

## EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

FEBRUARY 10th, 1903.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above hour there were present Aldermen Spry, Adams, Cawsey, Rogers, Barry, Mahoney, Taylor, Hayward, and Lamphier.

Moved by Alderman Barry, Seconded by Alderman Lamphier, that the time for meeting be extended till 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8.30 roll called. Present, the above named together with His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Campbell, Geldert, Robertson, Lithgow, MacIlreith, Hubley, and Hawkins.

The Council was summoned to consider applications for liquor licenses, to proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business.

The following papers are submitted :

- Report Board of Fire Wards, by Alderman Campbell, acting chairman.
- Two reports Public Accounts Committee, by Alderman MacIlreith, chairman.
- Report Charities Committee, by Alderman Barry, chairman.
- Report City Prison Committee, by Alderman Adams, chairman.
- Report Common Commissioners, by Alderman Rogers, chairman.
- Report Laws and Privileges Committee, by Alderman MacIlreith, chairman.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers :

Report City Works Commission on William Robinson's application for privileges on the North West Arm, at the foot of South Street.

Report City Works Commission covering accounts.

Account of Clayton & Sons for police ulsters.

Opinion of His Honor the Recorder *re* mode of paying Board of Health bills.

Resolution Board of Health *re* legal advice from His Honor the Recorder.

Letter R. I. Hart *re* encroachment foot of Morris Street and Morris Street sewer.

Application of Robert Story for position of Coal Weigher.

Monthly returns of City Collector and City Treasurer for January, 1903.

Report of H. H. Banks, License Inspector, covering applications for license to sell liquor.

Moved by Alderman Campbell, seconded by Alderman MacIlreith, that the Order of the Day be suspended to permit the reading of the papers submitted. Motion passed.

Read report City Prison Committee covering accounts :

CITY PRISON ACCOUNTS.

Committee Room, City Hall,

Halifax, February 4, 1903.

*To His Worship the Mayor and City Council :*

GENTLEMEN,—Your Committee on City Prison beg to report that at a meeting of the committee, held this day, at which there were present Aldermen Adams, chairman Barry, Mahoney, Lamphier, and Cawsey, the following accounts, amounting to \$736.24 were passed as correct and recommended for payment, viz :

Alfred Carter, repairs to harness, \$8.60; R. B. Adams & Co., cornmeal, &c., 15.55; S. Cunard & Co., coal, 507.39; Black & Flinn, oats, 87.18; Black & Flinn, oats, 43.10; H. H. Fuller & Co., hardware, 2.47; J. A. Leaman & Co., oxheads, 7.20; John McCrow, repairs to plaster, 4.15; Neil Fox, repairs to harness, 1.25; M. Scanlan & Son, dry goods, 10.35; John McInnes & Son, lumber, 6.30; Longard Bros., plumbing, 8.70; D. J. McIntosh, horseshoeing, 7.55; J. E. Murphy, carriage work, 5.00; T. C. Allen & Co., stationery, 1.85; Geo. Rent, stove pipe, &c., 19.60. Total \$736.24.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JAMES ADAMS,

*Chairman.*

The following resolution is submitted :

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

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Hayward, and passed.

Read Report Charities Committee, covering accounts :

REPORT CHARITIES COMMITTEE.

February 4th, 1903.

*His Worship the Mayor and City-Council:*

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

Members present : The Chairman, Aldermen Robertson, Mahoney, Hubley, and Cawsey.

The Superintendent's report for January shows that during the month there were 43 persons admitted into the Poor's Asylum, 1 born, 23 discharged, and 6 died. Of the number 10 were chargeable to the Province, 1 to Richmond County, 1 to Inverness County, 1 to Kentville, N. S., and the remainder to the City. Total number of inmates January 31st, 1903, was 378, made up of 235 men, 142 women, and 1 child.

The following accounts chargeable to maintenance were examined, found correct and recommended for payment, viz :

Dillon Bros, groceries, \$591.62; Smith Bros., dry goods, 107.58; E. & A. Thompson, meats, 309.33; W. A. Maling & Co., pork, 61.09; George Gregoire, fish, 30.80; Scotia Pure Milk Co., Ltd., milk, 69.75; Joseph S. Cashen, straw and bran, 21.93; Arthur Fordham, leather, 19.48; B. Mulcahy, cash expended, 49.66; Halifax Herald, advertising, 19.05; T. A. S. DeWolfe & Son, wood, 34.45; W. N. Brown, repairs, 15.10; Halifax Electric Tram Co., Ltd., gas, \$115.15; Douglas & Co., oven grates, 6.96; James Lloyd, repairs to waggon, 4.60; C. S. Lane, caps, 6.00; Longard Bros.,

brass fittings, 7.65; H. A. Taylor, sundries, 3.80; Alfred Carter, repairs to harness, 12.00; A. M. Bell & Co., coffin fixtures, 10.70; Pay Sheet, January, 581.83; Clergymen, 3 months, 175.00; City of Halifax, water rates 6 months, 250.00; H. H. Fuller & Co., hardware, 14.96; H. W. Cameron, spectacles, 7.00; Nova Scotia Hospital, maintenance of insane, 787.67. Total \$3313.16.

Respectfully submitted,

T. J. BARRY,  
*Chairman.*

Alderman Barry, seconded by Alderman Hubley, moves the following resolution:

*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.

Resolution put and passed.

Read account Clayton & Sons for \$598.00 for police ulsters.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that the account be paid. Motion passed.

Read report Common Commissioners, covering accounts for payment.

PUBLIC GARDENS ACCOUNTS.

Office of Secretary Commissioners of Halifax Common,

February 2nd, 1903.

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

GENTLEMEN,—Attached hereto please find a number of accounts, aggregating \$517.90. The same were before a meeting of the Commissioners of Halifax Common, held this day; they were approved and passed for payment, and the secretary requested to forward the same to the City Council for their information and concurrence.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. PICKERING, *Secretary.*

W. STETSON ROGERS, *Chairman.*

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS:

E. J. Fenton, \$26.80; Black & Flinn, 10.47; Cunard & Co., 131.34; J. Hillis & Son, 15.15; Melvin & Co., 31.46; J. E. Smith & Co., 29.65; Longard Bros., 14.45; D. Roche, 19.50; John McInnes, 16.40; Brown & Webb, 15.44; Connolly & Davidson, .70; A. H. Buckley, .25; J. A. Simmers, 49.56; Macdonald & Co., 25.61; City Works Department, 39.80; G. A. Wooten & Co., .50; J. F. Kelley, 7.95; R. & J. Farquhar & Co., 15.14; A. M. Bell & Co., 15.46; T. C. Allen & Co., 4.03; Ben. Reid & Co., Ltd., £9-17-10, (48.14.) Total \$517.90.

The following resolution is submitted:

*Resolved*, That the report of the Commissioners of Common be received and concurred in and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for payment of the same.

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

Read report Board of Fire Wards re appointment of Alderman Campbell as acting chairman during the absence of Alderman Martin, owing to illness; fines imposed upon members of Fire Department; amendment to rules of the department; and covering accounts:

## REPORT BOARD OF FIRE WARDS.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
February 10th, 1903.

*His Worship the Mayor and City Council:*

GENTLEMEN,—A meeting of the Board of Fire Wards, held this day, at the request Alderman Martin, chairman, who has gone to the West Indies for the benefit of his health, on motion of Alderman Hayward, seconded by Alderman Spry, Alderman Campbell was appointed acting chairman.

On January 26th, ult., your Board recommended the imposition of fines of five dollars each on certain firemen for neglecting to attend the annual drill, held November 10th. This fine your board has ascertained is in excess of the amount provided by the rules, and it is recommended that instead of five dollars that the fine in each case be made fifty cents, the names of the delinquents being James Ryan, John Tobin, Thomas Strachan, P. J. Lynch, Alfred Pickles, Alfred Lounds, John Brooks, John Lomas, Charles Pheeneey, Matthew Williams, David Irons, Thomas Leary, Thomas Downey, Robert Foley, John Quinn, James Quirk, and Michael Ryan.

The following named accounts are recommended for payment :

Estate of Thomas A. & E. Hubley, rent, \$112.50; E. J. Fenton, feed \$199.44. Total, \$311.94.

The following rule, adopted by the board, is submitted for the approval of the Council:

“The member in charge of the engine house will be held responsible for the carrying out of the rules of the department in and about his engine house, and shall not allow any person under the influence of liquor to remain on the premises, as governed by rule 8 of the general rules. He shall in all cases report to the Chief any member of the department who will enter or loiter in or about the house under the influence of liquor, and any other person who will give trouble or refuse to leave when requested.

He shall not allow games of any kind for money consideration to be played in the house, and his failure to carry out these instructions or reporting such violations to the Chief will be considered good cause for his immediate suspension.

It will be his duty, while in charge, to keep halls, stairs, bedrooms and such rooms as the Chief may from time to time name perfectly tidy and clean.”

Respectfully submitted,

D. H. CAMPBELL,  
*Acting Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Campbell, seconded by Alderman Hayward, that the accounts recommended in the report be paid. Motion passed. The balance of the report, being objected to, is placed on the Order of the Day.

Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Campbell, submits a notice of motion to rescind resolution passed January 26th, 1903, imposing fines upon certain firemen.

Read report Public Accounts Committee covering accounts:

## PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

Committee Room, City Hall, February 10, 1903.

*To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:*

GENTLEMEN,—Your Committee on Public Accounts beg to report that at a meeting of the Committee held this day, at which there were present Alderman MacIverith (Chairman) Lithgow, Taylor, Rogers and Hayward, the following accounts, amounting to \$1,654 04, were passed as correct and recommended for payment :

A. & W. MacKinlay, Blank Books &c., City Clerk's Department, \$11.50; City Assessors' Department, \$34.25; City Collector's Department, \$46.75. T. C. Allen & Co., Stationery, Printing, &c., City Clerk's Department, \$97.05; City Assessors' Department, \$7.90; City Collector's Department, \$38.67; City Treasurer's Department, \$10.45; City Recorder's Department, \$3.03; Stipendiary Magistrate, \$3.05; Police Department, 20c. Chronicle Publishing Co., Advertising, \$2.50; Chronicle Publishing Co., subscription 1901-2 and 1902-3, City Clerk, \$10.00; City Collector, \$10.00. Blackadar Bros., subscription to Recorder, 1902, \$5.00; Halifax Herald, Advertising, \$11.02; Halifax Herald, Advertising Police Department, \$5.25. Patrick Hogan, hack hire, \$2.00. Albert Drysdale, hack hire, \$3.00. H. S. Rhind for extra services in Collector's Department from Nov. 10th to Dec. 31st, 1902, \$46.00. The religious of the Good Shepherd, for maintenance of women committed, \$264.93. Industrial School, for Truants, \$206.62; Industrial School, Commitments Court, \$195.00; St. Patrick's Home, Truants, \$239.53; St. Patrick's Home, Commitments Court, \$400.34. Total, \$1,654.04.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. T. MACILREITH,  
*Chairman.*

The following resolution is submitted:

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

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

Read report City Works Commission recommending accounts for payment:

BOARD OF WORKS ACCOUNTS.

City Works Office, Feb. 10th, 1903.

*To the Members of the City Council:*

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the City Works Commission, held this day, the attached bills for the following services were examined, found correct and referred to the Council for payment:

Sewerage, \$969.70; Streets, 213.48; Teams and Stables, 133.38; Water Maintenance, 97.25; City Hall, lighting, 89.90; Fuel, 93.61; Internal Health, 43.18; City Property, 35.31; Water Construction, 16.40. Total, \$1672.21.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. CROSBY,  
*Mayor and Chairman.*

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

Read report Committee on Laws and Privileges re Assessment on Halifax Graving Dock; William Austin's application for return of amounts deposited with application for liquor license; and J. Spencer's account for burial of dead bodies, covering opinion of Recorder on Austin's claim.

REPORT LAWS AND PRIVILEGES COMMITTEE.

Committee Room, City Hall, Feb. 10th, 1903.

*To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:*

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Laws and Privileges Committee, held on the 19th, January last, at which there were present Alderman MacIlreith, chairman, Aldermen Hubley, Rogers and Spry, they had under consideration a letter from S. M. Brookfield

in reference to the assessment on the Halifax Graving Dock. Mr. Brookfield appeared before the committee, stated his case and submitted a list showing number of vessels accommodated by the dock since 1890. The further consideration of the matter was postponed until Mr. Brookfield should furnish the committee with a statement showing receipts and disbursements.

Your committee also beg to report that at the same meeting they had under consideration the application of William Austin for return of \$20.00, being amount deposited with the Liquor License Inspector under the provisions of the License Act when applying for a liquor license in 1900 and 1901. In line with the report of His Honor the Recorder, which is hereto annexed, your committee recommend that the sum of \$20.00 be refunded to Mr. Austin, less cost of advertising.

Your committee further beg to report that they have had under consideration accounts of J. Spencer for services as undertaker and coroner's constable. Your committee find that the only fund from which this account can legally be paid is contingent account, and would recommend that said bills be paid out of that appropriation.

Respectfully submitted,

R. T. MACILREITH,  
*Chairman.*

IN RE WILLIAM AUSTIN'S LICENSE.

Recorder's Office, City Hall, February 10, 1903.

*His Worship the Mayor and City Council:*

GENTLEMEN,—The Liquor License Act directs that a deposit fee of \$10.00 to cover the expenses of inspection and advertising shall be made with the Chief Inspector of License, and if the license is granted, this amount shall be credited on the license fee, payable by him; but in no case shall such fee or any part thereof be returned to the applicant, except by order of the Council.

Mr. Austin made applications for license in the years 1900 and 1901, and in each instance I understand the license was granted by the Council; but illegally granted, as the building for which he applied for a license was within 100 yards of a school. Mr. Austin now applies for a return of his deposit. It has been always the practice of the Council where a license has not been granted, or where granted but illegally, to return the deposit after deducting the expenses of inspection and advertising; and I would recommend that this course be pursued in this particular instance.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. MACCOY,  
*Recorder.*

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Adams, that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read letter R. I. Hart *re* encroachment foot of Morris Street and Morris Street sewer.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Hayward, that said letter be referred to the City Works Commission for report. Motion passed.

Read report Public Accounts Committee in *re* 3rd clerk in City Collector's office.

## CLERK COLLECTOR'S OFFICE.

Committee Room, City Hall, February 10, 1903.

*His Worship the Mayor and City Council :*

GENTLEMEN,—Your Committee on Public Accounts beg to report that at a meeting of this committee held on the 26th December last, at which there were present Aldermen MacIlreith (Chairman) Taylor, Hubley, Rogers and Hayward, they had under consideration a petition from Robert Theakston, Esq., City Collector, for the assistance of a Junior Clerk in his department. After due consideration of this matter, your Committee recommend that the position of third clerk in this department be done away with and that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to arrange for any temporary assistance that may be required.

All of which is

Respectfully submitted,

R. T. MACILREITH,

*Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Lithgow that the report be adopted, Motion passed.

Read report City Works Commission on application of William Robinson for permission to erect a boat landing and float on North-West Arm, foot of South Street, covering copy of agreement to be entered into.

## BOAT LANDING NORTH WEST ARM.

Halifax, N. S., Feb. 10th, 1903.

*To the Members of the City Council :*

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the City Works Commission held this day the attached draft of an agreement to be entered into by William Robinson was read and referred to the Council with a recommendation that it be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. CROSBY,

*Mayor and Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that the conditions be amended by providing that the permit may be cancelled by the Mayor at any time "upon ten days' notice," and that the same as so amended be adopted. Motion passed.

Read opinion of His Honor the Recorder *re* mode of payment of Board of Health accounts.

## IN RE PAYMENT OF BOARD OF HEALTH BILLS.

Recorder's Office, City Hall, February 4, 1903.

*His Worship the Mayor :*

SIR,—The Board of Health being a separate and distinct incorporated body, has the control and management of the funds placed at its disposal by the City under the Charter, and section 546 of the Charter says: "All bills shall be certified by the Chairman of the Board of Health and paid on the warrant of the Mayor and Auditor as other City Accounts." I think the words "other city accounts" refer to the mode of payment.

The other city accounts are paid by a warrant drawn and signed by the City Clerk, certified by the Auditor and signed by the Mayor. I am of opinion that under this clause of the Act these accounts are entitled to be paid without going before the Council for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. MACCOY,

*City Recorder.*

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Hayward, that the same be filed.

Objected to and placed on the Order of the Day.

Read Cash Statements of the City Collector and City Treasurer for January. Filed.

Read letter and resolution of City Health Board *re* services of His Honor the Recorder as Legal adviser of the Board.

RECORDER'S SERVICES FOR BOARD OF HEALTH.

Office of City Health Board February 10, 1903.

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

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the City Health Board held last evening the accompanying resolution was adopted, and I have been instructed to forward you a copy of same for your information and action.

Yours respectfully,

JOHN A. WATTERS, *Secretary.*

Extract from Minutes of a Meeting of the City Health Board held on the 9th day of February, 1903:

The following resolution was introduced:

*Whereas*, The City Council by resolution passed the 4th day of December 1891 resolved that the City Recorder furnish the Health Board with what legal services they may require in enforcing the Health Act or Sanitary Rules without additional remuneration;

*And Whereas* In reply to a letter from the Recorder asking for remuneration for legal services rendered, this Board has been informed through the City Clerk that such resolution of December 4th 1891 has never been rescinded;

*And Whereas* the City Recorder has been asked on a number of occasions to furnish the Board with legal advice and has refused to do so unless he is paid for such services:

*Resolved* that these facts be reported to the City Council for their action, and that the Council be informed that unless necessary legal advice and assistance is furnished to the Board by the Recorder in compliance with the resolution of Council, this Board will be compelled to secure such advice and assistance at the cost of the City.

Moved by Alderman Geldert, seconded by Dr. MacKay and on being put is passed.

A true extract.

JOHN A. WATTERS,

*Secretary.*

Moved by Alderman Geldert, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that the same be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges for report. Motion passed.

Read application of Robert Story for position of Coal Weigher  
Filed.



Moved by Alderman Hubley seconded, by Alderman Lamphier, that the Order of the Day be further suspended to allow Alderman Hubley to introduce a resolution. Motion passed and the following resolution submitted:

*Whereas*, A vacancy having occurred in the representation of Ward Four by the resignation of Alderman Ryan, and it is desirable that said office should be filled;

*Therefore Resolved* that said office of Alderman be and is hereby declared vacant; and that an election to fill said vacancy for the unexpired term be held according to law.

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

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to order the Chief of Police to procure two suitable places for polling booths for the election in Ward Four, and that Alderman Hubley and Alderman Lamphier be the Presiding Officers at said election; the date of the election to be fixed by His Worship the Mayor. Motion passed.

Alderman MacIlreith submits the following notice of motion :

*Resolved*, that all Standing Committees and Commissions of the Council, as well as the Board of Health, and excepting the Police Commission be abolished and all the duties and powers of said Standing Committees be vested in a Board of Control and the necessary Legislation be procured to give effect to this resolution.

A draft constitution for the said Board of Control accompanied the notice of motion.

#### BOARD OF CONTROL IN CITY OF HALIFAX.

##### HOW CONSTITUTED—REMUNERATION—TERM OF OFFICE—REMOVAL.

(1)—In the City of Halifax there shall be a board of control, to consist of the Mayor and three Aldermen, three of whom shall form a quorum. Such three Aldermen shall be elected by the Council at the first meeting of the Council for the year, or in case of failure to elect at such meeting, then within one week thereafter.

(2)—Upon the election of the said three members of the Board of Control, the names of all the candidates shall be submitted to the Council and shall be balloted for at the same ballot; and each member of the Council shall for the purpose of such election be entitled to as many votes as there are candidates to be elected, but he shall not give to one candidate more than one vote.

(3)—The Mayor, when present, shall preside at the meetings of the Board, and in the absence of the Mayor the Board shall select one of their number to preside. In the event of a tie at the Board, the Mayor shall have a second and casting vote.

(4)—The Council may fix by by-law the salaries to be paid to the members of the Board of Control, but the sum shall not exceed for each member the sum of \$—— per annum.

(5)—The elective members of the Board of Control shall hold office for the remainder of the municipal year in which they are elected, unless removed; but they shall, if members of the Council, be eligible for re-election. In case any member of the Board dies, resigns or becomes incapable of acting, the Council may, at a meeting called for that purpose, elect a successor to hold office for the unexpired portion of the term of such member; or in case of the temporary absence of any member for more than one month, or of his inability to act, his place may be temporarily filled by the Council.

(6)—The election or appointment of any Alderman as a member of the Board of Control shall not render him ineligible for election as Chairman of the Committee.

(7) The Council at any time, after three days notice in writing to each member of the Council, may, by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the member of the council present and voting, remove any member of the Board of Control other than the Mayor, and may after such removal proceed to fill the vacancy thus created. But such removal and the filling of the vacancy shall take place only at meeting specially called for such purpose.

2. (1)—It shall be the duty of the Board of Control :

(a) To prepare an estimate of the proposed expenditure of the year and certify the same to the Council for its consideration. The Council shall not appropriate or expend, nor shall any officer thereof expend or direct the expenditure of any sum or sums not included in or provided for by such estimates.

(b) To prepare specifications for and award all contracts, and for that purpose to call for all tenders for works, material and supplies, implements or machinery, or any other goods or property required and which may lawfully be purchased for the use of the corporation, and to report their action to the Council at its next meeting. Upon the opening of any tenders, the chairman or board shall require the presence of the head of the department or sub-department with which the subject matter of such tender is connected, and of the City Recorder when required. Such head of department may take part in any discussion at the board relating to such tenders, but shall not be entitled to vote. The Council shall not, unless upon an affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the members of the Council present and voting, reverse or vary the action of the Board of Control in respect of such tender and decision of the board thereon, when the effect of such vote would be to increase the cost of the work or to award the contract to a tenderer other than that one to whom the Board of Control has awarded it.

(c) To inspect and report to the Council monthly or oftner upon all municipal works being carried on or in progress within the City.

(d) To nominate to the Council all heads of departments and sub-departments in case of any vacancy, and after a favorable report by the head of the department, any other officer of the corporation required to be appointed by by-law or resolution of the Council, and any other permanent officers, clerks, or assistants, and to recommend the salaries of all officers and clerks ; and no head of department or sub-department or other permanent officer, clerk or assistant as aforesaid shall be appointed or selected by the council in the absence of such nomination without an affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the members of the Council present and voting ; but the Council may, by a majority vote, refer such nomination back to the Board of Control for reconsideration.

(e) To dismiss or suspend any head of a department and forthwith to report such dismissal or suspension to the Council. Where any head of department has been dismissed by the board he shall not be reappointed or reinstated by the Council unless upon an affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the members of the Council present and voting.

(f)—To discharge all other duties heretofore assigned to or discharged by any or all standing committees of the Council.

(2)—In the absence of any resolution of the Council prescribing the mode of appointment of all or any other subordinate officers, clerks, assistants, employees, servants and workmen not included in clauses (d) and (e) of the preceding subsection and required by any department or sub-department for the due and proper discharge and performance of the duties and work thereof, the board may by regulation or resolution direct by whom and in what manner such subordinate officers, assistants, employees, servants or workmen shall be appointed, engaged or employed.

(3)—The Board may from time to time, submit proposed by-laws to the Council, and where in the opinion of the Board it is desirable, may amalgamate departments or sub-departments.

(4)—The Board may appoint from among the officials of the City a Secretary or Clerk whose duty it shall be to keep minutes of all proceedings of the Board and prepare all reports and other proceedings of the Board ; and he shall perform such other duties and services as may be assigned to him from time to time by the Board, the Mayor or the Council.

(5)—The Council may by by-law or resolution impose upon or assign to the Board of Control such other duties as to the Council may seem meet. And the Board shall, when so required by resolution of the Council, and upon one week's notice thereof, return to the Council copies of the minutes of its meetings, and any other information in their possession which the Council may require.

(6)—Nothing in this section contained shall prevent the Council (by a vote of a majority of the members of the Council present and voting) from referring back to the Board of Control any report, question, matter or thing for reconsideration.

(7)—In all cases where it is sought in Council to reverse, set aside, or vary the action of the Board of Control, or where a two-third vote of the members of the Council present and voting is required for any purpose, the vote by yeas and nays shall be recorded in the minutes of the Council.

(8)—The Public School Board of the City shall furnish to the said Board of Control on or before the first day of December in each year, their several and respective annual estimates.

(9)—Clause (d) of subsection 1 of this section shall not apply to any corporation to which the Council is entitled to elect a representative.

(10)—Notwithstanding anything in this Act contained, the duties herein assigned to the Board of Control shall be discharged exclusively by the said Board, except in the cases provided for in sub-section 3 of this section.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the Building Act be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges to revise and amend and report. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Adams, that Alderman MacIlreith, Chairman of the Committee on Laws and Privileges, be authorized to confer with Mr. Justice Graham and ascertain upon what terms he would undertake the revision of the City Charter and report to the Council. Motion passed.

Alderman Lithgow submits the following notice of motion :

*Resolved*, That the bill for torches, etc., amounting to \$133.64, incurred in connection with the Peace Celebration, which has been paid and charged against the Fire Committee's appropriation be refunded to that Committee's account and paid out of the Contingent Account.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that the Council do now proceed with the consideration of the applications for Liquor Licenses. Motion passed.

Read report License Inspector covering the various applications for licenses to sell intoxicating liquors in the City of Halifax.

#### WARD NO. ONE.

Read report of License Inspector on the several applications for license to sell liquor in Ward No. One, recommending that the licenses applied for be granted, as follows :

John Courtney, shop, north side head Gas Lane.  
David M. Finlay, shop, 17 Victoria Lane.

Moved by Alderman Geldert, seconded by Alderman Lithgow, that the report be adopted and said licenses granted. Motion passed.

#### WARD NO. TWO.

Read report of License Inspector recommending that licenses be granted the following named applicants for Ward No. Two, viz:

Wm. P. Graham, shop, 8½ Rottenburg St.  
Robert Forristall, shop, 12 Rottenburg St.  
A. J. Finlay, shop, 13 Rottenburg St.  
Thomas Major, shop, 62½ Dresden Row.  
Richard Cahill, shop, 126 Lower Water St.  
John D. Burns, hotel, 30, 32 and 34 Salter St. Pictou House.  
A. Keith & Son, wholesale brewers, 88 to 94 Lower Water St.  
Johanna Purcell, shop, 52 Sackville St.  
Annie Cahill, hotel, 25 to 29 Argyle St. (Argyle Hotel.)  
Peter C. Flemming, shop, 156 Lower Water St.  
Richard O'Neil, shop, 149 Lower Water St.  
John McGrath, shop, 6 Sackville St.  
Richard Shepeard, shop, 140 Hollis St.  
William Neville, shop, 117½ Hollis St.  
Louis J. Hesslein, hotel, 97 to 107 Hollis St. (Halifax Hotel.)  
James P. Fairbanks, hotel 109 to 115 Hollis St. (Queen Hotel.)  
Patrick J. Broderick, hotel, 30 to 32 Sackville St. (Windsor Hotel.)  
William A. Glawson, hotel, 51 Granville St. (Waldorf Hotel.)  
Edward Rolston, hotel, 20 to 22 Sackville St. (Albion Hotel.)  
George Waugh, hotel, 11 to 13 Granville St. (The Eagle.)  
Edwin Kenward, hotel, 146 to 148 Hollis St. (Boston Hotel.)  
Norah Robinson, hotel, 117 Lower Water St. (Malden House.)  
John Hogan, shop, 62 Grafton St.  
L. A. Gastonquay, shop, 189 Lower Water St.  
Catherine Doran, shop, 5½ Bedford Row.  
Catherine Bates, executrix of Martin J. Bates, shop, 197 Lower Water St.  
Nathan Cornfoot, shop, 40½ Granville St.  
Catherine Dillon, shop, cor. Albemarle and Sackville St.  
Edgar D. Blair, shop, 21 Sackville St.  
Andrew Grant, shop, 50 Prince St.  
Agnes Cahalane, shop 5½ Sackville St.  
Peter M. Jackson, shop, 65 Granville St.  
Simon Fraser, hotel, 43 Argyle St. (Fraser Hotel.)  
Charles Woolnough, hotel, 153 to 155 Hollis St. (Woolnough Hotel.)  
Patrick Ryan, hotel, 204 to 206 Lower Water St. (Union Hotel.)  
Joseph G. White, hotel, 57 Sackville St. (Aberdeen Hotel.)  
John Simmons, hotel, 191 to 103 Lower Water Street. (French House.)  
Dillon Bros., wholesale, 69 to 73 Sackville St.

Alderman Hubley asked if any of the foregoing were new applications. The Inspector replied that some of them are new applicants for old licensed premises.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that the report of the License Inspector be adopted and the said licenses granted. Motion passed.

## WARD NO. THREE.

Read report of License Inspector recommending that licenses be granted the following named applicants for Ward No. three, viz :

John Glassey, shop, 196 Hollis street.  
 Edward J. Quirk, shop, 217 Lower Water street.  
 H. W. Brown, shop, City Wharf, foot George street.  
 Charles E. Neville, shop, 136 Grafton street.  
 James P. Mackasey, shop, 9 Upper Water St.  
 James T. Hogan, 143 Albemarle St.  
 John F. Dennehy, hotel, 26 to 28 Upper Water St. (British American).  
 Thos. H. Renner, hotel, 1 Upper Water St. (Tremont Hotel).  
 Susan C. Fiske, hotel, 88 Granville St. (Acadian Hotel).  
 James P. Flavin, hotel, 13 to 13½ Upper Water St. (Caledonia Hotel).  
 E. W. Wright, hotel, 8 to 10 Duke St. (Commercial Hotel).  
 David Fraser, hotel, 78 to 80 Bedford Row, (Gough Hotel).  
 William McDonald, hotel, 82 to 84 Granville St. (Victoria Hotel).  
 John Coleman, hotel, 33 to 35 Upper Water St. (Eureka House).  
 Thomas W. Hardy, hotel, 100 to 102 Granville St. (Continental Hotel).  
 John Tobin & Co., wholesale, 15 to 21 Upper Water St.  
 Kelly & Glassey, wholesale, 196 to 204 Hollis St.  
 Halifax Breweries, Ltd., wholesale brewers, 50 Duke street.  
 Arthur Monaghan, shop, 124 Barrington St.  
 R. N. McDonald, shop, 152 Barrington St.  
 Nicholas J. Grant, shop, 40 Upper Water St.  
 Ellen Meagher, shop, 144 Argyle St.  
 Charles AuCoin, shop, 46 Upper Water St.  
 James M. Power, shop, 13 Buckingham St.  
 John Monaghan, shop, 1 Bell's Lane.  
 Mary Carroll, shop, 174 Grafton St.  
 C. B. McDougall, shop, 234 Hollis St.  
 Edward Donahoe, shop, 53 Buckingham St.  
 Daniel Connors, shop, 63 Duke St.  
 James M. Allen, shop, 180 Granville St.  
 John L. Gooley, shop, 50 Upper Water St.  
 James W. Salterio, shop, 14 Bell's Lane.  
 William S. Quigley, shop, 94 Upper Water St.  
 M. V. Ruggles, hotel, 37 Buckingham St. (Farmers' Hotel).  
 Annie Wilson, hotel, 102 to 104 Upper Water St. (Sarmation Hotel).  
 Daniel Morrissey, hotel, 211 to 213 Barrington St. (Morrissey's Hotel).  
 Grace & Gastonguay, wholesale, 75 Upper Water St.  
 Bigelow & Co., wholesale, 79 Upper Water St.

Moved by Alderman Taylor, seconded by Alderman Spry, that the report of the License Inspector be adopted and the licenses granted. Motion passed.

## WARD NO. FOUR.

Read report License Inspector recommending that licenses be granted to each of the following named applicants in Ward No. Four, viz :

Stephen Mitchell, shop, 159 Upper Water St.  
 Michael P. Inglis, shop, 2½ Starr St.  
 T. F. Courtney, shop, 39 Jacob St.  
 Edward Coleman, shop, 154 Upper Water St.  
 Charles A. Norton, shop, 145 Upper Water St.  
 Mary Doneaghy, shop, 85 Upper Water St.  
 Thomas Kileen, shop, 87 Upper Water St.  
 Michael Goulding, shop, 176 Upper Water St.

James Spears, shop, 93 Upper Water St.  
 James Campbell, shop, 97 Upper Water St.  
 Edward Callahan, hotel, 353 to 355 Barrington St. (Canada House.)  
 N. A. Ross, hotel, 212 to 214 Upper Water St. (Clarendon Hotel.)  
 Joseph Ferguson, hotel, 200 to 202 Upper Water St. (Vancouver Hotel.)  
 T. F. Courtney & Co., wholesale, 41 Jacob St.  
 Dawes & Co., wholesale brewers, 135 Upper Water St.  
 Thomas O'Malley, shop, 16½ Cornwallis St.  
 Thomas D. Chalmers, hotel, 276 to 284 Upper Water St. (Allan Hotel.)  
 Robert Johnson, hotel, 286 to 288 Upper Water St. (Manchester House.)  
 Thomas A. Rogers, shop, 86 Cornwallis St.  
 Robert M. Anderson, shop, 53 Creighton St.  
 Daniel Johnson, shop, 47 Maynard St.

Moved by Alderman Lamphier, seconded by Alderman Hayward, that the report of the License Inspector be adopted and the licenses granted. Motion passed.

#### WARD NO. FIVE.

Read report License Inspector recommending that licenses be granted to each of the following named applicants in Ward No. Five, viz :

William T. Nott, shop, 420 Upper Water St.  
 William Saunders, hotel, 346 to 348 Upper Water St. (Steamship House.)  
 Thomas Keating, hotel, 7 Cornwallis St. (Keating's Hotel.)  
 Michael McMahon, shop, 147 Gottingen St.  
 Adam L. Miller, shop, 155 Gottingen St.  
 Dougald McDonald, shop, 101½ Gottingen St.  
 Gaetano Verdi, shop, 2 Cunard St.  
 L. D. Murrans, shop, 94 Gottingen St.  
 John McIntyre, shop, 96 Gottingen St.  
 John Handley, sr., shop, 91 Gerrish Street.  
 Charles E. Rogers, hotel, 494 to 500 Upper Water Street. (Acadia Gardens Hotel.)  
 Simon Meaden, shop, 17½ Agricola St.  
 John Mullane, shop, 33 West St.  
 Alexander McDonald, shop, 174 Gottingen St.  
 Albert B. Thompson, shop, 168 Gottingen St.  
 John Walsh, shop, 172 Gottingen St.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Cawsey, that the report of the License Inspector be adopted and the licenses granted. Motion passed.

#### WARD NO. SIX.

Read report License Inspector recommending that licenses be granted to each of the following named applicants in Ward No. Six :

John J. Richards, shop, 5 Bilby St.  
 Thomas Pearson, shop, 3 Almon St.  
 Thomas Devaney, shop, 43 Almon St.  
 Leonard May, wholesale brewers, Premises Sullivan St.

Moved by Alderman Hayward, seconded by Alderman Adams, that the report of the License Inspector be adopted and the licenses granted. Motion passed.

Read Report License Inspector on application of James Burns for shop license, 66 Almon Street ; applicant since deceased.

Moved by Alderman Hayward, seconded by Alderman MacIlreith, that the application be deferred until Mr. Burns' legal representatives petition the Council. Motion passed.

Read report License Inspector on application of James W. Anderson for shop license 404 Gottingen Street, recommending that the license be not granted.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Hayward, that the license be granted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that the report of the Inspector be adopted.

His Worship the Mayor proceeded to put the amendment, and on the call of yeas and nays declared it carried. Names on the division being demanded, Aldermen Geldert, Lithgow, Robertson, MacIlreith, Campbell, Barry and Spry voted for the amendment, and Alderman Mahoney asked to be excused from voting.

His Worship the Mayor ruled that Alderman Mahoney should have asked the privilege before the Mayor proceeded to put the question.

Alderman Mahoney retires from the Chamber.

Resuming the recording of names, Aldermen Hubley and Hawkins vote for the amendment, and the following against it: Aldermen Taylor, Lamphier, Cawsey, Rogers, Adams and Hayward.

The Mayor declares the amendment carried, 9 to 6.

Alderman Adams gives notice of reconsideration.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that Alderman Mahoney be excused from voting on the matter of applications for Liquor Licenses. Objected to by Alderman Adams.

Read report of License Inspector on application of James Gullickson for a shop license at No. 134 Lower Water Street, without recommendation.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Cawsey, that the report of the Inspector be adopted and the license not granted. Motion passed.

Read report of License Inspector on application of A. P. Calnen for an hotel license 199 and 201 Lower Water street, without recommendation.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Robertson, that the report of the License Inspector be adopted and that the license be not granted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hayward, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that the license be granted.

The original motion being put there appeared :

For the motion.	Against it.
Aldermen Geldert, Lithgow, Robertson, MacIlreith, Campbell, Taylor, Lamphier, Hubley, Cawsey—9.	Aldermen Barry, Spry, Rogers, Adams, Hayward, Hawkins, —6.

Alderman Hayward gives notice of reconsideration.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that the Order of the Day be further suspended to allow Alderman Hawkins to introduce a resolution. Motion passed. The following resolution is submitted :

*Whereas*, It has been rumoured that a large reduction was made this year in the water rates of the People's Heat & Light Co. ;

*Therefore Resolved*, That His Worship the Mayor furnish this Council at its next meeting with a report showing the amount of water rates with interest due by said Company to the City at the date of the said reduction, what the amount of the reduction was, and what the amount received by the City from the Company was ; also if the amount so received was in full of all water rates and on whose recommendation such reduction was made and the reason for such reduction.

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

#### ORDER OF THE DAY.

Read No. 1, viz: Alderman Taylor's notice of reconsideration of appointment of W. W. McLellan as License Inspector.

Alderman Mahoney here resumes his seat in Council.

Moved by Alderman Tayler, seconded by Alderman Robertson, that the election of License Inspector be now reconsidered.

The motion being put and names being demanded there appeared :

For reconsideration.	Against it.
Aldermen Geldert, Robertson, MacIlreith, Campbell, Taylor, Mahoney, Rogers, Hawkins.—8.	Aldermen Lithgow, Barry, Spry, Lamphier, Hubley, Cawsey, Adams, Hayward.—8.

His Worship the Mayor gives his casting vote against reconsideration and declares the motion lost.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that the Council adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 10 o'clock.



## EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

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COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

FEBRUARY 20th, 1903.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above hour there were present Aldermen MacIlreith, Lamphier, Adams, Spry, Mahoney, Rogers, Lithgow and Robertson.

Moved by Alderman Robertson, Seconded by Alderman Lithgow, that the time for meeting be extended till 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8.30 roll called. Present, the above named together with His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Barry, Campbell, Hubley, Cawsey, Hawkins, and Hayward.

The Council was summoned to consider Alderman MacIlreith's resolution to establish a Board of Control for the City of Halifax, to proceed with business standing over, and the transaction of other business.

The following named papers are submitted :

Report Board of Fire Wards, by Alderman Campbell, acting chairman.

Report Common Commissioners, by Alderman Rogers, chairman.

Two Reports Laws and Privileges Committee, by Alderman MacIlreith, chairman.

Letter His Worship the Mayor *re* alterations City Hall.

Report City works Commission *re* rebate on water rates People's Heat & Light Co.

Report City Works Commission *re* Street Lighting.

Report Committee on Lockman Street lots.

Petition for sewer Gottingen Street.

Application of Thomas Elford for position of Coal Weigher.

Report Coal Weighers for January.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Robertson, that the Council do now proceed with the business for which the Council was specially summoned. Motion passed.

By unanimous leave of Council, Alderman MacIlreith was permitted to substitute the following resolution for the resolution submitted by way of notice at the last meeting.

*Resolved*, that all standing Committees and Commissions of the Council; also the Board of Health, and excepting the Police Commission, Board of Commissioners of Point Pleasant Park and Commissioners of Halifax Common, be abolished and all the duties and powers of said standing Committees and Commissions and Board of Health be vested in a Board to be known as the Board of Control, and that the legislation necessary to give effect to this resolution be sought at the present session of the Legislature.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Adams, that said resolution do now pass.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Lamphier, that the resolution lay on the table for thirty days.

The amendment being put is lost, 6 voting for and 7 against it. The Names being called for there appeared :

For the Amendment.

Aldermen Campbell, Barry, Lamphier, Hubley, Rogers, Hawkins—6.

Against it.

Aldermen Lithgow, Robertson, MacIlreith, Spry, Cawsey, Adams, Hayward—7.

At 9.15 o'clock, there being four members of the Council absent, Alderman Hubley moved a Call of Council, which was seconded by Alderman Hawkins.

The Chief of Police was instructed by His Worship the Mayor to notify the absent Alderman to forthwith attend the meeting.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the Order of the Day be suspended to permit Alderman MacIlreith to introduce a resolution. Motion passed.

The following resolution is submitted :—

This Council by resolution having ordered that the meetings of all Commissions and Committees appointed by the Council should be opened to the public ;

It is declared that said resolution was not intended and does not apply to any Committee or Commission meeting in private for the purpose of considering any matter or thing brought before it with a view of coming to a conclusion or making a report thereon, and this Council hereby authorizes any such Committee or Commission to meet in private with closed doors to consider any matter or thing, now or hereafter brought before it, for the purpose only of coming to a conclusion or making any report thereon to this Council.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Adams, and passed, 9 voting for and 4 against it, as follows :—

For the motion.

Aldermen Lithgow, MacIlreith,  
Barry, Spry, Lamphier,  
Hubley, Cawsey, Rog-  
ers, Adams—9.

Against it.

Aldermen Robertson, Campbell,  
Hayward, Hawkins,  
—4.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Robertson, that the Order of the Day be suspended to permit the reading of the papers submitted. Motion passed.

Read letter His Worship the Mayor re alterations in City Hall to enlarge Recorder's Office, covering plans and tender.

ALTERATIONS RECORDER'S OFFICE.

February 20, 1902.

To the Members of the City Council:

GENTLEMEN.—It has been brought to my notice by His Honor the Recorder and the Chairman of the Public Accounts Committee that a necessity exists for providing a place for some of the valuable books of the City, which are now kept in the Recorder's office, on the floor, and are knocked about in a way that is not to the advantage of the volumes. It was suggested that the vacant spot at the head of the stairs be prepared and fitted up for this purpose. I have therefore obtained a plan and estimate of the cost, and submit the same to the Council for their consideration.

A. B. CROSBY,

Mayor.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that the same be referred to the City Works Commission for report. Motion passed.

Read report Board of Fire Wards recommending accounts for payment.

FIRE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS.

Council Chamber, City Hall,

February, 19th, 1903.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—The Board of Fire Wards beg to recommend for payment the following accounts:—

David Power, horseshoeing .....	\$ 8 11
Wm. Kline " .....	2 20
Total .....	\$10 31

Respectfully submitted,

D. H. CAMPBELL,

Acting Chairman.

The following resolution is submitted:

Resolved, That the report of the Board of Fire Wards be adopted, and His Worship the Mayor authorized to pay the accounts therein recommended.

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

Read report Commissioners of Halifax Common recommending for payment an account of S. A. Marshall & Son for \$910.00, as per Architect's certificate for work performed on Public Gardens Cottage.

PUBLIC GARDENS COTTAGE.

Committee Room, City Hall,

February 20, 1903.

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

GENTLEMEN,—The Commissioners of Halifax Common, at a meeting held this day, passed the below named account for payment, and recommend the same for the concurrence of the City Council.

S. A. Marshall & Son, for work performed to building known as  
Public Gardens Cottage, per architect's certificate..... \$910 00

Respectfully submitted,

W. STETSON ROGERS,

*Chairman.*

The following resolution is submitted :

*Resolved,* That the report of the Common Commissioners be received and adopted, and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign a warrant for the payment of the account therein referred to.

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

Read report Laws and Priveleges Committee in re Recorder advising City Health Board.

RE RECORDER ADVISING HEALTH BOARD.

Committee Room, City Hall,

February 20, 1903.

*To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:*

GENTLEMEN,—Your Committee on Laws and Privileges, at a meeting held on the 18th inst., at which there were present Aldermen MacLreith (Chairman), Habley, Adams and Spry, had under consideration a communication from the Board of Health as to whether or not the Recorder is bound to act as legal adviser of the Board.

After fully considering the matter, your Committee have reached the conclusion that under the Statute the Recorder is not required to act as legal adviser of the Board, that being a separate corporation.

Your Committee therefore recommend that His Worship the Mayor should be empowered to enter into an arrangement with the Recorder to act as the Board's legal adviser, paying him therefor a sum not to exceed \$100.00 per year.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

R. T. MACLREITH,

*Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

A half hour having expired since the call of Council was moved, the Chief of Police reported that the officer sent to summon the absent members had not yet returned.

Read report Laws and Privileges Committee in *re* Wool Pulling Factory, Fenwick Street.

RE WOOL PULLING FACTORY.

Committee Room, City Hall,

February 20, 1903.

*To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:*

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Laws and Privileges Committee held this day, at which there were present Aldermen MacIlreith, (Chairman), Hubley, Spry, Adams, Rogers, they had under consideration the matter of the purchase of the Wool Pulling Factory, Fenwick Street, and beg to report that in view of the opinion of His Honor, the Recorder, which is hereto attached, they are of opinion that the City cannot enter into any Contract for the purchase of such property.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

R. T. MACILREITH,

*Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Cawsey, that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

The Chief of Police here reports that the absent members could not be found.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that the council adjourn. Motion passed, 7 voting for and 6 against it, as follows:

For the Motion.

Against it.

Aldermen Campbell, Barry, Lamphier, Hubley, Cawsey, Rogers, Hawkins—7.

Aldermen Lithgow, Robertson, MacIlreith, Spry, Adams, Hayward—6.

Council adjourns 9.55 o'clock.

## EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

MARCH, 2nd, 1903.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above hour there were present Aldermen Adams, Mahoney, Lithgow, Hubley, Barry, Taylor, Rogers, and Cawsey.

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

8.30 roll called. Present, the above named together with His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Geldert, Robertson, MacIlreith, Campbell, Lamphier, Hawkins, and Hayward.

The Council was summoned to receive the returns of the election Ward No. IV, to proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business.

The following papers are submitted :—

Report Board of Fire Wards asking for a special grant of \$3000.00, by Alderman Campbell.

Report Committee on City Prison in *re* Accounts, by Alderman Adams, Chairman.

Returns of Extraordinary Election for Alderman Ward IV, by the City Clerk.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers :

Report Committee on Works *re* alterations in Recorder's office.

Report Committee on Works covering accounts.

Letter His Honor the Recorder in *re* School Rates.

Letter His Honor the Recorder in *re* Ferry Dock.

Letter Deputy Provincial Secretary reporting the confirmation by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council of W. W. McLellan as License Inspector.

Bond of W. W. McLellan, License Inspector.

Letter Moir, Son & Co., asking the City to guarantee \$100,000.00 of  $4\frac{1}{2}\%$  bonds.

Letter Council of Ratepayers' Association *re* waste of water.

Letter H. McC. Hart *re* railway crossing to Cold Storage property.

Petition of Philip Howe for sewer and water extension, North street.

Letter Rev. W. J. Armitage in *re* claim of Mrs. Matthew Gill.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman MacIlreith, that the Order of the Day be suspended to permit the reading of the papers submitted. Motion passed.

Read City Clerk's returns of Election held February 24th, 1903, to fill the Extraordinary Vacancy in Ward No Four, caused by the resignation of Alderman John F. Ryan, showing Ernest F. Doyle to have received the highest number of votes.

#### WARD IV. ELECTION.

Office of City Clerk, Halifax, N. S., February 25, 1903

*To His Worship the Mayor and City Council :*

Gentlemen,—Pursuant to the provisions of the City Charter and the Acts in amendment thereof, in respect to the election of Alderman for the City of Halifax, I herewith submit the original nomination papers of Ernest F. Doyle and Thomas Leydon for the office of Alderman for Ward No. Four (in place of Alderman Ryan, resigned) together with the poll books containing the returns of the Presiding Officers at the two polling booths in said Ward at the Extraordinary Election held yesterday.

Said returns show the number of votes for each candidate to have been as follows :—

	Sec. A	Sec. B	Total
E. F. Doyle .....	173	130	303
Thomas Leydon .....	125	132	257
Majority for Mr. Doyle .....			46

Respectfully submitted,

L. FRED. MONAGHAN,  
City Clerk.

The City Clerk publicly declared Mr. Doyle to be duly elected an Alderman for Ward No. Four of the City of Halifax.

His Worship the Mayor requested Aldermen Lamphier and Hubley to conduct the Alderman-elect to the Council Chamber, to be sworn into office.

Mr. Doyle, having been introduced, was duly sworn by taking and subscribing the oaths of Allegiance, Qualification and Oaths of Office of Alderman and Justice of the Peace before His Worship the Mayor, in the presence of the Council, signed the Roll of Aldermen, and took his seat in Council.

Read letter Deputy Provincial Secretary, informing the Council that the appointment of W. W. McLellan as Inspector of Licensed Premises had been approved by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council.

Moved by Alderman Campbell, seconded by Alderman MacIlreith, that the communication be filed. Motion passed.

Read Bond of W. W. McLellan, License Inspector, with Edward W. Crease and William J. Hopgood as sureties, each in the sum of \$5,000.

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

Read report City Prison Committee, recommending accounts for payment.

## CITY PRISON ACCOUNTS.

Committee Room, City Hall, March 2, 1903.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—Your Committee on City Prison beg to report that at a meeting of the Committee held this day, there being present Aldermen Adams (Chairman), Lithgow, Barry, Mahoney, Lamphier and Cawsey, the following accounts, amounting to \$75.54, were passed as correct and recommended for payment:—

Black & Flinn, bran, \$22.50; A. J. Grant & Co., hardware, \$2.35; A. McDonald, groceries, \$20.27; J. A. Leaman & Co., oxheads, \$6.48; John McInnes & Son, lumber, etc., \$8.94; Evangelical Alliance, cab hire, \$15.00. Total, \$75.54.

The monthly returns of the Governor and Matron were also submitted and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. ADAMS,  
Chairman.

The following resolution is submitted:—

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

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Hayward, and passed.

Read petition of Philip Howe for sewer and water extension, North Street.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Cawsey, that the petition be referred to the Committee on Works for report. Motion passed.

Read report Committee on Works, recommending various accounts for payment.\*

## CITY WORKS ACCOUNTS.

Halifax, N. S., March 2nd, 1903.

To The Members of the City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the City Works Commission held this day the attached bills for the several services of this Department were examined, found correct and referred to the Council for payment. Street Lighting, \$1344.69; Streets, \$306.81; Sewerage, \$148.05; Fuel, \$140.35; Teams and Stables, \$82.72; City Hall Lighting, \$77.16; Water Maintenance, \$13.15; Internal Health, \$9.70; City Property, 66c.—Total, 2123.29.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. CROSBY,  
Mayor and Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Ald. Campbell, that the report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

Read report Board of Firewards, asking for a grant of \$3,000 to meet liabilities incurred during the past and present years in excess of the appropriation.



## OVER-EXPENDITURE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Committee Room, City Hall, March 2, 1903.

*To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:*

GENTLEMEN,—The Board of Fire Wards beg to report that they have recently made a careful examination of the financial affairs of the Department for a period covering the past and present civic years, and find that debts have been contracted for a total amount largely in excess of the appropriation. Accounts already rendered in response to efforts recently employed, together with a small amount of expenditure which it will be absolutely necessary to make before the end of the year, bring the total actual deficit, so far as the same has been ascertained, up to the sum of \$2,200.00. In addition to this the fire at Moir, Son & Co.'s establishment on Saturday night, February 23th, caused a considerable consumption of coal, damage, breakage and loss of gear and destruction of a number of lengths of hose. Being unable to give an assurance that all outstanding accounts have been rendered, and having in view the purchase of 500 feet of hose to replace hose lost and destroyed as stated, your Board find it necessary to ask for a total extra grant of \$3,000.00 to cover the deficits of the two years, and recommend that legislation be sought to enable the City to borrow that amount.

Respectfully submitted.

D. H. CAMPBELL,

*Acting Chairman.*

Alderman Campbell submits a notice of motion to secure legislative authority to borrow money for the purpose.

Alderman Hubley asked that the Recorder submit his opinion at the next meeting as to whether, in view of existing legislation, the Council could entertain the proposition of the Board of Fire Wards.

Read letter H. McC. Hart *in re* railway crossing to Cold Storage property, Upper Water Street.

## COLD STORAGE RAILWAY SIDING.

Halifax, N. S., March 2nd, 1903.

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

Dear Sirs,—At the meeting of your Council, held 24th January, 1903, a resolution was passed granting permission to lay a track across Upper Water street, from the I. C. R. track, and legislation was obtained giving effect to this resolution.

Several causes have delayed construction, principally delay by the Provincial Government in granting assistance towards the proposed industry.

The present is to request that your resolution be renewed with a time limit of two years from first May, 1903.

Yours truly,

H. McC. HART.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Robertson, that the time limit for the completion of the works be extended to eighteen months from May 1st, 1903.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Hayward, that the letter be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges for report.

The amendment being put is passed, 8 voting for the same and 7 against it. Names being called for, there appeared :

For the amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Lamphier, Hubley,	Aldermen Geldert, Lithgow,
Doyle, Cawsey,	Robertson, MacIlreith,
Rogers, Adams,	Campbell, Taylor,
Hayward, Hawkins—8.	Mahoney—7.

Read report Committee on Works *re* alterations in Recorder's office.

#### ALTERATIONS RECORDER'S OFFICE.

City Works Office, Halifax, N. S., March 2, 1903.

*To the Members of the City Council :*

Gentlemen,—At a meeting of the City Works Commission held this day, a minute of Council was read *re* attached report for providing a place for the valuable books of the City now knocked about on the floors of the Recorder's office. It was decided that a suitable place could be arranged for same in the Recorder's present office.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. CROSBY.

*Mayor and Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Campbell, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that the report be referred back to the Committee on Works for further report. Motion passed.

Read letter from His Honor the Recorder *in re* School Rates on property of non-residents.

#### IN RE EDUCATION ACT.

Recorder's Office, City Hall, Halifax, N. S., March 2, 1903.

*His Worship the Mayor and City Council :*

GENTLEMEN,—As this Act now stands, the citizens of Halifax are very heavily taxed for the support of schools in the City and it has become a very grave and serious burden to the citizens. Under the Act, in the case of a person owning property in the City and residing elsewhere, such as Bedford, the school tax upon the property in the City owned by him has to be taken and handed over to those outlying districts and throws a burden upon the remaining portion of the property. A large quantity of property in the City is owned by residents at Bedford and elsewhere out of the City, and while these properties receive police, fire and other protection in the City, yet the citizens are not entitled to the school rates. I think the time has arrived when the City Council should deal with this matter and that all school rates levied upon property within the City should be paid to the City, not elsewhere.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. MACCOY,

*Recorder.*

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Adams, that the letter be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges for report. Motion passed.

Read letter His Honor the Recorder, covering a Bill recently introduced into the House of Assembly to deprive the City of rights at present exercised in the Ferry Dock, foot of George Street.