

the Company will be asked to make such repairs as will place it in a satisfactory condition

PERMANENT PAVING OF GRANVILLE STREET.

A step in advance which should be chronicled is the permanent pavement of Granville Street. This important action was largely brought about by the perseverance of the merchants of Granville Street and their representatives in the City Council and they are to be congratulated on the outcome of their efforts. In the future such work will be done under the Act respecting permanent pavement passed at the last session of the Legislature, and hereafter the Council should, if at all possible, lay a portion of permanent pavement on our streets every year.

OFFICIAL PLAN OF THE CITY.

The Official Plan of the City which was commenced several years ago has had considerable work done on it during the past few years and at the present time Professor Dixon has the matter in hand. This plan will be of much benefit to the City in laying down and proving lines of streets, etc., in future and such a plan should have been prepared and possessed by the City years ago.

Among other matters to which your attention should be directed are the following:—

THE REMOVAL OF SNOW.

An effort should be made on the part of the City to take over the clearing of the snow from off the sidewalks of our principal streets and main thoroughfares in the manner adopted in some of the cities of Upper Canada whose by-laws and ordinances on this subject I intend to lay before you.

PUBLICATION OF ANNUAL REPORT.

The delay in the publication of the annual report has been the cause of much complaint on the part of many of our citizens, and the desirability of issuing it at as early a day as possible should be impressed upon those having the publication of this report in charge. No delay should be permitted in placing it before the ratepayers.

POLICE PROTECTION FOR THE WESTERN PORTION OF THE CITY.

I have discussed this matter with the Chief of Police and with the Chairman of the Board of Fire Wards and think that in course of a few weeks the Police Commission will be able to provide a mounted policeman for this district. In the meantime men have been detailed to cover as large a portion of the district as possible.

EXCAVATIONS IN OUR STREETS.

In the future where permission is sought by any corporation to make excavations on a large scale in our streets permission should only be given on condition that the work is to be done previous to the first of July or after the first of September in each year, thus preventing our streets from being in a state of upheaval through the summer and tourist season.

NATAL AND DOMINION DAYS.

For some years back the practice of having any proper celebration in connection with these days has fallen into desuetude, and as a result instead of our citizens and their families remaining in the City they hie themselves to the country or outlying town for want of amusement at home. During the past few days I have discussed the matter with some gentlemen identified with sport and public amusements of various kinds and have been assured of their help and assistance in arranging and carrying out a programme if the Council should see fit to lend its countenance and support and appoint a committee for the purpose. The General Officer Commanding has also very kindly promised his co-operation if you, gentlemen, decide to give effect to this suggestion. A Committee of Aldermen should be appointed to act with those willing to lend their assistance in

arranging a programme for either Natal Day or Dominion Day or both which would afford amusement for those of our people who are not very often able to share in such enjoyment

In conclusion, I would ask for all these matters your serious consideration, and would express the hope that at the end of the civic year we may be able to look back upon "something accomplished, something done," for the progress and good government of our City.

R. T. MACLEITH, *Mayor*.

Moved by Alderman Taylor, seconded by Alderman Cawsey, that His Worship the Mayor's address be published in the Minutes of Council and in the Annual Civic Report; that the Deputy-Mayor put the motion and that a special meeting be called at an early date to deal with suggestions contained in the address.

The Deputy-Mayor put the motion, which was passed unanimously.

His Worship the Mayor suggested that some action be taken to celebrate the Natal Day of Halifax and that a committee be appointed to arrange and carry out a programme.

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Gastonguay, that June 21st, the Natal Day of Halifax be observed as a public holiday; that a committee be appointed to arrange and carry out a programme for the celebration; that the Military and Militia be requested to take part in a general review on the common and that His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor be requested to proclaim said day a public holiday.

Motion passed unanimously.

His Worship the Mayor nominates the Committee as follows:—Aldermen Johnson, Powell, Taylor, Gastonguay, MacKenzie and Martin. Approved.

Read report special Committee on Market Site.

MARKET SITE.

CITY HALL, May 10th, 1905.

To the City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—Your special committee on Market Site have to report that pursuant to appointment they had an interview with the General Officer Commanding in connection with the acquiring by the City of the Fuel Yard and King's Wharf, and have to report that all War Department property is shortly to pass to the Government of Canada and that therefore the application of the Council for the property in question should be addressed to the Department of Militia of the Government of Canada.

R. T. MACLEITH, *Mayor and Chairman*.

P. F. MARTIN.

J. A. JOHNSON.

Filed.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Cawsey, that the Committee be not discharged but that they continue in office and

negotiate with the authorities at Ottawa for the transfer to the City of the King's Wharf and Fuel Yard. Motion passed.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

It was agreed to consider Nos. 1 and 2 on Order Paper together.

Read No. 1, viz.: Alderman Hubley's notice of reconsideration of amendment for appointment of Dr. G. M. Campbell as a member of City Health Board.

Read No. 2 viz: Alderman Hubley's notice of reconsideration of motion appointing Dr. Hawkins a member of City Health Board.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Foster, that this matter be now reconsidered.

The motion being put is passed, 7 voting for and 6 against it as follows:—

For reconsideration.	Against it.
Alderman Halliday, Gastonguay, Foster, Lamphier, Hubley, Cawsey, MacKenzie.—7.	Aldermen Archibald, Johnson, Murray, Taylor, Martin, Hawkins.—6.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Foster, that Dr. Campbell be substituted for Dr. Hawkins as a member of the City Health Board.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Alderman Johnson, that the nominations as made by His Worship the Mayor be confirmed.

The amendment is put and lost, 5 voting for and 8 against it as follows:—

For the Amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Archibald, Johnson, Taylor, Martin, Hawkins.—5.	Aldermen Halliday, Murray, Gastonguay, Foster, Lamphier, Hubley, Cawsey, MacKenzie.—8.

The original motion is put and passed on the following vote:—

For the Motion.	Against it.
Aldermen Halliday, Murray, Gastonguay, Foster, Lamphier, Hubley, Cawsey, MacKenzie.—8.	Aldermen Archibald, Johnson, Taylor, Martin, Hawkins.—5.

His Worship the Mayor declares Dr. Geo. M. Campbell duly elected a member of the City Health Board.

On motion of Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Foster, the nominations for members of City Health Board as amended are confirmed.

On motion the Order of the Day is suspended to permit Alderman Hawkins to introduce a resolution.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman MacKenzie, that the Committee on Works report on the construction of a bridge on Albert Street near Mulgrave Park. Motion passed.

On motion the Order of the Day is further suspended to permit Alderman Johnson to submit two resolutions :

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that the City Collector, City Treasurer and City Auditor be a committee to report to the Council all rebates on taxes and interest during the past five years, showing the amount of compromised taxes and the amount of compromised interest. Motion passed.

Alderman Johnson submits the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Ordinance relating to motions of reconsideration be so amended that a two-thirds majority of Council be required.

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Murray.

It was agreed to refer the resolution to the Laws and Privileges Committee for report.

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

Read No. 14, viz: "An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 89 intitled an Ordinance relative to Street Music in the City of Halifax. (Third reading.)

Said Ordinance is now read a third time.

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that said Ordinance be adopted and forwarded to the Governor-in-Council for approval. Motion passed.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE RELATIVE TO STREET
MUSIC IN THE CITY OF HALIFAX.

It is hereby ordained and enacted that Section 3 of Ordinance Number 89 entitled "An Ordinance relative to street music in the City of Halifax" is hereby amended by striking out the words "under the age of" in the last line of said section and substituting therefor the words "between the ages of two and."

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Taylor, that the Council adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 10 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, May 22nd, 1905.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening at the above hour. Present, His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Halliday, Archibald, Johnson, Powell, Murray, Foster, Gastonguay, Taylor, Doyle, Lamphier, Hubley, Martin, Cawsey, Hawkins and MacKenzie.

The Council was summoned to receive returns of election Ward 5, to consider suggestions in Mayor's address, to proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business.

Alderman Taylor, Chairman, submits two reports from the Commissioners of Halifax Common.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following named papers :—

Report Police Commission, covering accounts.

City Clerk's return of bye-election for Alderman for Ward 5.

Annual Report City Clerk, 1904-5.

Three Reports Committee on Works, viz :—

Underground telephone wires.

Water Extension Maynard Street.

Lease Old Exhibition building.

Report City Engineer re Asphalt Sidewalk Spring Garden Road.

Report Willis Chipman, C. E., re water service investigation.

Report License Inspector re his place of residence.

Report Chief of Police re Sunday violations of Liquor License Act.

Letter F. L. Davidson re Fenwick Street dump.

Petition Lieutenant Sunderland, H. F. D., for pecuniary assistance.

Petition for electric light Inglis Street.

Application of Mark A. Noonan for position of coal weigher.

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

Read return of City Clerk covering the original nomination papers of George M. Campbell, M. D., for the office of Alderman for Ward No. Five, he being the only candidate nominated for said Ward for the election held on the 17th inst., to fill an extraordinary vacancy in the representation of said Ward caused by the retirement of Alderman Rogers, by accepting a nomination for the office of Mayor of the City.

The City Clerk declares George M. Campbell duly elected an Alderman of the City to represent Ward No. Five.

Moved by Alderman Archibald, seconded by Alderman Halliday, that Dr. Campbell be now sworn into office. Motion passed.

Whereupon Dr. Campbell, having been duly sworn before His Worship the Mayor, in the presence of the City Council, to the various oaths as by law required and having signed the roll of Alderman, took his seat in Council.

His Worship the Mayor nominates Alderman Campbell as a member of the Charities, Cemetery, Library and Tenders Committees.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Cawsey, that the nomination be concurred in. Motion passed.

Read report Commissioners of Halifax Common re rent of common for circus.

RENT OF COMMON FOR CIRCUS.

HALIFAX, N. S., May 12th, 1905.

L. Fred. Monaghan, Esq., City Clerk.

DEAR SIR,—The following resolution was passed at a meeting of the Commissioners of Halifax Common, held on 11th May, 1905 :—

Resolved, that rent for use of Common for circus performances be \$300.00 for first day and \$200.00 for each day thereafter.

Also that a deposit of the sum of \$50.00 be made as a guarantee that the ground be left in as good and clean a condition as before using—if cleaned by the Superintendent of Common the cost to be taken from deposit.

W. E. MESSERVEY, *Secretary.*

Moved by Alderman Taylor, seconded by Alderman Halliday, that the report be concurred in. Motion passed.

Read letter F. L. Davidson re alleged nuisance at Fenwick Street dump.

Moved by Alderman Halliday, seconded by Alderman Archibald, that the same be referred to the Committee on Works for report. Motion passed.

Read application of Mark A. Noonan for position of coal weigher. Filed.

Read report Chief of Police in re Sunday violations of Liquor License Act.

SUNDAY VIOLATIONS.

OFFICE OF CHIEF OF POLICE, May 22nd, 1905.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—In accordance with resolution of Council in re violations of Liquor License Act on Sunday, I beg to report that the following violation has been reported to me since last meeting of Council:—

Clement Parsons, 225-227 Upper Water Street, violation of Liquor License Act on Sunday, 21st May, 1905.

JOHN O'SULLIVAN, *Chief of Police.*

Filed.

Read report Police Commission covering accounts for payment.

POLICE ACCOUNTS.

HALIFAX, N. S., May 22nd, 1905.

To the City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—The Police Commission beg to recommend for payment the following named accounts:—

Colwell Bros., helmets, \$135.70; W. F. Pickering & Co., clothing, \$399.00—total \$534.70.

R. T. MACILREITH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Taylor, seconded by Alderman Martin, that the report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re underground telephone wires.

UNDERGROUND WIRES.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, May 18th, 1905.

To the City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day the attached letter of the Nova Scotia Telephone Co. with City Engineer's report thereon requesting the appointment of an authorized official to locate the line for the said conduit on Sackville St. between Argyle St. and Bell Road was read and it was decided to recommend the adoption of the City Engineer's report. The said work to be completed on or before June 15th, 1905.

R. T. MACILREITH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Taylor, seconded by Alderman Martin, that the reports be adopted. Motion passed.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re Water Extension Maynard Street.

WATER EXTENSION MAYNARD STREET.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, May 18th, 1905.

To the City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day the attached

report of the City Engineer re water extension Maynard St. on a petition from Burton McPhee was read and recommended to Council for adoption.

R. T. MACILREITH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, May 16th, 1905.

His Worship the Mayor :

SIR,—I beg to report on the accompanying petition from Burton McPhee asking for water extension on Maynard Street from North Street north.

The district is high service ; length of pipe required, 135 ft. ; size of pipe, 6" ; excavation nearly all rock. The estimated cost is :

Pipe	\$ 81 00
1 6" valve.....	20 00
Excavation and pipe laying	168 75
Lead and paint.....	75
1 service pipe.....	20 00
	\$290 50

Interest on estimated outlay at 5%. \$14.52.

The conditions on this street are unusual. The buildings on the west side get their water supply from Belle Aire Terrace through their back yards, and consequently will not contribute anything to the revenue required for this extension.

Under the circumstances, I would recommend that only one-half of the interest on the outlay be charged to Mr. McPhee and that the extension be made on the conditions adopted for all recent extensions on the high service, the special rate to be not more than \$7.26.

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

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman MacKenzie, that the reports be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report Committee on Works covering letter from H. B. Clarke re Lease of Old Exhibition Building.

LEASE OF OLD EXHIBITION BUILDING.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, May 18th, 1905.

To the City Council :

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day the attached letter of H. B. Clarke, Esq., re termination of his lease of Old Exhibition Rink was read and referred to Council with a recommendation that tenders for same be advertised for by this Committee.

R. T. MACILREITH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

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

Read petition for an electric light on Inglis Street.

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

Read report City Engineer re asphalt sidewalk Spring Garden Road.

ASPHALT SIDEWALK SPRING GARDEN ROAD.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, May 22nd, 1905.

His Worship the Mayor :

SIR,—In accordance with the accompanying resolution of Council, I beg to report that the estimated cost of laying asphalt sidewalk seven feet wide on the north side of Spring Garden Road from the corner of South Park to the corner of Summer Street is \$439 00

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

Moved by Alderman Powell, seconded by Alderman Johnson, that the report be adopted and referred to the Committee on Works to carry out.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Cawsey, seconded by Alderman Martin, that the report be referred to the Committee on Works for report.

The amendment being put is lost, 5 voting for the same and 11 against it, as follows:—

For the Amendment.
Aldermen Lamphier, Doyle,
Hubley, Cawsey,
Martin.—5.

Against it.
Aldermen Archibald, Halliday,
Johnson, Murray,
Powell, Taylor,
Gastonguay, Foster,
Campbell, MacKenzie,
Hawkins.—11.

The original motion is put and passed.

Read report Commissioners of Halifax Common covering accounts for payment.

ACCOUNTS COMMON COMMISSION.

HALIFAX, May 18th, 1905.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—Your Committee on Halifax Common beg to recommend for payment the following accounts, which have been examined and certified as correct, viz:—

John M. Ford, trees, \$11.25. S. Cunard & Co., coal, \$3.80. John Thornton, expressage, \$8.00. Total, \$23.05.

G. A. TAYLOR, *Chairman.*

The following resolution is submitted:—

Resolved, That the report of the Commissioners of Common be received and adopted and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for payment of accounts therein recommended.

Moved by Alderman Taylor, seconded by Alderman Gastonguay, and passed.

Read petition Lieutenant Thomas Sutherland, Halifax Fire Department, for pecuniary assistance.

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

Read Annual Report City Clerk 1904-5.

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

Read report Willis Chipman, C. E., in re water system investigation.

WATER SERVICE INVESTIGATION

TORONTO, May 11th, 1905.

R. T. MACLEITH, ESQ., *Mayor, Halifax, N. S.*

DEAR SIR,—On April 26th I arrived in Halifax, leaving there on May 6th. During my visit I inspected the several sources from which the City now obtains its water supply, also a number of lakes in the vicinity that have been suggested for supplementing the present supply.

I made a sufficient inspection of the water works system within the City to convince me that there is now an enormous waste of water, and that both the high service and the low service are unsatisfactory.

After consultation with you and your City Engineer, it was considered advisable to delay my report until additional data had been collected and certain plans prepared, as follows:—

1. A contoured plan of the City showing the elevations at each hydrant, above the sea, also the pressure reduced to feet. It is not necessary that this plan be a finished drawing. I would suggest that it be drawn upon a scale of about 200 feet to the inch.

2. Profiles of each of the force mains to be made, each on the same scale, these profiles to show gate valves, blow-offs, air valves, &c.

3. Plans of the property lying east of Lower Chain Lake, showing dams, sluices, pipes, valves, gate houses, roads, rock exposures, water ways, &c.

4. The flow in the main outfall sewers should be gauged in order to determine the dry weather flow. This should be checked upon the amount of water supplied.

5. Accurate pressure gauges should be provided for the Fire Halls, also at Chain Lake Gate House, to show pressure at any time, upon each of the large mains. At Fire Hall No. 5 the glass gauge showing the height of water in the low service may be lengthened instead of using a gauge.

6. Chemical analyses of the water from Long Lake, Chain Lake, and Spruce Hill Lake should be made now, and again during the low water in August. Samples should be collected at the lakes near the intakes and additional samples drawn from the high service and low service from taps in the City.

7. Chemical analyses should be made of the deposits in the pipes.

8. The supply of water entering the City should be determined by meter. Venturi meters are accurate and simple. They have no working parts and offer no obstructions to the flow of water. The cost of these meters is approximately as follows:—

12 inch	.....	\$220 00
14 "	.....	260 00
20 "	.....	430 00
24 "	.....	580 00
26 "	.....	660 00

I am of opinion that a 12-inch meter would be of sufficient size for a 15-inch main ; a 20-inch meter for a 24-inch main ; 24-inch meter for a 27-inch main.

Each meter tube should be provided with a register and chart recorder which would record automatically the amount of water passing through the pipe per day. This register and chart would cost \$540.00 additional for each of the three meters.

9. In my opinion these meters should be set in the vicinity of the Chain Lakes dam, the three meters to be laid parallel to each other in a properly constructed building. This may require some changes in the pipe lines in the vicinity.

Your City Engineer should be authorized to engage a draughtsman or assistant to prepare the necessary plans, profiles, etc., above mentioned. These plans will be of service to the City in the future and valuable at all times for reference. The profiles should have been completed immediately after the works were constructed as well as the plan showing the gate houses, pipes, etc., at the foot of Chain Lakes.

Trusting these recommendations will meet with the approval of your Council, I beg to remain,

WILLIS CHIPMAN.

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

Read report License Inspector re his place of residence.

RESIDENCE OF CHIEF INSPECTOR OF LICENSES.

His Worship the Mayor and Council of the City of Halifax.

GENTLEMEN,—In pursuance of resolution of Council of February, 1905, and in answer to your letter of enquiry re the same, dated May 11th, 1905, I beg leave to say that I live in the City of Halifax.

W. W. McLELLAN, *Chief Inspector of Licenses.*

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the report be referred back to the License Inspector for further report as to the street and street number at which he lives. Motion passed.

Alderman Johnson asked why the City Engineer had not reported in accordance with resolution passed by the Council May 26th, 1904, relating to streets leading to the North West Arm.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the searching of titles to rights-of-way was a matter for the Recorder and that he would confer with Mr. MacCoy and report to the Council.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman MacKenzie, that an electric light be placed on Lockman Street near the Nova Scotia Nursery.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Cawsey, that said matter be referred to the Committee on Works for report.

Amendment put and passed.

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Halliday,

that the Committee on Works report on the advisability of placing an electric light at the foot of Tobin Street. Motion passed.

Alderman Hawkins asked that the Works Department use the material from street cleaning to fill in North Albert Street.

Alderman Martin thought all such material should be dumped at the Provincial Exhibition grounds.

Moved by Alderman Cawsey, seconded by Alderman Martin, that No. 15 on Order of the Day be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 15, viz :—His Worship Mayor Maellreith's address.

(See printed Minutes of Council, May 10th, 1905.)

The same is considered under its different sub-headings.

FINANCIAL MATTERS.—Filed.

TAXATION.—Alderman Cawsey gives notice that at a future meeting he will move that the present law be amended so as to do away with all exemptions from taxation and to provide in lieu of the existing exemptions for the bonusing of such institutions as the Council may determine.

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Murray, that paragraphs one and four under this heading be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts and that said Committee investigate the present mode of assessment and report to the Council. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Cawsey, seconded by Alderman Murray, that paragraph two under the head of Taxation be adopted. Motion passed.

ENFORCEMENT OF LAW AND ORDER.—Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Martin, that this paragraph be referred to the Police Commission. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Murray, seconded by Alderman Johnson, that the Committee on Laws and Privileges and His Honor the Recorder draft an ordinance respecting dilapidated buildings and fences. Motion passed.

CITY CHARTER.—Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that paragraphs one and two be adopted and referred to the Police Commission, and that the Police Commission have prepared the hand-book suggested. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Cawsey, seconded by Alderman Johnson, that paragraph three under this head be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts for report. Motion passed.

MATTERS OF TRADE AND COMMERCE AND PUBLIC UTILITY.—Moved by Alderman Cawsey, seconded by Alderman Johnson, that this subject be referred to the Commercial Committee. Motion passed.

DOMINION EXHIBITION.—On motion this matter is deferred until the Exhibition Commission reports its requirements.

UNION OF CANADIAN MUNICIPALITIES.—Moved by Alderman Murray, seconded by Alderman Johnson, that His Worship the Mayor invite the Union to hold its Annual Convention, 1906, in Halifax during the time of the Dominion Exhibition. Motion passed.

HIGH SERVICE WATER SUPPLY.—On motion the same is referred to the Committee on Works.

TRAMWAY SERVICE.—On motion this paragraph is referred to the Committee on Works.

PERMANENT PAVING OF GRANVILLE STREET AND OFFICIAL PLAN OF THE CITY.—Filed.

REMOVAL OF SNOW.—Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Murray, that the City Engineer report on the probable cost of removing snow from the sidewalks in the business portions of the City and the best method of performing the work and the names of the streets he would suggest to be cleared by the City. Motion passed.

PUBLICATION OF ANNUAL REPORT.—Filed.

POLICE PROTECTION FOR THE WESTERN PORTION OF THE CITY.—His Worship the Mayor stated that a mounted policeman had been detailed to-day for duty in the western portion of the City.

On motion the paragraph was referred to the Police Commission.

EXCAVATIONS IN STREETS.—Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Murray, that this clause be amended by substituting "October" for "September," and that the clause as so amended be adopted. Motion passed.

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

Council adjourns 10.30 o'clock.

BYE ELECTION WARD FIVE.

OFFICE OF CITY CLERK, HALIFAX, N. S., May 23rd, 1905.

George M. Campbell, Physician, having been on the 22nd day of May, A. D. 1905, by the City Clerk in the presence of the City Council declared duly elected an Alderman of the City of Halifax to represent Ward No. Five for the term ending April 30, 1906, I do hereby certify that before entering upon the duties of the office of Alderman he was duly sworn before His Worship the Mayor on the 22nd day of May, 1905, by taking and subscribing the Oaths of Allegiance and Qualification and the oaths of office of Alderman and Justice of the Peace for the City of Halifax and signed the Roll of Alderman.

L. FRED MONAGHAN, *City Clerk.*

EVENING SESSION.

8 10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, June 8th, 1905.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening at the above hour. Present, His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Halliday, Archibald, Johnson, Powell, Murray, Taylor, Lamphier, Hubley, Campbell, Martin, Cawsey, Hawkins, MacKenzie and Hayward.

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

The following named papers are submitted :

Report Charities Committee, by Alderman Powell, for the Chairman.

Reports (2) Commissioners of Common, by Alderman Taylor, Chairman.

Report Cemetery Committee, by Alderman Hubley, Chairman.

Report Board of Fire Wards, by Alderman Cawsey, Chairman.

Report City Prison Committee, by Alderman Hawkins, Chairman.

Report Public Accounts Committee, by Alderman Johnson Chairman.

Report Laws and Privileges Committee, by Alderman Johnson, Acting-Chairman.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following named papers :—

Report City Engineer re Vernon Street Sewer.

Report City Engineer re Widening Agricola Street.

Report Commercial Committee re Railway Facilities.

Letter Union of Canadian Municipalities re Conventions, 1905 and 1906.

Eight reports from the Committee on Works, viz :—

Sewer Campbell Road.

Accounts.

Fire Insurance Tenders.

Water Extension Windsor Street.

Widening Lower Water Street.

Lease Old Exhibition Building.

Chipman's Report on Water System.

Engine House, Bedford Row.

Monthly Cash Statements "General" and "Water" of the City Collector and City Treasurer.

Report License Inspector, covering three applications for hotel liquor licenses.

Account of Appraisers re Widening Agricola Street.

Petition Moir's Ltd., in re taxes.

Petition for Electric Light Quinn Street.

Report Chief of Police re Violations of Liquor License Act on Sunday.

Petition for Grading of Owen Street.

Report Committee on Works re Sewer and Water Extension Brussels Street.

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

Read report Charities Committee re accounts, tenders for coal, &c.

CHARITIES COMMITTEE ACCOUNTS, ETC.

HALIFAX, June 2nd, 1905.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

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

Members present: The Chairman, Alderman Powell, Lamphier, Campbell and MacKenzie.

The Superintendent's report for May shows that during the month there were 23 persons admitted into the Poor's Asylum, 40 discharged and 3 died. Of the number admitted 8 were chargeable to the Province, 1 to Windsor, 1 to Bridgetown and 13 to the City. The total number of inmates May 31st was 312, made up of 169 men, 142 women and 1 child.

Tenders for Pictou Nut and Anthracite Egg Coal was received from Hugh MacKenzie & Co. and S. Cunard & Co. The tender of Hugh MacKenzie & Co. for Pictou Nut at four dollars and thirty-one cents per ton of 2240 lbs., delivered at Poor's Asylum, being the lowest, was accepted; S. Cunard & Co.'s tender for Anthracite Egg Coal at seven dollars and fifty cents per ton of 2240 lbs. delivered, being the only one received, was accepted. John White & Co. submitted a tender for Gowrie & Blockhouse Coal, but as the specification called for Pictou Nut of Run or Mine Coal Messrs. White & Co.'s tender was not considered.

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

A. L. Doyle & Co., \$290.53. W. A. Maling & Co., \$310.51. J. & M. Murphy, \$77.65. P. T. Shea, \$104.94. George Gregoire, \$32.80. E. J. Fenton, \$103.63. Scotia Pure Milk Co., Ltd., \$79.05. Dillon Bros., \$112.00. John F. Outhit, \$41.90. Halifax Electric Tram. Co., Ltd., \$20.68. Nova Scotia Telephone Co. Ltd., \$15.00. Farquhar Bros., \$3.00. R. B. Adams & Co., \$11.70. Wm. McFatridge, \$39.95. Robinson Bros., \$17.43. W. L. Tuttle, \$6.60. W. Y. Kennedy, \$28.50. A. & W. MacKinlay, \$15.50. Wm. Stairs, Son & Morrow, Ltd., \$3.15. Fred Crichton, \$1.91. C. W. Outhit, \$1.35. Intercolonial Coal Mining Co., Ltd., \$156.96. B. Mulcahy, \$295.93. Brookfield Bros., \$27.66. Pay Sheet, \$585.49. Total, \$2383.82.

N. V. GASTONGUAY *Chairman.*

The following resolution is submitted:—

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

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

Read report City Prison Committee on various matters and accounts.

CITY PRISON ACCOUNTS, ETC.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY PRISON, June 6th. 1905.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council :

GENTLEMEN,—Your Committee on City Prison beg to report that at a meeting of Committee held this day, there being present Aldermen Hawkins, (Chairman), Murray and Martin, the following accounts, amounting to \$190.55, were passed as correct and recommended for payment :—

1904-5 account—James Davidson, horseshoeing, \$10.98. James Hillis & Sons, stove-fittings, \$2.32. Dominion Molasses Co., molasses, \$34.96. R. B. Adams & Co., seed, \$9.60. Gunn & Co., hay and oats, \$90.07. Total, \$147.93.

1905-6 account—Wm. Robertson & Son, hardware, \$3.70. Halifax Electric Tram, Co., light, \$1.00. J. A. Leaman & Co., ox heads, \$7.56. J. H. Sutherland, dry goods, \$10.12. W. L. Tuttle, boots, \$1.35. F. W. Fraser, straw, \$6.04. J. A. Gass & Son, groceries, \$12.85. Total, \$42.62. Grand Total, \$190.55.

Your Committee further report that they had under consideration the matter of admitting visitors to the City Prison and recommend that the Governor admit visitors only at his discretion until further notified.

Your Committee further recommend that the Governor be instructed to prepare an inventory of all movable city property at the prison and that the same when completed be filed in the office of the City Clerk.

The monthly reports of the Governor and Matron showing fifteen prisoners in custody on May 31st were adopted and are attached hereto.

A. C. HAWKINS, *Chairman*.

The following resolution is submitted :

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

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

Read report Committee on Works covering accounts for payment.

BOARD OF WORKS ACCOUNTS.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, June 6th, 1905.

To the City Council :

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day the attached bills for the several services of this department were submitted, approved and referred to Council for payment.

Sewerage, \$2000.12. Street Lighting, \$1485.44. Streets, \$1239.50. Fire Insurance, \$1024.25. Teams and Stables, \$420.38. Internal Health, \$167.37. City Property,

\$153.70. Telephones, \$115.90. Permanent Pavement, \$113.52. City Hall Lighting, \$64.06. Citadel Improvement, \$42.04. Fuel, \$12.50. Public Baths, \$4.60. Water Maintenance, \$1320.38. Water Construction, \$263.19. Total, \$8426.95.

R. T. MACILREITH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Cawsey, seconded by Alderman Taylor, that the report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

Read report Board of Fire Wards on various matters.

FIRE WARDS ACCOUNTS, &c.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, June 6th, 1905.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—The Board of Fire Wards beg to report as follows:—

Robert J. Foley, callman No. 1 steamer, having resigned, it is recommended that the resignation be accepted and that Joseph Whalen, supernumerary on No. 4 steamer, be appointed in his place.

At the last session of the Legislature the City was authorized to borrow \$10,000 for a new engine house to replace the present Queen Street house, and it is necessary that early steps be taken to erect the building. It was thought that a site could be found for this structure on the old Exhibition Grounds, but your Board believe that the City Council will agree with them that it would be better to leave this property intact. They therefore recommend that the Council allot a portion of the Poor's Asylum grounds, 150 feet square, at the south-east corner of Morris and Robie Streets, as a site for this engine house, to be approved of by the Engineer. It would be a great benefit to the Poor's Asylum, Victoria General Hospital, School for the Blind and other valuable properties to have fire apparatus in the immediate vicinity.

It is further recommended that the Council take proceedings at once to secure the small piece of property at the rear of Central Engine House for payment for which an amount was authorized to be borrowed at the last session of the House.

The following accounts are recommended for payment:—

1904-5 account—D. J. McIntosh, horseshoeing, 79c. Herald, advertising, \$8.36. J. J. Carnell, carriage painting, \$7.30. Melvin & Co., hardware, \$2.81. Stairs, Son & Morrow, lanterns, &c., \$6.33. Wm. Roche, coal, \$6.50. Total, \$32.09.

Chargeable to Loan under Chap. 48, Acts 1905, Austen Bros., 1000 ft. hose at \$1.10.....\$1100 00

Chargeable to Loan under Chap. 49, Acts 1905, Canadian Rubber Co., 2 Eastman nozzles..... 90 00

Chargeable to 1905-6 account—Halifax Electric Tram. Co., power, \$5.82. Halifax Electric Tram. Co., lighting, \$18.07. Telephone Co., telephone 6 months, 14100. J. Isley, wood, \$2.00. Geo. E. Smith & Co., bolts, 40c. Wm. Roche, coal, \$68.00. Stairs, Son & Morrow, hardware, \$13.66. J. S. Cashen, forage, \$309.66. Victoria Laundry, work, \$4.97. Simpson Bros. & Co., acid, &c., \$9.89. J. H. Mont & Co., carriage work, \$5.24. Melvin & Co., hardware, 1.08. A. Boutillier potatoes, 55c. Farquhar Bros., electric supplies, \$19.49. J. F. Kelly, saddlery, \$6.20. Horseshoeing, Robert Horner, \$4.50; Meagher & MacKenzie, \$7.32; O'Connell Bros., \$4.82; P. Porrier, \$3.25; T. Robinson, \$5.28; J. R. Purcell, \$4.53. Total, \$634.73.

W. H. CAWSEY, *Chairman.*

By unanimous consent of Council, the dimensions of the lot of land

proposed to be taken from the Poor's Asylum enclosure as a site for a new engine house were erased from the report.

The following resolution is submitted :

Resolved, That the report of the Board of Fire Wards as amended be adopted and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for payment of the accounts therein recommended.

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

Read report Commissioners of Common covering accounts.

REPORT GARDENS COMMISSION RE ACCOUNTS.

JUNE 2nd, 1905.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—A meeting of the Commissioners of Halifax Common was held Thursday, June 1st, at 7.30 p. m. Present, Chairman Taylor, Commissioners Archibald, Powell, Doyle, Gastonguay, Kelly, Duggan and Messervey.

They had before them the accompanying bills, of which the following is a summary. The same were approved and passed for payment, the same are sent for your information and concurrence :—

J. E. Myers, \$23.50. Electric light, \$2.16. Robt. Baxter, \$6.00. Total, \$31.66.

W. E. MESSERVEY, *Secretary*.

The following resolution is submitted :

Resolved, That the report of the Gardens Commissioners be received and adopted and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for payment of accounts therein recommended.

Moved by Alderman Taylor, seconded by Alderman Powell, and passed.

Read report Cemetery Committee covering an account for payment.

REPORT CEMETERY COMMITTEE.

MAY 29th, 1905

His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—The Cemetery Committee beg to recommend for payment the following named account :—

John M. Ford, shrubs, \$10.00.

ANDREW HUBLEY, *Chairman*.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that the account be paid. Motion passed.

Read report City Engineer re Widening Agricola Street, covering a table of the valuations placed upon properties proposed to be expropriated.

WIDENING AGRICOLA STREET.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, June 8th, 1905.

His Worship the Mayor :

SIR,—In accordance with instructions of the Council, I have asked the owners of property on the east side of Agricola Street, between Cunard Street and West Street, to name a price for which they would deed the City the property required. I have obtained several answers, which are not very satisfactory, and in several cases have been unable to obtain any answer at all.

The appraisers appointed by the Council have valued the properties required as follows :—

	R. G. Reid, Secretary Armoury Association.	\$1200 00
No. 5	Michael O'Brien ...	1290 00
" 7	"	1250 00
" 9	Mrs. Emma Warner (East. Trust Co.).....	1700 00
" 11½		
" 15	James F. Meehan	1 80 00
" 17	Simon Meadon	890 00
" 19	Simon Meadon	624 00
" 21	Francis McNeil	624 00
" 23	Heirs of Mrs. Shanks	750 00
" 25	P. L. Purcell	750 00
" 27	John Nickerson	834 00
" 29	E. J. Phelan	750 00
" 29½	Warren Gray	10 00 00
" 31		
" 33	"	1060 00
" 35	Devises of Bishop Binney.....	1400 00
" 37		
" 39		
" 39½	Mrs. James Hubley and Benjamin Hubley.....	1350 00
" 41	Michael O'Brien	540 00
" 43	James Brooks	2900 00
" 47		
		\$19992 00

The accompanying resolution is similar to that passed in connection with the widening of Water Street, and authorizes F. W. W. Doane, City Engineer, to offer to the property owners the amounts fixed by the appraisers. If it meets with the approval of the Council, I would recommend that the resolution be passed so that the next step may be taken.

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

The following resolution is submitted :

Whereas, in and by Chap. 58 of the Acts of 1891, of the Legislature of Nova Scotia, and acts in amendment thereof, the City Council of the City of Halifax, was authorized to expropriate all land necessary for the purpose of widening any street in the City of Halifax ;

And Whereas, in the opinion of this Council, it is desirable for the purpose of widening Agricola Street, in the City of Halifax, to expropriate certain properties in the City of Halifax, namely :—

All that lot, piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being on the east side of Agricola Street, between Cunard Street and West Street, in the City and County of Halifax, the said lot being more particularly described as follows :—Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the east side line of Agricola Street with the north side line of Cunard Street ; thence to run in a northerly direction by the various courses of

the said east side line of Agricola Street, until it meets the south sideline of West Street; thence in an easterly direction by the said south side line of West Street, for a distance of 20 feet; thence in a southerly direction by a straight line to the north side line of Cunard Street; thence in a westerly direction by the said north side line of Cunard Street for a distance 23 feet 6 inches, to the place of beginning. The above described lot being all the land lying between the present east side line of Agricola Street and the dotted red line, as shown on a plan entitled "Plan of Agricola Street, showing proposed widening," signed by F. W. W. Doane, City Engineer, dated March 1st, 1901, and filed in the City Engineer's office, at Halifax, N. S., as plan Number 1448.

Therefore resolved, that F. W. W. Doane, the Engineer of the City of Halifax, be and is hereby authorized by this Council, and on its behalf to enter into a contract with the parties hereinafter named, or whoever may be the owner or owners of the property hereinbefore described for the purchase of all the estate, right, title, interest and possession of each of the hereinafter named parties or the proper owners in their respective lots, including the land hereinbefore described and set forth, as shown on a plan signed by F. W. W. Doane, and filed in the City Engineer's office, at Halifax, on the 1st day of March, 1901, as Plan Number 1448.

Further resolved, that the said F. W. W. Doane offer the said parties or whoever may be the owners of the said respective properties the following sums respectively:—

For the property said to be owned by R. G. Reid, Sect'y Armoury Association.	\$1200 00
“ “ Michael O'Brien (No. 5)	1290 00
“ “ Michael O'Brien (No. 7).....	1250 00
“ “ Mrs. Emma Warner (East Trust Co.)..	1700 00
“ “ James F Meehan	1080 00
“ “ Simon Meadon (No. 17)	890 00
“ “ Simon Meadon (No. 19).....	624 00
“ “ Francis McNeil	624 00
“ “ Heirs of Mrs. Shanks	750 00
“ “ P. L. Purcell	750 00
“ “ John Nickerson	834 00
“ “ E. J. Phelan	750 00
“ “ Warren Gray (Nos. 29½ and 31).....	1000 00
“ “ Warren Gray (No. 33)	1060 00
“ “ Devises Bishop Binney	1400 00
“ “ Mrs. James Hublely & Benjamin Hublely.	1350 00
“ “ Michael O'Brien (No. 41).....	540 00
“ “ James Brooks	2900 00
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	\$19992 00

Further resolved, that the said F. W. W. Doane report to the Council at an early day what agreement (if any) has been or can be made with the said respective parties and if they are willing to accept the amount mentioned in this resolution.

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

Read report Committee on Works re Tenders for Lease of Old Exhibition Building, covering tenders of H. B. Clarke and John Mullane.

LEASE OLD EXHIBITION BUILDING.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, June 1st, 1905.

To the City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Committee on Works, held this day, the attached tenders for lease of the Old Exhibition Building were opened as follows:—

John Mullane—\$920 for 1st year, \$1,050 for 2nd year, \$1,200 for 3rd year.
H. B. Clarke—\$1.015 per year.

By the conditions of lease, supplied by this office and of which due notice was given by advertisement, certain rights were reserved, repairs to be made and the names of sureties required.

The only tender complying with these terms and basing his offer on them is H. B. Clarke's tender, and the Committee recommends its acceptance.

R. T. MACILREITH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

The said tenders are read.

By leave of Council, Alderman Cawsey submits a letter from John Mullane on the subject.

The said letter is now read.

Moved by Alderman Taylor, seconded by Alderman Johnson, that the report of the Committee on Works be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Cawsey, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the tender of John Mullane for lease of the old Exhibition Building for five years be accepted.

The amendment being put is passed, 9 voting for the same and 4 against it, as follows:—

For the Amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Powell, Lamphier, Hubley, Campbell, Martin, Cawsey, MacKenzie, Hayward, Hawkins.—9.	Aldermen Archibald, Johnson, Murray, Taylor.—4.

Alderman Taylor gives notice of reconsideration.

Read account of John MacInnes and W. G. Wiswell for \$200.00 for appraising land and damages to properties in re widening of Agricola Street.

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that the account be paid. Motion passed unanimously.

Read report City Engineer re Vernon Street sewer.

VERNON STREET SEWER.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, June 7th, 1905.

His Worship the Mayor :

SIR,—I am not yet in a position to report on Vernon Street sewer. I am negotiating with the property owners from whom land would be required to obtain an outlet. There are two methods of getting an outlet from this street. I have obtained terms from the owner of one property, but the cost would be too great. The figures obtained from the property owners heard from on the other route are much lower, and as soon as I obtain

an answer from St John from the agent of the Bliss property will be able to report finally.

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

Filed.

Read report Committee on Works re widening Lower Water Street, covering report City Engineer and letters from G. S. Campbell & Co. and L. A. Graves.

WIDENING LOWER WATER STREET.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, June 8th, 1905.

To the City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day the attached letters and City Engineer's report thereon, re the widening of Water Street at the foot of Salter Street were read.

Your Committee are of the opinion that this work is necessary, and recommend that if possible ways and means should be provided for its accomplishment.

R. T. MACILREITH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, June 8th, 1905.

His Worship the Mayor:

SIR,—In accordance with the instructions of your Committee, I have consulted an expert appraiser in reference to the value of the land required for the proposed widening of Water Street at the foot of Salter Street. I have also had the building examined by the City Carpenter and an estimate made of the cost of moving back the west wall, and beg to report that the estimated value of the land required and the removal and making good of the west side of the building is \$820.00.

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

Moved by Alderman Cawsey, seconded by Alderman Johnson, that this matter be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts for report as to means of providing funds for this improvement. Motion passed.

Read report Committee on Works on Willis Chipman's interim report on water system investigation.

WATER SUPPLY INVESTIGATION.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, June 7th, 1905.

To the City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting held on the 6th June the Committee on Works considered the report of Mr. Willis Chipman, C. E., in connection with investigation of the water service, and beg to report on his recommendations, as follows:—

1. "A contoured plan of city showing the elevations of each hydrant, above the sea, also the pressure reduced to feet. It is not necessary that this plan be a finished drawing. I would suggest that it be drawn upon a scale of about 200 feet to the inch."

The plan described with the information asked for is necessary for a proper study of the water supply system in order to understand the conditions which exist in the city service, and your committee recommend this clause for approval.

2. "Profiles of each of the force mains to be made, each on the same scale, these profiles to show gate valves, blow-offs, air valves, etc."

There are three mains supplying the city but only one profile in the City Engineer's office, namely : a profile of the 27" low service main laid about twelve years ago. When the old mains were put in no profile was deposited with the city and the City Engineer's office was not then in existence. While the city officials are familiar with the profile of the mains and the location of the valves, &c., it is impossible for Mr. Chipman to carry all the information in his head when considering the whole question, and your Committee recommend this clause for approval.

3. "Plans of the property lying east of Lower Chain Lake, showing dams, sluices, pipes, valves, gate houses, roads, rock exposures, water ways, &c."

This plan is also necessary for consideration with the other plans so that Mr. Chipman may not be compelled to depend upon his memory, and your Committee recommend this clause for approval.

4. "The flow in the main outfall sewers should be gauged in order to determine the dry weather flow. This should be checked upon the amount of water supplied."

Mr. Chipman asks for this information to compare with the quantity of water delivered through the supply mains. The information will be important and your Committee recommend the approval of this clause

5. "Accurate pressure gauges should be provided for the fire halls, also at Chain Lake gate house, to show pressure at any time, upon each of the large mains. At fire hall No. 5 the glass gauge showing the height of water in the low service may be lengthened instead of using a gauge."

Your Committee are of opinion that gauges in the fire halls are not necessary ; that any information that could be obtained from them can be obtained in the same way from the hydrants in the neighborhood. They would recommend that the gauge at Chain Lake gate house be put in perfect order, or, if this cannot be done, that a new gauge be provided, also that the glass gauge at No. 5. fire hall be extended.

6. "Chemical analyses of the water from Long Lake, Chain Lake and Spruce Hill Lake should be made now, and again during the low water in August. Samples should be collected at the lakes near the intakes and additional samples drawn from the high service and low service from taps in the city."
7. "Chemical analyses should be made of the deposits in the pipes."

The City has had the Long Lake, Chain Lake and Spruce Hill Lake water analyzed, also the deposits in the pipe, and your committee recommend that action on this clause be also deferred until Mr. Chipman is communicated with for the purpose of ascertaining if the analyses already made will not be sufficient for his purpose.

8. "The supply of water entering the City should be determined by meter. Venturi meters are accurate and simple. They have no working parts and offer no obstructions to the flow of water. The cost of these meters is approximately as follows :

12 inch	.....	\$220 00
14 "	.....	260 00
20 "	.....	430 00
24 "	.....	580 00
26 "	.....	660 00

I am of opinion that a 12-inch meter would be of sufficient size for a 15-inch main ; a 20-inch meter for a 24-inch main ; 24-inch meter for a 27-inch main."

"Each meter tube should be provided with a register and chart recorder which would record automatically the amount of water passing through the pipe per day. This register and chart would cost \$540.00 additional for each of the three meters."

The quantity of water delivered by the supply mains can only be estimated theoretically at present and at best the result is approximate only. It is important to know

beyond a doubt whether the mains are delivering the quantity of water that they are supposed to deliver theoretically. If they are not delivering the quantity that they should carry the cause should be discovered, so that a proper remedy can be recommended. The only accurate and sure method of determining the quantity of water delivered from the lakes is by the use of the meters recommended by Mr. Chipman, and your committee recommend the clause for approval.

9. "In my opinion these meters should be set in the vicinity of the Chain Lake^s dam, the three meters to be laid parallel to each other in a properly constructed building. This may require some changes in the pipe lines in the vicinity."

The location mentioned by Mr. Chipman is the only possible location that can be adopted so that the three registers may be in one building, and your committee recommend the clause for approval.

10. "Your City Engineer should be authorized to engage a draftsman or assistant to prepare the necessary plans, profiles, etc., above mentioned. These plans will be of service to the City in the future, and valuable at all times for reference. The profiles should have been completed immediately after the works were constructed as well as the plan showing the gate houses, pipes etc., at the foot of Chain Lakes."

It is impossible for the City Engineer and his assistant to prepare the plans and other information asked for by Mr. Chipman, as at present they cannot keep up routine work and have not been able to keep up the records of underground work and similar valuable information since the staff was reduced. It will, therefore, be necessary to engage an assistant, and your committee recommend this clause for approval.

R. T. MACILREITH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

On motion the report is considered clause by clause.

Read Clause 1 re Contoured Plan of City.

Moved by Alderman Cawsey, seconded by Alderman Murray, that that the clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 2, re profiles of force mains.

Moved by Alderman Cawsey, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that the clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 3, re plans of property lying east of Lower Chain Lake.

Moved by Alderman Cawsey, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that this clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 4, re gauging flow in sewers.

Moved by Alderman Cawsey, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that said clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 5 re pressure gauges.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Cawsey, that said clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clauses 6 and 7, re chemical analyses.

Moved by Alderman Cawsey, seconded by Alderman Martin, that the same be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 8, re Venturi meters.

Moved by Alderman Cawsey, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that said clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 9, re location of Venturi meters.

Moved by Alderman Cawsey, seconded by Alderman Martin that said clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 10, re Assistance for City Engineer in preparing plans, &c.

Moved by Alderman Cawsey, seconded by Alderman Johnson, that said clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Cawsey, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that the report of the Committee on Works on this matter be adopted as a whole. Motion passed.

Aldermen Hubley and Lamphier desired to be recorded as voting against the whole report.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re Water Extension Windsor Street.

WATER EXTENSION WINDSOR STREET.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, June 6th, 1905.

His Worship the Mayor:

SIR,—I beg to report on the accompanying petition from F. Smeardon asking for water extension to his premises on the west side of Windsor Street north of Young St. The district is high service; size of pipe required 6"; distance 160 feet; excavation partly rock. Estimated cost:—

Pipe	\$ 96 00
1-6" valve	20 00
Excavation and pipe laying	144 00
Lead and paint	2 00
1 service pipe	20 00
	\$282 00
Interest on outlay at 5%	14 10

I would recommend that the extension be made on conditions adopted for all recent extensions on the high service, and at a special rate of \$14.10.

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

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Hayward, that said reports be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report Commercial Committee re Terminal Facilities at Halifax.

TERMINAL FACILITIES.

HALIFAX, N. S., May 26th, 1905.

To the City Council and Board of Trade:

GENTLEMEN,—Your Commercial Committee beg to report that on the afternoon of the 22nd inst. the Committee met at North Street for the purpose of going over the ter-

minimal arrangements and railway facilities provided at this port, with a view to discovering, if possible, the causes of the delay and difficulty in handling freight here and for the purpose of suggesting what, to the Committee, might appear to be reforms.

1. At the outset, in justice to the Department, it must be said that considerable work has been done at this port and considerable improvement has resulted therefrom. The Immigration buildings are convenient, commodious and up-to-date in every particular, and in reference to them the only suggestion the Committee has to make is that the doors on the lower floor should open outwards, according to law, so that in case of fire a means of hasty exit would be provided.

2. Your committee also wish to note with pleasure that the new freight shed on old piers 8 and 9, which Mr. Pottinger promised would be ready for occupancy last year, was on Monday last opened for the handling and storage of goods. It is a most commodious and convenient building and will materially aid in handling the business to be done at Richmond.

3. In order that proper accommodation for a steamer on the west side of pier 8 may be provided, it will be necessary to remove the large boulder lying between piers 7 and 8. At the present time only a portion of this dock can be utilized on account of this obstruction. The attention of the I. C. R. officials has been called to this matter repeatedly, but so far with very little effect.

4. The old trestle to the north of the new freight shed on pier 8 is wholly unfit for use and in a tumble-down condition, and if not necessary there should be removed and an additional track laid in the space which the trestle now takes up. Your Committee are of the opinion that another trestle should be provided running right up to and along the roof of the new freight shed in order that vessels may take on bunker coal without moving away from the wharf to another berth. At the present time it is necessary for steamers loading cargo at Richmond to proceed after the cargo loading is completed to Deep Water Terminus for the purpose of coaling. In the winter time there is not sufficient wharf accommodation at Deep Water and it would seem desirable that instead of taking up space there with steamers requiring coal every foot of space should be reserved at Deep Water Terminus entirely for the purpose of loading and discharging cargo.

5. Messrs. Beazley Brothers, the contractors who have the contract for building the new crib work north of No. 9 pier, have commenced at the south end of the work and are building northwardly. When they have finished their contract, cars to unload at this pier will have to be brought in south thereof and then shunted north on to the pier, as no contract, your Committee is informed, has yet been let for the additional 750 feet to the north of Beazley Brothers' present contract. If the north part had been started first and completed, cars would go right in from the main line to the pier without any further shunting. It would seem desirable, therefore, that a contract should at once be let for the remaining 750 feet of crib work in order that this drawback and evident oversight may be avoided.

6. At Richmond the workshops, etc., are situated in the midst of the car tracks in what should be the most valuable part of the yard for shunting purposes. No doubt at the time the buildings in question were constructed Richmond was not so pressed for room as it is at the present time. Now that the congestion of traffic has become so great and yard room so urgently needed, the carpenter shop, machine shop and mill should be removed in order that all possible accommodation for the handling of cars may be provided. The buildings are so old that they will not require very much pulling down as some of them are almost ready to fall, particularly the Round House.

7. The Round House, beside being in a tumble-down condition, is entirely too small and inadequate for the service which it is expected to perform. The congestion is very bad and the only surprise is that many more accidents have not resulted therefrom. The turn table is too short to accommodate the locomotives and is operated by some eight or ten men by hand instead of steam or electricity being used as a motive power. As a result, the process of turning the locomotive is a very slow and tedious one and a great deal of delay results from the system employed. The larger engines cannot be accommodated on this table. Cars with observation ends in order to be turned must be

sent to Windsor Junction to be turned on the "Y" there. The 75 ft. turn table which was sent here over three years ago was sent away from here a few weeks ago. The original intention was to set it up here. The day your Committee visited the Round House there were several locomotives in it and one on the turn table. The locomotives in the building were backed right up against the side walls and even then the cow-catcher of the locomotive on the turn table could not pass the cow-catchers of the locomotives stored in the building. This state of affairs would not be tolerated in many cities and your Committee feels that in justice to Halifax some action should be taken immediately in regard to this matter at least.

8. To provide further accommodation, your Committee is of opinion that the land lying between Campbell Road and the railway track from Roome Street north should be taken by the Department, the houses razed and the present curve in the railway modified.

9. For some time the Department has promised to erect a flour shed at the Marine and Fisheries Wharf. At the present time flour brought to the City by rail remains in the cars for a period of five days and in many cases much longer if the importer is willing to pay demurrage, and the cars standing on the track occupy much needed accommodation. In conversation with an official of the Department of Marine and Fisheries here a few days ago one member of the Committee was informed that the Department would be ready to move to Dartmouth about September or October next and that in the meantime nothing could be done in the way of commencing the construction of the proposed flour shed. The Committee feels that such a delay should not be tolerated, but the construction of the necessary pier and building should be begun immediately so as to be ready for next winter's trade. If the quarters for the Marine and Fisheries in Dartmouth are not ready permission might be obtained from the Naval Authorities for the use of the Dockyard, at the present time unoccupied; or the Ordnance Wharf or Lumber Yard, which on July 1st will be handed over to the Dominion Government, might be used for all purposes of the Marine and Fisheries Department until the premises at Dartmouth are ready for occupation. By following this course there would be nothing to hinder the construction of the flour shed being undertaken at once.

10. A general idea of the condition of the buildings at Richmond may be arrived at from the fact that a day or two previous to the visit of your Committee a portion of the roof of one of the buildings in which men were employed and rolling stock stored fell through.

11. In order to afford proper accommodation to handle the cars going to and from Deep Water, it would seem indispensable that a second track should be provided from Richmond to the Terminus.

12. A promise was made by the Department some time ago that Mr. Pottinger would make monthly visits to Halifax on which occasions matters pertaining to the railway could be discussed with him. Mr. Pottinger has not yet commenced these long-promised monthly visits, and your Committee recommend that the Minister should be asked to instruct the General Manager to come to Halifax monthly, notifying the Chairman or Secretary of your Committee a few days in advance of each visit of the date he proposes to be here.

13. In order that your Committee may be in a position to place their suggestions intelligently before the Minister and the officials of the Department, it is necessary that they should have a rough plan of the location of the buildings and tracks at Richmond, North Street and Deep Water Terminus and also a plan of the improvements at the present time proposed by the Department.

14. In conclusion, your Committee have to state that the opinions and suggestions contained in this report are not only those of the members of your Committee, but are also shared in and endorsed by those officials who have the management of the affairs at this Terminal in their hands.

R. T. MACILREITH, *Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Cawsey, seconded by Alderman Murray, that

the report be received and concurred in and a copy thereof forwarded to the Hon. Minister of Railways. Motion passed.

Read report Public Accounts Committee on various matters.

REPORT PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, June 7th, 1905.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

GENTLEMEN.—Your Committee on Public Accounts beg to report that at a meeting of Committee held this day, there being present Aldermen Johnson (Chairman), Doyle, Archibald, Hawkins and Cawsey, the following accounts amounting to \$2,219.51, were examined, found correct and are recommended for payment, viz:—

T. C. Allen & Co., stationery and printing, Recorder's office, \$53.75. City Treasurer's office, \$1.00 Stipendiary Magistrate, \$6.00. City Assessor's, \$45.25. City Auditor, \$2.00. City Collector, \$26.00. City Collector, \$22.15. City Clerk, \$41.45. City Clerk, \$19.50.—Total \$217.10.

Chronicle Publishing Co., advertising, \$11.40.

Herald Publishing Co., advertising, applications for license, \$183.85. City elections, \$46.32. Court of Appeal, \$7.44. Tenders for printing, etc., \$7.44. Tenders for electoral lists, \$5.58. List of Voters, \$16.47. Notice to hackmen, \$12.32.—Total \$279.42.

Religious of the Good Shepherd, 3 month's keep of girls, to May 1st, 1905, \$90.85.

Industrial School criminal account, \$330.00. 3 month's keep of boys, truants, \$131.64.—Total \$461.64.

St. Patrick's Home, 3 month's keep of boys, criminal, \$301.84. Truants, \$164.66.—Total \$466.50.

Dr. Finn, M. E., certificates of death, Thomas Malone, \$4.00. Ann Hayes, \$4.00. G. Gregory, \$4.00. H. Wellington, \$4.00. Female infant, \$12.00. E. Carvey, \$12.00.—Total \$40.00.

A. & W. Mackinlay, Assessors' books, 36.00.

London Rubber Stamp Co., rubber stamps, \$4.75.

J. Spencer, removal of bodies, \$9.00.

Chas Putman, bill posting, \$5.00 and \$7.50, \$12.50.

Holloway Bros., printing Annual Report, \$315.80. Printing Minutes of Council, \$62.40.—Total \$378.20.

Blackadar Bros., advertising, dog tax notice, \$5.79. List of voters, etc., \$31.60. Notice of elections, etc., \$29.46. Notice of elections etc., \$12.76. Applications liquor license, \$111.55.—Total \$191.15.

W. F. O'Connor, taking award out of Court, Miss Hennessey, \$15.00. John Naylor, rent election booth, \$6.00.—Grand total \$2,219.51.

Your Committee understand that the present system in connection with the securing of supplies is that the head of the department wishing supplies, makes out a requisition for them and they are entered in the order book in the City Clerk's office. They would recommend that an account be opened for each department, showing the various items purchased in the year, and that no official in the city should have the right to order anything for use in the City Hall that is not specified in the regular accepted tenders. If he requires anything additional, that a requisition should be made to some one official having an authority to secure it or to the Council for such articles, and we would suggest that one official should be a Mailing Clerk, and that all letters sent out from the City Hall should be stamped by that clerk, and he should be held responsible for the postage purchased on account of the city.

Your Committee further report that under the Acts of 1905, Chapter 48, the city is authorized to borrow the sum of \$22,300 00 for different services on short term bonds and recommend the acceptance of the offer of the Trustees of the Sinking Fund, 1902, for \$12,000 00 at 4 per cent., short term bonds, and the balance, \$10,300.00, be borrowed from the Market House Fund, at the same rate, and that the City Treasurer be instructed to issue debentures in accordance with the said Act.

Your Committee further report that they had under consideration the matter of borrowing the sum of \$207,000.00, long term debentures, as authorized by the Acts of 1905, for the following purposes, viz :—

\$150,000.00 for construction of sewers.
30,000 00 for improvement of Fire Department.
27,000 00 for widening Agricola Street.

Your Committee recommend that tenders be advertised for the whole or any part of this loan on debentures, payable in thirty-five years, bearing 4 per cent. interest per annum.

Your Committee further recommend that the tender of the Canada Bank Note Company, Ltd., H. B. Clarke & Son, Agents, for Lithographing 225 Debenture Bonds for \$105.00, and 1,000 Stock Certificates for \$68 00 be accepted, this being the lowest tender.

Your Committee further report that they had under consideration the banking account of the City and recommend that tenders be asked for from the chartered banks doing business in the City for the City banking account for three years from 1st September next.

Your Committee had also under consideration the matter of a current overdraft to meet expenditure until taxes for current year are collected, when the following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That this Committee recommend that the City Council authorize the Mayor and City Treasurer, on behalf of the City of Halifax, to borrow from any chartered bank of Canada doing business in Halifax the sum of \$100,000.00 to be applied for defraying expenditures for which taxes for the current year would if now collected be applied and to be repaid to the said bank out of the said taxes when collected, and that the City Treasurer be authorized on behalf of the City of Halifax to negotiate the said loan and to pledge the credit of the City of Halifax therefor.

Moved by Alderman Cawsey, seconded by Alderman Hawkins.

The Committee had also under consideration a report from City Auditor re taxes payable by People's Bank, a copy of which is herewith submitted Your Committee will make some recommendation in connection with this matter when fuller information is obtained from other cities as to their mode of assessment of bank capital

J. A. JOHNSON, *Chairman*.

The following resolution is submitted :

Resolved, That the report of the Public Accounts Committee be received and adopted, with the exception of Clause 2, which is referred back to the Committee, and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for payment of accounts therein recommended.

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Archibald, and passed.

The following resolution is next introduced :—

Whereas, It is considered advisable for the purpose of defraying expenditures for which the taxes of the current year would, if now collected, be applied, that the City of Halifax do borrow, under Chapter 51 of the Acts of Nova Scotia for the year 1902,

section 4, from any chartered bank an amount not exceeding thirty per cent. of the taxes for the current year now uncollected ;

And Whereas, The taxes uncollected for the current year now amount to a sum over \$350,000.00 ;

Be it Resolved, That the City of Halifax do forthwith borrow from any chartered bank the sum of \$100,000.00 to be applied for defraying expenditures for which the taxes of the current year would, if now collected, be applied, to be repaid to the said bank out of the said taxes when collected, and that the City Treasurer be authorized on behalf of the City of Halifax to negotiate the said loan and to pledge the credit of the City of Halifax therefor.

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Archibald, and passed, 13 voting for the same and 1 against it, as follows :—

For the Resolution.

Aldermen Archibald, Halliday,
Johnson, Murray,
Powell, Taylor,
Hubley, Campbell,
Martin, Cawsey,
MacKenzie, Hayward,
Hawkins.—13.

Against it.

Aldermen Lamphier—1.

Read report Committee on Works re new engine house Bedford Row.

ENGINE HOUSE BEDFORD ROW.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, June 6th, 1905.

To the City Council :

GENTLEMEN,—As the plans for the new engine house Bedford Row are about completed your Committee on Works asks authority to advertise for tenders for building the same.

R. T. MACILREITH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

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

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re Sewer, Campbell Road.

SEWER CAMPBELL ROAD.

To the City Council :

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day the attached Minute of Council and City Engineer's report thereon re petition of C. A. Hawkin's for sewer Campbell Road, were read and the report of the City Engineer was recommended for adoption.

R. T. MACILREITH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, June 6th, 1905.

His Worship the Mayor :

SIR,—The accompanying communications, including petition from C. A. Hawkins for a sewer on Campbell Road, were received last year. When the matter first came before the City Health Board it was ordered to lie on the table as the premises owned by Mr. Hawkins had been reported by the Inspector of Plumbing to be in a good sanitary condi-

tion and a sewer not required. Subsequently it was referred to the City Works Department for report.

Mr. Hawkins has drained his properties to the rear connecting with the Young St. sewer. He would prefer to drain to the sewer in Campbell Road; but if a sewer is not built he would be obliged to repair or renew his drainage in the rear.

The sewer would be 850 feet long and the owners of a majority of the frontage in this block are not anxious to have a sewer constructed. If Mr. Hawkins had no means of drainage his claims for a sewer would be stronger, but as he has an alternative the construction of a sewer does not seem so urgent as it would otherwise. I have had several interviews with Mr. Hawkins in reference to the matter and have decided not to recommend the construction of a sewer at present. Mr. Hawkins asks that the Council give an undertaking that if a sewer is constructed in future he will be exempt from a proportionate cost of its construction. I do not think the Council has the power to give such an undertaking, as the law lays down the course that must be followed.

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

Moved by Alderman Cawsey, seconded by Alderman Johnson, that said reports be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Martin, that said reports be placed on the Order of the Day.

The amendment is put and passed, 9 voting for the same and 5 against it, as follows:—

For the amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Archibald, Murray, Lamphier, Campbell, Martin, Cawsey, MacKenzie, Hayward, Hawkins.—9.	Aldermen Halliday, Johnson, Powell, Taylor, Hubley.—5.

Read monthly cash statements "General" and "Water" of the City Collector and City Treasurer. Filed.

Read report Committee on Laws and Privileges on various matters and covering a draft ordinance re duties and office hours of City Officials.

REPORT LAWS AND PRIVILEGES COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, May 26th, 1905.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—Your Committee on Laws and Privileges beg to report that at a meeting of the Committee, held this day, there being present Alderman Geldert, (Chairman), Johnson, Gastonguay, Hubley, Martin and Hawkins, they had under consideration a number of matters, as follows:—

1. Letter Ratepayers' Association re publishing list of taxpayers, showing value of real and personal property assessed and amount of taxes paid by each individual. After careful consideration of this matter, your Committee recommend that the request be not granted, as the city has not at present any funds to meet the expenditure, your Committee estimating the cost to be not less than \$1000 00.

2. Your Committee further report that they had under consideration an extract

from Minutes of City Council covering resolution of Alderman Johnson requesting the Committee to report upon the existing regulations regarding the office hours of officials at the City Hall. Your Committee find that the hours as now fixed are from 9 30 a. m. to 4 p. m., and recommend that the Ordinance submitted and passed by the City Council May 1st, 1890, and disallowed by the Governor-in-Council at that time be now adopted, with the amendment that the hours be from 9 o'clock a. m. to 5 o'clock p. m. from April 15th to October 15th, and from 9.30 a. m. to 4 p. m. from 16th October to 14th April; also that the amendment passed by this Council December 16th, 1890, be added as an additional clause.

3. Your Committee further recommend that the Council obtain legislation at the next session of the Legislature so that it will only be necessary for two assessors to be on the street at any one time assessing, the third assessor to be on duty at the office.

4. Your Committee further recommend that the applications of J. J. Richards and J. F. Meagher for refund of deposits made by them with their liquor license applications be granted and that the amount deposited in each case, less cost of advertising be refunded.

5. Your Committee further report that they had under consideration the resolution of Aldermen Johnson and Murray re notice of reconsideration, and recommend that the ordinance in re meetings and rules of City Council be so amended that notices of reconsideration shall require a two-thirds vote of the Council to be carried; His Honor the Recorder being instructed to prepare an amendment to said ordinance in line with this recommendation.

6. Your Committee further report that they had under consideration the resolutions of Council requesting the Committee to prepare ordinances governing billiard rooms, bowling alleys and dilapidated buildings and fences. These ordinances are being prepared by His Honor the Recorder.

7. Your Committee further report that they had under consideration the matter of appointment of Clerk of Licenses; the Annual Report City Clerk, 1904-5; letter of the Halifax County Conservative Association preferring charges against Registrar of Voters; and petition of Thomas Sunderland for pecuniary assistance; but are not ready to report on same until next meeting.

J. A. JOHNSON *Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman MacKenzie, that the report be considered clause by clause. Motion passed.

Read Clause 1, republishing list of ratepayers.

Moved by Alderman Lamphier, seconded by Alderman Hayward, that the clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 2 recommending the passage of an ordinance relating to the duties and office hours of city officials, covering draft ordinance.

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that said clause be adopted. Motion passed.

The said draft ordinance relating to duties and office hours of officials is now read.

Read Clause 3, re mode of assessing.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that the clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 4, re refund of deposits made within certain applications for liquor licenses.

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that the clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 5 re notices of reconsideration.

Objected to by Aldermen Cawsey, Hubley and Taylor, and placed on the Order of the Day.

Clauses 6 and 7 are read and filed.

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that the report as amended be adopted as a whole. Motion passed.

Read letter Union of Canadian Municipalities re Conventions of 1905 and 1906, covering partial list of subjects for discussion at the 1905 Convention at Winnipeg.

Moved by Alderman Cawsey, seconded by Alderman Murray, that His Worship the Mayor be appointed as the delegate to represent the City of Halifax at the Winnipeg Convention, and that in the event of His Worship being unable to attend that he be authorized to appoint an Alderman to take his place.

The motion is put by Deputy-Mayor Johnson and passed.

Read report License Inspector covering applications for hotel liquor licenses, and recommending that the same be granted as follows:—

F. J. Quinn, 270-272 Upper Water Street, European Hotel.

Edward Rolston, 24-26 North Street, Revere House.

R. J. Power, 8-10 North Street, St. Charles Hotel.

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

Read report Committee on Works covering tenders for Fire Insurance on City property.

FIRE INSURANCE TENDERS.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, June 1st, 1905.

To the City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day the following tenders were submitted for Fire Insurance risk \$85900 on City property.

Acadia Fire Insurance Co., 1-5 risk	\$ 214 75
Anglo-American Fire Insurance Co., 1-5 risk	214 75
Halifax " " 1-5 "	214 75
Nova Scotia " " 1-5 "	214 75
Ottawa " " 1-5 "	214 75
Total	\$1073 75
Nova Scotia Board of Fire Underwriters	1024 25

Inasmuch as the risk was about expiring it was decided to accept the lowest tender and ask Council to approve their action.

R. T. MACILREITH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Powell, seconded by Alderman Taylor, that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report Commissioners of Common re asphalt walk Grafton Park.

ASPHALT WALK GRAFTON PARK.

JUNE 2nd, 1905.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council :

GENTLEMEN,—I am directed to convey to Your Honorable Body the following resolution, passed at a meeting of the Commissioners of Halifax Common held Thursday, June 1st, 1905 :—

Whereas, The walk used as a public thoroughfare through Grafton Park is badly in need of immediate repair, and the funds at the disposal of the Commission being very limited, as this season so much repair work is required, we find it impossible to assume the total liability of putting down asphalt walk across the Park.

We ask Your Honorable Body to assume one-half the cost of having the work done, as it is solely used as a public thoroughfare.

W. E. MESSERVEY, *Secretary*.

Moved by Alderman Taylor, seconded by Alderman Powell, that the recommendation of the Common Commissioners be concurred in and the work carried out.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Cawsey, seconded by Alderman Martin, that the matter be referred to the Committee on Works with the recommendation that the work be proceeded with as suggested by the Commissioners of Common.

Amendment put and passed.

Moved by Alderman Murray, seconded by Alderman Powell, that the Committee on Works prepare a report upon an electric light for Walnut Street. Motion passed.

Read petition Moir's, Ltd., in re taxes on their property.

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

Read petition for an electric light Quinn Street.

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

By leave of Council Aldermen Johnson submits the following resolution :—

Whereas, The City pays practically the whole cost of keeping up the Prison on Spring Garden Road ;

And Whereas, The average number of prisoners at Rockhead Prison is very small ;