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Minutes of City Council.

CIVIC YEAR 1898-9.

ALEXANDER STEPHEN, ESQUIRE, *Mayor.*

HALIFAX, N. S., 3RD MAY, 1898.

Alexander Stephen, Esquire, having been declared duly elected Mayor of the City of Halifax for the civic year 1898-9, was this day sworn into office by His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor at Government House, in the presence of Aldermen Butler, Lane, Hubley, Martin, and the City Clerk.

H. TRENAMAN, *City Clerk.*

HALIFAX, N. S., May 4th. 1898.

George Murgrave, Esquire, duly elected Alderman for Ward No. 1,
William J. Butler, Esquire, duly elected Alderman for Ward No. 2,
Charles S. Lane, Esquire, duly elected Alderman for Ward No. 3,
Andrew Hubley, Esquire, duly elected Alderman for Ward No. 4,
Peter F. Martin, Esquire, duly elected Alderman for Ward No. 5,
Saul Mosher, Esquire, duly elected Alderman for Ward No. 6,
having taken and subscribed the oath of allegiance, the oath of office of Aldermen as well as that of Justice of the Peace for the City of Halifax, signed the roll as Aldermen of the City of Halifax as follows: William J. Butler, Esq., Andrew Hubley, Esq., and Saul Mosher, Esq., on the 2nd day of May, A. D., 1898, and George Musgrave, Esq., Charles S. Lane, Esq., and Peter F. Martin, Esq., on the 3rd day of May, A. D., 1898.

H. TRENAMAN, *City Clerk.*

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

May 11th, 1898.

The City Council met this evening at the above hour; present, His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Faulkner, Geldert, Musgrave, Campbell, Redden, Butler, Mitchell, Menger, Lane, O'Donneil, Ryan, Hubley, McFatridge, Rogers, Martin, Creighton and Hawkins.

The Council was summoned to appoint the Civic Officers for 1898-9 as required by law, to proceed with business standing over, and the transaction of other business.

The minutes of last meeting are read and confirmed.

Alderman Hubley, Chairman, submits a report from the City Prison Committee for the month of April, 1898. Also the annual report of the City Prison Committee for the civic year 1897-8.

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

Alderman Menger submits a report from the Committee on Tenders.

Alderman Mitchell, Chairman, submits a report from the Special Committee on Public Baths.

Alderman Hawkins submits a petition from John J. Clancy and others for water extension, Summit Street.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers:—

Report of Coal Measurers for the month of April. Also the annual report of said Measurers of the civic year 1897-8.

Letter from A. S. Hunt re cost of maintenance of female patients in the Hospital for Insane.

Annual report of Measurers of Salt and Grain for civic year 1897-8.

City Collector's returns, "Rates" and "Water Rates" for month of April.

City Treasurer's cash statements, "General" and "Water" for the month of April.

Report City Engineer re Water Extension West Young Street.

Report His Honor the Recorder re petition of Mrs. Nicholson, relative to land expropriated near Chain Lakes.

Letter T. C. Allen & Co., re contract for stationery.

Applications of the various Civic Officers for re-election.

List of Standing Committees for the civic year 1898-9.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Redden, that the Order of the Day be suspended to read the papers submitted. Motion passed.

Read report of the City Prison Committee for the month of April.

May 11th, 1898.

To His Worship the Mayor and Members of 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:—R. T. Braine, \$4.91; Roome and Co., \$28.72; Leaman and Co., \$9.00; G. E. Smith and Co., \$4.69. Total, \$47.32.

ANDREW HUBLEY, *Chairman.*

The following resolution is now introduced:—

Resolved, That the report of the Committee on City Prison, submitted this evening, be received and concurred in and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for the accounts mentioned therein.

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

Read annual report of the Governor of City Prison for civic year 1897-8.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the same be referred to the Committee on Publication of Annual Report. Motion passed.

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

May 11th, 1898.

To His Worship the Mayor and Members City Council:

Gentlemen,—The Committee on Public Accounts met this evening and examined the below mentioned accounts all of which having been certified and found correct, are recommended for payment:—T. C. Allen and Co., printing Minutes of Council, April, \$14.22; City Clerk, stationery, April \$9.49; Blackadar Bros., printing and advertising, Feby., \$7.43; March, \$41.32; Morning Herald, advertising, Jan., Feby., and March, \$12.10; Industrial School, for keep of criminals, \$180.00, and of truants, \$160.00; St. Patrick's Home, for keep of criminals, \$142.90, and of truants, \$274.67. T. C. Allen and Co., stationery, etc., for City Treasurer, \$5.57; Police Department, \$4.02; City Collector, \$29.69. Total, \$881.41.

G. E. FAULKNER, *Chairman.*

The following resolution is introduced:—

Resolved, That the report of the Public Accounts Committee be 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 Redden, and passed.

Read report of Special Committee on Public Baths:—

To His Worship the Mayor and Members City Council:

May 5th, 1898.

Gentlemen,—The Special Committee on Public Baths beg to report as follows:—

The Committee met this day and opened tenders for the erection of a floating Public Bath. It was decided to erect one Bath only, and the tender of John McInnes and Son for two thousand five hundred and seventy-six dollars (\$2,576) for its construction, being the lowest, is recommended for acceptance.

It is further recommended that the Chairman and the City Engineer be authorized to provide beach bathing facilities at the Sandy Cove, at the North West Arm and at Green Bank, Point Pleasant, if practicable.

THOS. A. TCHELL, *Chairman.*

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

Read report City Engineer on petition of R. Theakston, Agent, for water extension on Young Street, west of Windsor Street.

WATER EXTENSION, YOUNG STREET.

May 11th, 1898.

His Worship the Mayor :

Sir,—I beg to report on the accompanying letter from R. Theakston, for water extension on Young street, west of Windsor Street :—

The length required is 143 feet on the High Service. The estimated cost is :—

Pipe	\$ 85 80
One sixth-inch valve.....	20 00
Lead and paint.....	2 00
Excavation and pipe laying.....	171 60
Two service pipes.....	30 00
	\$309 40
Interest at 5 per cent.....	\$ 15 47

I would recommend that the extension be made, provided the owner will agree to pay a special rate, and that the special rate be fixed at \$7.73.

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

Moved by Alderman Creighton, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report City Recorder on Mrs. Nicholson's petition relative to land expropriated by the City.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the same be referred back to the Recorder for a more definite report on the subject. Motion passed.

Read letter of A. S. Hunt, Accountant Nova Scotia Hospital for Insane, relative to the cost of maintenance of female patients in said institution.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the same be referred to the Committee on Charities to deal with. Motion passed.

Read return of Weighers and Measurers of Coal for the month of April. Fyled.

Read annual report of Weighers and Measurers of Coal for the civic year 1897-8.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the same be referred to the Committee on Publication of Annual Report. Motion passed.

Read annual report of Weighers and Measurers of Salt and Grain.

Moved by Alderman Redden, seconded by Ald. Mitchell, that the same be referred to the Committee on Publication of Annual Report. Motion passed.

Read returns of City Collector, "Rates" and "Water Rates" for month of April. Fyled.

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

Read report of Committee on Tenders on tenders for stationery, etc.

May 11th, 1898.

To His Worship the Mayor and Members City Council:

Gentlemen,—At a meeting of the Committee on Tenders, held on the 2nd inst., the tenders before them for supplying the City with Stationery for the year were carefully considered, and your Committee beg to recommend that the difference in prices between the tenders of Messrs. T. C. Allen and Co. and A. and W. MacKinlay being but slight, that the contract be awarded to Messrs. A. and W. MacKinlay, whose tender for Blank Books was lowest, and offset the difference in favor of T. C. Allen and Co. for Stationery.

At a meeting, held on the 10th inst., the Committee had before them a letter from the Herald Printing and Publishing Company protesting against the stipulation that they should print the Minutes of Council by hand composition only. Your Committee recommend that the condition as to hand composition be cancelled; but that the City Clerk be instructed not to accept the Minutes unless the work is similar in every respect to that at present furnished.

The Committee also had before them letters from Messrs. T. C. Allen and Co., and A. and W. MacKinlay, in respect to the Stationery and Blank Books tenders, and recommend that Messrs. T. C. Allen and Co. be notified that the Blank Books and Stationery specifications have been considered as one item, but that in future they will be divided.

J. MENDER, *Chairman.*

Also read, letter from T. C. Allen & Co., relative to the tenders for stationery, etc.

Moved by Ald. Menger, seconded by Alderman Musgrave, that the report of the Committee on Tenders be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Geldert, seconded by Alderman Butler, that said report be considered clause by clause.

Said amendment is put and lost.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Creighton, that the report be referred back to the committee, and that new tenders be asked for on specifications distinctly separating the blank books from the stationery.

Said amendment is put and lost.

The motion to adopt the report is now put and passed, 12 voting for the same and 5 against it.

Names being called for, there appeared:—

For the motion.	Against it.
Aldermen Musgrave, Menger,	Aldermen Geldert, Faulkner,
Mitchell, Lane,	Campbell, Butler,
Huble, O'Donnell,	Creighton—5.
Ryan, Redden,	
McFatridge, Martin,	
Rogers, Hawkins—12.	

Read petition of John J. Clancy and others for water extension, Summit Street.

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

The Council now proceeds to appoint the various Civic Officers for the year 1898-9:—

Assistant City Clerk—L. F. Monaghan, re-elected.

2nd Assistant City Clerk—Wm. J. Nisbet, re-elected.

3rd Assistant City Clerk—Wm. R. Hamilton, re-elected.

City Marshal—Garret Cotter, re-elected.

Clerk of License—Robert Theakston, re-elected.

Clerk of Works—William F. Reilly, re-elected.

Assistant Clerk of Works—James J. Hopewell, re-elected.

Foreman Street Work—John McDonald, re-elected.

Foreman Water Works—Ewan Morrison, re-elected.

Assistant City Engineer—H. W. Johnston, Jr., re-elected.

Stenographer and Typewriter—Minnie Hunter, re-elected.

Clerks Water Department—James Laidlaw, Louis R. Kaye, re-elected.

Clerk in Collector's Office—H. S. Rhind, re-elected.

Inspector of Buildings and Caretaker City Property—Thomas Spelman, re-elected.

Health Inspector—Nicholas Meagher, re-elected.

Water Inspector—John E. Burns, re-elected.

City Medical Officer—Thomas Trenaman, re-elected.

Janitor City Hall—John Spruhan, re-elected.

Measurers of Salt and Grain—Richard D'Arcy, Supervisor, James Mitchell, Thomas Wood, James Mahar, George C. Hawes, Thomas Forbes, Thomas Wm. Arthur, re-elected.

Weighers and Measurers of Coal—Simon Cummins, Supervisor, W. R. Cogswell, D. Grant, R. Woodill, A. J. Smith, G. Grono, C. F. F. VonSchope, W. J. Egan, re-elected.

Registrar of Cemetery—Alexander McDougall, re-elected.

Governor City Prison—William Murray, re-elected.

Matron City Prison—Mrs. Wm. Murray, re-elected.

Underkeepers City Prison—D. E. Keating, Wm. Higlett, James M. Anderson, George Grant, re-elected.

Messenger City Prison—Daniel McDonald, re-elected.

Superintendent Poor's Asylum—James H. Dow, re-elected.

Matron Poor's Asylum—Mrs. Annie F. Dow, re-elected.

Assistant Engineer Poor's Asylum—John H. Grant, re-elected.

Fireman Poor's Asylum—John R. Hennigan, re-elected.

Baker Poor's Asylum—Daniel McIntosh, re-elected.

Secretary Poor's Asylum—B. Mulcahy, re-elected.

Lumber Surveyor—John C. Potts, re-elected.

Sealer of Leather—Jeremiah Barnstead, re-elected.

Fence Viewer—William T. Horton, re-elected.

Inspectors of Painters' Work—J. E. M. Taylor, David Roche, re-elected.

Inspectors of Masons' Work—Samuel Marshall, re-elected; Henry Saunders, elected.

Police Matron—Mrs. Mary Spruhan, re-elected.

Pound Keeper—John Punch, re-elected.

Weighers of Bundle Hay—Richard Currie, Chris. Connolly, William Johnston, re-elected.

Weighers of Loose Hay—Wm. McC. Boak, Thomas Keating, Joseph S. Hubley, James McPhee, re-elected.

Foreman City Work Shops—Joseph B. Scriven, re-elected.

Keeper Dog Pound—Thomas Bushell, re-elected.

City Electrician—P. R. Colpitt, re-elected.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the Board of Fire Commissioners, together with His Honor the Recorder and the City Engineer, be a committee to define the duties of the City Electrician, and that they report thereon to this Council not later than 1st June next. Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor nominates the Standing Commissions and Committees for the year 1898-9, as follows:—

Commissioners Point Pleasant Park—Aldermen Faulkner, Redden, Mitchell, O'Donnell, Martin and Creighton. Concurred in.

City Health Board—Aldermen Mitchell, Hawkins, Dr. G. C. Jones.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that Aldermen Redden and Mitchell be appointed members of the City Health Board.

Moved in amendment by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, that the three gentlemen nominated by His Worship the Mayor be appointed members of said board.

Amendment put and lost.

The original resolution is now put and passed.

A. C. Hawkins, Esq., M.D., and G. Carleton Jones, Esq., M.D., are now nominated for the position of a medical member of said City Health Board.

On the vote being taken there appeared:—

For Dr. Hawkins.

Aldermen O'Donnell,
McFatridge,
Martin,
Rogers—4.

For Dr. Jones.

Aldermen Geldert, Musgrave,
Faulkner, Campbell,
Butler Menger,
Mitchell, Redden,
Lane, Hubley,
Creighton—11.

His Worship the Mayor declares Dr. G. C. Jones elected a member of the City Health Board.

On motion, the nominations, as amended, are concurred in.

Commissioners of Cabs—His Worship the Mayor, His Honor the Recorder and Alderman Butler. Concurred in.

Public Accounts—Aldermen Faulkner, Butler, Menger, Hubley, McFatrige, Mosher. Concurred in.

Library—Aldermen Geldert, Campbell, Menger, Ryan, Rogers, Creighton. Concurred in.

Department City Works—His Worship the Mayor and the City Engineer. Concurred in.

Commissioners of Common—Aldermen Geldert, Redden, Mitchell, Hubley, Rogers, Creighton. Concurred in.

Laws and Privileges—Aldermen Geldert, Redden, Menger, O'Donnell, Rogers, Mosher.

Moved by Alderman Redden, seconded by Alderman Menger, that Alderman Hubley be substituted for Alderman O'Donnell on said Committee. Motion passed, 9 voting for the same and 5 against it. Names being called for, there appeared:—

For the motion.	Against it.
Aldermen Geldert, Musgrave, Faulkner, Campbell, Menger, Mitchell, Redden, Lane, McFatrige—9.	Aldermen Butler, Martin, Rogers, Creighton, Hawkins—5.

The committee, as amended, is concurred in.

Cemetery—Aldermen Musgrave, Redden, Menger, Hubley, Rogers, Creighton. Concurred in.

Board of Police Commissioners—His Worship the Mayor, Alderman Lane, His Honor the Recorder. Concurred in.

Board Fire Escapes—Aldermen Hawkins, Martin, Mitchell. Concurred in.

City Prison—Aldermen Faulkner, Campbell, Lane, O'Donnell, McFatrige, Mosher.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Redden, that Alderman Ryan be substituted for Alderman O'Donnell on this Committee. Motion passed, 9 voting for the same and 5 against it.

Names being called for there appeared:—

For the motion.	Against it.
Aldermen Faulkner, Musgrave, Campbell, Butler, Mitchell, Redden, Lane, Hubley, Rogers—9.	Aldermen Geldert, McFatrige, Martin, Creighton, Hawkins—5.

Said committee, as amended, is now concurred in.

Tenders—Aldermen Musgrave, Campbell, Lane, Ryan, Martin, Hawkins.

By consent, Aldermen Menger and Redden are substituted for Aldermen Musgrave and Campbell. The committee as amended, is concurred in.

Board Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners—Ald. Faulkner, Campbell, Lane, Ryan, McFatrige and Mosher. Concurred in.

Committee on Charities—Aldermen Musgrave, Butler, Lane, Hubley, McFatrige, Hawkins. Concurred in.

The Council now proceed to appoint two Citizen Commissioners of Halifax Common in place of Geoffrey Morrow and M. Scanlan, retiring Commissioners.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that H. D. Holloway be appointed a Citizen Commissioner of Halifax Common. Motion passed.

Alderman O'Donnell gives notice of reconsideration.

Matthew Scanlan and Michael Conroy are nominated to fill the other vacancy on the commission.

On the vote being taken, there appeared—

For Matthew Scanlan.

Aldermen Geldert, Musgrave,
Faulkner, Campbell,
Butler, Redden,
Menger, Mitchell,
Lane, Hubley,
Creighton, Hawkins—12.

For M. Conroy.

Aldermen O'Donnell, McFatrige,
Martin, Rogers—4.

Matthew Scanlan is declared elected a member of the Halifax Common Commission.

Alderman O'Donnell gives notice of reconsideration.

Moved by Alderman Menger, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to present Lieutenant Dan. Godfrey, Bandmaster, who is about visiting our City with a medal bearing a suitable design, including the City Coat of Arms, as a memento of his visit to Halifax.

Alderman Rogers gives notice that he will at a future meeting of the council move a resolution relative to the sale of the old Exhibition Building.

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

Council adjourns 9.50 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

MAY, 31ST, 1898.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Martin, O'Donnell, Geldert, and Faulkner.

Moved by Ald. Geldert, seconded by Ald. O'Donnell, that the time for meeting be extended until 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8.30. Roll called—Present, the above-named, together with Ald. Campbell, Butler, Mitchell, Menger, Hubley, McFatridge, Rogers, Creighton, Mosher, Hawkins, Musgrave, Ryan, Lane, and Redden.

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

The Minutes of last meeting are read and confirmed.

Ald. Geldert submits a report from the Commercial Committee of the City Council and Board of Trade re Grain Elevator.

Ald. Hawkins submits a petition from Thos. Flinn and others for repairs to Campbell Road.

Ald. Campbell, Chairman, submits a report from the Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners.

Ald. Geldert, Chairman, submits a report from the Library Committee.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers:—

Petition of W. McC. Boak and others for an electric light on Edward Street.

Report City Health Board re sewer construction on certain streets.

Application of Nova Scotia Telephone Company, Ltd., for permission to erect telephone poles on certain streets.

Invitation to Mayor and Council to attend Queen's Birthday Celebration at Victoria, B. C.

Report of His Honor the Recorder re Mrs. Nicholson's petition for additional compensation for land expropriated near Chain Lakes.

Report City Engineer re Willow Street sewer.

Report City Engineer re Barrington Street sidewalk.

Moved by Ald. Faulkner, seconded by Ald. Campbell, that the Order of the Day be suspended to read the papers submitted. Motion passed.

Read report of Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners re Accounts for payment.

May 20th, 1898.

The Board Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners beg to report that they have examined the following accounts and recommended the same for payment:—Halifax Coal Co., \$10.98; James Dempster & Co., \$34.63; John Davison & Son, \$4.80; Longard Bros., \$69.54; Charles Annand, \$4.50; Morning Herald, \$2.20; Halifax Electric Tramway Co., \$2.49; Hoben & Wooten, 42 cts.; S. Cunard & Co., \$29.25; John O'Connell, \$11.44; N. S. Telephone Co., \$25; Cragg Bros. & Co., \$3.75; William Jordan, \$9.50; Blackadar Bros., \$3.30; William Watt, \$48; French & Healy, \$46.71. Total, \$306.51. The accounts of William Watt, French & Healy, and Longard Bros., chargeable to 1898-99, the balance to 1897.98.

I. H. CAMPBELL, *Chairman*.

The following resolution is now introduced:—

Resolved,—That the report of the Board of Fire Commissioners be received and adopted, and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the several accounts named therein.

Moved by Ald. Campbell, seconded by Ald. McFatridge, and passed.

Read report of Library Committee recommending sundry accounts for payment.

To His Worship the Mayor and Members City Council:

May 19th, 1898.

Gentlemen,—The Library Committee met this day. Present, Alderman Geldert, Chairman; Aldermen Rogers and Menger, and beg to submit the following report:—

They had before them a number of accounts amounting to \$121.93, being found correct are herewith submitted for payment:—Library Bureau, \$13.90; \$18.75, \$2.50, \$5.25; total, \$45.65; Marshall Son & Co., \$31.56; Barnstead & Sutherland, \$1.85; T. C. Allen & Co., \$1.38, \$2.00; total, \$3.38; Lane & Co., 50 cts.; N. J. Bartlett & Co., \$32.84; A. & W. MacKinlay, \$6.15. Total, \$121.93.

J. M. GELBERT, JR., *Charman*.

Moved by Ald. Geldert, seconded by Ald. Menger, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read petition of Thomas Flinn and others for repairs to Campbell Road.

Moved by Ald. Hawkins, seconded by Ald. Menger, that the prayer of the petitioners be granted, and that the Department of City Works be instructed to proceed with the work at once.

Moved in amendment by Ald. Faulkner, seconded by Ald. Campbell, that said petition be referred to the Dept. of City Works for report. Said amendment is put and passed.

Read petition of Wm. McC. Boak and others for an electric light on Edward Street, between Coburg Road and South Street.

Moved by Ald. Butler, seconded by Ald. Geldert, that the same be referred to the Dept. of City works for report. Motion passed.

Read report City Health Board, recommending the construction of sewers in Willow Street Extension, Charles Street Extension, and Dresden Row.

Moved by Ald. Mitchell, seconded by Ald. Butler, that said report be referred to the Dept. of City Works for report. Motion passed.

Read application of the Nova Scotia Telephone Company, Ltd., for permission to erect additional poles on certain streets of the City.

Moved by Ald. Butler, seconded by Ald. Faulkner, that the same be referred to the Dept. of City Works for report. Motion passed.

Read invitation from the Mayor, Aldermen and Celebration Committee of Victoria, B. C., to the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Halifax to be present at the celebration of the Queen's Birthday at Victoria. Fyled.

Read report of His Honor the Recorder on petition of Mrs. Nicholson for additional compensation for land expropriated near Chain Lakes.

IN RE MRS. NICHOLSON'S PETITION.

To His Worship the Mayor :

May 31st, 1898.

In addition to my former report I beg to say it is not in the power of the Council to give her more money for property than that paid into court, or comply with her petition.

W. F. MACCOY, *Recorder.*

Moved by Ald. Menger, seconded by Ald. Hubley, that said report be adopted, and a copy thereof sent to petitioner. Motion passed.

Read report City Engineer re sidewalks Barrington and Pleasant Streets.

SIDEWALKS BARRINGTON AND PLEASANT STREETS.

His Worshp the Mayor :

May 31st, 1898.

Sir,—An asphalt sidewalk has been ordered on the north side of Sackville Street, in order to carry out the work and bring the grade of Barrington Street to the proposed level, it is necessary to break the concrete of Barrington Street sidewalk. I have consulted the property-owners interested, and find them favorable to the reconstruction of the sidewalk on Barrington Street in front of their property.

I would therefore respectfully recommend that a concrete sidewalk be constructed in front of the properties owned by F. A. Mahar and Mrs. O'Connor, between Sackville Street, and the property of Gordon and Keith, on the east side of Barrington Street.

In this connection, I would call attention to the sidewalk on the west side of Pleasant Street, between Spring Garden Road and Bishop Street. A curb and gutter has been ordered for the south side of Spring Garden Road. This order has been on the book for two or three years, and I would recommend

that in connection with this work the curb and gutter be extended to Bishop Street on Pleasant Street, and thus complete the only missing link between North Street and South Street on the leading thoroughfare of the city. The estimated cost is \$850.00.

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

Moved by Ald. Butler, seconded by Ald. Campbell, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report of City Engineer re sewer Willow Street.

SEWER WILLOW STREET.

His Worship the Mayor :

May 31st, 1898

Sir,—I beg to report on the accompanying petition for a sewer on Willow Street :—

Neither Charles Street or Willow Street has been accepted by the City, but both streets are in urgent need of a sewer. Charles Street and Willow Street have been graded approximately to the City requirements. Clifton Street is not yet graded, but work is being carried out by the City with street sweepings and scrapings, and within a few weeks will be within the requirements of the law. In order to drain Willow Street it will be necessary to carry the sewer through Clifton and Charles Streets to Robie Street. A special act authorizes the laying of a sewer in such streets before they are taken over by the City. The estimated cost of a sewer in Charles Street is \$5,000. The estimated cost of a sewer through Clifton Street to Willow Street, thence through Willow Street from Windsor Street to Robie Street, \$7,000. Estimated sewerage rates, \$4,787. The sanitary condition of this neighborhood is bad, and has been under the consideration of the Board of Health at times during the last year or two. I would respectfully recommend that a sewer be constructed in both these streets, including the connection through Clifton Street between Charles and Willow Streets as soon as the said block of Clifton Street is graded to comply with the law.

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

Moved by Ald. McFatridge, seconded by Ald. Rogers, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report of the Joint Committee of the City Council and the Board of Trade, recommending that the City Council vote the sum of (\$50,000) Fifty Thousand Dollars towards the cost of the construction of a Grain Elevator in the City of Halifax.

Moved by Alderman Musgrave, seconded by Alderman Geldert, with the same be placed on the Order of the Day for consideration that No. 8 thereon, viz.: Alderman Musgrave's resolution by way of notice, re granting \$125,000 for better railway facilities, etc. Motion passed.

Moved by Ald. Mosher, seconded by Ald. Hawkins, that the Order of the Day be suspended to allow Ald. Mosher to introduce a Resolution. Motion passed.

The following resolution is now introduced :

Whereas,—The City of Halifax requires the lot of land hereinafter described for the purpose of extending Agricola Street from Young Street to Merklesfields, and the City Engineer duly prepared a plan of the lands required, together with a description of such lands, and submitted a copy thereof to the City Council for its approval, and the said plan and description was approved by said Council on the eleventh day of May, 1898, and the same

has been filed in the City Engineer's office as required by law, and a notice was duly served on the Misses Mary and Bridget Hennessey, the alleged owners thereof, on the twenty-first day of May, 1898, of the intention of the City Council to expropriate said property; and no agreement can be made or come to between said City and the Misses Hennessey as regards the price or value of said property, this Council hereby refusing to accept their offer of \$400 as the price or value to be paid by said City for said land.

Therefore Resolved.—That this resolution be published for ten days in two newspapers published in the City of Halifax of the intention of this Council to expropriate said land hereinafter described, and that on and after the expiration of said ten days this Council will proceed to expropriate said lands for the purposes aforesaid.

Said lot is described as follows:—

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, 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 three hundred and ninety-eight feet (398), more or less, eastwardly from the east side line of Longard Street, thence in a southwardly 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 Land Office at Halifax, N.S., to the north side line of Young Street, thence eastwardly by the said north side line of Young Street for a distance of one hundred feet, thence in a northwardly direction by a line parallel to the first described course until it comes to the northern boundary line of the said Hennessey property, thence westwardly by the said northern boundary line for a distance of one hundred feet to the place of beginning, 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.

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

Read No. 1—Ald. O'Donnell's notice of reconsideration of appointment of H. D. Holloway as a citizen Commissioner of Halifax Common. Ald. O'Donnell declines to move said notice of reconsideration.

Read No. 2—Ald. O'Donnell's notice of reconsideration of appointment of M. Scanlan as a citizen Commissioner of Halifax Common. Ald. O'Donnell declines to move said reconsideration.

Moved by Ald. Butler, seconded by Ald. Campbell, that the Order of the Day be suspended to allow Ald. Campbell to introduce a resolution. Motion passed.

The following resolution is now introduced:—

Resolved. That the City Engineer report on the desirability of laying an asphalt sidewalk on the north side of Salter Street, from Barrington Street to Hollis Street.

Moved by Ald. Campbell, seconded by Ald. Butler, and passed.

Moved by Ald. Musgrave, seconded by Ald. Butler, that No. 8 on Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 8—Ald. Musgrave's resolution by way of notice re granting \$125,000 for better railway facilities; also read report of Joint Committee of City Council and Board of Trade, recommending the Council to vote a sum towards constructing a Grain Elevator.

Halifax, May 31st, 1898.

At a meeting of the Commercial Committee of the City Council and Board of Trade held this day it was moved by Dr. Farrell, seconded by G. J. Troop and Jas. Morow, and passed as follows:—

Resolved,—That this Committee urge upon the City Council the immediate voting of the sum of fifty thousand dollars, in addition to the amount voted by the Dominion Government, for the construction of a grain elevator at Halifax, in order that such elevator may be constructed of sufficient size to do business in a modern way.

Further Resolved,—That the services of an engineer be procured, and that work be commenced within a week from to-day."

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

The following resolution is introduced :

Whereas,—The Dominion Government has appropriated the sum of \$75,000 for the construction of a Grain Elevator at Halifax;

And Whereas,—Such sum is insufficient for the construction of an Elevator of the capacity required for the business of this port;

And Whereas,—It is desirable that an Elevator of larger capacity should be constructed, and the work proceeded with at once, in order that the Elevator may be completed and ready for next winter's business;

Resolved,—That this Council supplement the appropriation by the Dominion Government to the extent of fifty thousand dollars, provided that the work be immediately proceeded with, and provided that the Elevator be erected and fully equipped of a capacity of not less than five hundred thousand bushels.

Further Resolved,—That His Honor the Recorder be empowered to prepare the necessary Legislation for submission to the Legislature at its next session.

Moved by Ald. Musgrave, seconded by Ald. Geldert.

Moved in amendment by Ald. Rogers, seconded by Ald. Martin, that His Worship the Mayor be requested to call a public meeting to discuss the advisability of the City contributing the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars towards the construction of an Elevator. Said amendment on being put, is lost, 8 voting for the same and 10 against it. Names being called for, there appeared:—

For the Amendment.

Against It.

Ald. Hubley, O'Donnell
McFatrige, Mosher,
Martin, Hawkins,
Rogers, Creighton—8.

Ald. Geldert, Musgrave,
Faulkner, Campbell,
Redden, Butler,
Menger, Mitchell,
Lane, Ryan—10

The original resolution is now put and passed, 10 voting for the same and 8 against it. Names being called for, there appeared:—

For the Motion.

Against It.

Ald. Geldert, Musgrave,
Faulkner, Campbell,
Redden, Butler,
Menger, Mitchell,
Lane, Ryan—10

Ald. Hubley, O'Donnell,
McFatrige, Martin,
Rogers, Creighton,
Mosher, Hawkins—8.

Ald. Hawkins gives notice of reconsideration.

Moved by Ald. Faulkner, seconded by Ald. Campbell, that His Worship the Mayor appoint a Committee on publication of the Annual Report. Motion passed.

The following resolution is next introduced by leave of Council:—

Resolved.—That a Special Committee be appointed by this Council to arrange for the holding of the scull race for the Championship of Halifax on the 21st day of June, our Natal Day; also to consider whether the funds can be augmented so as to carry out a programme suitable for the due celebration of the day.

Moved by Ald. Rogers, seconded by Ald. Mitchell, and passed.

Ald. Lane, by leave of Council, submits the following resolution:—

Whereas.—It is of great importance that the Dominion Works, formerly carried on at Richmond, but subsequently removed to Moncton, be restored to and carried on at Richmond;

Therefore Resolved.—That this Council do and hereby request the Winter Port Committee to call the attention of the Dominion Government to the fact and use every effort to induce the Government to restore the works to Richmond as formerly.

Moved by Ald. Lane, seconded by Ald. Mitchell, and passed.

The Council now proceed to appoint a Deputy-Mayor for the current civic year.

The following-named Aldermen were nominated for the office, viz.:—Ald. Lane, Redden, Mitchell and Mosher.

Ald. Mitchell and Mosher decline to accept the nomination.

On the vote being taken, there appeared for Ald. Lane, 9, Ald. Redden, 5, Ald. Mitchell, 1, and Ald. Mosher, 3.

His Worship the Mayor declares Ald. Lane elected Deputy-Mayor of the City of Halifax for the current civic year.

Moved by Ald. Faulkner, seconded by Ald. Campbell, that the Council adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 10.50 o'clock.