

*And Whereas*, This Prison costs the City about \$6,000.00 per year ;

*Resolved*, That the City Prison Committee report on the advisability of doing away with Rockhead Prison by amalgamating it with the Spring Garden Road prison, and if legislation is necessary to meet the desired result that it be secured at the next meeting of the Legislature.

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Archibald.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Murray, that said resolution be referred to the City Prison Committee. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Cawsey, seconded by Alderman Hayward, that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 11 o'clock.

## EVENING SESSION.

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8.10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, June 27th, 1905.

A meeting of the City Council was called for this evening.

At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Murray, Archibald, Powell and Halliday.

Moved by Alderman Archibald, seconded by Alderman Halliday, that the time for meeting be extended until 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8.30 o'clock. Roll called. Present, the above named together with Alderman Johnson.

There being no quorum to do business the Council stands adjourned.

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## EVENING SESSION.

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8.10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, July 6th, 1905.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above hour there were present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Taylor, Gastonguay, Martin, Hubley, Lamphier, Hayward, MacKenzie and Powell.

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

8.30 o'clock. Roll called. Present the above named, together with Aldermen Geldert, Halliday, Johnson, Doyle and Hawkins.

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 Gastonguay, Chairman.

Annual Report Charities Committee, by Alderman Hubley.

Report Cemetery Committee, by Alderman Hubley, Chairman.

Report Board of Fire Wards, by Alderman Powell, Acting-Chairman.

Report City Prison Committee, by Alderman Hawkins, Chairman.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following named papers :—

Reports (2) from Police Commission.

Letter Provincial Secretary covering letter and Building Code from National Board of Fire Underwriters of the United States.

Message from His Worship the Mayor covering writ of summons, statement of claim, restraining order, decision of Mr. Justice Russell and opinion of His Honor the Recorder in the suit H. B. Clarke vs. the City of Halifax.

Letter Board of Trade re Hotel Bell and Telephone Co.

Report License Inspector re his place of residence.

Annual report City Auditor.

Petition for sewer in Granville Street.

Report Coal Weighers for May.

Message from His Worship the Mayor re appointment of F. H. Bell as Acting-Recorder.

Invitation from the League of American Municipalities to attend Annual Convention.

Four reports from the Committee on Works, viz :—

Tenders for erecting Bedford Row engine house.

Monthly accounts.

Tenders for water pipes.

Uniacke Street sewer.

Moved by Alderman Halliday, seconded by Alderman Johnson, that the order of the day be suspended to permit the reading of the papers submitted at this meeting, as well as those submitted but not read at last meeting. Motion passed.

Read message from His Worship the Mayor of his appointment of Mr. F. H. Bell as Acting-Recorder during the Recorder's absence from the city.

#### APPOINTMENT OF ACTING-RECORDER.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, June 27th, 1905.

To the Members City Council :

GENTLEMEN,—The Recorder having notified me that owing to ill health it is necessary for him to be absent from the City for a month or six weeks, and having been asked by him to appoint an Acting Recorder during his absence, under Chapter 57, Sec. 3 of the Acts of 1892, I have named and appointed Mr. Frank H. Bell, barrister of the Supreme Court, to discharge the duties of the Recorder during his absence from the City.

The Recorder's letter to me and a copy of my letter appointing Mr. Bell are submitted herewith.

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

RECORDER'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, June 15th, 1905.

*His Worship the Mayor:*

SIR,—You are fully aware of my sickness for the last few months. I am happy to say that during the last month I am becoming gradually convalescent. The doctor has ordered me away for a change of air, to remain for a month or six weeks.

Would you be good enough under these circumstances to appoint an Acting-Recorder during my absence, under Chap. 57, Sec. 3 of the Acts of 1892.

W. F. MACCOY, *City Recorder.*

MAYOR'S OFFICE, June 16th, 1905.

F. H. BELL, ESQ.,  
Barrister, &c., City.

DEAR SIR,—The Recorder, by letter dated the 15th inst., having requested me to appoint an Acting-Recorder during his absence from the city, I do hereby name and appoint you, under section 3 of chapter 57, of the Local Acts of 1892, to be Acting-Recorder during the absence of Mr. W. F. MacCoy, K. C., from the city.

Yours truly,

R. T. MACILREITH, *Mayor.*

Filed.

Read report Cemetery Committee covering accounts.

CEMETERY ACCOUNTS.

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

*His Worship the Mayor and City Council:*

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

Rhodes, Curry & Co., lumber, \$3.35. A. J. Grant & Co., tools, \$1.00. A. M. Bell & Co., hardware, \$2.05. John Murphy, repairing gate, \$4.50. Total, \$10.90.

ANDREW HUBLEY, *Chairman.*

The following resolution is submitted:—

*Resolved*, That the report of the Cemetery Committee be received and concurred in and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the accounts therein recommended.

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

Read Annal Report Charities Committee for 1904-5. Filed.

Read report Board of Fire Wards on various matters and covering accounts.

## FIRE WARDS ACCOUNTS, &amp;c.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, July 4th, 1905.

*To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:*

GENTLEMEN,—The Board of Fire Wards met this day at eight o'clock and beg to submit the following report:—

There were present Alderman Taylor, Powell and Hawkins.

In the absence of the Chairman from the City, Alderman Powell was appointed Chairman pro tem

Tenders for supplying the Department with hard and soft coal were received from S. Cunnard & Co. and William Roche. The tender of William Roche, being the lowest, was accepted.

Tenders for furnishing one hundred feet of chemical hose were received from Austen Bros., and Canadian Rubber Co. The tender of the Canadian Rubber Co. for Para Hose, being the lowest, is recommended for acceptance.

Your Board received a petition against the erection of an engine house at the corner of Morris and Robie Streets and the same is herewith referred to the City Council for consideration.

The Chief having applied for permission for a team to go to Sydney to compete in the Fireman's Tournament there about the end of July, it is recommended that the request be granted and that they be permitted to take a hose waggon with them.

The following accounts are recommended for payment:—

Simson Bros., soda, \$4.50. Tram Co., power, \$5.55; Lighting, \$12.98—\$18.53. Wm. Roche, coal, \$26.00. J. S. Cashen, forage, \$205.24. Commercial Union Ins Co., insurance on chemical, \$18.00. W. S. Craig, plumbing, 90c. J. H. Mont & Co., carriage work, \$6.30. J. E. Myers, plumbing, \$4.38. Jas. Dempster & Co., lumber, \$7.58. A. A. Tompson, sponges, \$12.00. Victoria Laundry, \$3 10. J. F. Kelly, saddlery, \$4.10. Melvin & Co., paint, &c., \$1.70. Horseshoeing, Meagher & MacKenzie, \$8.99. Peter Porrier, \$4.90. O'Connell Bros., \$4.43. T. Robinson, \$1.50. J. R. Purcell \$3.83. Wm. Kline, \$3.44, \$4.05—\$7.49. D. J. McIntosh 95c. Robt. Horner \$4.53. Macdonald & Co., machine work, \$24.93. W. & A. Mcir, machine work, \$95.10. Total \$468.98.

WM. R. POWELL, *Acting-Chairman.*

The following resolution is submitted:—

*Resolved,* That the report of the Board of Fire Wards be received and concurred in and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for payment of the accounts therein recommended.

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

Read report Charities Committee re tenders for boilers and covering accounts.

## CHARITIES COMMITTEE ACCOUNTS, ETC.

POORS' ASYLUM, July 5th, 1905.

*To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:*

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Charities Committee held on June 15th, tenders for two cast iron sectional hot water heating boilers were received from Longard Bros. and Macdonald & Co., Ltd. The tender of Longard Bros. for eight hundred and sixty-

nine dollars (\$869.00), being the lowest, was accepted. Macdonald & Co.'s tender was one thousand and sixty dollars (\$1,060.00).

At a meeting held this day the following members were present: The Chairman Aldermen Lamphier and MacKenzie.

The Superintendent's report shows that during the month of June there were 21 persons admitted into the Poores' Asylum, 2 born, 18 discharged and 2 died. Of the number admitted 6 were chargeable to the Province, 1 to Cheticamp, C. B., and 14 to the City. The total number of inmates June 30th was 312, made up of 171 men, 139 women and 2 children.

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

A. L. Doyle & Co., \$257.40. Nova Scotia Milling Co., Ltd., \$112.00. J. & M. Murphy, \$52.53. W. A. Maling & Co., \$276.23. P. T. Shea, \$93.28. Scotia Pure Milk Co., Ltd, \$76.93. George Gregoire, \$24.10. E. J. Fenton, \$32.99. H. D. McKenzie, agent Intercolonial Coal Co., \$255.77. S. Cunard & Co., \$187.50. T. C. Allen & Co., \$21.33. Fleischman & Co., \$7.80. C. E. Pattner, \$37.50. Halifax Electric Tramway Co., Ltd., \$18.65. W. N. Brown, \$6.25. John Davison & Son, \$2.45. Estate of C. S. Lane, \$2.40. Cragg Bros. & Co., \$7.15. Robinson Bros., \$37.73. John F. Kelly, \$3.10. B. Mulcahy, \$487.33. Pay Sheet, \$604.49. Dillon Bros., \$115.75. John F. Outhit, \$47.80.

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 the accounts mentioned therein.

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

Read report City Prison Committee re tenders for coal and uniform clothing, dog pound and other matters, and covering accounts.

#### CITY PRISON ACCOUNTS, ETC.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, July 3rd, 1905.

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 Hawkins (Chairman), Gastonguay and Hubley, the following accounts, amounting to \$44.87, were examined, found correct and recommended for payment, viz:—

J. A. Leaman & Co., ox heads, \$7.20; Wm. Robertson & Son, hardware, \$2.40; W. Chas. Anderson, groceries, \$10.75; Gunn & Co., hay, \$12.78; Gunn & Co., straw, \$10.74; Halifax Electric Tramway Co., light, \$1.00.—Total \$44.87.

Your Committee further report that His Worship the Mayor, on behalf of the Police Commission, waited on Committee and asked that a pound be opened at the prison for stray dogs.

Your Committee recommend that the Governor be instructed to provide a pound on prison grounds, the owners of dogs impounded to pay any expenses incurred before dogs are released.

Your Committee further report that tenders were received from Messrs. S. Cunard & Co. and Wm. Roche for coal for the prison, and from Messrs. Clayton & Sons and W. S. Munnis for five suits uniform clothing for underkeepers.

Your Committee recommend that the tender of Messrs. S. Cunard & Co. for Sydney coal at \$5.10 per ton and hard coal at \$6.20 per ton be accepted.

Also, that the tender of Clayton & Sons, No. 72759, for five suits of uniform clothing at \$12.00 per suit be accepted, these being the lowest tenders.

Your Committee further report that they had under consideration a letter from City Health Board requesting the Committee to erect a fence between the prison grounds and the hospital for infectious diseases.

Your Committee recommend that this letter be referred to the Committee on Works, as this work comes under the jurisdiction of the City Works Committee.

The Chairman having reported that on the 15th June last Wm. Oakley, a prisoner in charge of Underkeeper Anderson, had escaped and is still at large, and that he had suspended Anderson pending the action of the Committee, an investigation on this matter was held by Committee, and after hearing the Governor and Mr. Anderson's version of the story, your Committee recommend that the action of the Chairman be concurred in and that Anderson be re-instated and be fined seven days' pay, and that the Chairman be authorized to sign Anderson's pay sheet for balance of time he was under suspension.

The reports of Governor and Matron were submitted and adopted and are hereto attached.

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 the accounts therein recommended.

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

Read report Committee on Works covering monthly accounts.

#### WORKS COMMITTEE ACCOUNTS.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, July 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 recommended for payment.

Sewerage Account, Loan 1905, \$1766.24; Street Lighting, \$1510.43; Streets, \$729.40; Public Baths, \$377.14; City Property, \$317.73; Internal Health, \$207.00; City Hall Lighting, \$45.34; Teams and Stables, \$7.61; Water Construction, \$160.51; Water Maintenance, \$99.21. Total, \$5220.61.

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

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

Read Annual Report City Auditor for 1904-5. Filed.

Read report Police Commission covering accounts for payment.

## POLICE ACCOUNTS.

MAYORS OFFICE, July 6th, 1905.

*To the City Council:*

GENTLEMEN,—The Police Commission, at a meeting held on the 5th inst., had before them the following accounts and beg to recommend the same for payment:—

John F. Kelly, saddle, etc., \$49.25. John J. Carnell, supplies for patrol wagon \$1.75. Joseph S. Cashen, feed, \$10.00. N. S. Telephone Co., telephone six months to May, 1905, Engine House, S. G. Road, \$12.50. Estate C. S. Lane, buttons, \$93.00.—Total 166.50.

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

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

Read report Police Commission in re allowance to the widow of the late Police Sergeant Condon.

## ALLOWANCE TO MRS. CONDON.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, July 6th, 1905.

*To the City Council:*

GENTLEMEN,—The Police Commission beg to report that at a meeting held on the 5th inst., all the members being present, they had under consideration an application from Mrs. Condon, widow of the late Police Sergeant Condon, asking that the payment from the Police Superannuation Fund be continued for as long a period as possible.

Under the Act constituting the fund Mrs. Condon is only entitled to be paid to the quarter ending August 1st, 1905. As Mr. Condon had served for thirty-four years as a member of the Halifax Police Force, twenty years of which time he has acted as sergeant, the Commission would recommend that the balance of the amount embodied in the last year's estimates to make up the retiring allowance of Police Sergeant Condon, amounting to \$125.35, be paid to his widow. The letter of Mrs. Condon is attached hereto.

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

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

Read invitation to the Mayor and members of the City Council to attend the Annual Convention of the League of American Municipalities August 23–25, at the City of Toledo. Ordered to be acknowledged and filed.

Read report Committee on Works re tenders for erection of new engine house, Bedford Row.

## TENDERS FOR ENGINE HOUSE.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, June 29th, 1905.

*To the City Council:*

GENTLEMEN,—The Committee on Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, tenders for the construction of an engine house on Bedford Row were opened, as follows:—

Geo. B. Lowe (cement blocks), \$16,535.00, with certified cheque.

E. Maxwell, \$17,764.00, and no cheque.



Samuel A. Marshall & Son, \$18,198.00, with certified cheque.  
 E. J. Horne, \$19,100.00, and no cheque.  
 E. F. Keefe, \$20,982.00, with certified cheque.

The tenders of E. Maxwell and E. J. Horne not complying with the conditions of the advertisement (no certified cheques being furnished) were rejected.

The Committee recommend that the tender of Geo. B. Lowe, being the lowest, be accepted.

The amount at the present time available for the construction of the Bedford Row engine house is \$6,000.00. At the last session of the Legislature power was taken to borrow the sum of \$30,000.00 for improvement of the Fire Department. In making up this sum the Council estimated \$6,500.00 to be added to the amount available for the Bedford Row engine house, the balance to be used for the construction of the Robie Street engine house and other improvements.

Your Committee recommend that instead of \$6,500.00 being taken from the sum of \$30,000.00, authorized to be borrowed for improvement of the Fire Department, the sum of \$10,535.00 be taken and that authority be obtained at the next session of the Legislature for such additional sum as may be found necessary for the building of the Robie Street house.

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

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

Moved in amendment by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the matter be referred back to the Committee on Works for further report as to the advisability of constructing said building of concrete, and also to consider the advisability of accepting the plans upon which the tenders were asked in view of the fact that plans for a \$10,000.00 building were called for and the lowest bid made on said plans was in the neighborhood of \$17,000.00.

The amendment being put is passed.

Read report Committee on Works covering recommendation of Board of Health re sewer Uniacke Street.

#### UNIACKE STREET SEWER.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, June 29th, 1905.

*To the City Council :*

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day, the attached Minute of Board of Health re the urgent necessity of building sewer in Uniacke Street was read and it was recommended the immediate construction of said sewer in accordance therewith.

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

OFFICE OF CITY HEALTH BOARD, June 23rd, 1905.

*To the Chairman and other Members of Committee on Works.*

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the City Health Board, held on Wednesday, 14th inst., the following resolution was passed, and I am directed to transmit the same to you for your consideration :—

*Resolved,* That as a public sewer is urgently needed in Uniacke Street, the Works

Department be recommended, in the interest of public health, to order the construction of same as soon as possible.

JOHN A. WATERS, *Secretary.*

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

Read report Committee on Works re Tenders for water pipes.

TENDERS FOR WATER PIPE.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, June 29th, 1905.

To the City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day, the City Engineer submitted the following prices for the water pipe required by this department, as follows:—

Dennis Murphy .....	\$35 90 per ton.
Montreal Pipe Foundry Co. ....	36 00    "
R. D. Wood & Co., Philadelphia.....	38 50    "

It was decided to recommend the acceptance of the tender of Dennis Murphy as the lowest.

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

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

Read petition for a sewer in Granville Street between Blowers and Salter Streets.

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

Read report Coal Weighers for May. Filed.

Read report Chief of Police re Violations of Liquor License Act on Sundays. Filed.

SUNDAY VIOLATIONS.

OFFICE OF CHIEF OF POLICE, June 5th, 1905.

GENTLEMEN,—In accordance with resolution of Council, I beg to submit a list of violations reported to me since last meeting of Council:—

- Victoria Fisher, No. 120 Lower Water Street, Sunday, May 28th, 1905.
- Henry Gullickson, No. 132-134 Lower Water Street, Sunday, May 28th, 1905.
- James Teahan, No. 27 Sackville Street, Sunday, May 28th, 1905.
- William Young, No. 72-74 Albemarle Street, Sunday, June 4th, 1905.
- Catherine Meagher, No. 123 Gottingen Street, Sunday, June 4th, 1905.
- Thomas Brown, Campbell Road, Sunday, June 4th, 1905.

JOHN O'SULLIVAN, *Chief of Police.*

Read petition for grading of Owen Street.

Moved by Alderman Halliday, seconded by Alderman Geldert, that

the same be referred to the Committee on Works for report. Motion passed.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re water and sewer extension in Brussels Street.

#### WATER AND SEWER EXTENSION BRUSSELS STREET.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, June 1st, 1905.

*His Worship the Mayor :*

SIR,—I beg to report on the accompanying petition from Edward C. Durnford asking for water and sewer extension to his premises, No. 9, on the east side of Brussels St.

#### WATER EXTENSION.

The district is low service ; excavation, rock ; length of pipe required, 183 feet ; size of pipe, 6" ; estimated cost :—

Pipe .....	\$109 80
Excavation .....	228 75
1 6" valve .....	20 00
1 service pipe .....	25 00
Lead and paint .....	1 00
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	\$384 55
Interest on outlay at 5% .....	19 23

I would recommend that the extension be made, provided the petitioner will agree to pay a special rate not exceeding \$19.23.

The building to be supplied is a one-story structure 12' x 12' and 8' posts, and if water is laid on it is certain that it will be wasted in this building unless the supply is through meter. I would therefore recommend that a meter be placed on the service pipe when the water is put in.

#### SEWER EXTENSION.

There has been no request from any other property owner on this street for sewer extension, and it is not advisable to lay a sewer for the drainage of one property. I must therefore decline to recommend the construction of the sewer.

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

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

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Hayward, that the report of the City Engineer be adopted, that the water be extended as petitioned for and that the special rate named in the Engineer's report be charged.

The amendment being put is passed.

On motion the report of the Committee on Works is passed as amended.

Read letter Board of Trade covering letter from Hotel Bell and Telephone Co., in re exemption from taxation.

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

Read letter Provincial Secretary covering letter and copy of Building Code from the National Board of Fire Underwriters of the United States.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Geldert, that the same be referred to the Revisers of the City Charter. Motion passed.

Read report License Inspector re his place of residence.

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

GENTLEMEN,—In re my report, my place of residence being in the City of Halifax and the same having been referred back to me as to the street and number on and at which I live, I beg leave to say that I have engaged apartments at the "Marlborough," number 121 South Park Street. I also dine with one of my numerous relatives in the city from time to time.

W. W. McLELLAN, *Chief License Inspector.*

Moved by Alderman Powell, seconded by Alderman Martin, that the communication be filed.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Johnson, that the same be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges to ascertain from the License Inspector if he intends to comply with the terms of his appointment and reside permanently with his family in the City of Halifax while he holds the office.

Amendment put and passed.

Read message from His Worship the Mayor covering papers in the suit of H. B. Clarke vs. The City of Halifax (in re lease of Old Exhibition Building)

#### RE LEASE OLD EXHIBITION RINK.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, June 27th, 1905.

*Members of City Council:*

GENTLEMEN,—I have to inform you that on the 12th inst. I was served with a writ of summons at the suit of H. B. Clarke, and with an order restraining the city from executing the lease of the Old Exhibition Building, Tower Road, to John Mullane, pursuant to a resolution of Council passed on the 8th inst.

I submit for your information writ of summons, statement of claim and restraining order, the decision of Mr Justice Russell and opinion of His Honor the Recorder.

R. T. MacILREITH, *Mayor.*

Placed on Order of the Day for consideration with No. 1 thereon, viz., Alderman Taylor's notice of reconsideration of resolution re lease of Old Exhibition Building to John Mullane.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Martin, that the Order of the Day be further suspended to permit Alderman Doyle to introduce a resolution. Motion passed, and the following resolution is admitted :—

*Resolved*, that the Police Commission take under consideration some scheme whereby in the case of any police sergeant or police officer paying into the Superannuation Fund for a period of ten years, and after being put on the pension roll dies before enjoying said pension for at least five years that his widow or family should continue to enjoy said pension for the unexpired period of the five years above referred to, and in the event of the Commission reporting favorably thereon that legislation be sought for at the next session of the Local House covering the points above mentioned and the same be made retroactive so as to give the family of the late Sergeant Condon the benefit of the same.

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

Moved by Alderman Geldert, seconded by Alderman Powell, that the Order of the Day be further suspended to permit Alderman Johnson to submit a resolution. Motion passed, and the following resolution is introduced :—

*Whereas*, a Dominion Exhibition is to be held in this city in 1906, the Dominion Government having given a special grant of \$50,000.00 for this purpose ;

*And Whereas*, it is calculated that an additional amount of \$50,000 00 will have to be raised to beautify and enlarge the grounds and increase the size of the present buildings and build new ones ;

*And Whereas*, the holding of such an exhibition in this city will be the means of advertising it throughout Canada ;

*Therefore Resolved*, that legislation be asked for at the next meeting of the Legislature authorizing the city to borrow \$10,000.00 on a long term loan to be given as a special grant for this exhibition, provided the Local Government make a smimilar grant to the exhibition.

The vote on the resolution being taken, there appeared :—

For the Resolution.

Aldermen Geldert, Halliday,  
Johnson, Powell,  
Taylor, Gastonguay,  
Doyle, Hubley,  
Martin, MacKenzie,  
Hayward.—11.

Agasnst it.

Alderman Lamphier—1.

His Worship the Mayor declared the resolution lost it requiring a two-thirds vote of the whole council to pass it.

Alderman Powell gives notice of motion to rescind the resolution passed June 8th, 1905, to erect an engine house at the corner of Robie and Morris Streets.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

Read No. 1, viz. :—Alderman Taylor's notice of reconsideration of resolution re lease of old Exhibition Building to John Mullane.

Also, read message from His Worship the Mayor on the subject submitted this meeting and the papers attached thereto, viz. :—Writ of Summons in Suit H. B. Clarke vs. The City of Halifax, Statement of Claim and Restraining Order, the decision of Mr. Justice Russell and opinion of His Honor the Recorder.

Moved by Alderman Taylor, seconded by Alderman Johnson, that this matter be now reconsidered.

Motion put and lost, 5 voting for reconsideration and 8 against, as follows :—

For reconsideration.	Against.
Aldermen Geldert, Halliday, Johnson, Powell, Taylor.—5.	Aldermen Gastonquay, Lamphier, Doyle, Hubley, Martin, MacKenzie, Hayward, Hawkins.—8.

Moved by Alderman Doyle, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that the Acting-Recorder be instructed to defend the suit in this matter brought by Mr. Clarke against the City. Motion passed.

Alderman Martin submits the following notice of motion :—

*Resolved*, that Gottingen Street, from Cornwallis Street to Cunard Street be paved with bitulithic, and that the necessary legislation be obtained to use the money left over from the paving of Granville Street.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Halliday, that a dog pound be established at the City Prison at Rockhead and that William Murray, keeper of the City Prison, be appointed keeper of the said pound. Motion passed.

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

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Martin, that No. 15, viz. :—Deferred consideration of appointment of pound keeper Robie Street, be referred to the Committee on Works for report. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Martin, that the Order of the Day be suspended to permit Alderman Johnson to submit a resolution. Motion passed.

The following resolution is submitted :—

*Whereas*, a Dominion Exhibition is to be held in this city in 1906, the Dominion Government having given a special grant of \$50,000.00 for this purpose ;

*And Whereas*, it is calculated that an additional amount of \$50,000.00 will have to be raised to beautify and enlarge the grounds and to increase the size of the present buildings and build new ones;

*And Whereas*, the holding of such an exhibition in this city will be the means of advertising it throughout Canada;

*Therefore Resolved*, that legislation be asked for at the next meeting of the Legislature authorizing the city to borrow \$10,100.00 on a long term loan, to be given as a special grant for this exhibition, provided the Local Government make a similar grant to the exhibition.

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Martin.

Motion put and passed, 12 voting for the same and 1 against it, as follows:—

For the Resolution.

Aldermen Geldert, Halliday,  
Johnson, Powell,  
Taylor, Gastonguay,  
Doyle, Hubley,  
Martin, MacKenzie,  
Hayward, Hawkins.—12.

Against it.

Alderman Lamphier—1.

Alderman Lamphier gave notice of reconsideration.

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

Council adjourns 10.45 o'clock.

## EVENING SESSION.

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8.10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, August 15th, 1905.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above hour there were present Aldermen Powell, Taylor, Johnson, Hubley, Lamphier, Martin, Archibald, MacKenzie and Hawkins.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Johnson, that the time be extended until a quorum is present or until 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8.20 o'clock. Roll called. Present the above named, together with His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Geldert, Halliday, Gastonguay, Doyle, Cawsey 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 Gastonguay, Chairman.

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

Reports (2) Library Committee and resignation of Miss Edith L. Wiswell, Assistant Librarian, by Alderman Geldert, Chairman.

Report Public Accounts Committee on various matters and letter Royal Bank of Canada re contract for the City's banking business, by Alderman Johnson, Chairman.

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

Report Laws and Privileges Committee, by Alderman Geldert, Chairman.

Report City Prison Committee, by Alderman Hawkins, Chairman.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following named papers :—

Reports (2) City Engineer re widening of Agricola Street, covering plan.

Reports (8) Committee on Works, as follows :—

Water extension Creighton Street.

Monthly accounts.

Water extension Acadia Street.

Tenders for stone for Crusher.



- Grading Owen Street.  
 Fence City Prison and Infectious Diseases Hospital.  
 Tenders for coal.  
 Bedford Row Engine House.  
 Petition Bricklayers' Union in re use of concrete blocks for Bedford Row Engine House.  
 Reports (2) Police Commission, covering accounts, and Annual Report Chief of Police.  
 Report Commercial Committee re changing locating of Upper Water Street.  
 Report City Engineer re sidewalk at Public Gardens.  
 Report Chief of Police re Sunday violations of Liquor License Act.  
 Reports (2) Coal Weighers for June and July.  
 Cash Statements City Collector and City Treasurer for June,  
 Letter Governor of City Prison re Dog Pound.  
 Petition Granville Street merchants against fast driving of vehicles.  
 Petition re non-stopping of tram cars at Bedford Avenue.  
 Petition Salvation Army Rescue Home for tax exemption or grant.  
 Petition for sewer Shirley Street.  
 Petition for paving of Gottingen Street with bitulithic.  
 Letter and account Prothonotary re Halifax and South Western Railway Arbitration.  
 Letter Provincial Secretary re grant for Dominion Exhibition.  
 Writ of Summoas John F. Kelly vs. The City of Halifax.  
 Application of J. Webber for Auctioneer's License.  
 Application of T. W. Mullane for refund of liquor license deposit.  
 Letter Acting-Recorder Bell re suit Clarke vs. The City.  
 Application of William Kline for position as City Horseshoer.

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

Read report Committee on Works covering accounts for payment.

#### WORKS COMMITTEE ACCOUNTS.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, August 15th, 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:

Street Lighting .....	\$1518 43
Sewerage .....	1027 63
Streets .....	513 92
City Property .....	221 56

Internal Health .....	\$110 72
City Hall Lighting .....	41 09
Teams and Stables .....	17 86
Public Baths .....	5 05
Official City Plan .....	1 20
Water Maintenance .....	388 71
Total.....	<u>\$3846 17</u>

R. T. MACILREITH, *Mayor and Chairman*

Moved by Alderman Taylor, seconded by Alderman Johnson, that said accounts be paid. Motion passed.

Read report City Prison Committee re Dog Pound and covering accounts.

#### CITY PRISON ACCOUNTS, ETC.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, August 8th, 1905.

*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 Hawkins, (Chairman), Archibald and Hubley, the following accounts, amounting to \$153.01, were examined, found correct and recommended for payment, viz. :

1904 account, W. D. Irwin, drugs, \$4.00. Black & Flinn, hay and oats, \$15.14. Total, \$19.14.

1905 account, W. D. Irwin, drugs, \$2.41. Black & Flinn, bran and lime, \$13.35. Brander & Morris, mattresses, \$40.00. W. J. Power, dry goods, \$11.15. J. A. Leaman & Co., ox heads, \$7 20. Tramway Co., electric light, \$1.00. R. B. Adams & Co., groceries, \$18 10. Hillis & Sons, Ltd., tea kettle, 70c. A. J. Grant & Co., hardware, \$2.28. Arthur Fordham, leather &c., \$9.86. Gunn & Co., oats, \$27.92. Total, \$133.87. Grand total, \$153.01.

Your Committee further report that the space allotted for a dog pound being now filled up, the Governor was instructed not to receive any more dogs until those at present there are disposed of, and recommend that the matter be dealt with at once.

The monthly report of Governor and Matron, showing eight prisoners in custody July 31st, was adopted and is submitted herewith.

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 City Engineer re sidewalk at Public Gardens on Spring Garden Road.

## SIDEWALK AT GARDENS.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, August 15th, 1905.

*His Worship the Mayor:*

SIR,—Some time ago the Council ordered the construction of an asphalt sidewalk on the north side of Spring Garden Road along the Public Gardens from Park St. to Summer St. The work has not been performed as the weather has been so warm that it was liable to be cut up by traffic and disfigured.

During the recent visit to Western cities the sidewalk construction was carefully investigated. Nearly every city follows the same kind of construction for suburban streets, namely, a five or six foot cement sidewalk about one foot from the street line with a grass plot between the walk and the curb line and a combined curb and gutter of concrete. The appearance of these sidewalks is so much handsomer than the usual construction in Halifax that our City suffers by comparison. The advisability of laying any more (so-called) asphalt sidewalks is questionable, to say the least. The city is spending a large amount yearly in repairs and the work is by no means permanent. It would be far cheaper to do less work and do it better. This matter has been discussed before the Committee on Works, and I would respectfully recommend that instead of laying an asphalt sidewalk this year on the whole block that a cement sidewalk five feet wide and constructed as above described be laid this year for five hundred feet from Park St. west, which is half the length of the block.

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

Moved by Alderman Powell, seconded by Alderman Johnson, that the report be adopted and the work carried out as recommended by the City Engineer. Motion passed, Alderman Hubley voting contra.

Read report Library Committee covering accounts.

## LIBRARY ACCOUNTS.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, July 17th, 1905.

*To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:*

GENTLEMEN,—Your Committee on Citizens' Free Library beg to report that at a meeting of the Committee, held this day at 8 p. m., there were present Aldermen Geldert (Chairman), Gastonguay and MacKenzie.

The following accounts, amounting to \$141.10, were examined, found correct and are recommended for payment, viz:—Mutual Subscription Agency, Magazine, 60c. Mutual Subscription Agency, Magazine, \$18.30. Chronicle Pub. Co., Chronicle, 1905, \$6.00. C. F. Fraser, re-seating chairs, \$1.25. Library Bureau, Sub. to Pub. Library, \$1.00. C. D. Cazenove & Son, Sub. to Bookseller, \$1.50. T. C. Allen & Co., Stationery, \$22.85. Royal Insurance Co., Insurance, \$80.00—\$9.60, \$89.60. Total, \$141.10.

J. M. GELDEBT, *Chairman.*

The following resolution is submitted:—

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

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

Read resignation of Miss Edith L. Wiswell, Assistant Librarian.

Moved by Alderman Geldert, seconded by Alderman Taylor, that said resignation be accepted. Motion passed.

Read report Library Committee re filling vacancy on Library staff.

#### LIBRARY STAFF.

CITY HALL, August 1st, 1905.

*His Worship the Mayor and Members City Council.*

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Library Committee, held this day, there were present the Chairman and Aldermen Doyle, Gastonguay, Campbell and MacKenzie.

The Committee had before them the matter of the resignation of Miss Wiswell, and on motion of Alderman Doyle, seconded by Alderman Gastonguay, it was decided to recommend to the Council that Miss Wiswell's resignation be accepted, that Miss Barnaby be promoted to the position of First Assistant Librarian and that advertisements be inserted in the papers doing City advertising asking for applications for the position of Second Assistant Librarian, made vacant by Miss Barnaby's promotion.

J. M. GELDERT, *Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Geldert, seconded by Alderman Doyle, that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report Police Commission covering accounts.

#### POLICE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, August 15th, 1905.

*To the City Council:*

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

W. F. Pickering & Co., riding breeches and leather strapping, \$11.00. W. F. Pickering & Co., 46 pairs uniform pants at \$7.50, \$345.00. McAlpine Publishing Co., 2 directories, \$7.00. Total, \$363.00.

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

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

Read reports (2) Commissioners of Halifax Common recommending accounts for payment.

#### PUBLIC GARDENS ACCOUNTS.

OFFICE OF COMMISSIONERS PUBLIC GARDENS, July 13th, 1905.

*His Worship the Mayor and City Council:*

GENTLEMEN,—A meeting of the Commissioners of Halifax Common was held on July 11th at 4.30 p. m.

They had before them the accompanying bills which passed for payment, and the Secretary was instructed to forward them to the City Council for their information and concurrence:—

T. C. Allen & Co., \$5.88. Halifax Train Co., \$1.51. R. Power, \$3 50. J. F. Kelly, \$5.95. Bentley & Flemming, \$85.00. Wm. Robertson & Son, \$48 46. Geo. E. Smith, \$5 24. Austen Bros., \$2.00. Crowell Bros., \$9.00. Longard Bros., \$17.75. G. A. Wooten, \$3.80. Bailey, Underwood & Co., \$1.25. R. B. Adams, \$4.60. City Works Dept., \$40.00. Total, \$233.94.

W. E. MESSERVEY, *Secretary*.

OFFICE OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC GARDENS, August 4th, 1905.

*To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:*

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Commissioners of Public Gardens the accompanying bills were passed for payment and the Secretary instructed to send them to the City Council for concurrence and information :—

Brookfield Bros., \$105.27. H. H. Fuller & Co., \$11.75. City Works Dept., \$6.90. John MacInnis & Son, \$23 69. Webster Floral Co., \$4.50. 1st Canadian Artillery Band, \$25.00. M. Scanlan & Son, 58c. Electric light, \$1.16. M. Dacy, \$2.00. Royal Garrison Band, \$20.00. Total, \$200.85.

W. E. MESSERVEY, *Secretary*.

The following resolution is submitted :—

*Resolved*, That the reports 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 Gastonguay, and passed.

Read report Charities Committee covering accounts.

#### CHARITIES COMMITTEE ACCOUNTS, ETC.

POOR'S ASYLUM, August 2nd, 1905.

*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 Halliday, Powell and Lamphier.

The Superintendent's report for July shows that during the month there were 40 persons admitted into the Poor's Asylum, 37 discharged and 5 died. Of the number admitted 15 were chargeable to the Province, 1 to St. Margaret's Bay, 1 to Whitehead, 1 to Preston, 1 to Cow Bay, C. B., and 21 to the City. The total number of inmates July 31st was 308, made up of 170 men, 137 women and 1 child.

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

A. L. Doyle & Co., \$238.53. W. A. Maling & Co., \$305.16. J. & M. Murphy, \$114.61. P. T. Shea, \$97.38. Scotia Pure Milk Co., Ltd., \$79 05. E. J. Fenton, \$34.13. Geo. Gregoire, \$24.10. Nova Scotia Milling Co., Ltd., \$112.00. Arthur Fordham & Co., \$13.28. H. D. MacKenzie & Co., \$41.68. Halifax Electric Tramway Co., Ltd., \$11.75. W. Eaton & Son, \$70.74. John F. Outhit, \$33.00. A. J. Grant & Co., \$3.88. Wm. McFatridge, \$28.25. Brookfield Bros., \$41.33. Black & Flinn, \$15.00. R. J. Whitten, \$5.70. A. M. Bell & Co., \$11.75. W. S. Rogers, \$66.50. Blackadar Bros., \$7.10. Chronicle Publishing Co., Ltd., \$12 10. Nova Scotia Telephone Co., Ltd., \$6.25. Farquhar Bros., \$69.44. B. Mulcahy, \$233.02. Fleishman & Co., \$3.90. Longard Bros., \$869.00. Pay Sheet, \$779.49. Nova Scotia Hospital, \$767.00. W. N. Brown, \$7.50.

N. V. GASTONGUAY, *Chairman*.

The following resolution is submitted:—

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

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

Read report Board of Fire Wards on various matters and accounts.

FIRE WARDS ACCOUNTS, &c.

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

*His Worship the Mayor and City Council:*

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

At a meeting held this evening the Chief reported the Bedford Row engine house unfit for the men to live in.

Attached hereto, for the information of the Council, is a report of the Chief relating to lack of fire extinguishing apparatus and facilities at Dominion Government water front properties, a copy of which has been forwarded to the Hon. Minister of Railways.

It is recommended that the account of the Board against the Halifax Electric Tramway Company for damages to chemical engine, October 3rd, 1904, be referred to the Acting Recorder for report.

The following accounts are recommended for payment:—

Cragg Bros. & Co., hammocks, etc., \$5.68. Halifax Elec. Tram Co., power, \$7.15; light, \$12.39. \$19.54. F. W. Curtis, carpenter work, \$40.80. A. J. McNutt, carriage work, \$2.00. J. H. Mont & Co., carriage work, \$97.50. Brown & Webb, carboy water and acid, \$9.35. A. J. Grant & Co., hardware, \$2.29. Stairs, Son & Morrow, shovels, \$14.31. J. S. Cashen, forage, \$320.87. J. F. Crowe & Co, supplies, \$7.25. John Davison & Son, lumber, \$13.02. M. S. Brown & Co., badges, \$21.00. Geo. Thompson, brooms, \$2.75. Telephone Co., extension bell, \$1.08. T. A. S. DeWolf & Son, wood, \$4.50. Wm. Roche, coal, \$41.10. Estate Hubley, rent, \$112.50. Mrs. D. Power, potatoes, etc., 38c. Victoria laundry, work, \$3.54. G. M. Cullen & Co., glazing, etc., \$1.40. Neil Fox, harness work, \$4.00. J. F. Kelly, harness work, \$13.35. Canadian Rubber Co., chemical hose, \$55.58. David Roche, glazing, etc., \$7.50. Horseshoeing, O'Connell Bros., \$6.13; Robt. Horner, \$7.42; Wm. Kline, \$5.02; Thos. Robinson, \$5.29; Peter Porrier, \$7.00; Meagher & McKenzie, \$8.46; Turner & Morrison, \$3.05. Total, \$543.66.

Chargeable 1904-5 account—Canadian Rubber Co, springs, etc., \$47.00. Farquhar Bros., electrical supplies, \$2.21. F. W. Curtis, making doors, \$246.50. Zwicker's Art Store, moulding, etc., \$8.02. A. L. Doyle & Co., soap, \$3.25. David Roche, painting, etc., \$12.33. J. H. Mont & Co., repairs chemical No. 1, \$117.96. Total, \$437.27.

W. H. CAWSEY, *Chairman*.

The following resolution is introduced:—

*Resolved*, That the report of the Board of Fire Wards be received and adopted and the accounts paid.

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

Read report Public Accounts Committee re tenders for the City's banking business and on other matters and accounts.

BANK ACCOUNT, ETC.

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

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council :

GENTLEMEN,—Your Committee on Public Accounts beg to report that a meeting of Committee held this day, there being present Aldermen Johnson (Chairman), Archibald, Doyle, Cawsey and Hawkins, they had under consideration tenders received from the chartered banks doing business in this City for the City's Banking Account for three years from the first day of September next. The tenders of the different banks were as follows ;—

**BANK OF MONTREAL.**—The Bank offered to pay  $3\frac{3}{4}$  per cent. per annum on all credit balances, calculated on the basis of daily balances, and charging rate of 5 per cent. per annum for all debit balances, also calculated on the basis of daily balances. Every three months the interest will be paid on credit balances, and will be charged on debit balances.

**BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA.**—The following were the figures presented by the Bank of Nova Scotia :—

	Per cent.
Rate of interest on daily credit balance .....	2 $\frac{1}{2}$
Deposit receipts .....	3
Daily debit balance .....	5

**UNION BANK.**—The Union offered to allow interest on the daily credit balance and deposit receipts at the rate of  $3\frac{1}{2}$  per cent., and will charge on the daily debit balances at the rate of 5 per cent. and will provide all special cheques required.

**CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE** offered to allow 3 per cent. on deposit, and on daily credit balance, and their charge for loans and on daily debit balances will be  $4\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. No interest will be charged on the annual loan of \$100,000, which the City asks for, so long as the loan exists merely as a book-keeping entry—that is to say, that while the balance of credit of the general current is in excess of the amount of the loan, no interest will be charged on loan, and interest will be allowed only on the credit balance in excess of amount of loan.

The tender of the **BANK OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA** said :—“ This bank will charge 5 per cent. interest on daily debit balances and allow 5 per cent. interest on daily credit balances, up to \$100,000, arising in connection with the amount specially borrowed, under cap. 51, sec 4, of 1902—on any amount of credit balance in excess of \$100,000 the bank will allow 4 per cent. on daily balances. The bank will also allow 4 per cent. interest on all other accounts (such as superannuation fund, water account, school account, deposit receipts, etc.) The balance of these accounts are not to be taken as part of credit balance affecting the \$100,000 special advance. The bank will also provide special cheques.

**ROYAL BANK.**—The bank offered to allow interest on daily credit balances and on special deposits at the rate of  $3\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. per annum, and will charge interest on any daily debit balance at the rate of  $4\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. per annum.

Your Committee recommend that the tender of the Bank of British North America be accepted, this being, in the opinion of your Committee, the best offer made, and that the City's banking account be transferred to the said bank on the terms of their tender dated the 27th day of July, 1905, beginning with September 1st, 1905, for three years from that date.

Your Committee further report that they had under consideration the extract from Minutes of City Council asking this Committee to report on ways and means to provide

funds for purchasing the frontage property of L. A. Graves for widening of Lower Water St., as reported on by Committee on Works and City Engineer.

Your Committee recommend that Mr. Graves be offered \$1000.00 for the land required to widen Lower Water Street in accordance with the plan of City Engineer, and if he decides to accept this offer the purchase be completed on a guarantee being obtained from Local Government to provide the necessary legislation to borrow the money required on the same basis as was done in the widening of Upper Water St., and if Mr. Graves does not accept this offer that the land required be expropriated according to law.

The following accounts, amounting to \$314.61, were examined, found correct and are recommended for payment, viz. :—

Longard Bros., tin boxes, \$19.50. Wm. D. Finn, M. D., prof. services A. Naufts, \$5.00. Med. Examiner's certificate of death of male unknown, \$12.00; Wm. McKinlay, \$12.00; S. Healey, \$4.00; N. Berrigan, \$4.00; W. P. Wright, \$4.00; J. Ward, \$4.00; M. Fox, \$4.00; R. Moren, \$4.00; W. McLean, \$4.00; A. G. Mitchell and E. L. Twining, \$4.00; T. O'Grady, \$4.00; R. Cochran, \$4.00; A. Perello and T. Johnson, \$4.00—\$68.00. Chronicle Pub. Co., advertising, \$45.86, \$3.06, \$12.95; Chronicle Pub Co., advertising liquor licenses, \$3.06—65.91. Blackadar Bros., advertising, \$2.22, \$3.46—\$5.68. T. C. Allen & Co., stationery City Treasurer's dept., \$16.00; Auditor's dept., \$5.15; Recorder's dept., \$3.50; Collector's dept., \$3.75. Clerk's dept., \$17.00; Mayor's office, \$18.00—\$63.40. A & W. Mackinlay, Ltd., books City Clerk's dept., \$4.65; Collector's dept., \$8.00—\$12.65. Holloway Bros., Printing Minutes of Council, \$13.60, \$21.80; index to Minutes, 1903-4, \$10.22—\$45.62. London Rubber Stamp Co., Treasurer's dept., 25c; Mayor's office, \$2.60—\$2.85. MacAlpine Pub Co., Directories, Collector, 3; Assessors, 2; City Clerk, 1, \$21.00. Canadian Manufacturer, advertisement, \$5.00. Total, \$314.61.

In connection with account of Dr. Finn, Medical Examiner, for an autopsy on death of Wm. McKinlay, your Committee recommend that cause of his death be thoroughly investigated; that the Police Commission report to the Council concerning his treatment after arrest; also that Detective Power be detailed on the case to investigate if any foul play occurred.

Your Committee further report that they had under consideration an account for \$20.00 from Thomas Renner, Diver, for recovering the body of Fireman innet, lost from the S. S. "Gulf of Ancud." This account has been before your Committee for some time and was referred by them to the agents of the steamer, who refused to accept any liability in the matter. Your Committee referred the account to the Acting-Recorder, who has given his opinion that the City is not liable.

Your Committee recommend that Mr. Renner be informed of this fact.

J. A. JOHNSON, *Chairman.*

Since the above report was completed, I received a letter addressed to me, as Chairman, from the Royal Bank, which I herewith submit for the consideration of the Council.

J. A. JOHNSON *Chairman.*

Also read letter from Royal Bank of Canada re their tender for the City's banking business.

THE ROYAL BANK OF CANADA.

AUGUST 3rd, 1905.

ALDERMAN J. A. JOHNSON,  
*Chairman of Finance Committee,*  
CITY OF HALIFAX.

DEAR SIR,—Referring to the report as appearing in our daily papers regarding the



tenders of the different banks for the City account. I wish to point out to you that on the 27th of June we replied to a circular letter of the City Treasurer asking for tenders, and on that date sent to his office a letter offering to allow 4% on daily credit balances and on special deposits and stating that we would charge 5% on all advances. This letter was returned to us unopened with a request that the tenders be held back until called for as the meeting of the Finance Committee to deal with the question had been postponed. On or about July 25th we were asked to send in our tender. In the meantime we had been led to believe that during the next few years the City would be a borrower instead of a depositor as they had been in the past, and in order to make our offer more attractive we wrote out a new letter making the figures 3½% and 4½%. It now appears that the City is more likely to be a depositor, which fact some of the other banks appear to have been acquainted with, and our offer of 3½% and 4½% was not considered to be quite so favorable.

I may say that we have had the City's business for a great many years and our relations with the City officials have always been most agreeable. We are very anxious to retain the connection and under the circumstances I would ask that if possible the matter be reconsidered and our original tender (a copy of which is enclosed herewith) be accepted.

W. M. BOTSFORD, *Manager.*

THE ROYAL BANK OF CANADA, June 27th, 1905.

W. L. BROWN, Esq., *City Treasurer.*

DEAR SIR,—In reply to your letter of the 22nd inst., I beg to inform you that this bank will undertake to handle the account of the City of Halifax for three years from 1st of September next on the following terms:

We will allow interest on daily credit balances and on special deposits at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum, and will charge interest on any daily debit balances at the rate of 5% per annum.

The bank will provide special cheques.

W. M. BOTSFORD, *Manager.*

Said report is considered clause by clause.

Clause 1, re City's banking business.

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Lamphier, that said clause be not adopted; but that the offer of the Royal Bank of Canada, dated June 27th, 1905, to allow interest on daily credit balances and on special deposits at the rate of four per cent. per annum and to charge interest on any daily debit balances at the rate of five per cent. per annum be accepted. Motion passed.

Clause 2, re widening Lower Water Street at property of L. A. Graves.

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

Clause 3 re accounts, etc.

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

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

Read report City Engineer covering plan and description of land proposed to be expropriated for the widening of Agricola Street.

WIDENING AGRICOLA STREET.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, August 15th, 1905.

*His Worship the Mayor :*

SIR,—In accordance with the provisions of Chap. 58 of the Acts of 1891 and Acts in amendment thereof, I beg to recommend for the approval of the Council the accompanying plan showing land which it is proposed to take for the widening of Agricola Street to the proposed new street line on the east side between Cunard and West Streets, the plan being signed by F. W. W. Doane, City Engineer, and filed in the City Engineer's office on the first day of March, A. D., 1901, as Plan No. 1448.

Also, in accordance with the law, I beg to recommend the approval of the Council to the following descriptions of the property required in accordance with the said plan :

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

[For the said description see the resolution which follows.]

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Cawsey, that the report of the City Engineer and the said plan and description be approved by the Council. Motion passed.

Read report City Engineer re making and serving offers for purchase of properties for widening of Agricola Street.

WIDENING AGRICOLA STREET.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, August 15th, 1905.

*His Worship the Mayor :*

SIR,—In accordance with the resolution of your Council passed June 8th, 1905, I personally made and served an offer in writing on the following persons respectively :—

FOR THE PROPERTY SAID TO BE OWNED BY :	SERVED ON :	AMOUNT OF OFFER.
Halifax Rifles Armoury Association	R. G. Reid, Sect'y	\$ 1200 00
Michael O'Brien	Mrs. Michael O'Brien	1290 00
"	"	1250 00
Mrs. Emma Warner	Eastern Trust Co	1700 00
James F. Meehan	James F. Meehan	1080 00
Simon Meadon	Simon Meadon	890 00
"	"	624 00
Francis McNeil	Mrs. Francis McNeil	624 00
Heirs of Mrs. Shanks	Mrs. Thomas	750 00
P. L. Purcell	P. L. Purcell	750 00
John Nickerson	John Nickerson	834 00
E. J. Phelan	E. J. Phelan	750 00
Warren Gray	Mrs. Warran Gray	1000 00
"	"	1060 00
Devises of Bishop Binney	W. K. Thomson	1400 00
Mrs. Emma Hubley & Benj. Hubley	Mrs. Emma Hubley & Benj. Hubley	1350 00
Michael O'Brien	Mrs. Michael O'Brien	540 00
James Brooks	James Brooks	2900 00
		\$19992 00

The offer in each instance was declined, with the exception of the property said to be owned by Mrs. Emma Warner, Eastern Trust Co., agents; property Nos. 17-19 owned by Simon Meadon; property Nos. 29½-31 owned by Warren Gray; and the property owned by the Devises of Bishop Binney, in which cases the offer was accepted.

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

The following resolution is submitted:—

*Whereas*, The City of Halifax requires the land hereinafter described for the purpose of widening Agricola Street, in said City, and the City Engineer duly prepared a plan of the land required, together with the description of the said land, and submitted the said plan and description to the City Council for its approval, and the said plan and description were approved by the City Council on the 15th day of August, A. D. 1905, and a copy of the same has been filed in the City Engineer's office, as required by law;

*And Whereas*, No agreement can be made or come to with the property owners;

*Therefore Resolved*, That the City Engineer be and he is hereby instructed to give ten days' notice in writing to the owner or owners of the said property hereinafter described of the intention of this Council to expropriate the properties hereinafter described;

*And further*, That the City Clerk be and he is hereby instructed to publish for ten days in two newspapers published in the City of Halifax this resolution of the intention of this Council to expropriate the said land hereinafter described, and that on and after the expiration of said ten days this Council will proceed to expropriate said land for the purpose aforesaid.

The said land is described as follows:—

**PROPERTY OWNED BY THE HALIFAX RIFLES ARMOURY ASSOCIATION, MARKED ON THE PLAN AS BELONGING TO MATILDA DOWNS.**

All that lot of land marked on the plan hereinafter mentioned as belonging to Matilda Downs, now owned by the Halifax Rifles Armoury Association, situate on the east side of Agricola Street, at the north-east corner of Agricola Street and Cunard Street, 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 said east side line of Agricola Street for a distance of 60 feet, more or less, or until it comes to the north boundary of said lot, thence in an easterly direction by the said northern boundary line for a distance of 20 feet 6 inches, more or less, or until it comes to the proposed new east side line of Agricola Street, thence in a southerly direction by the said new east side line of Agricola Street for a distance of 73 feet, more or less, or until it comes 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 of 24 feet, more or less, or until it comes to the place of beginning. The said lot being all that portion of the property belonging to the Halifax Rifles Armoury Association and lying between the present east side line of Agricola Street and the proposed new east side line of Agricola Street, as shewn by a dotted red line on a plan entitled "Plan of Agricola Street showing proposed widening," signed by F. W. W. Doane, City Engineer, and filed in the City Engineer's office at Halifax as Plan No 1448.

**NOS. 5 AND 7 AGRICOLA STREET, OWNED BY MICHAEL O'BRIEN.**

All that lot of land belonging to Michael O'Brien, situate on the east side of Agricola Street, in the City of Halifax, more particularly described as follows:—Beginning at a point on the said east side line of Agricola Street distant 60 feet, more or less, from the north line of Cunard Street, the said point being the south-west corner of the property of the said Michael O'Brien, thence to run in a northerly direction for a distance of 80 feet, more or less, or until it comes to the southern boundary line of the property formerly owned by Emma Warner, thence easterly by the said southern boundary line for a distance of 20 feet 6 inches, more or less, or until it comes to the proposed new east

side line of Agricola Street, thence in a southerly direction by the said new east side line of Agricola Street for a distance of 81 feet, more or less, or until it meets the southern boundary of the property belonging to the said Michael O'Brien, thence in a westerly direction for a distance of 20 feet 6 inches, more or less, to the place of beginning. The above described lot being all that portion of lots numbered 5 and 7 Agricola Street, belonging to the said Michael O'Brien and lying between the existing east side line of Agricola Street and the proposed new east side line of Agricola Street, as shewn by a dotted red line on plan entitled "Plan of Agricola Street showing proposed widening," signed by F. W. W. Doane, City Engineer, and filed in the City Engineer's office at Halifax as Plan No. 1448.

**No. 15 AGRICOLA STREET, OWNED BY JAMES F. MEEHAN.**

All that lot of land belonging to James F. Meehan, situate on the north-east corner of Woodill Street and Agricola Street, 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 Woodill Street, thence in a northerly direction for a distance of 30 feet, more or less, or until it comes to the northern boundary of the said Meehan's lot, thence in an easterly direction for a distance of 21 feet 6 inches, more or less, or until it meets the proposed new east side line of Agricola Street, thence in a southerly direction by the said new east side line of Agricola Street for a distance of 30 feet, more or less, or until it meets the north side line of Woodill Street, thence in a westerly direction for a distance of 21 feet 6 inches, more or less, to the place of beginning. The said lot being all that portion of property No. 15 Agricola Street, owned by James F. Meehan, lying between the existing east side line of Agricola Street and the proposed new east side line of Agricola Street, as shewn by a dotted red line on a plan entitled "Plan of Agricola Street showing proposed widening," signed by F. W. W. Doane, City Engineer, and filed in the City Engineer's office at Halifax as the Plan No. 1448.

**No. 21 AGRICOLA STREET, OWNED BY FRANCIS MACNEIL.**

All that lot of land belonging to Francis MacNeil, situate on the east side of Agricola Street, more particularly described as follows:—Beginning at a point on the east side line of Agricola Street distant 77 feet, more or less, from the north side line of Woodill Street, thence to run northerly for a distance of 19 feet 6 inches, more or less, or until it meets the northern boundary of the said MacNeil's property, thence in an easterly direction by the said northern boundary line for a distance of 22 feet, more or less, or until it meets the proposed new east side line of Agricola Street, thence in a southerly direction by the said new east side line of Agricola Street for a distance of 19 feet 6 inches, more or less, or until it meets the southern boundary line of the said MacNeil's property, thence in a westerly direction by the said southern boundary for a distance of 22 feet, more or less, to the place of beginning. The said lot being all that portion of No. 21 Agricola Street owned by Francis MacNeil lying between the existing east side line of Agricola Street and the proposed new east side line of Agricola Street, as shewn by a dotted red line on a plan entitled "Plan of Agricola Street showing proposed widening," signed by F. W. W. Doane, City Engineer, and filed in the City Engineer's office at Halifax as Plan No. 1448.

**No. 23 AGRICOLA STREET, OWNED BY HEIRS OF MRS. SHANKS.**

All that lot of land belonging to the heirs of Mrs. Shanks, situate on the east side of Agricola Street, in the City of Halifax, more particularly described as follows:—Beginning at a point on the east side line of Agricola Street distant 96 feet 6 inches, more or less, from the north line of Woodill Street, thence to run in a northerly direction for a distance of 21 feet, more or less, to the north boundary line of the said Shanks' property, thence easterly for a distance of 22 feet 6 inches, more or less, or until it meets the proposed new east side line of Agricola Street, thence southerly by the said new east side line of Agricola Street for a distance of 20 feet 6 inches, more or less, or until it meets the southern boundary line of the said Shanks' property, thence westerly by the said southern boundary for a distance of 22 feet, more or less, to the place of beginning. The said lot being all that portion of lot No. 23 Agricola Street owned by the heirs of Mrs. Shanks, lying between the existing east side line of Agricola Street and the pro-

posed new east side line of Agricola Street, as shewn by a dotted red line on a plan entitled "Plan of Agricola Street showing proposed widening," signed by F. W. W. Doane, City Engineer, and filed in the City Engineer's office at Halifax as Plan No. 1448.

**No. 25 AGRICOLA STREET, OWNED BY P. L. PURCELL.**

All that lot of land belonging to P. L. Purcell situate on the east side of Agricola Street, in the City of Halifax, more particularly described as follows:—Beginning at a point on the east side line of Agricola Street distant 117 feet, more or less, from the north line of Woodill Street, thence to run northerly for a distance of 20 feet, more or less, or to the north boundary of property of the said Purcell, thence in an easterly direction by the said north boundary for a distance of 22 feet 6 inches, more or less, or until it comes to the proposed new east side line of Agricola Street, thence in a southerly direction by the said new east side line for a distance of 20 feet, more or less, or until it comes to the southern boundary of the said Purcell's property, thence in a westerly direction by the said southern boundary for a distance of 22 feet 6 inches, more or less, to the place of beginning. The said lot being all that portion of lot No. 25 Agricola Street owned by P. L. Purcell and lying between the existing east side line of Agricola Street and the proposed new east side line of Agricola Street as shewn by a dotted red line on a plan entitled "Plan of Agricola Street showing proposed widening," signed by F. W. W. Doane, City Engineer, and filed in the City Engineer's office at Halifax as Plan No. 1448.

**No. 27 AGRICOLA STREET, OWNED BY JOHN NICKERSON.**

All that lot of land belonging to John Nickerson, situate on the east side of Agricola Street, in the City of Halifax, more particularly described as follows:—Beginning at a point on the east side line of Agricola Street distant 138 feet, more or less, from the north boundary of Woodill Street, thence in a northerly direction by the said east side line of Agricola Street for a distance of 17 feet 9 inches, more or less, or until it comes to the north boundary of the said Nickerson's property, thence in an easterly direction by the said north boundary for a distance of 22 feet 6 inches, more or less, or until it meets the proposed new east side line of Agricola Street, thence in a southerly direction by the said new east side line of Agricola Street for a distance of 17 feet 6 inches, more or less, or to the south boundary of said Nickerson's property, thence in a westerly direction by the said south boundary for a distance of 22 feet 6 inches, more or less, to the place of beginning. The said lot being all that portion of lot No. 27 Agricola Street owned by John Nickerson and lying between the existing east side line of Agricola Street and the proposed new east side line of Agricola Street, as shewn by a dotted red line on a plan entitled "Plan of Agricola Street showing proposed widening," signed by F. W. W. Doane, City Engineer, and filed in the City Engineer's office at Halifax as Plan No. 1448.

**No. 29 AGRICOLA STREET, OWNED BY E. J. PHELAN.**

All that lot of land belonging to E. J. Phelan situate on the east side of Agricola Street in the City of Halifax more particularly described as follows:—Beginning at a point on the east side line of Agricola Street distant 155 feet, more or less, from the north boundary of Woodill Street, thence to run northerly along the said east side line of Agricola Street for a distance of 21 feet 6 inches, more or less, or until it meets the northern boundary of the said Phelan's property, then in an easterly direction by the said northern boundary for a distance of 22 feet 6 inches, more or less, or until it meets the proposed new east side line of Agricola St., thence in a southerly direction by the said new east side line of Agricola Street for a distance of 21 feet 6 inches, more or less, or until it meets the southern boundary of the said Phelan's property, thence in a westerly direction by the said southern boundary for a distance of 22 feet 6 inches, more or less, to the place of beginning. The said lot being all that portion of lot No. 29 Agricola Street owned by E. J. Phelan and lying between the existing east side line of Agricola Street and the proposed new east side line of Agricola Street, as shewn by a dotted red line on a plan entitled "Plan of Agricola Street showing proposed widening," signed by F. W. W. Doane, City Engineer, and filed in the City Engineer's office at Halifax as Plan No. 1448.

NOS. 33 AGRICOLA STREET, OWNED BY WARREN GRAY.

All that lot of land belonging to Warren Gray situate on the north east corner of Harris Street and Agricola Street in the City of Halifax, 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 Harris Street, thence northerly by the east side line of Agricola Street for a distance of 20 feet 5 inches, more or less, or to the north boundary of the said Gray's lot, thence easterly by the said north boundary for a distance of 21 feet, more or less, or until it meets the proposed new east side line of Agricola Street, thence southerly by the said new east side line of Agricola Street for a distance of 20 feet 6 inches, more or less, or until it meets the north boundary of Harris Street, thence in a westerly direction by the said north boundary for a distance of 21 feet, more or less, to the place of beginning. The said lot being all that portion of lot No. 33 Agricola Street owned by Warren Gray and lying between the existing east side line of Agricola Street and the proposed new east side line of Agricola Street, as shewn by a dotted red line on a plan entitled "Plan of Agricola Street showing proposed widening," signed by F. W. W. Doane, City Engineer, and filed in the City Engineer's office at Halifax as Plan No. 1448.

NOS. 39 AND 39½ AGRICOLA STREET, OWNED BY MRS. EMMA HUBLEY AND BENJAMIN HUBLEY.

All that lot of land belonging to Mrs. Emma Hubley and Benjamin Hubley situate on the east side of Agricola Street in the City of Halifax, more particularly described as follows:—Beginning at a point on the east side line of Agricola Street distant 60 feet, more or less, from the north boundary line of Harris Street, thence in a northerly direction by the said east side line of Agricola Street for a distance of 40 feet, more or less, or until it comes to the north boundary of the said Hubley's property, thence in an easterly direction by the said north boundary for a distance of 21 feet, more or less, until it comes to the proposed new east side line of Agricola Street, thence southerly by the said new east side line of Agricola Street for a distance of 40 feet, more or less, or until it comes to the south boundary of the said Hubley's property, thence in a westerly direction by the said south boundary for a distance of 21 feet, more or less, to the place of beginning. The said lot being all that portion of lot No. 39 and 39½ Agricola Street, owned by Mrs. Emma Hubley and Benjamin Hubley and lying between the existing east side line of Agricola Street and the proposed new east side line of Agricola Street, as shewn by a dotted red line on a plan entitled, "Plan of Agricola Street showing proposed widening," signed by F. W. W. Doane, City Engineer, and filed in the City Engineer's office at Halifax, as Plan No. 1448.

NO. 41 AGRICOLA STREET, OWNED BY MICHAEL O'BRIEN.

All that lot of land belonging to Michael O'Brien situate on the east side of Agricola Street in the City of Halifax, more particularly described as follows:—Beginning at a point on the east side line of Agricola Street distant 101 feet, more or less, from the north line of Harris Street, thence northerly by the said east side line of Agricola Street for a distance of 32 feet 6 inches, more or less, or until it meets the north boundary of the said O'Brien's property, thence in an easterly direction by the said north boundary for a distance of 21 feet, more or less, or until it meets the proposed new east side line of Agricola Street, thence southerly by the said new east side line of Agricola Street for a distance of 32 feet 6 inches, more or less, or until it meets the southern boundary of the said O'Brien's property, thence westerly by the said southern boundary for a distance of 21 feet, more or less, to the place of beginning. The said lot being all that portion of lot No. 41 Agricola Street, owned by Michael O'Brien and lying between the existing east side line of Agricola Street and the proposed new east side line of Agricola Street, as shewn by a dotted red line on a plan entitled, "Plan of Agricola Street showing proposed widening," signed by F. W. W. Doane, City Engineer, and filed in the City Engineer's office at Halifax, as Plan No. 1448.

NOS. 43, 45 AND 47 AGRICOLA STREET, OWNED BY JAMES BROOKS.

All that lot of land belonging to James Brooks, situate on the south-east corner of

West Street and Agricola Street, in the City of Halifax, more particularly described as follows:—Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the south line of West Street with the east line of Agricola Street, thence southerly by the said east side line of Agricola Street for a distance of 42 feet, more or less, or until it meets the south boundary of the said Brooks' property, thence easterly by the said south boundary for a distance of 21 feet, more or less, or until it meets the proposed new east side line of Agricola Street, thence northerly by the said new east side line of Agricola Street for a distance of 41 feet, more or less, or until it meets the south line of West Street, thence westerly by the said south line of West Street for a distance of 20 feet, more or less, to the place of beginning. The said lot being all that portion of lot Nos. 43, 45 and 47 Agricola Street and lying between the existing east side line of Agricola Street and the proposed new east side line of Agricola Street, as shewn by a dotted red line on a plan entitled "Plan of Agricola Street showing proposed widening," signed by F. W. W. Doane City Engineer, and filed in the City Engineer's office at Halifax, as Plan Number 1448.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Johnson, and passed unanimously.

Read monthly cash statements City Treasurer and City Collector for June. Filed.

The following resolution is submitted:—

*Resolved*,—That as soon as owners or agents of property on Agricola Street accept of amount of money offered them by City Engineer and on proving to the satisfaction of the Acting-Recorder their titles to same, that amount due them on said property be paid over at once if on investigation the Recorder finds it is legal to do so.

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

Read report Chief of Police re Violations of Liquor License Act on Sunday.

#### VIOLATIONS LIQUOR LICENSE ACT.

OFFICE OF CHIEF OF POLICE, July 27th, 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 say that the following violation has been reported to me:—

Jane Collins, No. 135 Grafton St., Violation of Liquor License Act on Sunday, June 18th, 1905.

This is the only violation reported to me since last meeting of Council.

JOHN O'SULLIVAN, *Chief of Police.*

Filed.

Read report Committee on Works covering opinion Acting-Recorder and reports (2) City Engineer re tenders for Bedford Row engine house.

#### TENDERS FOR BEDFORD ROW ENGINE HOUSE.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, August 15th, 1905.

*To the City Council:*

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

reports of Acting-Recorder Bell and City Engineer Doane on Minute of Council re Bedford Row engine house were read and referred to Council for adoption.

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

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, July 14th, 1905.

MR. F. H. BELL, *City Recorder :*

DEAR SIR,—Under instructions from the Committee on Works, I beg to state the facts in connection with the selection of competitive plans for the fire station on Bedford Row, particularly with regard to the cost.

The accompanying conditions are a copy of those which were given to each architect who submitted a plan.

When the plans were received by the Committee on Works they were referred to a special Committee composed of the Chairman of the Board of Fire Wards, the Chief of the Fire Department and the City Engineer.

Attached hereto is an extract from the Minutes of the City Council showing the report of the special Committee and the Committee on Works and the action taken by the Council thereon.

Mr. Gates, architect, in submitting his plan stated that his building would not cost less than \$14,000 00.

Mr. Johnson made the same statement

Messrs. Harris & Horton have made a similar statement; and Mr. Sellon informed the City Engineer that he and Mr. Busch agreed that the work could not be done for \$10,000.00.

This information was before the Committee when examining the plans and the selection was made with a full knowledge of the fact that the building would cost more than \$10,000.00

After the adoption of the design by the City Council I sent Mr. Johnson a letter notifying him that his design had been accepted (a copy of which is attached). Subsequently, under instructions, I notified Mr. Johnson to complete his detailed plans and specification and an advertisement was inserted in the papers asking for tenders. On the suggestion of two Aldermen, I asked Mr. Johnson to ask for alternative tenders for concrete blocks as well as brick. I also append a copy of the advertisement.

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

#### RE BEDFORD ROW ENGINE HOUSE.

RECORDER'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, July 17th, 1905.

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

SIR,—The sole point as I understand in this matter is whether the fact that the plans submitted by Mr. Johnson cannot be built from for \$10,000 prevents the acceptance of them from being binding on the City.

It is obvious that the amount for which the building could be put up would be more or less a matter of opinion until tenders were taken. Under conditions 4 and 13 the Committee had the right to satisfy themselves that the design could be carried out for \$10,000 before acceptance, and when they accepted them unconditionally they must be taken either to have so satisfied themselves or to have waived that clause in the conditions. The facts stated in your letter appear to me to show that the latter took place and that the Committee had satisfied itself that the work could not be completed for \$10,000 and had admitted the plans to competition and accepted those of Mr. Johnson on that understanding. It appears to me clear that Mr. Johnson has a contract with the City under which he can hold it liable.



The liability for refusal to accept the plans would not be for the whole sum of \$500.00, for part of which Mr. Johnson was to superintend the construction of the building, but would be for a fair price for the plans and damages for not permitting him to earn the balance of \$500.00.

F. H. BELL, *Acting-Recorder.*

#### CONCRETE BLOCK BUILDINGS.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, August 15th, 1905.

*His Worship the Mayor :*

SIR,—During the recent trip to western cities the use of concrete block buildings was investigated in each city visited. It is the general opinion of the experts consulted that the concrete block building, properly constructed, has come to stay. It is being used all over the west and has given good satisfaction. In Montreal, Toronto and western cities to the ordinary observer it looks like the gray stone so common in those cities. In Port Arthur, which has made itself famous recently by its successful operation of municipally owned public utilities, the building constructed for storage batteries and other purposes in connection with the electric light plant and city work is constructed of concrete blocks. There are also some large private buildings constructed in the same way. In Toronto on the Exhibition grounds where they are now erecting permanent buildings, the dairy building, one of recent construction, is built of concrete blocks. In these cases the material has been adopted in preference to brick and because it was cheaper than stone.

In my opinion, if properly constructed, there is no reason why it should not make a durable structure; and as the blocks will be made by City labor and laid by Union masons, and further, a saving of \$2000 00 will be effected, I feel justified in recommending the adoption of the material for the Bedford Row engine house.

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

Also read petition Bricklayer's Union against constructing said engine house of concrete blocks.

Moved by Alderman Cawsey, seconded by Alderman Archibald, that the report of the Committee on Works be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Doyle, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the tender of Edward Maxwell for \$17,764.00 for a brick building with concrete trimmings be accepted upon his furnishing the required security.

The amendment being put is passed, 7 voting for the same and 6 against it.

Alderman Halliday gives notice of reconsideration.

Read report Committee on Works re tenders for coal.

#### TENDERS FOR COAL.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, July 19th, 1905.

*To the City Council :*

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day the attached tenders for supplying coal for this department were opened as follows :—

	City Hall. Hard coal.	City Hall. Soft coal.	Work Shop. Soft coal.	Steam Boiler.	Steam Drill.	Crusher.	Blacksmith Shop.
S. Cunard & Co.	\$6.75	\$4.70	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$4.55	\$5.00
H. D. Mackenzie & Co.	6.85	4.80	5.10	no tender	no tender	no tender	5.10

These prices include truckage.

It was decided to recommend the acceptance of the tender of S. Cunard & Co., it being the lowest.

R. T. MACILREITH, Mayor and Chairman.

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

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re water extension Creighton Street.

#### WATER EXTENSION CREIGHTON STREET.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, August 15th, 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 Creighton Street, was read and recommended to the Council for adoption.

R. T. MACILREITH, Mayor and Chairman.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, August 15th, 1905.

His Worship the Mayor:

SIR,—I beg to report on the accompanying petition from Mrs. William Jollimore and C. E. Graham for water extension on Creighton Street north of North Street.

District high service, excavation rock, size of pipe 6", length required 205 ft. Estimated cost:—

Pipe .....	\$123 00
Excavation and pipe laying .....	266 50
2 service pipes .....	50 00
Lead and paint .....	1 00
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	\$440 50
Interest at 5% .....	22 02

The pipe laid in this street was extended on a special rate for which D. R. Reid was paying \$13.00. In justice to Mr. Reid the whole cost should be divided equally between the three.

I would recommend that the extension be made on the usual conditions for the high service and on a special rate not exceeding \$11.67, Mr. Reid's rate to be reduced to the same amount.

F. W. W. DOANE, City Engineer.

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

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re water extension Acadia Street.

## WATER EXTENSION ACADIA STREET.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, August 15th, 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 Acadia Street was read and recommended to Council for adoption.

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

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, August 15th, 1905

*His Worship the Mayor:*

SIR,—I beg to report on the accompanying petition from Clara E. Dymond for water extension on Acadia Street.

The district is high service, excavation rock, size of pipe 6", length required 166 ft., estimated cost:—

Pipe .....	\$ 99 60
Excavation and pipe laying .....	207 50
1 service pipe .....	25 00
Lead and paint .....	50
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	\$332 60
Interest on outlay at 5% .....	16 63

I would recommend that the extension be made on the same condition as all recent extensions have been made on this service and at a special rate not exceeding \$16 63.

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

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

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re tenders for stone for crusher.

## TENDERS FOR STONE FOR CRUSHER.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, August 15th, 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 tenders for stone for crusher was read and referred to Council with a recommendation that it be adopted.

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

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, August 15th, 1905.

*His Worship the Mayor:*

SIR,—In response to the invitation for tenders, two bids have been received—one from Newton Harvey, three cents, for supplying stone to the crusher at its present location; the other from Geo. Harvey, at two and three-quarter cents for supplying stone at St Paul's Parish property on Campbell Road. The difference, one-quarter cent, per bushel, for 50,000 bushels would be \$125.00 for one year or for four years \$500.00. The haul to the City would be longer from Campbell Road. Taking into consideration the extra haul and the cost of moving the crusher, in my opinion the tender (three cents) is the cheaper and better, especially as it is advisable to get all the stone in

the neighborhood of the crusher at its present location before moving. I would therefore recommend the acceptance of Newton Harvey's tender at three cents per bushel.

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

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

Read petition for sewer in Shirley Street.

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

Read petition for paving of Gottingen Street with bitulithic.

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

Read report Police Commission covering Annual Report Chief of Police 1904-5.

Filed, and a copy of the Chief's report ordered to be furnished to each Alderman.

Read monthly reports of Coal Weighers for June and July. Filed.

Read writ of summons in action brought by John F. Kelly against the City of Halifax in re overflow of sewer into premises Robie Street.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Johnson, that the Acting-Recorder be authorized to enter an appearance in the suit for the City. Motion passed.

Read application of J. Webber for an auctioneer's license.

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

Read application of T. W. Mullane for refund of liquor license deposit.

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

Read letter Acting-Recorder re suit Clarke vs. City of Halifax.

#### CLARKE vs. THE CITY OF HALIFAX.

CITY HALL, July 26th, 1905.

To the City Clerk:

DEAR SIR,—I beg to notify you that the suit of Clarke vs The City of Halifax has been terminated in the City's favor, and that nothing now prevents the issuing of the lease to Mr. Mullane. The only remaining point is an enquiry as to what damages (if