

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

Read report from the Department of City Works, covering a report from the City Engineer on the petition from G. Anstey and G. Brinston, for sewer extension on Young Street.

YOUNG STREET SEWER.

HALIFAX, N. S., June 12, 1900.

To the City Council:

Gentlemen,—At a meeting of the Works Commission, held to-day, the accompanying report from the City Engineer on petition for sewer extension Young St., was referred to the Council.

J. T. HAMILTON, Mayor.

YOUNG STREET SEWER.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, June 11, 1900.

His Worship the Mayor:

Sir,—In accordance with the accompanying resolution of Council, I beg to report on the petition from G. Anstey and G. Brinston for extension of the sewer on Young Street to their property. When the sewer was ordered, it was carried to the top of the hill. It was constructed from Campbell Road to Needham Street, which is practically the top of the hill, although the street rises slightly for 185 feet further. Mr. Anstey's property is on the corner of Needham Street and Young Street. The east line of his house is 56 feet from the end of the sewer. Mr. Brinston's property is on the opposite side of Young Street. The east line of his house is 60 feet from the end of the sewer. The cost of constructing a sewer would be double the cost of laying drains to connect with the sewer, as it is at present. Both houses are within 60 feet of the sewer, measured along the street, and, under the circumstances, I cannot recommend the extension of the sewer. The cost to the property owners would be about the same in either case, as, if the sewer were extended, they would have to pay larger assessment than they are now charged.

Respectfully submitted,

F. W. W. DOANE, City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Chisholm, that said report of the City Engineer, be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report from the Department of City Works relative to the tax on domestic hydrants.

DOMESTIC HYDRANTS.

HALIFAX, N. S., June 12th, 1900.

To the City Council:

Gentlemen,—At a meeting held to-day the Works Commission considered a letter and statement from the City Collector in reference to the tax on domestic hydrants.

Where these hydrants are used they prevent waste of water, as they are generally frost proof, and, while they are in good order, it is not necessary to keep them running to prevent freezing of pipes. If the water were used through a tap in the house on nearly every premises where these hydrants are in use, the quantity of water used would be much greater, and the freezing of the pipes would be almost a certainty, unless the water were allowed to run. Under the City Charter, properties having domestic hydrants are charged the usual rates for water, and an additional rate of \$2 00 for the hydrant. The charge is an unjust one, and is not in the interest of the City, as it discourages the use of domestic hydrants.

Your Commission would, therefore, recommend that the special rate on domestic hydrants in future be abolished, and that all premises on which such fixtures are placed should be taxed in the usual way.

J. T. HAMILTON, *Mayor*.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that the recommendations contained in the last clause of said report be concurred in by the Council. Motion passed.

Read letter from the City Engineer re proposed alteration to be made to the house No. 151 Lockman Street covering plan of same.

PLAN OF HOUSE LOCKMAN STREET.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, June 11th, 1900.

His Worship the Mayor :

SIR,—I beg to submit for the approval of the City Council a plan showing proposed alteration to be made to the house No. 151 Lockman Street, recently sold to E. P. Allison.

I would respectfully recommend that the plan be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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

On motion of Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Martin, the recommendation contained in the City Engineer's report was adopted.

Read report of the City Engineer on the proposal to expropriate Willow Street and Charles Street between Robie Street and Windsor Street.

WILLOW AND CHARLES STREETS.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, June 14th, 1900.

His Worship the Mayor :

SIR,—In accordance with the accompanying resolution of Council, I beg to report on the proposal to expropriate Willow Street and Charles Street between Robie Street and Windsor Street.

Before leaving the City His Honor the Recorder instructed me that Charles Street could not be taken over by the City until the existing encroachments were removed and that any acceptance by the City under the circumstances would be illegal. Willow Street has no permanent encroachment. It is laid out 60 feet wide, has been roughly graded and is in line with the older portion of the street. It is well built up, the assessable property on each side amounting to about \$45,000. While the City as a rule cannot afford to accept new streets, I think this case is an exceptional one and the property owners have a fair claim for recognition. I beg to submit a resolution which was prepared by His Honor the Recorder. He instructs me that it is not necessary to expropriate in this case I would therefore recommend the passage of the resolution attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

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

The following resolution is now introduced :

Whereas, Willow Street in the City of Halifax, running from Robie Street to Windsor Street, has now been open for many years to the public and dedicated to them as a street, and it is desirous that the City of Halifax should take over said street, the same being of the continuous width of not less than sixty feet ;

Therefore Resolved, That the City Council of the City of Halifax hereby accepts the dedication of said street for public purposes; and hereafter the said street shall be known as Willow Street and as one of the accepted streets of the said City as a public street, which said street is described as follows :—

All that lot, piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the City and County of Halifax, the said lot being more particularly described as follows :

Beginning at a point on the West side line of Robie Street distant 200 feet from the intersection of the said West side line of Robie Street with the South side line of North Street; thence Westwardly by a line parallel to said South side line of North Street and distant therefrom 200 feet until it comes to the East side line of Windsor Street; thence Southerly by the said East side line of Windsor Street for a distance of 64 feet, more or less; thence Easterly by a line parallel to the first above described line and distant 60 feet therefrom until it comes to the West side line of Robie Street; thence Northerly by the said West side line of Robie Street for a distance of 64 feet, more or less, to the place of beginning. The said lot being shown as Willow Street on Plan Number 973, filed on the 8th of March, 1898, in the City Engineer's office at Halifax, N. S., which plan was traced from Plan Number 40 on file in the Crown Land Office at Halifax, N. S.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Chisholm, and passed.

Read City Engineer's report on the petition for extension of Charles Street from Maynard Street to Gottingen Street.

CHARLES STREET EXTENSION.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, June 13th, 1900.

His Worship the Mayor :

Sir,—In accordance with the accompanying resolution of Council, I beg to report on the attached petition for extension of Charles Street from Maynard Street to Gottingen Street.

This matter was reported on in 1898, and a plan and estimate made at that time.

In the block between Maynard Street and Creighton Street the greater part of the land taken would be school property. I have not communicated with the Board of School Commissioners, and have not made any valuation for this piece of land, but have assumed that it could be obtained if the Council decide to open the street. The remainder of the land to be taken in this block is owned by J. and A. McFatrige. There is one double house which it would be necessary to move and alter. I would estimate the cost of acquiring the property at one thousand dollars (\$1,000), which includes the cost of moving and making alterations in the house.

Between Creighton Street and Gottingen Street four properties are affected. Two fronting on Creighton Street are owned by William McFatrige. One house would have to be removed, but the opening of the street would permit the removal of the house referred to to another portion of Mr. McFatrige's property, and I would estimate the damages accordingly.

The property of William Barnes, on Gottingen Street, consisting of a double building and outbuildings and the lot on which they are erected, is assessed at twenty-two hundred dollars (\$2,200). The whole property would be taken. The house owned by Miss Caroline Sinclair would be moved south. The cost of acquiring the property on this block is estimated at four thousand dollars (\$4,000).

Respectfully submitted,

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

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Martin, that Charles Street be extended through to Creighton Street.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Mitchell, seconded by Alderman Musgrave, that the matter be referred back to the City Engineer for a further report as to the probable cost of acquiring such portion of the Albro Street School property as would be necessary for the purposes of said extension, and also as to the probable entire cost of said extension through to Gottingen Street, and as to whether or not he would recommend that said extension be carried out. Said amendment, on being put, is passed.

Read report of Charities Committee for the month of May.

REPORT CHARITIES COMMITTEE.

Halifax, June 8th, 1900.

The Charities Committee beg to submit the following report :

Accounts for May chargeable to Maintenance to the amount of \$1,795 60 were examined, found correct and recommended for payment.

Superintendent's report for the month shows that there were 18 persons admitted to the Poor's Asylum, 2 born, 26 discharged and 6 died. Of the number admitted 1 was chargeable to Halifax County, 1 to Kentville, N. S., 2 to the Province, and the remainder to the City. The number of inmates May 31st was 318, made up of 180 men, 138 women and 5 children.

Tenders for supplying the Poor's Asylum with coal were received from William Roche, S. Cunard & Co., H. D. MacKenzie & Co., and the Halifax Coal Co. The tenders of William Roche for soft coal at \$3 74 per ton, and S. Cunard & Co., for hard coal at \$4 65 per ton being the lowest, were accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

ISAAC CREIGHTON, *Chairman.*

The following resolution is now introduced :

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

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

Read report of Committee on Public Accounts on various matters.

REPORT PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, June 18th, 1900.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council :

Gentlemen,—The Committee on Public Accounts beg to recommend for payment the following named accounts :

Appropriation 1900-1901, Acadian Recorder, Advertising for Auditor, \$2 82 ; Acadian Recorder, Advertising for City Clerk, \$3 48.

T. C. Allen & Co., Printing, Stationery, etc., for City Clerk, \$10 60 ; City Assessor, \$7 90 ; City Collector, \$17 24 ; Police Department, \$3 64—\$39 44. Balance Printing City Charter, \$63 90. Total, \$109 64.

Consols Premium Account, Blackadar Bros., Advertising, for City Treasurer, \$22 88.

Unexpended Balances Account, Blackadar Bros., Advertising, for City Treasurer, \$24 96.

Appropriation 1900-1901, T. C. Allen & Co., Printing and Stationery for City Clerk, \$17 50; for Treasurer, \$9 70; for Collector, \$54 28.

Acadian Recorder, Advertising, \$36 32.

A. & W. MacKinlay, Stationery, etc., for City Treasurer, 50c.; for Collector, \$5 46. Total, \$5 96.

Morning Herald, Advertising, for City Assessor, \$9 87; for Collector, \$35 11; for Clerk, \$49 47. Total, \$94 45.

Printing Minutes and Order of Day to April 26th, \$16 97.

Total, \$365 47.

GEO. E. FAULKNER, *Chairman.*

On motion the same is considered clause by clause.

Read Clause 1. Re County Estimates for the year 1900.

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Hawkins that this clause do pass. Motion passed.

Read Clause 2. Re Grant to W. C. T. U. Rooms.

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that Clause 2 be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 3. Re Grant to Salvation Army Rescue Home.

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that the City Clerk be instructed to write Adjutant Jost of the S. A. Rescue Home to the effect that before the City Council could take the application into consideration it would be necessary for the Salvation Army to comply with sub-sec. 2, sec. 4, Chap. 43, N. S. Acts, 1895. When that is done the Council will be in a position to deal with the subject. Motion passed.

Read Clause 4. Re The Account of Committee for preparing and revising the Juries Lists.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that the Committee be paid five hundred dollars for their services.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Musgrave, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that said Committee receive six hundred dollars together with the cost of advertising. Said amendment is put and lost, 5 voting for the same and 9 against it.

Names being called for, there appeared :

For the amendment.

Aldermen Lane, Mitchell, Campbell, Faulkner, Musgrave—5.

Against it.

Aldermen Hawkins, Creighton, Rogers, Chisholm, O'Donnell, Halliday, MacIlreith, Geldert, Mosher—9

Aldermen Butler, Hubley and Martin excused from voting.

The original motion is now put and passed, 8 voting for the same and 6 against it.

Names being called for, there appeared :

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| For the motion. | Against it. |
| Aldermen Mosher, Creighton, Rogers, Chisholm, O'Donnell, Halliday, MacIlreith, Faulkner—8. | Aldermen Hawkins, Lane, Mitchell, Campbell, Musgrave, Geldert—6. |

Aldermen Butler, Hubley and Martin excused from voting.

Read petition of S. T. Craig and others for Water Extension on Lawrence Street.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that the same be referred to the City Engineer for report. Motion passed.

Read letter from John Y. Payzant, informing the Council that the Executors of the late Charles Cogswell will convey to the City, free of charge, the small triangular piece of land bounded by Windsor Street on the west, Welsford Street on the North and Parker Street on the east, as a public garden.

DR. COGSWELL'S GRANT OF LAND, WINDSOR STREET.

HALIFAX, N. S., June 8, 1900.

His Worship The Mayor of Halifax :

Dear Sir,—The Executors of the late Charles Cogswell will convey to the City of Halifax, without charge, the small triangular piece of land bounded by Windsor Streets on the west, Welsford Street on the north, and Parker Street on the east, provided the City will accept the same, and will undertake to keep the land as a public "garden or plantation," using the words in Dr. Cogswell's will, without any buildings thereon except such as may be necessary or suitable for such garden. There is a building on it now which would be removed.

Will you please bring this to the notice of the Council, and let me know their views on the matter.

I am, yours,

JOHN Y. PAYZANT.

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Lane, that said piece of land be accepted by the Council, and that the City Clerk acknowledge receipt of the communication.

Read Annual Report of the Chief of Police for the civic year 1899-1900.

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

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Mitchell, that the publication of the Annual Report be referred to the Tenders Committee. Motion passed.

Read returns of the City Collector "Rates" and "Water Rates" for the month of May. Filed.

Read Cash Statements City Treasurer "General" and "Water" for the month of May. Filed.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

Read No. 1, viz: Alderman Lane's notice of reconsideration of resolution in re sale of Old Exhibition Property.

Alderman Lane moves, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that this matter be now reconsidered. Motion put and lost, 5 voting for the same, and 12 against. Names being called for, there appeared:

For reconsideration.

Aldermen Mosher, Butler, Lane,
Martin, Rogers—5.

Against it.

Aldermen Geldert, Musgrave,
Faulkner, MacIlreith,
Campbell, Mitchell,
Halliday Hubley,
O'Donnell, Chisholm,
Creighton, Hawkins—12.

Alderman Rogers requests that the Works Department will furnish the City Council at an early day with a report of the receipts and expenditures in connection with the Old Exhibition Building during the past eight years.

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that No. 19 on Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 19, viz: Clause re weighing of coal and coke and measuring of salt to draft Act to amend the City Charter.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Chisholm, that the clause relative to Coal be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges to draft an Ordinance for the weighing or measurement of coals and submit the same to the Council. Passed.

Alderman Hubley, with leave of Council, introduces the following resolution:

Whereas, There exist a large number of lanes in the City of Halifax, particularly on the main line of the tram service, viz: Barrington Street between Buckingham and North Street, there are five lanes, viz: Artz, Gray's, Proctor's, Hurd's and Bell's and only three streets, Jacob, Cornwallis and Gerrish.

Therefore Resolved, That the Engineer be requested to report next meeting if it would be advisable to change the name of the above named lanes to streets.

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

Alderman Hawkins gives notice that he will at a future meeting of the City Council move to rescind the resolution passed at this meeting relative to Young Street Sewer.

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

Read No 27, viz: Report City Engineer in re petition for improvements Young Avenue.

YOUNG AVENUE PETITION,

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, May 9th, 1900.

His Worship the Mayor :

Sir,—In accordance with the accompanying resolution of Council, I beg to report on the accompanying petition from property owners on Young Avenue.

The north end of the street requires ten feet on each side to make it the full width of the rest of the street, and it is probable that the City would at some time in the future acquire the land necessary by purchase. It has generally been necessary in widening or extending streets for the City to pay for the land taken and then pay for the improvement to the street in addition. In this case if the petitioners will deed the land for the improvement in front of their property the City will save money.

The other improvements asked for are very desirable, but the City has no funds available from which the work could be done at present.

In reference to the planting of the trees, it is too late to carry out the proposal this year and I think the work could be done more satisfactorily by the property owners agreeing among themselves and carrying out the work by a Committee of themselves or otherwise as they may see fit, as they propose to pay the cost. The City would have to require a deposit in advance of the estimated cost, and as under the law all such work has to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of the Public Gardens it will be carried out quite as well as if the City performed it.

The completion of the Avenue to the full width between Atlantic Street and the Park involves the expenditure of a considerable sum, and while the City is bound to keep the street safe for traffic there is no money available for performing the work at once. Where houses have been erected the sidewalk might be put in order if required.

I would recommend that the offer of the petitioners to deed the land to the City be accepted, provided they will accept as an equivalent the moving back of fences and construction of the sidewalk as asked for in the block on the East side of Young Avenue south of Inglis Street. I think the City would receive full value for the work that would be done, and the material is available in the neighbourhood from land purchased last year for street purposes.

With reference to the other work asked for, I would recommend that the matter be left to the Works Department to be dealt with in the same way as other street work.

Respectfully submitted,

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

The following resolution is moved by Alderman Faulkner, and seconded by Alderman Musgrave.

The Board of Works is hereby authorized and instructed to take over on behalf of the City the land on the east side of Young Avenue ten feet in depth, extending from Inglis Street to Atlantic Street as offered by the property owners for the purpose of making a sidewalk, and that the prayer of said property owners in their petition to the Council be carried out on said section of Young Avenue to the extent of laying a granite curbing and completing the proposed sidewalk, from Inglis Street to the southern boundary of the property of J. F. Kenny, Esq., during the present year, the remaining part of said sidewalk, viz: that portion between said southern boundary of J. F. Kenny's property and Atlantic Street to be completed on or before June 30th, 1901.

Said resolution being put is passed, 15 voting for the same and 2 against it. Names being called for, there appeared :

For the motion.

Aldermen Mosher, Rogers, Martin,
Chisholm, O'Donnell, Lane,
Halliday, Campbell, Butler,
Mitchell, MacIlreith, Faulkner,
Musgrave, Geldert,
Creighton—15.

Against it.

Aldermen Hawkins,
Hubley—2.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that the Works Department communicate with the Military Authorities with the view of having the road crossing the Citadel from Duke Street to corner of Cogswell and Park Streets placed in thorough repair. Motion passed.

The following resolution is now introduced by leave of Council :

Resolved, That the City Engineer furnish a report showing :—

1st. The number of watering carts employed in watering the streets of the City of Halifax.

2nd. The plan followed in watering said streets, showing the names of streets watered more than once daily, showing number of times watered and the names of streets not watered at all.

3rd. The number of new watering carts and horses required, and the probable cost thereof, in order to give a proper and improved service.

4th. Whether it is in the interest of the City that the watering service should be done by private horses and drivers.

5th. And showing, also, the cost of furnishing as many more carts and horses as we have at present.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Mitchell, and being put, is passed.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the Council adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns, 10.55 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

JULY 10TH, 1900.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening

At the above hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Faulkner, Hubley, Rogers, Lane, MacIlreith, Martin, Campbell, Creighton and Mitchell.

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the time for meeting be extended till 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8.30. Roll called. Present the above named together with Aldermen Halliday, O'Donnell, Mosher and Chisholm.

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.

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

Alderman Mosher, Chairman, submits a report from the City Prison Committee.

Alderman Creighton, Chairman, submits a report from the Charities Committee.

Alderman Martin, acting Chairman, submits a report from the Committee on Tenders.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers:

Letter from Ritchie & Menger informing the Council that Mrs. Eliza Smith desires an arbitration in the matter of the expropriation of her property on Fenwick Street.

Letter from John F. Kelly re back flow from sewer crossing the Common.

Annual Report of City Auditor for civic year 1899-1900.

Petition of Samuel Balcom and others for street improvement on Duncan Street.

Letter from W. T. Goffe re subscription to special edition of The Canadian Trade Review.

Petition of William MacKinlay for assistance for Mr. Brunt.

Annual Report of the Weighers and Measurers of Coal.

Report of Weighers of Coal for the months of May and June.

Four reports from the City Engineer, viz:

Re Sewer Lawrence Street.

Water Extension Lawrence Street.

Water Extension Duffus Street.

Receipts and expenditures on old Exhibition Building.

Report City Health Board re defective drainage at No. 9 Lawrence Street.

Petition of W. W. Foster and others for Water Extension Chebucto Road.

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

JULY 10th, 1900.

Read report of the City Engineer on Lawrence Street sewer.

LAWRENCE STREET SEWER.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, July 10th, 1900.

His Worship the Mayor :

SIR,—In accordance with the accompanying extract from Minutes of Council, I beg to report on the petition attached hereto for the construction of a sewer in Lawrence Street. I have nothing to add to the last report on this matter, dated April 27th, 1899. The report is on the Order of the Day in the Council and contains a recommendation that the sewer should be constructed.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Also read report City Engineer on Water Extension, Lawrence Street.

WATER EXTENSION LAWRENCE STREET.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, July 10th, 1900.

His Worship The Mayor :

SIR,—In accordance with the accompanying resolution of Council I beg to report on the petition attached hereto, asking for Water Extension, Lawrence Street. The district is High Service. Size of pipe 6 inch: Distance to supply petitioners 240 feet. Estimated cost :—

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| Pipe..... | \$144 00 |
| Excavation and Pipe Laying..... | 240 00 |
| Lead and Paint..... | 2 00 |
| 3 Service Pipes..... | 60 00 |
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| | \$446 00 |

I would recommend the extension provided the petitioners will agree to pay a special rate and that the rate be fixed for the present at \$8 23. If the sewer is constructed I would recommend that the water extension be made at the same time and that the pipe be laid as far as the sewer is built.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Also read letter of John F. Kelly complaining that the back flow from the main sewer crossing the common caused loss and was a menace to the health of the residents on Robie Street and protesting against the connection of another sewer with said main.

Also read No. 7 on Order of the Day, viz. :—City Engineer's report re Lawrence Street Sewer (submitted and read 27th April, 1899.)

LAWRENCE STREET SEWER.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, April 27th, 1900.

His Worship the Mayor :

SIR,—I beg to report on the accompanying petition for a sewer in Lawrence Street.

I have reported on this matter several times before. My last report was unfavorable, on the ground that a majority of the property owners were opposed

to the construction of the sewer. This objection has been removed, the property owners for and against now standing as follows:--

| Those not opposed to the construction of the sewer. | Assessable Frontage. | Those opposed to the construction of the sewer. | Assessable Frontage. |
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| W. A. Hendry | 90 feet | J. Foley | 60 feet. |
| A. Lamphier | 50 feet | Chas. Fincher | 50 feet. |
| M. A. Craig | 30 feet | Jas. Fraser | 120 feet. |
| S. T. Craig | 60 feet | J. Beatlie | 60 feet. |
| G. C. Hawes | 30 feet | Andrew Hubley | 274 feet. |
| James Fenerty | 60 feet | | — |
| Wm. Foster | 90 feet | | 564 feet. |
| James F. Corston | 50 feet | | |
| Lowe & Ehsary | 167 feet | | |
| Inglis Mumford | 90 feet | | |
| George Harshman | 30 feet | | |
| J. Y. Payzant | 60 feet | | |
| H. Getley | 23 feet | | |
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| | 840 feet | | |

The estimated cost of the sewer is three thousand six hundred dollars, (\$3,600.00.) The estimated assessment is \$1,655.00.

Under the circumstances already mentioned, I beg to recommend the construction of the sewer.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Also read report City Health Board re defective drainage at No. 9 Lawrence Street.

REPORT CITY HEALTH BOARD.

HALIFAX, N. S., July 10th, 1900

Extract from Minutes of meeting of the City Health Board, held on Monday, July 9th, 1900.

Read a report from A. J. Penney, Sanitary Inspector, re defective drainage at No. 9 Lawrence Street.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that said report be referred to the City Council. Motion passed.

A true extract,

JOHN A. WATERS, *Secretary.*

(Original report enclosed)

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Martin, that the reports of the City Engineer recommending the construction of a sewer and the extension of the water service on Lawrence Street be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the report of the City Engineer re Sewer Lawrence Street be referred to the Department of City Works for report.

Said amendment is put and lost.

The original resolution is now put and passed.

Read City Engineer's report re Water Extension, Duffus Street.

WATER EXTENSION DUFFUS STREET.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, July 10, 1900.

His Worship the Mayor :

Sir,—I beg to report on the accompanying petition asking for water extension on Duffus Street and Lady Hammond Road, from Gottingen Street to Longard Street.

The district is high service; size of pipe required 6 inch; distance 1477 feet. Estimated cost :

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| Pipe | \$ 886 20 |
| Two 6 in. valves | 40 00 |
| Two 6 in. 4-way branches..... | 11 48 |
| Three 6 in. single branches | 14 10 |
| Excavation and Pipe laying | 1061 60 |
| Six Service Pipes..... | 150 00 |
| | \$2163 38 |

Interest at 5 per cent.....\$108 17

Estimated revenue 24 00 leaving a deficit of \$84.17.

In the western half of this district there are no houses on the street. Complaints in reference to the inefficiency of the High Service are becoming more frequent every day, and as the income from this extension would leave such a large deficit under the circumstances, I cannot recommend the work.

Respectfully submitted,

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

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

Read City Engineer's report re receipts and expenditures on old Exhibition Building. Filed.

OLD EXHIBITION BUILDING.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, July 10th, 1900.

His Worship the Mayor :

Sir,—In accordance with the accompanying resolution of council, I beg to submit herewith a statement furnished by the Clerk of Works and the City Collector showing the receipts and expenditures in connection with the Old Exhibition Grounds, during the past eight years :

| | Expenditures. | | |
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| | Repairs. | Caretaker. | Insurance. |
| Year ending April 30th, 1893..... | \$ 61 12 | \$ 364 00 | |
| “ “ 1894..... | 1668 00 | 363 96 | \$ 210 00 |
| “ “ 1895..... | 592 39 | 364 00 | 210 00 |
| “ “ 1896..... | 67 03 | 364 00 | 210 00 |
| “ “ 1897..... | 62 14 | 364 00 | 140 00 |
| “ “ 1898..... | 127 08 | | 60 00 |
| “ “ 1899..... | 6 70 | | 60 00 |
| “ “ 1900..... | 15 76 | | 40 00 |
| | \$2600 22 | \$1819 96 | \$930 00 |

Total.....\$5,350 18

Rents received from Old Exhibition Building from 1st May, 1892,
to 1st May, 1900.

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| H. B. Clarke, 5th July 1892, to 1st November, 1892 | \$ 125 00 |
| H. B. Clarke, 1st Nov. 1892, to 1st Nov. 1894, (2 years)..... | 1000 00 |
| F. W. Cunningham, 1st Nov. 1894 to May 1897, (3 years)..... | 2791 25 |
| H. B. Clarke, 1st Nov. 1897, to 1st May 1898..... | 785 00 |
| 1st July, 1898, to May 1899 | 950 45 |
| 1st May, 1899, to 1st May, 1900..... | 1140 50 |
| | \$6792 20 |

Amounts due and in the Recorder's hands for collection: M. M. Christie \$150.00; F. W. Cunningham \$253.75. Total \$403 75.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Read letter from Ritchie & Menger, informing the council that Mrs. Eliza Smith was dissatisfied with the amount (\$600.00) paid into the Supreme Court for the expropriation of No. 10 Fenwick Street, and naming Mr. William Davies, as her Arbitrator in the matter of the arbitration she desires.

EXPROPRIATION OF LAND FENWICK STREET.

June 20th, 1900.

His Worship the Mayor of Halifax:

Sir,—We are instructed by Mrs. Eliza Smith to notify you that the sum of \$600.00 paid into the Supreme Court, at Halifax, for the expropriation of No. 10 Fenwick Street by the City of Halifax is not sufficient; that she desires an arbitration under sub-section (a) of Section 2 of the N. S. Acts for 1897, and that she appoints Mr. William Davies, Clothier, of No. 134 Argyle Street, Halifax, her arbitrator. We remain,

Yours truly,

RITCHIE & MENGER.

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Martin, that James Shand be appointed the Arbitrator on behalf of the City. Motion passed.

Read Annual Report of the City Auditor for the civic year 1899-1900. Filed.

Read petition of W. W. Foster and others for water extension on Beech Street to Chebucto Road.

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

Read petition of Samuel Balcom and others for repairs to Duncan Street.

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

Read letter from Wm. MacKinlay and others, asking that assistance be rendered by the City to a Mr. Brunt, who was injured on the City works.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the matter be referred to the Department of City Works to deal with. Motion passed.

Read letter from W. T. Goffe, asking that the City subscribe for a number of copies of an edition of The Canadian Trade Review about to be published, which will contain an illustrated descriptive article upon Halifax and Dartmouth.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that this matter be referred to His Worship the Mayor. Motion passed.

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

REPORT CITY PRISON COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, July 3rd, 1900.

His Worship the Mayor and Members City Council :

Gentlemen,—The Committee on City Prison met this day at 3 o'clock. Present Aldermen Mosher (Chairman), Martin, Lane and Campbell.

The following accounts are recommended for payment: W. J. Power \$12.84; J. A. Leaman & Co., \$4.68; J. L. Archibald & Son, \$27.12; W. B. Arthur & Co., \$4.08; total \$48.72.

The returns of Governor and Matron for June are herewith submitted.

S. MOSHER, *Chairman.*

The following resolution is now introduced:

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

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

Read Annual Report of the Weighers of Coal for civic year 1899-1900. Filed.

Read reports of the Weighers of Coal for the months of May and June. Filed.

Read report of the Charities Committee for the month of June.

REPORT CHARITIES COMMITTEE.

HALIFAX, July 5th, 1900.

The Charities Committee met this day, and beg to submit the following report:

Accounts chargeable to maintenance to the amount of \$2197.35 were examined, found correct and recommended for payment.

Superintendent's report for June shows that during the month there were 24 persons admitted to the Poor's Asylum, 3 born, 19 discharged and 3 died. Of the number admitted 4 were chargeable to the Province, 1 to Richmond County, 1 to Guysboro County, and 18 to the City. Total number of inmates June 30th was 322, made up of 179 men, 137 women and 6 children.

Respectfully submitted,

ISAAC CREIGHTON, *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 several accounts therein mentioned.

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

Read report of Board of Fire Commissioners re dismissals and appointments in connection with the department, and also recommending sundry accounts for payment.

REPORT BOARD FIRE WARDS.

July 10th, 1900.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council :

Gentlemen,—The Board of Fire Commissioners beg to report as follows :

1st. Your Board recommend the dismissal of John Tobin, driver No. 3 S. F. E., and Daniel Ryan, driver of No. 4, S. F. E., from their positions as drivers of the department. Both of these men obtained their regular leave of absence, which has expired some time ago, but they have failed to return to duty.

2nd. Your Board recommend that Alfred Calais, now a call-man, be appointed to the position of a driver of the Department, and that Edward Lannigan be appointed a call-man of the Department.

The following accounts are recommended for payment :

John Tobin & Co., soda, \$3.30 ; Farquhar Bros. & Co., for work &c, to 28th June, \$47.11 ; Baldwin & Co., bracket, lamps, &c, \$2.46 ; Halifax Electric Tramway Co, lighting No. 7 house, June \$9.33 ; Halifax Electric Tramway Company, Lighting West Street, \$3.76 ; A. Lamphier, Regg. No. 2 hose wagon, &c., \$5.50 ; Daniel McLeod, horse shoeing in June, \$10.43 ; Wm. Roche, coal \$4.69-\$16.35, \$21.04 ; Neil Fox, harness work for June, \$3.75 ; Wm. Robertson & Son, hardware, \$6.00 ; Wm. H. Brush, carpenter's work, \$51.75 ; Simson Bros. & Co., shellac, 35 cts. ; Imperial Oil Company, oil, \$9.34 ; Total \$174.12.

Respectfully submitted,

D. H. CAMPBELL, *Chairman.*

The following resolution is now introduced :

Resolved, That the report of the Board of Fire Commissioners submitted this meeting be received and concurred in and that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the several accounts therein mentioned.

Moved by Alderman Campbell, seconded by Alderman Martin, and passed.

Read report of Committee on Tenders, re tenders for loans, &c.

TENDERS FOR LOANS.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, July 10th, 1900.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council :

The Committee on Tenders met on July 5th inst., to open tenders for two City loans, \$90,000 on permanent account and \$11,500 temporary.

The tenders received were as below .

| | For \$90,000. | For \$11,500. |
|---------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| G. A. Simson & Co..... | \$85,671.00 | \$11,385.00 |
| G. W. Wood & Son..... | 92.26 per cent. | |
| Central Can. Loan Co..... | \$83,811.00 | |
| Jose Parker & Co..... | 96.76 per cent. | 100.38 per cent. |
| H. O'Hara & Co..... | \$83,800.00 | 98.10 per cent. |
| J. C. Mackintosh..... | 95 2250 per cent. | 99.25 per cent. |
| Thomas Ritchie..... | | 102 per cent. |

As the offers for the \$90,000 loan were all below what the Committee considered a fair price, the Committee resolved to recommend that none of them be accepted, and the offer of Mr. Ritchie for the \$11,500 loan be accepted. It was resolved that the Committee adjourn until the next day, and the City Treasurer ascertain the lowest rate of interest on which a loan could be obtained in order that the old bonds could be retired and the City be enabled to take advantage of any better rate of the money market.

At the meeting of July 6th, the Treasurer reported the Bank of B. N. A., and the Bank of Nova Scotia were willing to loan the City the sum required at 5 per cent. per annum, on condition the bonds as paid off should be deposited with the Bank as security.

On motion it was resolved to recommend the acceptance of the offer of the Bank of Nova Scotia.

Your Committee also recommend to the Council that all heads of departments be instructed to have their Annual Reports submitted to the City Council by August 8th.

Respectfully submitted,

P. F. MARTIN, *Acting Chairman.*

The following resolution is introduced :

Resolved, That the recommendations of the Tenders Committee re temporary loan from the Bank of Nova Scotia to retire debentures which matured on the 1st July, 1900, be adopted and that the other recommendations of said report be adopted.

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

Alderman MacIlreith gives notice that he will at a future meeting of the council move a resolution relative to the reading of the minutes of council, &c.

Moved by Alderman Mitchell, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that the council adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 10.15 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

AUGUST 16TH, 1900.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening.

At the above hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Faulkner, Rogers, MacIlreith, Martin, Creighton and Campbell.

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that the time for meeting be extended till 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8.30 Roll called. Present the above named, together with Aldermen Musgrave, Lane, Mitchell, Halliday, Hubley, O'Donnell and Hawkins.

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.

Alderman Rogers, acting Chairman, submits a report from the Library Committee.

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

Alderman Creighton, Chairman, submits a report from the Charities Committee.

Alderman Campbell, acting Chairman, submits a report from the City Prison Committee.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers, viz—Five reports from the City Engineer, as follows:

Re Roads over Citadel.

Queen's Wharf Outlet.

Names of Lanes.

Water Extension to Chebucto Road and North Street and Street Sprinkling.

Report City Works Department on Street Lighting.

The following Annual Reports for the civic year 1899-1900:

City Health Board.

Commissioners Halifax Common.

Library Committee.

Board of Fire Commissioners.

Commissioners on Charities.

City Engineer.

City Clerk.

Coal Measurers' Report for the month of July.

Petition of John Penny & Sons and others re Railway Crossing on Upper Water Street.

Letter from Anthony Mills, re numbering houses on Beech Street.

Letter from N. S. Telephone Company, Limited, re laying of wires underground.

Letter from Henry DeLewis re construction of sewer on Bloomfield Street.

Application of Herbert Andrews for water extension on Coburg Road.

City Treasurer's Cash Statements "General" and "Water" for the months of June and July.

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

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

Read report of Department of City Works on Street Lighting.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

August 15th, 1900.

To the City Council:

Gentlemen,—The City Works Department to whom was referred the tender of the Halifax Electric Tramway Company for City Lighting, have endeavored to ascertain the best terms upon which a new contract can be made. In the accompanying tender the Company agree to make a new contract for \$65.00 for Alternating Enclosed Arc Lamps, \$21.00 for 50 candle power Bernstein lamps and 10c. per kilowatt hour for lighting City buildings provided the contract is for ten years and on a moonlight schedule of 2,600 hours per lamp per year.

The cost of lighting streets with 236 lamps and city buildings at present is \$20,792.97.

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| The estimated cost of City Lighting with a gas plant for streets and buildings is.. | \$16,506.72 |
| The cost under the new tender is 250 lights at \$65.00 | \$16,250.00 |
| Buildings about the same as at present.... | 2,292.97 |
| | 18,542.97 |

J. T. HAMILTON, *Mayor*,
Chairman City Works Commission.

HALIFAX TRAMWAY CO.'S TENDER FOR ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

HALIFAX, N. S., August 4th, 1900.

City Works Department,

F. W. W. Doane, *City Engineer*:

Dear Sir,—In reply to your communication of July 27th regarding price for lighting the streets of Halifax with not less than 250 enclosed lamps and 50 candle-power series incandescent lamps (number not specified), and also price for lighting with 16 candle-power incandescent lamps during the term of contract the City Hall, Fire Engine Houses and any other public buildings or premises owned, or occupied by the City from time to time as may be required, I am instructed to submit to the Board of Works the following terms:

The Halifax Electric Tramway Co., Ltd, will furnish not less than 250 $\frac{7}{8}$ ampere Alternating Enclosed Series Arc Lamps, similar to those recently installed on Barrington, Granville and Hollis Streets, for the sum of \$65 per lamp per year, based on a moonlight schedule of not more than 2,600 hours per lamp per year.

The Company will also furnish 50 candle-power series incandescent lamps for street service, for the sum of \$21 per lamp per year, based on a moonlight schedule of not more than 2,600 hours per lamp per year.

The Company will during the term of the agreement supply electric energy for lighting with 16 candle-power lamps the City Hall, Fire Engine Houses and other public buildings or premises owned, or occupied by the City from time to time as may be desired, at the rate of 10 cents per kilowatt hour, to be measured by meter, or meters, furnished and owned by the Company. The Company will guarantee that cost of incandescent lighting by meter in the City Hall and Fire Engine Houses, will not exceed the sum now paid for electric lighting under equal conditions.

The agreement to run for a term of ten years subject to the condition that the price shall be fixed by arbitration at the end of five years and at seven and one-half years from date of entering upon agreement, if the City so desires.

The Company is able to make the reduction in the cost of street lighting to the City from the present cost, on account of securing a contract for a stated number of years, which would warrant the installation of more efficient lamps and generating apparatus, and will give to the City of Halifax the most modern and improved system of street lighting.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED. A. HUNTRESS, *Manager.*

Also read tender of the Halifax Electric Tramway Company, Limited, for Electric Lighting.

On motion the same is placed on the Order of the Day for consideration with No. 20 thereon, viz.: "Report of Special Committee on the "City doing its own Electric Lighting and Alderman Mosher's resolution relating thereto," and the City Clerk instructed to furnish each Alderman with a copy of said report and tender.

Read report from the City Works Commission re repairs to road across Citadel, covering letters from Colonel Wilkinson, C. R. E., in Canada, and the City Engineer, on the subject.

ROAD ACROSS CITADEL.

August 9th, 1900.

To The City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the City Works Commission held August 6th 1900, the accompanying letter from Colonel Wilkinson in answer to City Engineer's letter re repairs to road across Citadel, with report of City Engineer, were referred to the City Council.

J. T. HAMILTON, *Mayor.*

Chairman City Works Commission.

ROAD ACROSS CITADEL.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, August 3rd, 1900.

His Worship the Mayor:

SIR,—In accordance with instructions, I wrote to the War Department asking that they would repair the road across the Citadel. When Colonel Leach was Commanding Royal Engineer some work was done on these roads and the roller was furnished by the City without charge. The same offer was made in this case. I have received an answer from Colonel Wilkinson (a copy of which is enclosed) stating that the road is of no Military use and that no allotment of public money for its repair can be recommended. The City has no appropriation from which it can legally spend money on these roads.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Placed on Order of the Day.

Read report from the City Works Commission, covering a report from the City Engineer in re Queen's Wharf Outlet.

August 9th, 1900.

To the City Council :

Gentlemen,—At a meeting of the City Works Commission held August 6th inst., the accompanying report from the City Engineer re Queen's Wharf Outlet, was approved and ordered to be sent to the City Council.

J. T. HAMILTON, *Mayor,*
Chairman City Works Commission.

QUEEN'S WHARF OUTLET.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, August 3rd, 1900.

His Worship the Mayor :

SIR,—Some time ago the military authorities called upon the City to remove a deposit at the mouth of the sewer adjoining or upon War Department property. Regarding the Queen's Wharf Outlet, the Commanding Royal Engineer has written to say that "the Secretary of State for War hopes that the City authorities will agree to take immediate steps to fulfil their statutory obligations to continue the sewer in question below low water mark and if this work is executed without delay the question of responsibility in respect to the removal of existing deposits at this wharf will not be further pursued."

The invert of the sewer is considerably above low water mark, and I would recommend that the sewer be extended about 80 feet so that the invert will be below low water. The estimated cost is \$900. The cost of dredging the deposit at this wharf would be much greater, to say nothing of the importance of having the question of responsibility settled so favorably for the City.

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

Moved by Alderman Campbell, seconded by Alderman Musgrave, that said report of the City Engineer be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report City Engineer re Water Extension Chebucto Road and North Street

WATER EXTENSION CHEBUCTO ROAD AND NORTH STREET.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, August 1st, 1900.

His Worship the Mayor :

SIR,—In accordance with the accompanying resolution of Council, I beg to report on the petition attached hereto, asking for the extension of the water along Beech Street to Chebucto Road and North Street.

The distance is 840 feet on Beech Street, 360 feet on Chebucto Road and 200 feet on North Street, total distance 1,400 feet. The estimated cost is \$3,340.00. Interest on the outlay at 5 per cent \$167.20. Estimated revenue \$88.00, leaving a deficit of \$79.20.

In view of the unsatisfactory condition of the high service and the large deficit involved in the extension I cannot recommend that the prayer of the petition be granted.

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

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

The following resolution is now introduced by leave of Council.

Whereas, There has been a petition before the Council for a supply of water from Windsor Street to Oxford Street on Chebucto Road ;

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioners be granted and that the water be

further carried to the Connolly Road, a distance of about 100 yards, which will supply about 14 more houses or about 30 houses on Chebucto Road from Windsor Street to the Connolly Road.

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Martin.

On motion the same is referred to the Works Department for report.

Read report of the City Engineer re names of Lanes.

NAMES OF LANES.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, August 1st, 1900.

His Worship the Mayor :

SIR,—In accordance with the accompanying resolution of Council, I beg to report on the advisability of changing the names of Artz Lane, Gray's Lane, Proctor's Lane, Hurd's Lane, and Bell's Lane to Artz Street, Gray Street, Proctor Street, Hurd Street and Bell Street.

I am not aware of any objection that can be made to the proposed change, and if the Council consider it advisable to make the change I would recommend that it be made at the first of May, 1901, so that it will appear in the new Directory issued about a month later.

Respectfully submitted,

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

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

Moved by Alderman Campbell, seconded by Alderman Faulkner, that the City Works Department be authorized to furnish and place in position on the corners of the several streets named the plates necessary in consequence of the change, and also on other streets of the City where required. Motion passed.

Read report of the City Engineer on Street Sprinkling.

STREET SPRINKLING.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, July 31st, 1900.

His Worship the Mayor :

SIR,—In accordance with the accompanying resolution of Council, I beg to report the information asked for as follows :

First—The number of watering carts employed in watering the streets of the City of Halifax.

Ten 2 horse carts, capacity 500 gallons each.

Two 1 horse carts, capacity 200 gallons each.

Second—The plan followed in watering City Streets showing the names of streets watered more than once daily, showing number of times watered, and the names of streets not watered at all.

I beg to submit the plan attached hereto showing district which carts water marked in different colors. The streets not marked at all are not watered. All streets are watered twice daily. Barrington, Granville and Hollis Streets, between Spring Garden Road and Jacob Street; Gottingen Street, between Cogswell and Gerrish Streets; Spring Garden Road between Pleasant and South Parks Streets and Sackville Street, between Barrington and South Park Streets, are watered four times a day.

Fourth—Whether it is in the interest of the City that the watering should be done by private horses and drivers.

I am of the opinion that a better service is obtained by the employment of City horses and drivers than by private teams. The service is more flexible than under contract, the teams are more suitable and much better discipline can be preserved than on a contract.

The difficulty in the employment of more City teams is the scarcity of work for teams when not employed for street sprinkling.

We had at one time four double teams in the service of the City Works Department. In consequence of the scarcity of work in winter, we disposed of one of them. We have sufficient work the year round for three teams, but at present I do not think we could keep more than three profitably employed, and therefore do not feel justified in recommending the purchase of more teams until it becomes necessary or advisable.

Fifth—Showing also the cost of furnishing as many more carts and horses^s as we have at present.

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|-----------------------------|-----------|
| 10 double carts \$350 | \$350 00 |
| 2 single carts \$360 | 600 00 |
| | \$4100 00 |

Average cost of horses.....\$140 00

Third question—The number of new watering carts and horses required and the probable cost thereof in order to give a proper and improved service.

The double team at the Bedford Row Engine House should be utilized to operate one two-horse sprinkler; the single team at Islesville Engine House should be used to operate a one-horse sprinkler; and that at Queen Street Engine House should be used for the same purpose. We should have a two-horse sprinkler for use with the street cleaning broom and the steam roller to avoid the necessity of taking the cart off street sprinkling service. We should also have one spare one-horse sprinkler and one spare two-horse sprinkler for use in cases of break-downs. These carts would cost about \$1950.00. It would not be necessary to purchase horses. In order to give a proper and improved service at least six two-horse sprinklers in addition to those named should be purchased which would cost about \$2100 more. I would urgently recommend the purchase of the three two-horse and three one-horse sprinklers first mentioned in any case, and the other six are very much needed; but before their purchase and use we should consider carefully the financial question.

Many complaints are made in reference to the Street Sprinkling service; but no one should expect an efficient service when we are able to cover the district^t laid out for the teams only twice a day with the exception of six streets. When a street is watered at seven o'clock in the morning and at one in the afternoon on a hot day with the wind blowing it is absolutely impossible to keep the dust down. Even if it is watered, as in the case of the six streets mentioned, four times a day it is little better, as the water put on by the sprinkler dries in not more than half an hour on a warm, windy day. Part of each district cannot be watered at all until between 11 and 12 a. m., and again between 4 and 5.

It has been suggested that salt water should be used in the lower portion of the City, but it is an absolute impossibility for the teams to go the extra distance to get the salt water and sprinkle their district within the time allotted for a day's work, while the appropriation for street sprinkling is stretched to its utmost limit, and unless the City Council is prepared to authorize a larger expenditure no more work can be done.

Those who criticize the slowness of street sprinkling must remember that the teams are hauling a heavy cart carrying two and one-half tons of water when full, and no humane driver should urge his team beyond a natural gait or hurry them at such heavy work. They do all the work that a team of horses should be called upon to do, as the twelve teams put out twelve hundred tons of water in a day. The districts have been stretched out with the water extensions until the limit of the capacity of the sprinkling service has been reached, and it is impossible to water streets where there is no water service in consequence of the distance to be travelled to the hydrants.

Night sprinkling has been suggested. The question has been threshed out by the Department long ago. It would be far more satisfactory if it were practicable because it would not interfere so much with the house water supply. Observation shows that though the ground may be soaked with rain through the night a warm day with a good breeze dries the street surface so that carts are needed by ten o'clock. In such weather the light sprinkling the carts give would have no effect whatever and it would be a waste of time and money, to say nothing of the increase in the consumption of water, as the carts would have to start again not later than eight o'clock in the morning. Our rock streets heat up and dry very rapidly. When the ground is watered by a rain storm and a cool day follows the ground remains damp perhaps all day, but during such weather we have no difficulty in keeping dust down, even with our present service, so that it would not be necessary to water at night. An extra staff of men and horses would be required to do night watering, and in my judgment the result accomplished would not justify the additional outlay in time, money and water. The latter expenditure is by no means the least important. The carts put out an average of 45 loads a day in dry weather. This amounts to the enormous quantity of two and one-half million gallons a day about half the total consumption which is a very heavy drain on the water supply and accounts for poor pressure in many districts in the City. It is very doubtful if it is advisable to increase the sprinkling service in the high service district at all and I cannot recommend it. If any great increase is to be made in the sprinkling work in the low service district we should consider the advisability of laying salt water mains up the hills on the principal east and west streets to save our fresh water supply.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Placed on Order of the Day.

Read Annual Reports for the civic year 1899-1900 from the following named departments, viz: City Health Board, Commissioners Halifax Common, Library Committee, Board Fire Commissioners, Charities Committee, City Engineer's and City Clerk's.

On motion the same are referred to the Committee on Tenders for publication in the Annual Report. Motion passed.

Read report of the Library Committee recommending sundry accounts for payment:

REPORT LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, Aug. 10th, 1900.

His Worship the Mayor and Members City Council:

Gentlemen,—The Library Committee beg to recommend for payment the following named accounts:

| | Special Ac. | General Ac. | Total. |
|----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|----------|
| Frank Reardon | \$13 62 | \$13 63 | \$27 25 |
| Marshall, Son & Co..... | 17 87 | 17 86 | 35 73 |
| Wm. McNab..... | 13 50 | 13 50 | 27 00 |
| John Bowes..... | | | 9 50 |
| Simson Bros | | | 1 00 |
| A. & W. MacKinlay 50c. & \$4 32 | | | 4 82 |
| Library Bureau \$22.35 & \$1.00. | | | 23 35 |
| Publishers Syndicate..... | | | 62 30 |
| Mutual Subscription Agency .. | | | 95 |
| James Ross | | | 75 |
| Total..... | | | \$192 65 |

Respectfully submitted,

W. STETSON ROGERS, *Act. Chairman.*

The following resolution is now introduced :

Resolved, That the Report of the Library Committee be concurred in and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the several accounts therein referred to.

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

Read report of the Committee on Charities for the month of July.

REPORT CHARITIES COMMITTEE.

HALIFAX, N. S., Aug. 1st, 1900.

The Charities Committee met this day and beg to submit the following report :

Accounts chargeable to Maintenance to the amount of \$3,393.47 re-examined, found correct and recommended for payment.

The Superintendent's report for July showed that during the month there had been 20 persons admitted to the Poor's Asylum, 19 discharged and 3 died. Of the number admitted 5 were chargeable to the Province. 1 to the Township of Horton and the remainder to the City. The total number of inmates July 31st was 317, made up of 177 men, 136 women and 4 children.

Respectfully submitted,

ISAAC CREIGHTON, *Chairman*.

The following resolution is introduced :

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

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

Read report of the City Prison Committee covering accounts, &c., for the month of July.

REPORT CITY PRISON COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, Aug. 1st, 1900.

His Worship the Mayor and Members City Council :

Gentlemen,—The Committee on City Prison beg to recommend for payment the following named accounts :

James Davidson, horse shoeing, \$8.01; George Rent, stove fittings, etc., \$9.45; Black & Flinn, lime, \$1.60; Barnstead & Sutherland, dry goods, \$14.90; James Scott & Co., groceries, \$17.50; J. A. Leaman & Co., ox heads, \$6.30; J. N. McGrath & Co., trucking \$1.50; J. K. Munnis, uniform clothing, \$67.50; J. E. Murphy, carriage work, \$12.85; G. H. Cutlip, painting, &c., \$32.60; Nelson Jackson, carpenter work, \$77.64; Wm. McFatridge, roofing City Prison, \$328.74. Total \$578.59.

The Governor and Matron's returns for July are herewith submitted.

D. H. CAMPBELL, *Act. Chairman*.

The following resolution is next introduced :

Resolved, That the report of the City Prison herewith submitted be adopted, and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the accounts referred to therein.

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

Read report of Board Fire Commissioners re Appointments to the Department, accounts for payment, &c.

REPORT BOARD OF FIRE WARDS.

COMMITTEE ROOM, Aug. 6th, 1900.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

Gentlemen,—The Board of Fire Wardens and Fire Commissioners beg to report as follows:

1st. That Edward Ead resigned the position he held as a driver of the Department and William Settle has been appointed to fill the vacancy thus caused.

2nd. That Patrick Connolly was appointed a call man of the Department to fill the position on No. 2 S. F. E., made vacant by the death of the late John Inglis.

3rd. Your Board asked for tenders for a supply of 2,000 ft. Rubber Hose. Two tenders only were received, one from H. H. Fuller & Co., offering the "Phoenix" Brand and one from Austen Bros., offering the "Maltese Cross" Brand. The Board accepted the tender of Austen Bros., as they find the Maltese Cross Hose has given the very best satisfaction for several years past.

4th. The following accounts are recommended for payment, viz:

Forsythe, Sutcliffe & Co, acid, \$7.93; Hx. Electric Tram, Co., for July, No. 7, \$9.33—West Street, \$3.90, \$13.23; William H. Brush, repg. Islesville House, \$25.00; Can. Gen. Electric Co., wire, etc, \$32.53 and \$4.74, \$37.27; Cragg Bros. & Co., hardware, \$8.05; Thos. Spelman, balance due on purchase of horses, \$7.30; Neil Fox, harness work, \$7.85; James Dempster & Co., lumber, \$3.27; Thos. Robinson, horse hire, \$14.00; John O'Connell, horse shoeing, June, \$11.57, and July, \$14.20, \$25.77; Daniel McLeod, horse shoeing for July, \$8.88; Isaac Sallis, removing night soil, \$7.50; J. E. M. Taylor, painting at Chemical House and glazing, \$66.05, \$1.25, \$67.30; William Brush, repairing Queen St. House, \$38.00; G. M. Cullen & Co., glazing, \$7.20; Edes Mfg. Co., lines for battery, \$54.00; Brander, Morris & Co., Furniture, Bedford Row and Central, \$41.35; Longard Bros., Japan, \$1.25; John Stairs, Son & Co, Electrical supplies, \$2.95; William Roche, Coal, \$5.45; John MacInnes & Son, Spruce flooring, \$18.00; MacDonald & Co., repairing Engines, etc., \$58.35. Total \$459.90.

D. H. CAMPBELL, *Chairman.*

The following resolution is introduced:

Resolved, That the report of the Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners submitted this date be received and concurred in, and that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the several accounts referred to therein.

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

Read report of Weighers of Coal for the month of July. Filed.

Read petition of John Penny & Sons and others against permission being granted for railway crossing on Upper Water Street near Dockyard Gate.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Martin, that the same be referred to the Commercial Committee. Motion passed.

Read letter from Anthony Mills asking that the houses on Beech Street be numbered.

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Mitchell, that the Works Department be authorized to number the houses on

Beech Street, and also to number the houses on such other streets as may be required. Motion passed.

Read letter from the Nova Scotia Telephone Company, Limited, in relation to the placing of a portion of their wires under ground.

Moved by Alderman Mitchell, seconded by Alderman Faulkner, that the same be referred to the City Works Commission to deal with. Motion passed.

Read letter from Henry DeLewis requesting that the sewer ordered for the west end of Bloomfield Street be not constructed.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that the same be referred to the Works Department. Motion passed.

Read application of Herbert Andrews for Water Extension on Coburg Road.

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

Read City Treasurer's Cash Statements "General" and "Water" for the months of June and July. Filed.

Read City Collector's returns of Rates and Water Rates collected in the month of June. Filed.

His Worship the Mayor states that several of the residents of Willow Park have recently called upon him and complained of the inefficiency of the water supply in that district, and he had requested that a delegation be present at to-night's meeting and make their grievance known to the Council with the view of finding, if possible, a remedy for the evil complained of.

In consequence of said invitation, Messrs. J. C. Mackintosh, Andrew L. Wood, C. A. Hawkins, Charles Pickford, W. B. Freeman, T. J. Crockett, John Wright and others were in attendance.

Moved by Alderman Campbell, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that the delegation be heard. Motion passed.

Messrs. J. C. Mackintosh and A. L. Wood addressed the Council on the subject, and His Worship the Mayor gives a thorough review of the situation.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Faulkner, that No. 14 on Order Paper, viz: "Report City Engineer re High Service Water Supply"; also "Report City Engineer re Water Supply Willow Park" be now read. Motion passed.

The same are now read. (See printed Minutes of Council, Sept. 14th, 1899, and April 12th, 1900.)

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that the reports of the City Engineer just read be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that said reports be referred back to the City Engineer for further report as to the probable number of meters required and their cost.

Alderman Hubley at 10.35 o'clock moves a call of Council, which motion is seconded by Alderman Rogers.

Moved by Alderman Creighton, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that No. 25 on Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 25, viz :—Report City Engineer re Sewer and Water Extension West Young Street.

Moved by Alderman Creighton, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that said report be adopted. Motion put and lost, 2 voting for the same and 10 against it. Names being called for, there appeared :

For the Motion.

Against it.

Aldermen Creighton, Hawkins—2. Aldermen Musgrave, Lane, Mitchell, Campbell, Faulkner, MacIlreith, Halliday, O'Donnell, Martin, Hubley—10.

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that said item 25 be returned to the Order Paper. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that No. 19 on Order Paper be now read. Motion passed.

Read No. 19, viz :—Alderman Martin's resolution in re Asphaltting sidewalk on Lockman Street, west side, between Artz Lane and North Street. (See Minutes of 12th April, 1900.)

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that said resolution do now pass. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Musgrave, seconded by Alderman MacIlreith, that No. 28 on Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 28, viz :—Ordinance in re inspection of horses, harness, and vehicles used by hawkers, &c. 3rd reading.

An Ordinance to Amend an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance respecting Hawkers, Petty Chapmen and Peddlers, and persons doing business within the City of Halifax, but who are not assessed therein.

The City Council of the City of Halifax hereby enacts and ordains as follows :

Section One of the Ordinance hereby amended, is amended by adding at the end of said section the following words: "No license shall be issued to any person or persons mentioned in this section who shall carry on his or their business or trade by the use of horse, waggon and harness, until the same shall be inspected and approved of by the inspector of cabs for the City of Halifax. If such horse, waggon and harness are approved of by the said inspector, he shall forthwith give in writing a certificate to that effect, and upon the production of said certificate by the applicant, a license may be issued. The said license, nevertheless, may be revoked at any time thereafter on the recommendation of the said inspector if the said horse, waggon and harness, or any of them, do not continue fit for the purposes for which the license has been issued."

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Musgrave, that said Ordinance having received a third reading do now pass and that the City Clerk be instructed to forward the same to the Governor-in-Council for approval. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Musgrave, seconded by Alderman MacIlreith, that No. 22, viz :—Alderman Musgrave's notice of motion in re "Improving the sanitary regulations respecting the milk of cows" be struck from the Order Paper. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman MacIlreith, that No. 18, viz:—"Alderman O'Donnell's notices (2) of motion of resolution to censure His Honor the Recorder in re legislation affecting the office of Recorder," and No. 24, viz:—"Alderman O'Donnell's notice of motion expressing disapproval of the conduct of the members of the Legislature representing the City and County of Halifax in respect to certain legislation passed at the last session of the Local Legislature affecting the City of Halifax," be struck from the Order Paper. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Campbell, seconded by Alderman MacIlreith, that No. 13, viz:—"Petition of J. P. Wambolt and others for the enforcement of the law relating to Trading Stamps," be struck from the Order Paper. Motion passed.

The time upon call of Council (11.05) having expired, the matter of the Willow Park Water Service is again taken up.

Alderman Hubley's amendment is now put and lost.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that the City Engineer place meters in all houses supplied by the high service where the water fixings are not properly protected from the frost or where the necessary precautions to prevent waste by leakage are not taken. Motion put and lost.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Martin, that meters be placed in all houses in the City drawing their water supply from either the high or low service. Amendment lost.

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that the motion be now put. Motion passed.

The original motion (to adopt the reports of the City Engineer) is now put and passed. Alderman Hubley gives notice of reconsideration.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Martin, that the Council adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 11.15 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

SEPTEMBER 25TH, 1900.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening.

At the above hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Mosher, Campbell, Martin, Faulkner, Rogers.

Moved by Alderman Campbell, seconded by Alderman Martin, that the time for meeting be extended till 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8.30 Roll called. Present the above named together with Aldermen Butler, MacIlreith, Mitchell, Halliday, Hubley, O'Donnell, Chisholm, Creighton and Hawkins.

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.

Alderman Mosher, Chairman, submits a report from the City Prison Committee.

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

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

Alderman MacIlreith, Chairman, submits a report from the Committee on Laws and Privileges.

Alderman Halliday submits a petition from John Murphy and others for water extension, Oxford Street.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers:

Application of E. P. Allison for permission to lay railway siding on Upper Water Street.

Letter from Hugh Cameron offering to sell to the City of Halifax a Steam Road Roller.

Letter from E. A. Gibson asking for a piece of sewer and catchpit on Chebucto Road.

Report of Committee on Lockman Street lots.

Letter from City Works Commission re Contract for Coal.

City Collector's statement Rates and Water Rates for July.

Applications of Frank J. Stoneman and William Howley for position as Coal Weighers.

Report from City Works Commission re Account for water for Mail Hoist in Post Office Building.

Resolution of Rate Payers in the North end of the City re Water Meters.

Petition of J. McN. Gabriel and others for a granite curbing on south side of Cornwallis St.

Petition of W. B. MacCoy and others for a sewer on Vernon Street and for the removal of the electric light from corner of Seymour Street to the corner of Vernon Street.

City Engineer's report on Water extension on Coburg Road.

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

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

REPORT PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, Sept 25th, 1900.

His Worship the Mayor and Members City Council :

Gentlemen,—The Committee on Public Accounts beg to recommend for payment the following named accounts :

Blackadar Bros., advertising, June, 7.36; July, 2.92. \$10.28.

The Halifax Herald, advertising, City Assessor, February, 3.16; Mayor, May and June, 9.77; City Treasurer, May, 85.24; City Collector, May and June, 8.88; City Auditor, 5.25. \$112.30.

T. C Allen & Co., Printing, Stationery and Blank Books: Recorder, June, 1.50; City Clerk, June; 19.53; City Treasurer, June 2 accts, 15.00 and 1.13, 16.13; City Treasurer, July, 12.21; City Collector, June, 6.88; City Collector, July, 23.74; City Assessor, June, 18.00; City Assessor, July, 7.00; City Auditor, June, 2.46; Police Department, June, 5.24; Police Department, July, 3.50; Mayor, July, 1.35; \$117.54. Total, \$240.12.

Respectfully submitted,

G. 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 referred to therein.

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

Read report of Board of Fire Commissioners, re tenders for supplies and accounts for payment.

REPORT BOARD OF FIRE WARDS.

HALIFAX, 25th Sept., 1900.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council :

Gentlemen,—The Board of Fire Commissioners recommend the acceptance of S. Cunard & Co.'s tender for coals and that of E. J. Fenton for forage for the use of the Fire Department, they being the lowest.

They also recommend the following accounts for payment :

MacDonald & Co., repairs to engines, &c., \$53.06; Bauld Bros. & Co., for soda 4.00, soap 3.75, 7.75; John Tobin & Co., soda, 3.30; Blackadar Bros., advtg., 3.66; Robert Horner, horse shoeing to 27th Aug., 20.13; M. S. Brown & Co., 1 badge, 4.25; W. B. Arthur & Co., waste, 9.24; W. J. Power, bedding, 4.20; Halifax Elec. Tram Co. for Aug., West St., 3.75, No. 7, 9.33, 13.08; Wm. Robertson, hardware, 3.20; Simson Bros & Co., blue stone, 38.03; Neil Fox, harness work for Aug., 12.75; Black Bros. & Co., hardware, 2.11; Wm. H. Brush, repg. doors, 2.50; \$177.31.

Respectfully submitted,

D. 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 referred to therein.

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

Read report of the Committee on City Prison for the month of August.

REPORT CITY PRISON COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, Sept. 25th, 1900.

His Worship the Mayor and Members City Council :

Gentlemen,—The Committee on City Prison beg to recommend for payment the following named accounts :

David Roche, Painting, &c., \$90.56; Irwin & Sons, seeds, 3.48; Irwin & Sons, drugs, 8.60; F. P. Hayden, dry goods, 4.25; A. M. Bell & Co., hardware, 1.57; A. J. Grant & Co., hardware, 2.88; J. P. Wambolt, groceries, 27.02; J. A. Leaman & Co., ox heads, 5.58. Total, \$143.80.

The returns of the Governor and Matron for August are herewith submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

S. MOSHER, *Chairman.*

The following resolution is next 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 referred to therein.

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

Read letter from the Committee on Laws and Privileges re Weighing of Coals and Coke in the City of Halifax, covering a draft Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance relating to the Weighing of Coals and Coke.

COALS AND COKE ORDINANCE.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, September 21st, 1900.

His Worship the Mayor and Mmembers City Council :

Gentlemen,—The Committee on Laws and Privileges have carefully considered the question of the weighing of coals and coke which has frequently of late demanded the attention of the City Council.

Your Committee find no good reason to require a departure from the present practice of selling coals by the ton of 2,000 pounds, and recommend that the provisions of the City Charter in that regard be adhered to.

A reduction is recommended in the fees for the weighers the Committee being of opinion that if the Ordinance accompanied herewith is effectively enforced, the increased quantity of coal weighed will secure to the weighers a reasonable allowance.

The accompanying Ordinance is recommended for the approval of the Council.

Respectfully submitted,

R. T. MACLEITH, *Chairman.*

Said Ordinance is now read a first time. On motion said Ordinance now receives a second reading.

Read letter E. P. Allison relative to a Railway Siding on Upper Water Street.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that the same be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges for report, and that the property owners in that vicinity be requested to attend the meeting of said Committee when the matter is brought up for consideration. Motion passed.

Read letter of Hugh Cameron offering to sell to the City of Halifax a Buffalo Pitts Double Cylinder Steam Road Roller.

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

Read petition of E. A. Gibson and others for drain and catchpit on Chebucto Road.

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

Read report of Committee on Lockman Street Lots re offer of (\$200.00) two hundred dollars for the lot on the east side of Lockman Street, north side of Gray's Lane.

LOCKMAN STREET LOTS.

SEPT. 25th, 1900.

To the City Council :

Gentlemen,—Your Committee beg to report that an offer of (\$200.00) Two Hundred Dollars has been received from Jas. Coolen for the lot on the East side of Lockman St., north side of Gray's Lane, and your Committee beg to recommend the acceptance of Mr. Coolen's offer subject to the usual conditions.

Committee. { J. T. HAMILTON, Mayor,
W. F. MACCOY, Recorder.
F. W. W. DOANE, City Engineer.

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

Read report City Works Commission re contract of William Roche, for a supply of coal.

COAL CONTRACT.

Sept 25th, 1900.

To the Members of the City Council :

Gentlemen,—The following is an extract from the Minutes of a meeting of the City Works Commission held September 24th, 1900 :

Read letter from William Roche asking for withdrawal of Contract for coal awarded him at last meeting of the Commission, with reply from His Worship the Mayor.

The Engineer stated that Mr. Roche had refused to supply coal required at present for the City Hall and read correspondence between himself and Mr. Roche on the subject.

His Honor the Recorder being present said that in his opinion the Commission had the right to purchase coal required for immediate use and to charge Mr. Roche with the difference in cost.

On motion it was decided that the Commission report to the Council recommending that no contract be entered into at present and also recommending that the coal required at present for the City Hall be purchased as required and the difference in price charged to Mr. Roche. It was also decided that the Commission suggest to the Council that in future tenders for fuel be asked for either in the month of June or July.

A tender was submitted from the People's Heat and Light Company for the supply of coke at \$4.00 per ton.

On motion it was decided that a Contract be entered into with the People's

Heat and Light Company for the supply of Coke required for the City Hall during the season of 1900-1901.

J. T. HAMILTON, Mayor,
Chairman City Works Commission.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that the matter lay on the table until the correspondence relative thereto is produced and read. Motion passed.

Read report of the Works Department on the account sent the Dominion Authorities for water supplied the Post Office Building.

POST OFFICE WATER SUPPLY.

HALIFAX, N. S., Sept. 12th, 1900.

To the City Council:

Gentlemen,—At a meeting of the City Works Commission held 10th inst, the accompanying letter from Mr. C. E. W. Dodwell, resident Engineer Public Works Department, asking for reduction in bill for six months' water for mail hoist in the Post Office Building was referred to the City Council with a recommendation that said bill be collected.

J. T. HAMILTON, Mayor.
Chairman City Works Commission.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that said report be adopted and that a copy thereof be forwarded to Mr. C. E. Dodwell. Motion passed.

Read resolution passed at a meeting of the ratepayers of the North end of the City, held 27th August, ult. relative to water meters.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the same be considered with No. 1 on Order Paper. Motion passed.

Read report City Engineer re Water Extension Coburg Road.

WATER EXTENSION, COBURG ROAD.

Sept. 25th, 1900.

His Worship the Mayor:

Sir.—In accordance with the accompanying resolution of Council I beg to report on the petition attached hereto asking for water extension on Coburg Road. The district is High Service. Size of pipe 9", excavation rock, estimated cost \$528.85, interest at 5% and special rate \$27.44. There is no house erected, and considering the unsatisfactory condition of the High Service I cannot recommend the extension until some improvement is made in the service.

Respectfully submitted,

F. W. W. DOANE, City Engineer.

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

Read petition of J. McN. Gabriel and others for the laying of granite curbing and gutters on Cornwallis Street, South side, between Brunswick and Gottingen Streets. Filed.

Read petition of W. B. MacCoy and others for a sewer in Vernon Street, and also for the removal of the electric light at the corner of Seymour Street to the corner of Vernon Street.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Faulkner, that said petition be referred to the Department of City Works for report. Motion passed.

Read applications from Frank J. Stoneman and William H. Howley, for positions as Coal Weighers. Filed.

Read petition of John Murphy and others for extension of water service on Oxford Street.

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

Read City Collector's statements for July. Filed.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

Read No. 1, viz :—Alderman Hubley's notice of reconsideration of resolution to place meters on all premises supplied with water from the High Service.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that said matter be now reconsidered. Motion put and passed. Names being called for, there appeared.

For reconsideration.

Aldermen Campbell, Halliday,
Hubley, O'Donnell,
Chisholm, Martin,
Rogers, Mosher—8.

Against it.

Aldermen Butler, Faulkner,
MacIlreith, Mitchell,
Creighton, Hawkins—6.

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that the City Engineer's reports, September 6th, 1899, re High Service Water Supply, and April 9th, 1900, re Water Supply Willow Park, adopted at last meeting of Council be now again adopted. Motion put and lost. Names being called for there appeared :

For the Motion.

Aldermen Butler, Faulkner,
MacIlreith, Campbell,
Creighton, Hawkins—6.

Against it.

Aldermen Halliday, Hubley,
O'Donnell, Chisholm,
Martin, Rogers,
Mosher—7.

The following resolution is introduced :

Resolved, that the Council refer the scarcity of water complained of in the High Service to the Works Department with instructions to enforce the existing regulations to prevent waste.

Moved by Alderman Chisholm, seconded by Alderman Martin.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Butler, that meters be placed on all service pipes on both the High and Low Service Districts.

Amendment put and lost. Names being called for there appeared :

For the Amendment.

Aldermen Butler, Campbell,
Creighton, Hawkins—4.

Against it.

Aldermen Faulkner, MacIlreith,
Halliday, Hubley,
O'Donnell, Chisholm,
Martin, Rogers,
Mosher—9.

The original motion is put and passed.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell,
that the Council adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 10.45 p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

OCTOBER 8TH, 1900.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening.

At the above hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Mosher, Campbell, Martin, Rogers and Butler.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the time for meeting be extended till 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8.30 Roll called. Present the above named together with Aldermen Geldert, Halliday, Lane, Hubley, O'Donnell, Chisholm, Creighton and Hawkins.

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

The Minutes of last meeting are read and confirmed.

Alderman Mosher, Chairman, submits a report from the City Prison Committee.

Alderman Hawkins, Chairman, submits a report from the Committee on Tenders.

Alderman Creighton submits a report from the Charities Committee.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers :

Letter F. H. Grosse re water rate for H. M. Naval Yard.

Petition of G. E. Gibson and others for water extension on Lawrence Street Extension.

Resolution of City Health Board in re Public Slaughter House.

Coal Measurer's returns for August and September.

Letter in re date of Arrival of Canadian Contingent from South Africa.

City Treasurer's statements "General" and "Water" for the months of August and September.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Chisholm, 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 September.

REPORT CITY PRISON COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, October 8th, 1900.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council :

GENTLEMEN - The Committee on City Prison beg to recommend for payment the following named accounts :—Melvin & Co. \$3.14; M. Conroy \$10.47; Leaman & Co. \$3.82; W. N. Cawsey \$20.89; J. McFatrige, Jr. \$51.84; Total \$95.16.

The returns of the Governor and Matron for September are submitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

S. MOSHER, *Chairman.*