

Amendment put and passed.

The original resolution as amended is put and passed.

Read report Committee on Works covering accounts for payment.

CITY WORKS ACCOUNTS.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, March 4, 1909.

To the City Council:

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

Street Lighting .....	\$1723 40
Teams and Stables.....	211 89
Sewerage .....	113 75
Streets .....	93 36
City Hall Lighting .....	64 64
City Property .....	55 91
Cleaning Paved Streets.....	42 00
Internal Health .....	7 36
Water Maintenance .....	203 22
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$2515 53</b>

GEO. M. CAMPBELL, *Deputy Mayor and Chairman.*

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

Read report Committee on Works recommending that \$2,350.75 be borrowed on account of permanent pavement.

PERMANENT PAVEMENT.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, March 4th, 1909.

To the City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day it was resolved to recommend to Council that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare an Act to borrow \$2,350.75 due on account of permanent pavement.

GEO. M. CAMPBELL, *Deputy Mayor and Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the report be adopted and the amount added to the City's borrowing bill. Motion passed unanimously.

Read report Committee on Works covering report City Engineer and opinion City Solicitor in re final payment to Geo. B. Low on account construction of new City workshops.

CITY WORK SHOPS.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, March 4th, 1909.

To the City Council:

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

reports of the City Engineer and City Solicitor in re final payment of \$1,225.89 to Geo. B. Low on account of completion of his contract for the New Workshops was read.

In view of these reports it was decided to recommend to Council the final payment.

GEO. M. CAMPBELL, *Deputy Mayor and Chairman.*

CITY WORKS OFFICE, Feb 2nd, 1909.

*His Worship the Mayor :*

SIR,—I beg to recommend payment to Geo. B. Low of the sum of twelve hundred and twenty-five dollars and eighty-nine cents (\$1,225.89), being the balance due him in full on his contract for the construction of workshops.

Minimum amount of contract .....	\$13,216 00
Concrete below 4 ft., 396.5 yards at \$7.50 .....	2,973 75
Footings stone, \$205.33 + 15%, \$30.80 .....	236 14
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	\$16,425 89
Less base finish .....	20 00
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	\$16,405 89
Paid on account .....	15,180 00
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Balance recommended in full .....	\$1,225 89

I hereby certify that the contract has been fully performed and the work finished complete and perfect in every respect and to my satisfaction.

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

OFFICE OF CITY SOLICITOR, Feb. 22nd, 1909.

HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR,

*Chairman Committee on Works :*

SIR,—I understand from the statement of this case submitted by the City Engineer that the contractor has completed his contract as well as it possibly could be completed, and that the cracks in the work are not due to any negligence or improper construction on the part of Mr. Low, but were an almost inevitable consequence of the mode of construction adopted. That being so it is difficult to see on what ground the final payment can be withheld. Further, the contract contains the usual clause making the opinion of the City Engineer conclusive upon both parties as to the character of the work, and any dispute that may arise. I have already given my opinion in several other matters that this clause is binding upon both parties, the contractor as well as the City. In this case I understand the Engineer is ready to certify that the work is completed to his satisfaction, and that being so I am on this ground also of opinion that Mr. Low is entitled to his final payment.

F. H. BELL, *City Solicitor.*

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Hubley that the same be adopted and the account paid. Motion passed unanimously.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re Yale St. sewer.

YALE STREET SEWER.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, Feb. 8th, 1909.

*To the City Council :*

GENTLEMEN.—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day the attached report of the City Engineer on Minute of Council in re Yale Street Sewer was read and referred to Council for its information.

GEO. M. CAMPBELL, *Deputy-Mayor and Chairman.*

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, Feb. 8th, 1909

*His Worship the Mayor:*

SIR,—I beg to report on the accompanying question from Alderman Hoben referred to me.

I cannot add anything to the information that has already been given to the Council, but will repeat it in reply to Alderman Hoben's question.

When the proposal to construct a sewer in Yale Street was referred to me I was obliged to report against it on the ground that there was no outlet for it except to the Arm, and the cost would be prohibitive. Later we began negotiations to obtain if possible a right of drainage from the east end of Yale Street to Quinpool Road. We have been negotiating with the property owners, but up to date have not been able to get a definite decision from them. The Monastery of the Good Shepherd object strenuously to taking any portion of their property for the proposed street. As soon as a definite answer is received from the other property owners the matter will be reported to the Council. We have been pressing for a reply, but without result.

F. W. W. DEANE, *City Engineer.*

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the Committee on Works be instructed to construct a sewer in its turn in Yale Street to connect with the Quinpool Road sewer through the lane running between said streets.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Wilson, that this matter be referred back to the Committee on Works for further report.

Aldermen Hoben and Hubley by leave of Council withdraw the original motion and the amendment stands as the original motion, which is now put and passed.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re water extension Longard Road.

## WATER EXTENSION LONGARD ROAD.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, Feb 12th, 1909.

*To the City Council:*

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day the attached report of the City Engineer in re water extension Longard Road was read. It was recommended to Council for adoption, the work to be done when funds are available.

GEO. M. CAMPBELL, *Mayor and Chairman.*

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, Feb. 9th, 1909.

*His Worship the Mayor:*

SIR,—I beg to report on the accompanying resolution of Council with reference to water extension on Longard Road. The reports previously made on this extension were for pipe from Young St. As the pipe is to be laid through Livingstone St. to Longard Road, the extension can now be made from Kane St. westwardly. In looking into this matter I have dealt only with that portion of Longard Road between Kane St and Columbus St., so that the property owners would obtain an extension at a reasonable charge.

The distance is 985 ft. District high service. Size of pipe 6-inch. Estimated cost:—

Pipe.....	\$591 00
Three 6" 4-way branches.....	17 22
Three 6" 3-way branches.....	14 10
Lead and paint.....	8 00
Excavation and pipe laying.....	541 75
Two 6" valves.....	40 00
18 service pipes.....	270 00
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I would recommend that the extension be made at the same special rate as for Livingstone Street, namely : \$5.37.

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

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Whitman, that the same be adopted. Motion passed.

Alderman Chisholm here arrives and takes his seat in Council.

Read report Committee on Works re cost of new City workshops.

#### COST OF NEW CITY WORKSHOPS.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, Feb. 8th, 1909.

To the City Council :

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day the attached report of the Clerk of Works, verified by the City Engineer and audited by the City Auditor on the cost of the New Workshops to date was submitted as follows :—

Geo. W. Low's contract in full.....	\$ 16405 89
General work.....	1723 31
Wm. McFatridge, contract roofing.....	\$1487 50
Less chargeable to City contract acct. labor.....	350 00
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Contract work including above \$350.00 or finished.....	1137 50
	4211 14
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Total cost to date.....	\$23477 84
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The tender of Chas. Carmichael was.....	\$ 4728 00
the City has done the same work for.....	4211 14
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A saving of.....	\$ 516 86

Detailed statement and bills attached.

GEO. M. CAMPBELL, *Deputy-Mayor and Chairman.*

Filed.

Read report Laws and Privileges Committee on various matters.

#### REPORT LAWS AND PRIVILEGES COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, March 2nd, 1909.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council :

GENTLEMEN,—The Committee on Laws and Privileges met this day. Present, Aldermen Chisholm, (Chairman), Whitman, Douglas, Hoben, Thompson and Edwards.

The Committee had under consideration a number of matters and report as follows :

1. In re petition of a number of ratepayers who are engaged in business of



supplying builders' supplies, asking that legislation be enacted cutting down the powers and privileges of the Silliker Car Co., Ltd. Mr. E. P. Allison, Solicitor Silliker Car Co., appeared before the Committee and asked that the consideration of this matter be deferred for one week and that he be furnished with a copy of the petition in the meantime.

Your Committee have granted the request of Mr. Allison and will take up the petition on Monday evening next when the agreement of the Anderson Furniture Company in which several of the same parties are interested will be considered by the Committee.

2. In re petition Women's Christian Temperance Union with respect to children being on the streets after nine o'clock.

This matter was reported on by your Committee on 7th January last and referred by the Council back to this Committee with the City Solicitor to draft an Act dealing with the matter and report the same back to the Council.

It is recommended that Section 580 of the City Charter be amended by adding thereto the following sub-section:—

(j.) The prevention of young persons from loitering on the streets at night.

3. In re petition James Turple that certain amendments be made, in respect to law regulating sales from vessels, petty trades, &c.

It is recommended that the request of Mr. Turple be not granted.

4. In re resolution of Council February 26th 1909, in respect to the rights and privileges of the Halifax and Suburban Electric Railway.

It is recommended that the accompanying draft Act dealing with the matter be adopted.

5. In re resolution of Council February 26th, 1909, instructing this committee to prepare an Act to borrow three thousand dollars (\$3000) to pay City's share one-half deficit on Capital Account N. S. Provincial Exhibition Commission,

It is recommended that the City Solicitor be instructed to insert in the General Borrowing Act a sum not to exceed \$2,300.00 for one-half City's share of deficit and that the balance (\$790.00) one-half amount due on account suit Courtney, assignee, vs. Exhibition Commission be provided for in the estimates for 1910-11 and assessed for in the general assessment for that year.

It is further recommended that the Council seek Legislation which will give the City Council power to appoint one-half of the representation on the Exhibition Commission.

J. A. CHISHOLM, *Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Edwards, seconded by Alderman Chisholm. that the same be considered clause by clause. Motion passed.

Read clause 1 in re powers and privileges of Silliker Car Co.

Moved by Alderman Chisholm, seconded by Alderman Edwards, that the same be adopted. Passed.

Read clause 2 in re children on the streets at night, covering draft Act.

The said draft Act is read.

## CHILDREN ON STREETS AT NIGHT.

Section 580 of the City Charter is amended by adding the following clause:—

(1). The prevention of young persons from loitering on the streets at night.

Moved by Alderman Chisholm, seconded by Alderman Wilson, that said clause and the draft Act be adopted, with the amendment added thereto "in or about the streets or public places."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Edwards, seconded by Alderman Whitman, that the clause and the draft Act be referred back to the Laws and Privileges Committee, and that Aldermen Hoben and Smith, with the City Solicitor be a sub-committee of said committee to frame an ordinance along the lines suggested by the Women's Christian Temperance Union, and report the same to this Council before the Council deals with the proposed Act.

Amendment put and lost, 2 voting for the same and 10 against it, as follows:—

For the Amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Whitman, Edwards.—2.	Aldermen Shaffner, Wilson, Chisholm, Hebb, Bligh, Smith, Hoben, Hubley, Thompson, MacKenzie.—10.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Aldermen Hoben in amendment to Alderman Chisholm's motion that the words "or doorways" be added to the original motion.

Alderman Hubley's amendment is put and passed, 9 voting for the same and 3 against it, as follows:—

For the Amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Shaffner, Chisholm, Hebb, Bligh, Smith, Hoben, Hubley, Thompson, MacKenzie.—9.	Aldermen Wilson, Whitman, Edwards.—3.

Read clause 3 re ordinance regulating sales from vessels.

Moved by Alderman Chisholm, seconded by Alderman Hoben, that said clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read clause 4 re Halifax and Suburban Electric Railway.

Also read draft Act respecting the same.

## HALIFAX BEDFORD TRAMWAY CO.

Nothing contained in Section 62 of Chapter 182 of the Acts of 1903 relating to the Bedford Electric Company, Limited, or in any other Act of the Legislature shall be con-

sidered to grant to the said The Bedford Electric Company, Limited, or to any other company or person any right to build, construct or place a line of railway or tramway on any street of the City of Halifax without the consent and approval of the Council of the said City being first had and obtained and such consent and approval shall in all cases be necessary before any such line of railway or tramway is placed on any street of the said City.

Moved by Alderman Wilson, seconded by Alderman Hoben, that said clause and the draft Act be adopted. Motion passed.

Read clause 5 in re City's share of deficit on capital account Provincial Exhibition.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Smith, that this clause be deferred.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Chisholm, seconded by Alderman Wilson, that said clause be deferred for consideration with the report of the Finance Committee.

Amendment put and passed.

Read clause 6 in re City's representation on the Exhibition Commission.

Moved by Alderman Chisholm, seconded by Alderman Wilson, that said clause be adopted. Motion passed.

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

Read report Finance Committee on various matters.

#### REPORT FINANCE COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, March 2nd, 1909.

*To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:*

GENTLEMEN,—Your Committee on Finance beg to report that at a meeting held this day—Present, Aldermen Whitman (Chairman), Bligh, Smith, Hoben and Edwards, the Committee had under consideration the following matters referred to it for report, as follows:—

1. In re the scheme of Venerable Archdeacon Armitage for construction of model tenements for working classes, the Committee have decided to submit a separate report thereon.

2. In reference to the following resolution submitted by Alderman Whitman to the Council at a meeting held on the 26th ult, in re retiring of about one-half million four and one-half per cent debentures, it is recommended that said resolution be adopted by the Council:—

3. The following draft Acts which have been prepared by the City Solicitor on instructions from your Committee are recommended for adoption

(a) Draft Act to borrow \$1,200.00 and accrued interest on short term debentures to pay James Hillis, Esq., for the construction of a retaining wall, Veith Street.

(b) Draft Act to enable the City of Halifax to borrow money—

For the construction of new sewers { Not exceeding \$50,000 00 to be borrowed  
from time to time in such sums as the  
Council determines.

(c) To pay the City's share of the deficit }  
 on capital account of the N. S } A sum not to exceed \$3,000.00.  
 Provincial Exhibition Commission }

4. The following accounts amounting to \$272.73 were examined, found correct, and are recommended for payment, viz. :—

S. H. Holmes, Prothonotary's fees, \$20.35. Dr. W. D. Finn—Certificates of death of Mabel Little, \$4.00; Garrett Wall, \$4.00; Patrick Connors, \$4.00; Mrs Sarah Hartlen, \$4.00—\$16.00 Canadian Law Book Co., Vol. 14 Can. Criminal Cases, \$5.50 Can. Journal of Commerce, advertising Loan, \$32.00. The Monetary Times, advertising Loan, \$31.20. Holloway Bros., printing minutes, &c., \$57.98 London Rubber Stamp Co., signature stamp Geo. M. Campbell, \$1.75. Halifax Herald, advertising, \$6.90. \$13.30—\$20.10 T. C. Allen & Co., stationery and printing—City Collector, \$17.38; City Auditor, \$25.00; City Treasurer, 30c.; City Clerk, \$19.67; Court of Appeal, \$2.00—\$64.25. A. & W. Mackinlay, books—City Clerk, \$22.00; City Collector, 60c—\$22.60. Total, \$272.73.

ALFRED WHITMAN, *Chairman.*

The same is considered clause by clause.

Read clause 1 in re model tenements.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Edwards, that said clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read clause 2 in re retiring about \$500,000.00 of 4½ per cent. debentures.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Wilson, that said clause be adopted. Motion passed unanimously, the following Aldermen being present and voting:—

For the Motion.	Against.
Aldermen Shaffner, Wilson Whitman, Chisholm,	None.
Hebb, Bligh, Smith, Hoben, Hubley,	
Thompson, MacKenzie, Edwards.—12.	

Read clause 3, sub-secs. (a) (b) (c) covering draft Act to enable the City to borrow money.

Also read draft Act.

#### AN ACT TO ENABLE THE CITY OF HALIFAX TO BORROW MONEY.

Be it enacted by the Governor, Council and Assembly, as follows:—

The City of Halifax is hereby authorized to borrow the amounts set out in the schedule hereto for the purposes specified for each amount respectively, and for no other.

The sums to be borrowed shall be in addition to the amount authorized to be borrowed by the Halifax City Consolidated Fund Act, 1905, and amendments thereto, and shall form part of that fund, and shall be secured by debentures or stock to be issued in conformity with the provisions of that Act, such debentures or stock to be made redeemable on the 1st day of July, 1940. Such debentures shall bear interest at the rate of four per centum per annum.

#### SCHEDULE.

For the construction of new sewers.—Not exceeding \$50,000.00, to be borrowed from time to time in such sums as the Council determines.



To pay the City's share of the deficit on capital account of the Provincial Exhibition Commission.—a sum not to exceed \$3,000.00.

The City may borrow the sum of twelve hundred dollars (\$1200.00) in order to pay and discharge the contract made by the City with James Hillis and Son, Limited, for the construction of an embankment and retaining wall on Veith Street, and may secure the same by the issue of three debentures each for the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400.00) and interest on said sum of twelve hundred dollars (\$1200.00) from date of completion of contract to issue date of such debentures, and payable with interest respectively in one, two and three years from the date thereof; and the amount of each such debenture and interest shall be included in the amount rated for the year in which the same is payable and collected along therewith. Such debentures shall bear interest at the rate of four per centum per annum.

Also read clause 5 report of Laws and Privileges Committee deferred for consideration with this report.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Wilson, that said clause 3 and sub-sections and said draft Act be now adopted. Motion passed.

Read clause 4 covering accounts for payment.

The following resolution is submitted:—

*Resolved*, that the report of the Finance Committee be adopted as a whole and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for payment of the accounts therein recommended.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Wilson and passed.

Moved by Alderman Edwards, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the Council do now adjourn until 3 o'clock p. m. on Wednesday next, March 10th, inst. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 11.30 o'clock.

## AFTERNOON SESSION.

3.10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, March 10th, 1909.

A special meeting of the City Council was held afternoon pursuant to adjournment of March 4th, instant.

At the above named hour there were present Alderman Campbell, Deputy-Mayor, and Aldermen Wilson, Chisholm, Hoben, Shaffner, Whitman, Bligh, Hebb, Douglas, McManus, Smith, Kelly, Hubley, Martin, Thompson, Mackenzie and Edwards.

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

### PRESENTATION OF PAPERS.

The following named papers are submitted :—

Report of Laws and Privileges Committee by Alderman Chisholm, Chairman.

The Deputy-Mayor submits the following named papers :—

Report City Treasurer covering list of stock holders Consolidated Fund 1880.

Letter Halifax Pilot Commission re legality of election of Mr. W. A. Black as a member of the Board.

Application Acadia Cold Storage Company for permission to construct railway tracks across Cornwallis Street.

### CONSIDERATION OF PAPERS SUBMITTED.

Read report Laws and Privileges Committee on various matters.

### REPORT LAWS AND PRIVILEGES COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, March 8th, 1909.

*His Worship the Mayor and City Council:*

GENTLEMEN,—Your Committee on Laws and Privileges beg to report that a meeting of the Committee was held this day, there being present Aldermen Chisholm (Chairman) Whitman, Douglas, Hoben Thompson and Edwards.

The Committee was called to consider the matter of preparing legislation to give effect to the memorandum of agreement made between the Anderson Furniture Company and the City Council, also to consider the petition of a number of ratepayers engaged in the wood working and builders' supplies trade asking that the Council seek legislation to restrict the powers obtained by the Silliker Car Company in their Charter.

1. In re petition to restrict powers of Silliker Car Company, Mr. J. J. Ritchie'

Solicitor, appeared before and addressed the Committee on behalf of the petitioners urging the Committee to recommend an Act which would restrict the powers so obtained and would meet the wishes of the petitioners.

Messrs E. P. Allison, Solicitor, W. J. Clayton and A. M. Bell, Directors of the Silliker Co., also addressed the meeting and claimed that there was no breach of faith on the part of the Co., and that the Charter was obtained some time previous to the Act being passed.

Mr. Jas. Hillis of Hillis & Sons, Ltd., stated that he was a stockholder in the Silliker Co., but that he would never have subscribed had he known that the Company would be in direct competition with his own firm.

2. In re Anderson Manufacturing Company, Mr. J. J. Ritchie, representing a number of ratepayers engaged in the woodworking industry, objected to the City bonussing any new enterprise which would compete with the existing industries in the City.

Mr. Humphrey Mellish, Solicitor for the Anderson Co., submitted that under the agreement passed on the 13th November last between the City and the Company the City was under an obligation to have legislation effected to perfect the said agreement and claimed that the Charter (a copy of which was submitted by the City Solicitor) had not extended the powers of the Company embodied in the said agreement.

The Committee was then addressed by Messrs Nelson and Joy, on behalf of the Halifax Trades and Labor Council, who wanted the fair wage clause inserted in the Agreement of the Anderson Manufacturing Company the minimum rate of wages for adult unskilled labor at seventeen cents per hour.

After a general discussion taken part in by all members of the Committee the following resolution was submitted:—

*Resolved*, That the City Solicitor be instructed to draft an Act incorporating the Agreement made between the City and the Anderson Manufacturing Company. That all the clauses incorporated in the Charter submitted by the Company and not approved of by the City Solicitor be cited in said Act and expunged therefrom.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Douglas, and on being put to vote resulted as follows:—

For the Resolution,—Aldermen Hoben and Douglas.—2.

Against it,—Aldermen Whitman, Thompson and Edwards.—3.

Motion lost.

J. A. CHISHOLM, *Chairman*.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Douglas, that the same be considered clause by clause. Motion passed.

Read clause 1 in re petition to restrict the powers of the Silliker Car Company.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Kelly, that that the clause be received. Motion passed.

Read clause 2 re Anderson Manufacturing Company.

Moved by Alderman Chisholm, seconded by Alderman Edwards, that said clause be received.

The following amendment is submitted:—

*Resolved*, That the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare an Act for submission to the Legislature forthwith, giving effect to the proposed agreement to be entered into

between the City and the Anderson Chair Company by resolutions of the City Council, November 13th, 1908, and embodying in the Act such clauses as may be found necessary to restrict the company from conducting any business or enjoying any privileges not set forth or contemplated in the said proposed agreement.

*Further Resolved*, That the amendment to the resolutions of said date in the terms following, viz :—

“That the interests of the workingmen of the City should be protected by the insertion of the “Fair Wage” clauses in the proposition to be entered into between the City and the Anderson Chair Company.”

Be provided for in said agreement by the following clause :—

“The Company agrees to protect the interests of the workingmen of the City by paying fair wages to all of its employees.”

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman MacKenzie.

Alderman Chisholm, speaking to a point of order, contended that the amendment operated as a rescision of a resolution passed November 13th last, and was therefore out of order, as no notice to rescind had been given under the rules.

The objection is over-ruled by the chair.

Moved by Alderman Edwards, seconded by Alderman Chisholm, that the amendment be divided in two parts.

At the request of Aldermen Wilson and MacKenzie, and by consent of Council the City Solicitor makes certain explanations relating to correspondence between himself and the solicitor of the Anderson Company respecting the Articles of Association of the Company.

Aldermen Edwards and Chisholm withdraw their request to have the amendment divided.

The amendment is put and passed, 12 voting for the same and 4 against it, as follows :—

For the Amendment.

Aldermen Shaffner, Wilson,  
Hebb, Bligh, McManus,  
Douglas, Smith, Hoben,  
Kelly, Hubley, Martin,  
MacKenzie.—12.

Against it.

Aldermen Whitman, Chisholm,  
Thompson, Edwards.—4.

The Deputy-Mayor wishing to retire requests Alderman Hubley to take the chair.

Alderman Hubley takes the chair.

Read letter Halifax Pilot Commission in re the legality of the recent re-appointment of Mr. W. A. Black as a member of the Pilot Commission.



## PILOT COMMISSION.

HALIFAX, N. S., March 10th, 1909.

THE CITY CLERK,

Halifax, N. S. :

DEAR SIR,—Your favor of 8th instant received with notification of Mr. W. A. Black's appointment by the City Council to the Pilot Commission. As the Commission are advised that the Council have not the right to appoint another member of the Board I have to ask that you show the authority under the Pilotage Act for the City Council making this appointment.

FRANK J. PHELAN,

*Secretary Halifax Pilot Commission.*

Referred to City Solicitor for report.

Read application Acadia Cold Storage Company for permission to construct railway tracks across Cornwallis Street

## RAILWAY CROSSINGS.

HALIFAX, N. S., March 8th, 1909.

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

GENTLEMEN,—I hereby make application to your honorable body, on behalf of the Acadia Cold Storage Company, Limited, which proposes to erect a large general cold storage plant in the City of Halifax at the corner of Upper Water, Cornwallis and Barrington Streets with a capacity exceeding 100,000 barrels of apples and general cold storage chambers for all other purposes, including the storage of meats, butter, cheese, eggs and all other perishable food products, for permission to extend the railway siding of the Intercolonial Railway situate on the east side of the Grain Elevator, south across Cornwallis Street and into the premises of the company at the corner of Cornwallis and Upper Water Streets. I may point out to your honorable body that the Railway Department have agreed with the company to extend the siding as desired, contingent, however, upon the permission of the City of Halifax to cross Cornwallis Street and the operation of the siding when completed being first obtained and arranged for. My clients only expect such permission to be given on such terms and conditions as your honorable body deems fit.

I take the further liberty of pointing out to your honorable body that the City has permitted or obtained statutory permission for permitting the crossing of its streets by railway sidings for private use, for among others, the Imperial Oil Company, on Campbell Road; the Provincial Exhibition Commission, on Kempt Road and Young Street; the Sillicker Car Company, Limited, on Almon Street across track of Tram Company; and a proposed structure opposite the Dockyard before the new terminal yard was constructed.

E. P. ALLISON.

Referred to Laws and Privileges Committee for report.

Read report City Treasurer covering list of stockholders Consolidated Fund 1880.

## STOCKHOLDERS' CONSOLIDATED FUND.

OFFICE OF CITY TREASURER, March 10th, 1909.

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

GENTLEMEN,—As required by resolution of the City Council of March 4th, 1909, I

beg to submit list of Stockholders of Consolidated Fund, 1880, whose certificates bear date prior to 1894, with two exceptions where the date is so near May 1st as to practically be the same. The whole amount issued prior to May 1st, 1894 is \$368,200, but owing to the method of issuing certificates at that time, as pointed out in my report on the Funded Debt Feb. 12th, 1895, it is doubtful if the City can give notice of repayment to the holders of the balance, viz: \$64,600.

W. L. BROWN, *City Treasurer.*

LIST OF 4½% STOCK CONSOLIDATED FUND, 1880, ISSUED PRIOR TO MAY 1ST, 1894.

Folio.	OWNER.	Shares.	Amount.
301	Lady Smith.....	35	\$3,500 00
312	G. McG. Mitchell et al., trustees.....	2	200 00
313	North British Society.....	29	2,900 00
315	Richard Cabot.....	15	1,500 00
315	Estate Edwin Gilpin.....	12	1,200 00
316	B. H. Collins.....	900	90,000 00
317	Estate Robie Uniacke.....	150	15,000 00
321	Mrs M. E. Moren.....	10	1,000 00
321	Lieut.-Col. E. A. Raymond.....	190	19,000 00
323	Protestant Orphans' Home.....	110	11,000 00
324	Geo. M. Smith.....	80	8,000 00
325	Miss Susan J. Cabot.....	2	200 00
327	Estate Harriet McKinnon.....	35	3,500 00
327	Ella J. Fraser.....	4	400 00
328	Halifax Infants' Home.....	1	100 00
328	James Brooks.....	160	16,000 00
331	James A. Adams.....	10	1,000 00
331	Agnes J. Vondy.....	8	800 00
333	John J. Dillon.....	30	3,000 00
334	Henry Locke.....	80	8,000 00
335	J. C. Dickenson.....	82	8,200 00
335	C. F. Fraser and T. Ritchie, trustees.....	15	1,500 00
337	Emma H. Illsley.....	20	2,000 00
338	Bishop of Nova Scotia.....	34	3,400 00
338	Rev. C. Jost.....	30	3,000 00
339	Eastern Trust Co.....	100	10,000 00
340	J. Y. Payzant.....	5	500 00
340	Mrs E. L. Lynch.....	3	300 00
341	London & Lancashire Life Assurance Co.....	150	15,000 00
342	Protestant Orphans' Home.....	80	8,000 00
342	Alice E. Twining.....	2	200 00
344	Louisa P. Black.....	10	1,000 00
345	Eliza K. Brown.....	3	300 00
346	John Willis (15th May).....	30	3,000 00
358	Emily J. Cogswell.....	9	900 00
359	Rev. W. H. L. Cogswell.....	5	500 00
359	M. E. Keefe.....	25	2,500 00
366	J. Elliott Smith.....	5	500 00
366	W. H. Webb, trustee.....	1	100 00
367	Eastern Trust Co., trustee.....	1	100 00
367	" ".....	3	300 00
371	J. Y. Payzant, Eastern Trust Co., trustees.....	1	100 00
377	Mrs. Mary Murphy.....	27	2,700 00
378	Estate A. F. Gilpin.....	5	500 00
381	Hon. L. G. Power et al., trustees.....	100	10,600 00
382	Estate D. Cronan.....	82	8,200 00
391	T. J. Crockett et al., trustees.....	38	3,800 00
392	Rodk. McLeod.....	15	1,500 00
393	Mutual Life Assurance Co.....	20	2,000 00
393	Sinking Fund, 1902.....	83	8,300 00

Folio.	Owner.	Shares.	Amount
394	Wm. LeVisconte (17th May) .....	20	2,000 00
395	S. F. H & S. W. R. R .....	38	3,800 00
395	Goldwin Smith .....	8	800 00
396	W. Scott Whittier .....	19	1,900 00
398	S. Fund, Schools .....	60	6,000 00
	T. J. Crockett and T. W. Murphy, trustees .....	15	1,500 00
401	Eastern Trust Co. et al., trustees .....	4	400 00
402	" " " " Kinnear .....	10	1,000 00
402	" " " " O'Mullin .....	9	900 00
		<b>3036</b>	<b>\$303,600 00</b>

Filed and ordered to be printed in the Minutes.

Read report of majority of Laws and Privileges Committee submitted to Council, March 4th, in re model tenements.

MODEL TENEMENTS.

HALIFAX, March 4th, 1909.

*His Worship the Mayor and City Council:*

The subscribing members of the Finance Committee beg to report on the scheme for model dwellings submitted by the Venerable Archdeacon Armitage to the Council on the 7th January, 1909, and by the Council referred to the Finance Committee for report :-

The Venerable Archdeacon Armitage, Mr. C. C. Blackadar and Mr. A. M. Bell appeared before the Committee. The two first named addressed the Committee in favor of the scheme.

This scheme was first started as a joint stock undertaking in the year 1906, with a proposed capital of \$200,000, when a charter was obtained from the Local Legislature which granted special privileges as to expropriation and other matters.

The Reverend gentlemen secured the following very influential and capable citizens to be the provisional directors, viz :-John Y. Payzant, Thomas Ritchie, Richard H. Brown, C. C. Blackadar, Hon. William Chisholm, J. C. O'Mullin, A. M. Bell, and the late George Mitchell. We understand the scheme was presented to these gentlemen as an investment, insuring a fair return for the money invested. The above mentioned gentlemen, we understand, have declined to further proceed with the scheme as a private enterprise and now the City of Halifax is asked either to guarantee the bonds for the entire cost or else to erect and run the scheme as a City enterprise, Dr Armitage giving it as his opinion that the scheme would offer a remunerative investment for City funds.

Acting for and on behalf of the City, at the outset we have to report that we feel great reluctance in recommending to the Council a scheme that was not taken up as a private business enterprise by such men as above named especially as the City could not so economically and skilfully as a private corporation manage such a scheme.

The Reverend Archdeacon strongly favored as the best, one or the other of the following two sites :-The first bounded by George, Albemarle, Prince and Brunswick Streets; the second bounded by Buckingham, Albemarle, Duke and Brunswick Streets.

We learn from reports prepared for the Board by officers of the Board of Health and Police Departments that Block One, bounded by George, Albemarle, Prince and Brunswick Streets, now house 102 persons, paying a total monthly rent of \$214.50. These 102 persons occupy 124 rooms, six of which are shops and pay on an average less than forty cents per room (including shops) per week.

Block Two, bounded by Buckingham, Albemarle, Duke and Brunswick Streets, now house 88 persons, paying a total monthly rent of \$134.00. These persons occupy



76 rooms, and pay an average of \$1.76 for each room per month, or 40c. per room per week.

In regard to Block One, the report of the Board of Health officials shows that of all the houses only numbers 68 and 70 George Street are reported unsanitary, and neither of these is occupied, and what shall be done with these is now under consideration by the Board of Health.

In regard to Block Two, the report of the Board of Health officials shows that of all the houses only two are reported unsanitary, namely, 56 and 58, and number 58 is unoccupied.

The most of the tenements in these two blocks belong to and are managed by an ex-Alderman of the City, who gives all his time and attention to the repairing and keeping in order his property.

We think that the sanitary condition of these houses would compare very favorably with the proposed tenement into which nine or ten times the number of people that now occupy either of these blocks would be crowded, and at the rate of two persons to each room.

We do not think either of these blocks could be purchased and the present buildings torn down and new buildings erected and the rooms let at anything like the figure they are now bringing, namely, less than forty cents per room, which of course means that a much better class would then occupy these premises, and the poor people who are there now would be driven to other and worse quarters.

The Rt. Hon. John Burns, M. P., the great British labor leader, the President of the Local Government Board of Great Britain, is reported in a London despatch published in the Montreal Star of February 6th, 1909, as condemning the London lodging houses and shelters, both great and small, where numbers of persons are packed together as "diffusers of poisons" and "hotbeds of conspiracy and crime," and declares them the worst institution ever introduced in British cities.

The Right Hon. Lord Avebury, P. C. (formerly Sir John Lubbock), a world-wide authority, in his work on "Municipal and National Trading," published in 1907, in the chapter entitled "Housing of the Working Classes," shows the futility of attempts to house the working classes by municipalities and that attempts in this direction had unfortunate results and the very opposite of that which was intended.

At page 50 of this work Lord Avebury says:—

"The same thing is going on on the other side of the water. The New York State Tenement House Commission has recently issued a very interesting report. The Commission states that 'it is not prepared to recommend such an enlargement of municipal functions (the erection of model tenements by the municipality). No good purpose could be served thereby. At most, such public buildings would better the living conditions of a favored few who had sufficient influence to secure apartments in them, and even these would better their living condition at the sacrifice of self-independence.'"

The experience in London and other places where these municipal housing schemes have been tried show that they do not help the poor people whom their promoters state they are intended to help.

In an article on "The Law and Public Health" by Mr. John Foot, Chief Sanitary Inspector of the Bethel Green Borough Council, it is stated that the housing of the working classes Act, 1890 has altogether failed to provide housing accommodation within the means of any but the higher paid class of workers or better off foreigners. Little or no effect has been made in the reduction of one roomed tenements.

Lord Roseberry referring to this subject is quoted as saying:—

"You build admirable buildings, but the inhabitants of these new dwellings are not the people you dispossessed. These buildings are so superior that in some cases they are occupied by a class for whom they were not intended."

Reference was made by Mr. Armirage to what had been done by the London County



Council in this regard. The immense expenditure, which has been incurred and the comparatively small result is well shewn in the report of the Housing Committee of the London County Council for the year ending March 31st, 1905, which shows that in 25 years the Council has provided 16,000 rooms at a cost of £4,000,000 which at the rate of two persons to each room would house 32,000 people. This is surely an in-significant result when compared with the population of London amounting to about 6,000,000, and the taking up of this scheme by the municipality with the rates behind them have deterred private capital from engaging as largely as would otherwise be the case in this enterprise, although private enterprise in London, during ten of the above years, provided house room for 1,014,000 persons.

In Halifax private enterprise, confined as it is almost exclusively to the thrifty mechanic and labourer, have supplied more houses than we have people to fill them, and the undersigned do not feel like reporting in favor of a scheme that would seriously interfere with the investments of these thrifty people and deter them in the future from exercising their most praiseworthy enterprise and thrift. The more houses the municipality builds, the more houses will other people be prevented from building.

The working out of this scheme would mean also increased burdens of taxation, which in England always follows the pursuit of municipal housing schemes. This increase of taxation would be felt by the people who build and own houses and at once increase the rent which people have to pay.

This policy should be called what it has in England proved to be: not a policy to "house the poor," but a policy "to dishouse the poor."

Both Lord Avebury, P. C., and Robert P. Porter, (Director of the 11th U. S. Census and author of Commerce and Industry of Japan, "Industrial Cuba," &c.) in writing on this subject, quote with approval the following extract from a letter written to the "Times" by Miss Octavia Hall, than whom no one is entitled to speak with more authority on this subject.

"The work will be done expensively. No body like the London County Council can be an economical one. The cost must be met in one form or another. Why should we prefer to pay in rates rather than in rent? The mode of payment by rates will press heavily, being inexorable and not elastic.

"The London County Council, which ought to be the supervising authority, will itself be pecuniarily interested in the houses to be supervised.

"The electorate will be, in large measure, composed of tenants of the body to be elected.

"I doubt if the duties of a landlord, or of a governing body, can be fulfilled under such circumstances.

"Every one who knows about the matter is aware that the good building companies and the good builders are not proceeding to meet the need of dwellings as they were doing before municipal action was talked of, their work has been arrested. This is natural. When a public body which has the power of drawing on the rates goes into a business no private person dares to embark in it."

This view is supported by Mr. Earnest Noel, the Chairman of the Artisans' Dwellings Company, who recently told the shareholders that in his opinion

"the Council's building schemes would have an injurious effect on the more efficient housing of the poor."

Your Committee feel that if in London and New York, two of the largest cities in the world, where the needs of housing the poor are incomparably greater than in a small city like Halifax, municipal housing has been found, if not a failure, at least not to carry out the desired object, much less would such a scheme be successfully operated with us.

Ex-Controller Spence, of Toronto, who lately addressed the Halifax Board of Trade, is an advocate of "municipal ownership," limited the desirability of civic ownership to public utilities such as street railways, lighting and telephones, and deprecated interference in matters where trade and competition came in.

The other alternative to civic ownership and control of the proposed dwellings, namely, that the City should guarantee the bonds for the entire cost of the undertaking, is equally objectionable, and besides would undoubtedly interfere with private business enterprises, and especially unfairly compete with the building trade of the City. Your Committee deprecate the practice of guaranteeing bonds, lately much indulged in by municipal bodies.

In conclusion, your committee urge that the law respecting the sanitary conditions and overcrowding of tenements should be strictly enforced by our Board of Health, and submit that the better housing of the poor can be better and more effectually dealt with by private business enterprise.

The subscribers wish to record their appreciation of the very able address made to us on this subject by the Reverend Mr. Dustan, and to thus recognize the help which he has given us in our task.

ALFRED WHITMAN.  
JAS. S. EDWARDS.  
F. P. BLIGH.  
A. A. THOMPSON.

Moved by Alderman Bligh, seconded by Alderman Chisholm, that out of consideration for Alderman Hoben, who had just received word of the death of his father, that this matter be deferred and placed first on the Order of the Day for next meeting. Motion passed.

By leave of Council Alderman Wilson submits the following resolution :—

*Whereas*, The annual deficits of the Provincial Exhibition could, in the opinion of this Council be materially reduced by the leasing or using of the track or course on the land vested in the Commission.

*Therefore resolved*, That this Council endorse the resolution passed by the Farmers Association of Nova Scotia at Digby on 26th to 28th January, 1909 to wit :

“ *Whereas*, At present the grounds now owned by the Provincial Exhibition Commission at Halifax cannot, under the present act be used for a purpose of revenue other than at the time of the holding of the Annual Exhibition, and

“ *Whereas*, The commission is of the opinion that a large revenue could be obtained from the use of those grounds during the time the same is not being used for the holding of the Exhibition, thereby helping to cover the cost of maintenance which has necessarily increased on account of increased buildings, insurance, &c.

“ *Therefore be it resolved*, that this Association ask the Provincial Government of this Province to have this Act amended so as to give the Commission the power of letting or using the grounds for any legitimate purpose for the means of revenue ”

And that the Special Committee on Legislation be and is hereby requested to urge the amendment of section 5 of Chapter 3 of the Acts of Nova Scotia, 1897, so as to permit the Exhibition Commission to use or lease the track or course for any legitimate purpose for the means of revenue.

Moved by Alderman Wilson, seconded by Alderman McManus and passed, Aldermen Hebb and Smith dissenting.

Alderman Edwards asked if the securing of a “ stated case ” in a prosecution for violation of the liquor license Act prevented the License Inspector from instituting proceedings for subsequent violations.

The City Solicitor replied that the Inspector could bring further actions if he desired but that the Magistrate might withhold judgment until the "stated case" is disposed of in the higher court.

Moved by Alderman Edwards, seconded by Alderman Thompson, that the attention of the License Inspector be directed to a club on Creighton Street doing business on premises formerly used by the Criterion Club in which it is generally believed intoxicating liquors are being sold illegally and that he be instructed to report to this Council at its regular meeting in April what steps he has taken to remedy this state of affairs.

Motion passed unanimously.

Moved by Alderman McMaus, seconded by Alderman Edwards, that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 5.45 o'clock.

## AFTERNOON SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, March 26th, 1909.

A special meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present, Deputy-Mayor Alderman Campbell, and Aldermen Martin, Hubley, Bligh, Whitman, Wilson, Smith, McManus, Edwards and Hoben.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Smith, 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 Aldermen Shaffner, Hebb, Thompson, Rankine and MacKenzie.

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

### PRESENTATION OF PAPERS.

Alderman Whitman, Chairman, submits report Finance Committee on application of Dalhousie College for piece of City property.

Report Special Committee in re purity of water supply and the procuring of property of John W. Umlah.

### ORDER OF THE DAY.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Hebb, that No. 1 on Order of the Day, viz: "Report majority of Finance Committee in re model tenements be now taken up. Motion passed.

The same is now read. (For copy of report see printed Minutes of Council March 10th, 1909.)

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Edwards, that the paragraph in said report commencing with the words, "We think" be amended to read as follows:—

"We think that the sanitary condition of these houses would compare very favorably with the proposed tenement if occupied by the same class of tenants into which probably nine or ten times the number of people that now occupy either of these blocks would be crowded, and at the rate of two persons to each room."

Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Edwards, that said report as amended be now adopted.



The following amendment is submitted:—

*Resolved*, that the City of Halifax guarantee the bonds of the proposed model dwelling scheme to the value of three-quarters of the cost of buildings and land to be erected on one of the blocks in question, say a sum not to exceed seventy-five thousand dollars.

Moved by Alderman Smith, seconded by Alderman Hoben.

Amendment put and lost, 4 voting for the same and 10 against it, as follows:—

For the Amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Hebb, Smith, Hoben, MacKenzie.—4.	Aldermen Shaffner, Wilson, Whitman, Bligh, McManus, Hubley, Thompson, Martin, Edwards, Rankine—10.

The following amendment is now submitted:—

*Resolved*, that the matter of assisting the model dwelling undertaking by guaranteeing bonds for three-quarters of the value of property, the amount to be guaranteed not to exceed \$90,000.00, be submitted to a plebiscite at the next civic election, and the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare and submit an Act to the Legislature at this session authorizing this plebiscite.

Amendment put and passed, 8 voting for the same and 6 against it, as follows:—

For the Amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Shaffner, Hebb, McManus, Smith, Hoben, Hubley, Martin, Edwards —8.	Aldermen Wilson, Whitman, Bligh, Thompson, Edwards, Rankine.—6.

Alderman Whitman gives notice of reconsideration.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Wilson, that proceedings under the amendment just passed be stayed until the notice of reconsideration is disposed of. Motion put and lost, 5 voting for the same and 9 against it, as follows:—

For Stay of Proceedings.	Against.
Aldermen Wilson, Whitman, Bligh, Thompson, Edwards.—5.	Aldermen Shaffner, Hebb, McManus, Smith, Hoben, Hubley, Martin, MacKenzie, Rankine.—9.

## CONSIDERATION OF PAPERS SUBMITTED.

Read report Finance Committee recommending that the piece of City property bounded by Carleton, Morris, Summer and College Streets be sold to Dalhousie College for \$10,000.00.

## LAND FOR DALHOUSIE COLLEGE.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, March 18, 1909.

*His Worship the Mayor and City Council:*

GENTLEMEN,—Your Committee on Finance beg to report that at a meeting held this day, there being present Aldermen Whitman (Chairman) Bligh, Smith, Hoben and Thompson, they had under consideration the application of the Governors of Dalhousie College as to the terms upon which the College could acquire the block of land belonging to the City adjoining the College and bounded by Carleton, Morris, Summer and College Streets; also the several resolutions of Council in reference thereto which were referred back to this Committee that a conference be held with the Governors and report back to the Council.

A delegation consisting of Principal Forrest, Messrs Hector McInnes, George S. Campbell and J. Walter Allison, representing a special Committee of the Governors of Dalhousie, waited upon your Committee and stated that the Committee was appointed to ascertain and report upon available sites for the enlargement of the College. This Committee have not power to make a definite offer for any site, but would report what in their opinion was the best site available. Principle Forrest informed the Committee that if this block were acquired by the College it would be necessary to divert the street at present a continuation of Carleton Street to Morris Street.

On motion of Alderman Smith seconded by Alderman Hoben, it was resolved to recommend that the City Council offer to the Governors of Dalhousie College the block of land above referred to for the sum of ten thousand (\$10,000.00) dollars, including the proposed street, a continuation of Carleton Street from College Street to Morris Street. Alderman Thompson dissenting.

ALFRED WHITMAN, *Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Edwards, that the report be filed.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman McManus, that the City apply at the present session of the Legislature for an Act permitting the Council to dispose of the said property by either sale, lease or gift in such manner as the Council sees fit.

Amendment put and passed, 13 voting for the same and 1 against it, as follows:—

For the Amendment.

Aldermen Shaffner, Wilson,  
Whitman, Hebb,  
Bligh, McManus,  
Smith, Hoben,  
Hubley, Thompson,  
Martin, Mackenzie,  
Rankine.—13.

Against it.

Alderman Edwards.—1.

Read report special committee in re property of John W. Umlah, St. Margaret's Bay Road, proposed to be procured in connection with the conservation of the purity of the water supply, fixing the value at \$3500.00.

PURITY OF WATER SUPPLY, UMLAH PROPERTY.

HALIFAX, N. S., March 4th, 1909.

*His Worship the Mayor and City Council:*

GENTLEMEN.—Your special committee appointed on February 4th last to examine the property of John W. Umlah on the St. Margaret's Bay Road, near the Chain of Lakes, and to confer with him regarding the value of said property, beg to report as follows:—

Your committee, consisting of Deputy-Mayor Campbell, Aldermen Hubley, Rankine and Smith (Alderman Bligh being absent from the City) visited the property and conferred with Mr. Umlah, as instructed. They find that the said property is situated on an elevation within eighty (80) yards of the Chain of Lakes, that there is a large quantity of manure on the premises, also a piggery, hen house, and outhouses, the drainage from which must necessarily find its way to the said lake, which is part of the water supply of the City of Halifax.

Your committee are unanimous in the opinion that the premises in its existing condition is a source of contamination to the water supply of our City, and a menace to the public health, and should not be allowed to remain in the present condition.

Mr Umlah stated to the committee that the property consists of about thirty (30) acres of land, mostly of a very rough character, with the exception of some small plots (he says about four acres) under cultivation. The remainder of the property consists of a two storey house, which is apparently in good condition, a barn, poultry house, piggery, and small outbuildings.

We believe that the actual value of the land and premises does not exceed \$3000.00, but Mr. Umlah impressed on your committee the fact that on account of the situation of the property, being at the junction of the Prospect and St. Margaret's Bay Roads, that he and his wife are unable to carry on a remunerative business in the keeping of what might be termed as a small country hotel, as well as the sale of small wares, and that the premises is to them of considerable business value, apart from the value of the land and buildings.

Your committee believe that Mr. Umlah should receive from the City a fair compensation for the place, taking due consideration of its business value to him, and also the fact that it has been his place of residence for the last twenty or twenty-five years.

We would recommend to your Council that the sum of \$3500.00 be offered Mr. Umlah by the City, in full payment for the property, he to be allowed to remove the buildings within three months from April 1st next, and to cut and remove the wood from the land at any time within the next five years

NELSON B. SMITH, *Chairman.*

ANDREW HUBLEY.

F. P. BLIGH.

GEO. M. CAMPBELL.

JOHN RANKINE.

Moved by Alderman Smith, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Smith, seconded by Alderman Hoben, that in the event of Mr. Umlah accepting the City's offer the City Solicitor prepare any legislation necessary to provide the money.

It was agreed that the City already has sufficient authority to borrow money for the improvement of the water supply.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Martin, that the Council adjourn.

The vote being taken there appeared :—

For Adjournment.	Against.
Aldermen Hebb, McManus, - Smith, Hoben, Martin, MacKenzie, Rankine.—7.	Aldermen Shaffner, Wilson, Whitman, Bligh, Hubley, Thompson, Edwards.—7.

The Deputy-Mayor gave his casting vot against the motion and declared it lost.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Wilson, that the portions of the Official City Plan comprised within the following boundaries, viz: Owen Street, Robie Street, Inglis Street, North West Arm, Dutch Village Road, Bayers Road, Bayers Road, Kline Street, Pine Street, Quinpool Road, Oxford Street, North Street, Robie Street, Young Street, Gottingen Street, Cogswell Street, Brunswick Street, Jacob Street, Water Street, Fawson Street, Hollis Street, Inglis Street and Pleasant Street to Owen Street, completed by the City Engineer, and to be submitted to this Council for confirmation be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges for report. Motion passed.

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

Council adjourns 12 o'clock.



## EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, April 13th, 1909.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening at the above hour. There were present, Deputy-Mayor Alderman Campbell, and Aldermen Whitman, Wilson, Bligh, Chisholm, Hebb, Douglas, McManus, Smith, Kelly, Hoben, Martin, Thompson, Rankine, MacKenzie and Edwards.

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

### NOTICE OF RECONSIDERATION.

Read No. 1 on the Order of the Day, viz: Alderman Whitman's notice of reconsideration of resolution in re civic assistance for model dwelling undertaking and the taking of a plebiscite thereon. March 26th, 1909.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Wilson, that this matter be now reconsidered.

The vote being taken there appeared.

For Reconsideration.

Aldermen Wilson, Whitman,  
Chisholm, Martin,  
Edwards, Rankine.—6.

Against it.

Aldermen McManus, Douglas,  
Smith, Hoben,  
Kelly, Mackenzie.—6.

The Deputy-Mayor gives his casting vote against reconsideration and declares the motion lost.

### PRESENTATION OF PAPERS.

The following named papers are submitted:—

Report Charities Committee, by Alderman McManus, Chairman.

Report Finance Committee, by Alderman Whitman, Chairman.

Report Commissioners of Common, by Alderman Kelly, Chairman.

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

Report City Prison Committee, by Alderman Kelly, Chairman.

Reports (2) Committee of Fire Wards, by Alderman Edwards, for Chairman.

Petition for sewer extension Agricola Street, by Alderman Edwards.

The Deputy-Mayor submits the following named papers :—

Report Special Committee re sale of Old Exhibition Lots.

Reports (2) Police Committee covering accounts.

Reports (2) Chief of Police re violations of Liquor License Act on Sunday.

Report City Health Board re Slaughter Houses.

Report Board of Fire Escapes re St. Patrick's Home.

Report License Inspector re violations of Liquor License Act by "Maritime club."

Report Coal Weighers for February.

Report City Engineer re hatch No. 134 Granville St.

Reports (11) Committee on Works, viz :

Widening Windsor St., North St. and Chebucto Road.

Gerrish Lane Sewer.

Allan Street Sewer.

Water Extension Children's Hospital.

Water Extension St. Alban's Street.

Water Extension King's Place.

Water Extension Acadia Street.

Tower Road sidewalk.

Tenders for supplies.

Accounts.

Water Estimates 1909-10.

Letters Marine and Fisheries Department in re Pilot Commission.

Letter Citizen's Temperance Committee in re Temperance Legislation.

Application Department of Militia and Defence for water lot.

Application Dominion Atlantic Railway for appointment of an officer re weights of cars.

Circular letter re formation of Canadian Boards of Trade

Invitation to attend Convention of League of America Municipalities.

Letter W. B. A. Ritchie re suit Neptune Meter Co. vs. City of Halifax.

Letter Royal Securities Corporation re fees for City Seal.

Petition for sewer Linden Street.

Letter Canadian Window Cleaning Co. re cleaning glass at City Hall.

Letter Standard of the Empire re advertising Halifax.

Circular letter Wm. D. Marks, Consulting Engineer re gas and electric utilities.

Application C. Brown for refund of liquor license deposit.

Alderman Whitman submits a bill to enable the City to permit of a railway crossing across Cornwallis Street to the premises of the Acadia Cold Storage Company.

## REFERENCE OF PAPERS SUBMITTED.

Read reports (2) Chief of Police reporting no violations of the Liquor License Act on Sunday since his last report. Filed.

Read petition for sewer extension Agricola Street.

Referred to Committee on Works for report.

Read letter Standard of the Empire in re advertising Halifax.

Deferred for consideration with report of Finance Committee.

Read application Dominion Atlantic Railway for appointment of an officer re weights of cars.

## WEIGHTS OF CARS.

HALIFAX, N. S., March 29th, 1909.

L. FRED. MONAGHAN, ESQ., *City Clerk*,

DEAR SIR,—I find that in order to have the weights of cars ex D. A. R. points legal we should have a sworn weigher at Richmond. Will you kindly refer this to the City Council at the first opportunity and have Mr. John Munro appointed sworn weigher for D. A. R. Richmond. In the absence of Mr. Munro we should also have Mr. Herman Weissa sworn as his Deputy.

If you will kindly arrange to have both these men appointed weighers, I shall be greatly obliged.

F. G. J. COMEAU, *General Freight Agent*.

Referred to Committee on Laws and Privileges for report.

Read letter Marine and Fisheries Department in re application of Department of Militia and Defence for water lot in Halifax Harbor facing Ordnance Wharf property, the description on plan accompanying said letter being: Description of new water lot—'Beginning at the south-eastern angle of the water lot granted to the War Department December 27th, 1816, thence running north 60° east in prolongation of south boundary line of said water lot four hundred and eighty (480) feet into Halifax Harbor, thence at right angles north-westerly two hundred and sixty (260) feet, thence south-westerly, this boundary being a continuation of the north line of said water lot four hundred and eighty (480) feet to the north eastern angle of said water lot, thence south easterly along east boundary of said water lot three hundred (300) feet to the place of beginning.' Said plan being marked Chief Engineer's Office No 20774 and Marine and Fisheries File No. 29431.

Referred to Committee on Works for report.

Read application Charles Brown for refund of Liquor License Deposit. Referred to Committee on Laws and Privileges for report.

Read circular letter re proposed formation of an Association at Ottawa, April 27th, to be known as The Canadian Federation of Boards of Trade and Municipalities.

Referred to Laws and Privileges Committee for report.

Read invitation to the City Council to send delegates and to become a member of the League of American Municipalities which holds its 13th Annual Convention at Montreal, Canada, August 25th-27th, 1909. Ordered to be acknowledged and filed.

Read petition for sewer Linden Street.

Referred to Committee on Works for report.

Read letter Canadian Window Cleaning Co., re cleaning glass at the City Hall.

Referred to Committee on Works for report.

Read letter William D. Marks, Consulting Engineer, re gas and electric utilities.

Referred to the Committee on Works for report.

Read report Coal Weighers for February. Filed

#### CONSIDERATION OF PAPERS SUBMITTED.

Read report Charities Committee for March.

#### REPORT CHARITIES COMMITTEE.

CITY HALL, April 7th, 1909.

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

GENTLEMEN,—The Charities Committee met this day, present—the Chairman, Aldermen Campbell, Hebb and Hoben.

Read Superintendent's report for March which shows that during the month there were 25 persons admitted into the City Home, 1 born, 64 discharged and 1 died, of the number admitted, 15 were chargeable to the province, 8 to the City, 1 to Londonderry, N. S., and 1 to St. Margaret's Bay. The total number of inmates at this date is 406, made up of 260 men, 143 women, and 3 children. On the same date last year there were 243 men, 146 women, and 5 children, a total of 394.

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

Wentzel, Ltd., \$548.21; W. A. Maling & Co., \$473.01; Smith Bros., \$73.44; F. A. Shaw, \$54.82; Geo. Gregoir, \$46.59; H. D. MacKenzie Co., Ltd., \$291.97; The Fleischman Co., \$55.55; The Halifax Elect. Tram Co., \$31.25; Scotia Pure Milk Co., \$249.38; V. G. Hospital, \$82.48; Henry Lovett, \$24.16; Nova Scotia Telephone Co., \$11.25; Blackadar Bros., \$5.00. Halifax Herald, \$4.50; C. E. Puttner, \$50.00; W. N. Brown, \$21.50; Wm. Stairs Son & Morrow, \$17.54; Baldwin & Co., \$4.50; Wm. McFatridge, \$25.00; Malcom & Johnson, \$1.20; Brookfield Bros., \$5.05; L. A. Morash, \$1.00; B. J. Mulcahy, \$214.04; salaries for March, \$642.20.—Total, \$2883.64.

P. J. McMANUS, *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 payment of the accounts mentioned therein.



Moved by Alderman McManus, seconded by Alderman Hebb, and passed.

Read reports (2) Police Committee recommending accounts for payment.

## POLICE ACCOUNTS.

MARCH 25th, 1909.

*To the City Council:*

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

Fire Department, patrol horse, feed shoeing, \$33.75; cleaning material, \$3.75—\$37 50. G. C. Bateman, repair handcuffs, lock, etc., \$1.25, Neil Fox, harness repairs, \$2 50. Clayton & Sons, repairs patrol tires, \$2.50. Total—\$43.75.

GEO. M. CAMPBELL, *Deputy Mayor and Chairman.*

APRIL 13th, 1909.

The Police Committee beg to recommend for payment the following accounts:—

N. S. Telephone Co., 3 months to June 30th, 1909, \$19.25, Blackadar Bros., advertising, \$3.15. Herald advertising, \$6.40. J. Wannacott, lock, etc., 50c. R. E. Flannigan, repairs etc., to trousers, \$1.00. Maxwell's Ltd, altering uniform, \$2.00. David Roche, paint & brush, \$2.57. Colwell Bros., repairs coats, 85c. H. McFatridge, veterinary services, \$5.00. Total—\$40.72.

GEO. M. CAMPBELL, *Deputy Mayor and Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Edwards, seconded by Alderman Wilson, that said reports be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

Read report Finance Committee re various matters and accounts.

## REPORT FINANCE COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, April 13th, 1909.

*His Worship the Mayor and City Council:*

GENTLEMEN,—Your Committee on Finance beg to report that at a meeting of the Committee held this day, present, Aldermen Whitman, (Chairman), Hoben, Smith, Thompson and Edwards, they had under consideration the following matters and report as follows:—

1. In re offer of C. F. Weston Underwood to sell to the City for \$6,000.00 a portrait of George Dunk, the first Lord Halifax, the founder of this City. It is recommended that the letter be acknowledged and filed.

2. In re letters "Montreal Standard" and London, England, "Standard of the Empire" re advertising Halifax, it is recommended that the same be filed as there is no appropriation for this service.

3. The following accounts, amounting to \$1,062.15, were passed as correct and recommended for payment:

Dr. Finn, certificate of death, Frank Hutton, \$4 00. Halifax Bill Posting Co., posting bills, \$9.00. Jos. Spencer, removing bodies, \$4.50. Holloway Bros., printing Minutes, \$73.20; Annual Report, \$557.75. MacAlpine Pub. Co., printing Voters Lists, \$169.69. Halifax Herald, advertising, \$3.90. Blackadar Bros, advertising, \$41.60; \$2.80; \$13.65; \$13.65—\$71.70. A. & W. MacKinlay, books, &c: City

Auditor, \$5.75; License Inspector, \$5.75; City Collector, \$34.20; City Treasurer, \$12.25—57.95. T. C. Allen & Co., stationery: City Auditor, \$4.15; City Treasurer, \$0.40; City Police Dept., \$13.25, \$8.10; City Assessors, \$1.00; City Solicitor, \$0.30; City Clerk, \$25.01, \$5.60—\$30.61; City Collector, \$13.90, \$18.75—\$32.65.—\$90.46. Total, \$1,062.15.

ALFRED WHITMAN, *Chairman.*

Also read letter Standard of the Empire submitted this day re advertising Halifax.

The following resolution is submitted:—

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

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Hoben, and passed.

Read report City Prison Committee on various matters and accounts.

#### REPORT CITY PRISON COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY PRISON, April 8th, 1909.

*To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:*

GENTLEMEN.—The City Prison Committee beg to report that a meeting was held this day at the Prison, there being present, Aldermen Kelly, (Chairman), Hebb and Edwards.

The Committee inspected the Prison property and found the buildings\*in a fairly good state of repair. The fences around the property, particularly that on the Gottingen Street front, are in a dilapidated condition and need renewing.

Your Committee have requested the City Engineer to prepare a specification for the fencing required and recommend that authority be given the Committee to take tenders and have the work done and paid for out of the present year's appropriation

The following accounts, amounting to \$59.16, are recommended for payment:—

A. S. Austen, hardware, \$2.70. Jordan & Mann, horseshoeing, \$5.38. Wentzell's, Ltd., groceries, \$16.63. Freeman's Dept. Store, dry goods, \$4.30. W. A. Maling & Co., ox heads, \$12.00. Hillis & Sons, stove front, \$2.46. John Davison & Son, lumber, \$1.12. N. S. Telephone Co., one-quarter to June 30th, 1909, \$13.50. Halifax Tram. Co., electric light, \$107. Total, \$59.16.

J. F. KELLY, *Chairman.*

The following resolution is submitted:—

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

Moved by Alderman Kelly, seconded by Alderman Hebb, and passed.

Read report Commissioners of Halifax Common covering accounts for payment.

## PUBLIC GARDENS ACCOUNTS.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, March 18th, 1909.

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

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Commission held this day at 4 p. m., they had before them the following account which were approved and passed for payment, and the Secretary was requested to forward same to the City Council for their information and concurrence :

Acadia Fire Insurance Co., \$15.00. Halifax Fire Insurance Co., \$15.00. F. G. Shaw, \$19.05. S. Cunard & Co., \$96.25. H. E. Tram Co., \$17.84. H. E. Fuller & Co., \$11.51. Bentley, Fleming & Co., \$10.20. Longard Brothers, \$6.70. Alfred Carter, \$1.40. Wm. J. O'Connell, \$9.51. J. McInnes & Son, \$10.80. Total—\$212.36.

EDWARD T. POWER, *Secretary.*

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

Read report Special Committee on sale of Old Exhibition Ground Lots recommending that lot No. 20 on College Street be sold to Mr. W. A. Prindiville for \$1000.00.

## OLD EXHIBITION LOTS.

CITY HALL, HALIFAX, N. S., March 23rd, 1909.

*To the City Council:*

GENTLEMEN,—The Committee beg to report that Mr. W. A. Prindiville has offered to pay the sum of one thousand (\$1000.00) dollars for lot No. 20 of the Old Exhibition lots on College Street.

We recommend that his offer be accepted and the lot sold on the same conditions as specified for those already sold.

GEO. M. CAMPBELL, *Deputy-Mayor.*F. H. BELL, *City Solicitor.*F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Wilson, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report Committee of Fire Wards, March 16th, 1909, on various matters.

## REPORT BOARD OF FIRE WARDS.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, March 16, 1909.

*His Worship the Mayor and City Council:*

GENTLEMEN,—The Committee of Fire Wards met this day, present, Aldermen Hubley, (Chairman), Edwards, Whitman, Hebb, McManus and Thompson.

1. Mr. George G. Handley having made another application for the installation of a fire tapper in his residence No. 12 Church Street, and offered to pay the cost of installing the same and for the charging power, it is recommended that his request be complied with and the tapper installed.

2. The Marine and Fisheries Department having handed over to the City free of cost the steam fire engine now called "Battenburg" on condition that the City would instal for them a fire alarm system which they agree to purchase, the City Electrician reported that the cost of installing an alarm box at the north gate of the Dockyard and an auxiliary at the south gate of the Dockyard would be \$75.00, the Marine and Fisheries Dept. to furnish one man and helper and to assume all responsibility for proper operation of box and auxiliary that they furnish. It was decided that this work be done at once.

3. Your Board had before them a resolution of Council instructing this Committee to call for tenders for the repair of the two old fire engines recommended for sale, and also for tenders for the purchase of the same, and beg to report that the Secretary of the Committee had been instructed to write to all towns in the province for bids for one or both of these machines, and that the Chief and the Chief Engineer have been instructed to ask the local mechanics to tender on repairs to said machines, their pumps and undergear, and to report back to the Board.

4. In accordance with authorization from the Council the Board recommend for acceptance tenders as follows:—

Huxtable & Courtney :	
4 stall pans for Grafton Street House .....	\$ 38 00
5 " Central Engine House.....	47 50
Hillis & Sons, Ltd. :	
Cast iron floor tracks for Grafton Street House .....	24 00
Quinpool Road House ....	43 00
West Street House .....	51 00
Wm. McFatrige :	
Roof Bedford Row House .....	225 00
W. F. Bethune :	
Painting in Central Engine House .....	27 50
" Islesville Engine House .....	30 00
Moriarty & Jarrett :	
Painting in Grafton Street House. ....	102 00
G. M. Cullen & Co. :	
Painting in Spring Garden Road House .....	43 00

The foregoing recommendation is made with the understanding that only such amount of work will be done as the funds will permit, and in case the lowest tenderer herein recommended refuses to accept the contract the Chairman and Mr. Fidler are empowered to accept the next lowest tender.

5. The Chief has been instructed to report to the Board the annual cost of placing the Horton aerial ladder in commission.

6. The Chairman and Chief were authorized to purchase one or two horses and to sell at public auction one or two horses.

7. The Chief Engineer verbally report to the Board that the water tube in the Waterous engine reported by him at the last meeting was not burned out in his opinion, but was defective in manufacture, and also that another tube gave out this morning at a fire in the same way.

ANDREW HUBLEY, *Chairman.*

The same is taken up clause by clause.

Read clause 1 re placing fire alarm tapper in residence of George G. Handley, 12 Church Street.

Alderman Edwards asked for the opinion of the City Solicitor as to



whether the City had statutory authority or any lawful right to furnish an electric fire call for private citizens in their residences.

The City Solicitor stated that in his opinion the City has no such right.

Mayor Whitman, of Canso, being in the Council Chamber, was invited to and accepted a seat beside the Deputy-Mayor.

Moved by Alderman McManus, seconded by Alderman Hebb, that the clause be adopted. Motion put and passed.

The remaining clauses 2 to 7 are severally read and adopted on motions by Alderman Edwards, seconded by Alderman McManus.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Edwards, that the report as a whole be adopted. Motion passed.

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

#### REPORT BOARD OF FIRE WARDS.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, April 7th, 1909.

*His Worship the Mayor and City Council:*

GENTLEMEN,—The Committee of Fire Wards met this afternoon at 4 o'clock. Present: Aldermen Hubley, (Chairman), Hebb, McManus, Edwards and Thompson, and beg to report and recommend as follows:—

1. That James Curren, Callman on No. 4 engine, suspended on March 17th for being under the influence of liquor at alarm of fire box 43 March 17th was reinstated with the understanding that he be dismissed if he again commits himself.
2. That the resignation of driver Marshall Gammon be accepted.
3. That P. J. Lynch, Callman on No. 2 hose, injured at fire on December 20th, 1908, reported for duty March 27th, 1909, having received the sum of \$99.42 during disability.
4. That John Egan, Driver of No. 2 hose wagon, had his leg badly bruised on March 18th while working on the snow plow and has not yet reported for duty.
5. That Luke Flynn, Callman on No. 5 engine, had two ribs broken by being thrown from No 2 ladder truck while responding to an alarm of fire from box 84 on April 3rd, and that the shafts of No. 2 hose waggon were broken while responding to the same alarm.
6. That fire alarm box 93, through the kindness of the management of the Cotton Factory, in being placed on a telephone post outside the factory and the key kept at No. 7 Longard Road for the use of the public. As this is a private box owned by the Cotton Factory it is recommended that thanks be tendered the management for thus placing this box at the public service.
7. Two horses have recently been purchased for \$475.00, and two sold at auction for \$250.00.
8. It is recommended that John Keefe, George Duggan, and Charles Lenaghan be appointed supernumeraries
9. At the request of the Board the Chief has made a report on the cost of putting

the Horton (Macdonald) aerial ladder in commission, and also an estimate of the upkeep of the same for one year. On the subject of the aerial ladder the Board received a letter from Mr L. J. Heslein on behalf of himself and other ratepayers, asking for the promised reduction of five cents on insurance premiums upon the City's procuring an aerial ladder. It is recommended that the City Clerk communicate with the Board of Fire Underwriters, asking for the promised reduction of five cents if the Horton ladder is put into commission.

10. The complaint in the last report of your Board of a dangerous stove-pipe in a building between Starr Street and Poplar Grove was communicated to the Eastern Trust Company, the owners of the building, who have since removed the cause of danger.

The following accounts are recommended for payment :—

G. C. Bateman, locksmith work, \$10.40. Blackadar Bros., advertising, \$4.20. J. C. Calder, paste, etc., \$20.00. S. Cunard & Co., coal, \$11.03. Works Dept., floor Grafton St. House, \$218.78. Patrick Dowd, carriage work, \$18.20. T. A. S. DeWolfe & Son, salt, 85c. Jas. Dempster & Co., lumber, 10.60. J. A. Dunn, electrical work, \$10.60, \$2.70—\$13.30. Neil Fox, muzzle socket, \$1.00. Freeman's, book case, \$14.00. Farquhar Bros., stilson, etc., \$2.25. H. H. Fuller, hardware, \$2.12, \$1.46, \$6.72—\$10.30. T. Forhan & Co., rep. ensign, \$1.50. A. J. Grant & Co., hardware, 94c. Globe Laundry, laundry work, \$12.39. Halifax Herald, advertising, \$5.85. T. Holloway & Son, block, etc., \$3.50. Halifax Elec. Tram Co., light, Morris St. \$1.40, West St. \$1.72, Quinpool Road \$2.63. Bedford Row \$4.06, Central \$6.60, Grafton St. \$1.46, Gottingen St. \$3.83, Spring Garden Road \$2.72—\$23.93. Halifax Elec. Tram Co., power, \$7.18. T. C. Johnson & Sons, rep. badges, \$1.00. Imperial Oil Co., oil, \$20.17, \$17.20—\$37.37. R. R. Kennedy, overalls, \$1.85. W. C. Knight, oil, etc., \$6.65. Pitner Lighting Systems, mantels, etc., \$2.60. Hibbert Mills, two horses, \$475.00. J. C., Merlin & Son, spruce, \$2.62, Robert Merlin, lumber, \$8.19. Charles Morton, moving sleigh, \$2.00. J. H. Mont & Co., straps, 40c. Melvin & Co., hardware, \$1.95. E. P. Meagher, telephone, dioz, \$5.00. Maritime Paint and Varnish Co., chamois skins \$4.50, sponges \$8.00—\$12.50. Wm. McFatridge, hammers, 40c. F. G. Rudolf & Co., brushes, \$2.13. David Roche, lettering signs, \$1.75. Geo. E. Smith & Co., hardware, 50c. A. Shaw, feed, \$287.66. Silliker Car Co., 1 load wood, \$1.00. George Thompson, brushes, \$4.50. N. S. Telephone Co. Wentzells Limited, lard, \$1.50. J. Wonnacott, 65c. Stairs, Son & Morrow, Ltd., hardware, \$53.02. Total—\$1300.50.

JAS. S. EDWARDS, for Chairman.

The following resolution is submitted :—

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

Moved by Alderman Edwards, seconded by Alderman Whitman, and passed.

Read "An Act relating to the City of Halifax" being an Act to permit of the crossing of Cornwallis Street, by the tracks of the Intercolonial Railway to the premises of the Acadia Cold Storage Company.

#### AN ACT RELATING TO THE CITY OF HALIFAX.

Be it enacted by the Governor, Council, and Assembly, as follows :—

1. The Council of the City of Halifax may authorize the crossing of Cornwallis Street by the tracks of the Intercolonial Railway of Canada to the premises of the

Acadia Cold Storage Company, Limited, on such terms and conditions as may be approved of by the said Council upon the recommendation of the City Engineer, which shall include the erection and maintenance of suitable gates at the crossing; provided the said company shall have its buildings erected and completed and be in operation as a going concern within one year from the passing of this Act; but in no case shall such said railway tracks be built or laid in front of any private property other than that of said company, and said City of Halifax shall in no way be responsible at any time for any costs, loss or damage caused by or from the laying of said tracks or the running, storing or loading of cars thereon.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Hebb, that the said Act be approved of. Motion passed.

By permission of Council Alderman Whitman, Chairman of the Committee on Legislation, here verbally reported that a bill now before the Legislature relating to the Children's Aid Society, an organization affiliated with the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty, imposed certain financial obligations upon the City of Halifax and that said bill had never been presented to this Council for its consideration.

The following resolution is submitted:

*Resolved*, That this Council is of opinion that Bill No. 159 relating to the Children's Aid Society should be deferred until the Council of the City has had an opportunity of considering its effect on the financial obligations imposed by it on the City.

Moved by Alderman Rankine, seconded by Alderman Edwards, and passed.

By consent of Council Alderman Hoben submits the following resolution:—

1. *Resolved*, That it is the earnest wish of this Council that the Local Legislature will pass the necessary legislation asked for by this Council enabling the City to grant civic encouragement to the Anderson Chair Company.

2. *Further resolved*, That if the Legislature fails to grant such legislation and decides to pass an Act submitting the question to a plebiscite, that the plebiscite be taken at the forthcoming civic election and that it be determined by a majority of the total votes polled for Mayor.

3. *Further resolved*, That a copy of this resolution be sent to both branches of the Legislature.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Smith.

Alderman Shaffner here takes up his seat in Council.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Edwards, that if the Legislature proposes to favor the Anderson Chair Company that the question be submitted to a plebiscite of the ratepayers to be determined by a majority of the number of votes cast for Mayor.

The Deputy-Mayor rules the amendment out of order.

Moved by Alderman Edwards, seconded by Alderman Whitman,

that the resolution be divided in three parts to be voted upon separately. Motion passed.

Read paragraph 1 of the resolution.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Hebb, that this paragraph pass.

The vote being taken there appeared :

For the Motion.	Against.
Aldermen Shaffner, Wilson, Hebb,	Aldermen Whitman, Chisholm,
Bligh, McManus, Douglas,	Thompson, Edwards—4.
Smith, Hoben, Kelly,	
Martin, MacKenzie,	
Rankine—12.	

Read paragraph 2 of the resolution.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Smith, that this paragraph pass.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Edwards, that a plebiscite be taken on this matter and that the result be determined by a majority of the voters on the list.

Amendment put and lost, 2 voting for the same and 14 against it, as follows :—

For the Amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Whitman,	Aldermen Shaffner, Wilson,
Edwards.—2.	Chisholm, Hebb,
	Bligh, McManus,
	Douglas, Smith,
	Hoben, Kelly,
	Thompson, Martin,
	MacKenzie, Rankine.—14.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Edwards, that the proposed law do not become effective until three-fifths of the voters who vote for Mayor vote in favor of the same at a plebiscite to be taken.

Amendment put and lost, 2 voting for the same and 14 against it, the division of Council showing :—

For the Amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Whitman,	Aldermen Shaffner, Wilson,
Edwards —2.	Chisholm, Hebb,
	Bligh, McManus,
	Douglas Smith,
	Hoben, Kelly,
	Thompson, Martin,
	MacKenzie, Rankine.—14.



The original motion to adopt the paragraph is put and passed.

Read paragraph 3 of the resolution.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Smith, that said paragraph be adopted. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Smith, that the resolution as a whole be now adopted. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Smith, that the names recorded on the divisions of Council on this matter be forwarded to the Legislature along with the copies of the resolution. Motion passed.

Read report Committee on Works covering accounts.

CITY WORKS ACCOUNTS.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, April 10th, 1909.

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 to Council for payment, viz :—

Street Lighting.....	\$1722 40
Permanent Sidewalks .....	541 11
Water Maintenance .....	299 64
Sewerage.....	255 10
Teams and Stables.....	185 75
Streets.....	166 25
Fuel .....	136 65
City Property .....	75 42
City Hall Lighting.....	70 44
Telephones .....	28 19
Internal Health .....	8 73

Total.....\$3489 68

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

Read report Committee on Works covering estimates for Water Department for 1909-10.

WATER ESTIMATES.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, April 9th, 1909.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—I have been instructed by the Committee on Works to submit for your approval the Water Maintenance Estimates for the year 1909-10.

WATER ESTIMATES.

Interest .....	\$49,276 00
Maintenance .....	25,000 00
Sinking Fund .....	2,625 00
Short Collection .....	1,000 00

\$77,901 00

Less :	
Income from special and meter rates .....	\$47,501 00
	\$30,400 00
3-8 of \$30,400 .....	\$11,400 00
5-8 of 30,400 .....	19,000 00
	\$30,400 00
\$15,833,334 @ 12c .....	\$19,000 00
8,142,856 @ 14c .....	11,400 00
	\$30,400 00

JAMES J. HOPEWELL, *Clerk of Works.*

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Edwards, that said Estimates be now adopted.

Alderman Hubley here takes his seat in Council.

Motion put and passed, 12 voting for the same and 2 against it, as follows:—

For the Motion.	Against it.
Aldermen Shaffner, Wilson, Whitman, Chisholm, Hebb, McManus, Hubley, Thompson, Martin, MacKenzie, Edwards, Rankine.—12.	Aldermen Smith, Hoben.—2.

Read report Laws and Privileges Committee in re official City plan covering resolution.

Also read No. 2 on Order of the Day, viz.: "Report City Engineer re Official City Plan deferred by resolution June 11th, 1908, for consideration September 9th, 1908. Resolution submitted by Laws and Privileges Committee, August 6th, 1908."

Read the resolution accompanying the report submitted at this meeting, as follows:—

*Whereas*, under the provisions of the Halifax City Charter the City Council of the City of Halifax is directed to prepare under the supervision of the City Engineer an official plan of the City or of any portion of the City upon which shall be shown —

(a) The lines of every existing street which has at any time heretofore been dedicated or conveyed to the City and accepted by resolution of the Council, or laid out under the authority of any enactment;

(2) The lines of every other street which has been opened and used by the public but has not been accepted by the City; and

(3) The lines of any projected extension or alteration of any such street; or of any projected new street approved by the Engineer.

*And whereas*, the City Engineer of the said City has completed plans in conformity with the said Charter of those portions of the City which are described as follows:—

That portion of the City comprised within the following boundaries:—

Owen Street, Robie Street, Inglis Street, North-West Arm, Dutch Village Road, Bayer Road, Kline Street, Pine Street, Quinpool Road, Oxford Street, North Street,