City, and an annual rental has been charged wherever they have been placed on service pipes. The charge is a most unsatisfactory one, both to the water consumer and to the Department, and it would be much better if the whole charge were included in the rate per thousand gallons. The amount involved is not large, and I would recommend that in future no rental be charged for a meter on premises where water is used for household purposes only.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Mitchell, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report City Engineer *re* Water Extension, West Harvey Street.

APRIL 22ND, 1898.

WATER EXTENSION WEST HARVEY STREET.

His Worship the Mayor:

SIR,—I beg to report on the accompanying petition for Water Extension West Harvey Street. The Extension will be High Service. The length of pipe required,

108 feet of 6 inch pipe on Preston Street, and 270 feet on West Harvey Street, as far as the Street is at a regular grade. Beyond this point it would not be advisable to extend the service unless the properties west of this point are satisfied to pay the interest on the remainder of the extension themselves, as it would not be fair to charge any portion of it to the properties within the distance named.

The estimated cost is :

108 ft. 6 inch pipe.....	\$ 64 80
1 6 inch valve	20 00
1 6 inch 3 way branch.....	4 70
Lead 30 lbs.....	90
Excavation and pipe laying.....	135 00
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	\$225 40
270 ft. of 6 inch pipe.....	\$ 172 00
1 6 inch valve.....	20 00
Lead and paint.....	2 85
Excavation and pipe laying.....	337 50
3 Service pipes	60 00
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	\$582 35

It would not be fair to charge the whole extension on Preston Street to the properties on West Harvey Street, as the advantage of the extension would be felt equally by the properties on Preston Street and West Harvey Street. I would therefore recommend that one-half of the interest on the cost of the Preston Street Extension be borne by the properties on West Harvey Street. This would make the interest on the outlay at 5% \$34.74.

I would recommend that the extension be made, provided the owners of the three properties on West Harvey Street, will pay a special rate, and that a special rate be fixed at \$11.58 for the present.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Faulkner, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report City Engineer *re* Water Extension Beech Street.

APRIL 22ND. 1898

WATER EXTENSION BEECH STREET.

His Worship the Mayor:

SIR,—I beg to report on the accompanying petition from property owners on Beech Street. The extension will be High Service. Length of pipe required, 830 feet of 6 inch pipe.

Estimated cost :

Pipe.....	\$ 498 00
1 6 inch valve.....	20 00
1 15 in. x 6 in. saddle.....	3 00
Lead and paint.....	8 00
Excavation and pipe laying.....	1,037 50
Service pipes.....	360 00
2 6 inch 3 way branches.....	9 40
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	\$1,935 90

Interest on the estimated outlay at 5 per cent., \$97 80.

I would recommend that the extension be made, provided the owners of houses on the street will agree to pay a special rate, and that a special rate be fixed for the present at \$8.15.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report City Engineer *re* water Extension Edward Street.

APRIL 22ND, 1898

WATER EXTENSION EDWARD STREET.

His Worship the Mayor:

SIR,—I beg to report on the accompanying petition for Water Extension on Edward Street. The Extension will be on the High Service, and 205 feet of 6 inch pipe will be required.

The estimated cost is :—

Pipe	\$123 00
Lead 30 lbs.....	90
Excavation and pipe laying	164 00
1 Service pipe.....	20 00
	\$307 90

This street does not belong to the City. Pipe has been laid in it already, after the portion through which the pipe was to be laid was graded. The grading work was done by the City with Street sweepings. It will be necessary to do some grading before the street will comply with the law, but this work can be done by the City without extra expense.

I would therefore recommend that the extension be made, provided the petitioners will agree to pay a special rate, and I would recommend that a special rate be fixed at \$13.29 if one house only is constructed before the water is put in. If other houses are erected the rate to be reduced accordingly.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Redden, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report City Engineer *re* Water Extension Oakland Street.

APRIL 22ND, 1898.

WATER EXTENSION OAKLAND STREET.

His Worship the Mayor:

SIR,—I beg to report on the accompanying petition from property owners on Oakland Street. The extension will be on the High Service, and 580 feet of 6 inch pipe will be required.

The estimated cost is :—

Pipe.....	\$348 00
2 6 inch 3 way branches.....	9 40
1 6 inch valve.....	20 00
250 lbs. lead.....	7 50
Paint.....	60
Excavation and pipe laying.....	55 00
2 Service pipes.....	40 00
	\$476 50

I would recommend that the extension be made, provided the property owners will agree to pay a special rate, and that a special rate be fixed for the present at \$24.41.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Musgrave, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report City Engineer *re* Water Extension, Laundry Street, (so called).

APRIL 22ND, 1898.

WATER EXTENSION LAUNDRY STREET.

His Worship the Mayor :

SIR,—I beg to report on the accompanying petition for Water Extension on Laundry Street, running West from Pleasant Street:—at the old Lims Kiln Property:—
The extension will be Low Service, and 392 feet of 4 inch pipe will be required.

The estimated cost is :

Pipe.....	\$164 64
1 4 inch valve.....	18 00
1 6in. x 4in. 3 way branch.....	4 60
1 6 inch thimble.....	1 50
Excavation and pipe laying.....	235 30
4 Service pipes.....	64 00
	\$488 04

Interest on the outlay at 5% \$24.40.

The estimated revenue is not equal to the interest on the outlay.

This street does not belong to the City, and is not of the width required for a City Street. It is in reality a Lane, and like other Lanes in which water has been laid, it is not probable that it will ever be taken over by the City. The grade is fairly regular, and under the circumstances, I can see no objection to the extension, provided the petitioners agree to pay a special rate. I would therefore recommend that the extension be made, and that a special rate be fixed at \$8.10 to be reduced in the usual way.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Lane, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report City Engineer *re* Water Extension Fenwick Street.

APRIL 22ND, 1898

To His Worship the Mayor :

SIR,—I beg to report on the accompanying petition for Water Extension on Fenwick Street to supply Mr. Boak's House. The extension will be low service and 155 feet of six inch pipe will be required.

The estimated cost is :

Pipe.....	\$ 93 00
Lead 50 lbs.....	1 50
Excavation and pipe laying.....	62 00
1 Service pipe.....	16 00
	\$172 50

The revenue will exceed the interest on the outlay.

I would respectfully recommend that the extension be made in accordance with the prayer of the petition.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Butler, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report City Engineer *re* Water Extension, North Street.

APRIL 14TH, 1898.

WATER EXTENSION NORTH STREET.

His Worship the Mayor :

SIR,—The extension will be on the high service, and will require 500 feet of six inch pipe from Windsor Street west.

April 29th, 1898.

The estimated cost is:—

Pipe	\$300 00
1 6 inch valve	20 00
1 6 inch 3 way branch	4 70
Lead and paint	6 60
Excavation and pipe laying	600 00
7 service pipes	140 00
	\$1071 30

Interest on outlay at 5% \$53.57.

The estimated revenue from the houses erected is less than that amount.

I would recommend that the extension be made, and that a special rate be fixed for the present at \$7.55.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer*.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report City Engineer *re* water extension Clifton Street.

APRIL 13TH, 1898.

WATER EXTENSION CLIFTON STREET.

His Worship the Mayor:

SIR,—Some time ago a petition was sent in asking for Water Extension on Clifton Street. A report was made, and the work ordered on payment of a special rate. Since that time additional extensions have been made on North Street, and new houses erected, and the revenue will now be equal to the interest on the outlay.

The estimated cost of supplying the residents of Clifton Street by an extension of 715 feet on the high service, is:

6 inch pipe	\$ 429 00
1 6 inch valve	20 00
2 6 inch 3 way branches	9 40
300 lbs. lead, at 3c	9 00
Excavation and pipe laying	536 25
17 Service pipes	255 00
	\$1,258 65

As the revenue will be equal to the interest, I beg to recommend that the extension be made.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer*.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report City Engineer *re* Widening of Lockman Street, at Heisler property, covering plan and description of said property.

APRIL 27TH, 1898.

WIDENING OF LOCKMAN STREET.

His Worship the Mayor:

SIR,—I have been unable to make a bargain with Mr. Heisler owner of the property on the west side of Lockman Street, north of Gerrish Street, which is required to make the street the full width. The resolution authorizing the making of an offer to Mr. Heisler provided as an alternative that the property should be expropriated. I have therefore prepared a plan of the land required together with a description of such land, and herewith beg to submit the said plan and description to the City Council for its approval, under section 2 of Chapter 44 of the Acts of 1897.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer*.

The following resolution is now introduced :

Whereas, The City of Halifax requires the land hereinafter described for the widening of Lockman Street, on the west side between Gerrish Street and Artz Lane, in the City of Halifax ;

Therefore Resolved, That the copy of the plan and the description of the land required for the Widening of Lockman Street, on the east side of the property said to belong to Caleb Heisler, between Gerrish Street and the north side of said Caleb Heisler's property be and the same are hereby approved :

Further Resolved, That the City Engineer be and is hereby authorized on behalf of said City to offer the alleged owner or owners of said lot of land so described the sum of one hundred dollars for a deed in fee simple of the same to said City.

Moved by Alderman Redden, seconded by Alderman Menger.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Musgrave, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that the City Engineer be and is hereby authorized to offer Mr. Heisler the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars for the land required, and if he (Mr. Heisler) refuses said offer that he be informed that the City will take the necessary steps to expropriate said property. Said amendment is put and passed.

Read report City Engineer *re* Agricola Street Extension, covering plan and description of land required.

APRIL 22ND, 1898

AGRICOLA STREET EXTENSION.

His Worship the Mayor:

SIR,—I understand that the City Council proposes to expropriate a lot of land in the Hennessey property (so called) North of Young Street for the extension of Agricola Street. Under Section 2 of Chapter 44 of the Acts of 1897 I have prepared a plan of the land required together with a description of such land, and herewith beg to submit copy thereof to the City Council for its approval. Said plan and description are attached hereto.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

Description of land required for the extension of Agricola Street through the property of the Misses Mary and Bridget Hennessey, submitted to the City Council by the City Engineer, in accordance with section 2 of chapter 44 of the Acts of 1897.

All, That lot, piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being on the North side of Young Street, in the City and County of Halifax, the said Lot being more particularly described as follows :—Beginning at a point on the North boundary line of the property of the Misses Hennessey, distant 398 feet, more or less, Easterly from the East side line of Longard Street ; then in a Southerly direction by the prolongation of the West side line of Agricola Street, as shown on the Plan of the Division of Merklesfield, filed in the Crown Lands Office at Halifax, N. S., to the North side line of Young Street ; thence Easterly by the said North side line of Young Street for a distant of 100 feet ; thence in a Northerly direction by a line parallel to the first described course until it comes to the Northern boundary line of the said Hennessey property ; thence Westerly by the said Northern boundary line for a distance of 100 feet to the place of beginning.

The said Lot being shown, hatched, on a plan entitled "Plan showing land required for the extension of Agricola Street through the property of the Misses Hennessey" signed by F. W. W. Doane, City Engineer, dated April 22nd, 1898, and filed in the City Engineer's Office Halifax, N. S.

The following resolution is now introduced :—

Whereas, The City of Halifax requires the land hereinafter described for the Extension of Agricola Street from the south boundary line of Merklesfield property (so called) through the property said to belong to the Misses Hennessey to Young Street, (commonly called West Young Street.)

Therefore Resolved, That the copy of the plan and the description of land required for the extension of Agricola Street from the South boundary line of the Merckiesfield property (so called) in the City of Halifax through the property said to belong to Miss Mary and Bridget Hennessey to Young Street (commonly called West Young Street) in said City be and the same are hereby approved.

Further Resolved, That the City Engineer be and is hereby authorized on behalf of said City to offer the owner or owners of said lot of land so described the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) for a deed in fee simple of the same to said City.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Creighton, and passed.

Read report of Committee on Laws and Privileges *re* Revising the City Charter and Ordinances and other matters.

CITY HALL, APRIL 21ST, 1898.

The Committee on Laws and Privileges beg to recommend that it is not advisable to place a member of this Council on the committee proposed to be appointed for the purpose of revising the City Charter and City Ordinances; and further recommend that the committee for that purpose consist of His Honor the Recorder and one Gentleman not a member of this Council; the remuneration for the services of the Recorder to be \$450, and for the other member of the committee \$300, and that an Act authorizing this expenditure and the cost of printing the Charter be applied for next year.

In reference to the letter of J. T. Bulmer *re* prosecutions in bastardy cases, your committee recommend that the chairman of the Charities Committee be instructed not to allow the name of the Charities Committee to be used in bastardy cases, except in cases where it is necessary to protect the interests of the city. The committee find that Alderman Butler was acting under instructions of His Honor the Recorder in the matter complained of by Mr. Bulmer, and your committee believe His Honor was right in giving such instructions.

J. M. GELDERT, JR., *Chairman*.

Moved by Alderman McFatrige, seconded by Alderman Ryan, that said report be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that the fees of the revisors of the Charter and Ordinances be fixed at three hundred dollars each.

Said amendment being put is lost, 5 voting for the same and 11 against it. Names being called for there appeared:—

For the amendment

Against it

Ald. Geldert, Faulkner,
Hubley, O'Donnell,
Hawkins. 5.

Ald. Musgrave, Campbell, Redden,
Butler, Mitchell, Menger,
Lane, Ryan, McFatrige,
Creighton, Mosher. 11.

The original resolution is now put and passed.

Alderman O'Donnell, gives notice of reconsideration.

Read returns of City Collector "Rates" and "Water Rates" for the month of March. Fyled.

Read cash statements City Treasurer "General" and "Water" for month of March. Fyled.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Mitchell, that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to appoint the gentleman to act with the City Recorder in revising the City Charter and Ordinances. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Ryan, seconded by Alderman Geldert, that No. 14 on Order of the Day be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 14, viz:—Alderman Ryan's notice of motion to rescind resolution passed August 10th 1897 fixed location of Double Track on Gottingen Street.

The following resolution is now introduced:—

Resolved, That the resolution of this Council passed August 10th, 1897 authorizing the laying of a double track on Gottingen Street by the Tram Company between Cogswell and Cornwallis Streets be and the same is hereby rescinded.

Moved by Alderman Ryan, seconded by Alderman Geldert and passed.

The following resolution is next introduced:—

Resolved, That the Tram Company be required to lay the double track on Gottingen Street from Cornwallis Street, to Cogswell Street, under the direction of the City Engineer in such way that the centre between the tracks shall be the centre of the Street.

Moved by Alderman Ryan, seconded by Alderman Geldert, and passed.

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Musgrave, that the Order of the Day be suspended to allow Alderman Faulkner, to introduce a resolution. Motion passed.

The following resolution is now introduced:—

Resolved, That the sum of three hundred dollars be borrowed under the authority granted by the Legislature for relief to the widow of the late William Lewin.

Moved by Alderman Faulkner seconded by Alderman Musgrave, and passed.

Alderman Lane gives notice of reconsideration.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Faulkner, that the Council adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 5.30 o'clock.

L. J. [unclear]

L. Fred. Monaghan.

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