

Read No. 7 on Order of the Day, viz.: Message His Worship the Mayor re Canadian Pacific Railway coming to Halifax. December 14th, 1909, page 312.

On motion the same is struck from the Order Paper.

Read No. 8 on Order of the Day, viz.: Alderman Edwards, notice of motion for change of Halifax County and City's representation in House of Assembly from three to six. December 14th, 1909, page 313.

On motion the same is struck from the Order Paper.

Read No. 9 on Order of the Day, viz.: Alderman Whitman's notice of motion to rescind resolution passed February 10th, 1910, page 404, in so far as the same relates to Cedar Street sewer. (Verbal). March 10th, 1910, page 435.

On motion the same is struck from the Order Paper.

Read No. 10 on Order of the Day, viz.: An Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 14, 'of the Regulation of Hacks'." June 9th, 1910, page 53. (Third reading).

On motion the same is struck from the Order Paper.

Read No. 11 on Order of the Day, viz.: Reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re concrete sidewalk Granville Street (east side). See Minutes of Council, June 9th, 1910, page 58.

On motion the same is struck from the Order Paper.

Read No. 12 on Order of the Day, viz.: Alderman Whitman's notice of motion to rescind resolution passed June 9th, 1910, page 59, ordering a concrete sidewalk on Coburg Road. (Verbal). June 23rd, 1910, page 73.

On motion the same is struck from the Order Paper.

Read No. 13 on Order of the Day, viz.: Report Committee on Works re City Home. March 3rd, 1911, page 307.

On motion the same is struck from the Order Paper.

Read No. 14 on Order of the Day, viz.: Reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re Public Lavatory. March 9th, 1911, page 335.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Keltie, that this matter be referred to Committee on Works. Motion passed.

Read No. 15 on Order of the Day, viz.: Report His Worship the Mayor re Differential Freight Rate. May 11th, 1911, page 12.

On motion the same is struck from the Order Paper.

Read No. 16 on Order of the Day, viz.: Alderman Bligh's notice of motion to rescind motion passed October 5th, 1911, page 153, refusing application for certain exemptions from taxation on proposed pickle factory. October 12th, 1911, page 165. (Verbal).

On motion the same is struck from the Order Paper.

Read No. 17 on Order of the Day, viz.: Alderman Whitman's notice of motion to rescind motion adopting recommendation of the Public Franchises Committee that Cunard Street be widened. (See page 222). January 18th, 1912, page 284.

On motion the same is struck from the Order Paper.

Read No. 18 on Order of the Day, viz.: An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 15, "The Regulations of Trucks." January 18th, 1912, page 285. (Third reading).

Moved by Alderman R. V. Harris, seconded by Alderman Hoben, that the same be referred to the Laws and Privileges Committee. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Clarke, that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 11 o'clock.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor*.

L. FRED. MONAGHAN, *City Clerk*.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

4.40 o'clock.

Council Chamber, City Hall, June 27, 1912.

A special meeting of the City Council was held this afternoon at the above named hour.

Present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen MacKenzie, Hattie, Upham, R. V. Harris, Martin, Clarke, Whitman, Scanlan, Hines, J. C. Harris, Gough, Connolly, Hoben, Hawkins and Keltie.

The Council was summoned to deal with the matter of the contract for electric lighting, which expires July 1st, 1912; to proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business.

NOTICE OF RECONSIDERATION.

Read No. 1 on Order of the Day, viz.: Alderman Hoben's notice of reconsideration of resolution re appointment of George Brewer as an underkeeper of the City Prison. June 20th, 1912.

Alderman Hoben declines to move for the reconsideration of this matter.

Alderman Hawkins claimed the right to move that the matter be reconsidered in default of Alderman Hoben moving the same.

His Worship the Mayor ruled that Alderman Hawkins could not do so.

The item is struck from the Order Paper.

Read No. 2 on Order of the Day, viz.: Alderman Hattie's notice of reconsideration of report Committee on Works re Shade Tree Commission. June 20th, 1912.

Moved by Alderman Hattie, seconded by Alderman Clarke that said matter be now reconsidered. Motion put and passed, 13 voting for the same and 2 against it, as follows:—

For Reconsideration—

Aldermen R. V. Harris, Connolly, Hattie, Scanlan, Clarke, Hoben, Keltie, Hines, Martin, J. C. Harris, MacKenzie, Upham, Gough.—13.

Against—

Aldermen Whitman, Hoben.—2.

Alderman Dennis here arrives and takes his seat in Council.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Martin that this matter be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges for report.

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

The amendment is put and passed, 14 voting for the same and 2 against it, as follows:—

For the Amendment—

Aldermen R. V. Harris, Whitman, Connolly, Hattie, Scanlan, Dennis, Clarke Hoben, Keltie, Hines, Hawkins, J. C. Harris, Upham, Gough.—14.

Against it—

Aldermen Martin, MacKenzie.—2.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS.

The following named papers are submitted by His Worship the Mayor:—

Report City Auditor re amounts borrowed by the City from the sinking funds and from the various superannuation funds.

Letter Provincial Secretary re loan (\$29,393) for Richmond School.

Letter F. J. Tremaine re amount voted to the late Governor Murray of the City Prison.

Report Supervisor of Coal Weighers re resignation of Jas. A. Harraher, and application George Readhead for position of Coal Weigher.

Report City Collector re death of W. H. Gibson, a sub-collector, and recommending the appointment of George H. Ferguson in his place.

Letter City Treasurer re refusal of Halifax Electric Tramway Company, Limited, to accept the City's offer of \$10,800 for the poles used under the City lighting contract.

Report Committee on Works re electric lighting contract.

REFERENCE OF PAPERS.

Read letter Provincial Secretary covering order of the Governor in Council re issuing debenture; for \$29,393 for additions and alterations to Richmond School.

RICHMOND SCHOOL.

Office Provincial Secretary, June 21st, 1912.

The City Clerk:

Sir:—I am directed to transmit herewith a certified copy of an order of His Honor the Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia in Council, dated 19th June, 1912, ordering and directing the City of Halifax to issue debentures to raise the sum of \$29,393, which is required by the Board of School Commissioners for the City of Halifax to pay for the additions and alterations to Richmond School.

FRED. F. MATHERS, *Deputy Provincial Secretary.*

Certified copy of an order of His Honor the Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia in Council, dated 19th June, 1912.

Whereas the Board of School Commissioners for the City of Halifax require the sum of Twenty-nine Thousand Three Hundred and Ninety-three Dollars (\$29,393) to pay for the additions and alterations to Richmond School in the City of Halifax, and applied to the Governor in Council for an order directing the City of Halifax to issue its debentures to raise the said sum required as aforesaid;

And Whereas, due notice of the sum so required and of the purpose for which the same is required and of the time and place appointed, namely Monday, the 17th day of June, A. D., 1912, at 11 o'clock a. m., in the Executive Council Room, Province Building, City of Halifax, at which the matter of said application would be heard, was given to the Mayor of said City;

And Whereas, the matter of said application was heard at such time and place;

Now Therefore, the Lieutenant Governor by and with the advice of the Executive Council for Nova Scotia and under and by virtue of section 820 of the Halifax City Charter, added thereto by Chapter 67 of the Acts of 1907, is pleased to order and direct and hereby orders and directs the City of Halifax to issue debentures to raise the amount so required.

FRED. F. MATHERS, *Clerk of the Executive Council.*

Filed.

Read report City Auditor re amounts borrowed by the City from the sinking funds and from the various superannuation funds.

LOANS FROM TRUST FUNDS.

Office of City Auditor, June 27th, 1912.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

Gentlemen:—In reply to enquiry of Alderman R. V. Harris, at a meeting of Council, June 20th, inst., I beg to say that the City owes at present to the:

Sinking Funds.....	\$385,225.62
Superannuation Funds:	
Officials'.....	12,300.00
Firemen.....	2,400.00
Police.....	41,000.00
Total.....	\$440,925.62

W. W. FOSTER, *City Auditor.*

Filed.

Read report Supervisor of Coal Weighers re the resignation of J. A. Harraher, one of the City Coal Weighers. Also read application George Readhead for appointment as a City Coal Weigher.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman R. V. Harris that the report be adopted and George Readhead appointed a Coal Weigher. Motion passed.

Read report City Treasurer re refusal of Halifax Electric Tramway Company, Limited, to accept the City's offer of \$10,800 for the poles used under the City Lighting Contract.

POLES OF HALIFAX ELECTRIC TRAMWAY CO.

Office of City Treasurer, June 27th, 1912.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

Gentlemen:—In accordance with the resolution of Council passed May 30th, on the 25th of this month I wrote to the Manager of the Halifax Electric Tramway Company tendering the sum of Ten Thousand Eight Hundred (\$10,800.00) Dollars as compensation for certain poles taken and appropriated by the City. On the 26th inst., I received a reply from the Manager, enclosing the cheque which I sent them. I beg to enclose copies of both letters.

W. L. BROWN, *City Treasurer.*

Office of City Treasurer, June 25th, 1912.

James W. Crosby, Esq.,

Manager Halifax Electric Tramway Company, Ltd.,

Sir:—I beg herewith to tender you check of the City of Halifax certified by the Royal Bank of Canada for Ten Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$10,800.00), being the amount directed by resolution of the City Council of the City of Halifax to be paid to your Company as the compensation for certain poles of your Company taken and appropriated by the City under the authority of the provisions contained in the contract for lighting with the City. A statement of the poles so taken is contained in the memorandum enclosed herewith. Kindly let me know at your earliest convenience whether or not it is the intention of your Company to accept the tender or not, and if not, let us have as soon as possible the name of the person who will act as arbitrator. We will be glad to furnish copies of the expropriation resolution and any other documents in our possession if you require them.

I am assuming that your Company does not require the City to go through the empty form of making a tender in gold or other legal tender.

W. L. BROWN, City Treasurer.

(Without prejudice).

Halifax, N. S., 26th June, 1912.

W. L. Brown, Esq.,

City Treasurer.

Dear Sir:—Yours of the 25th inst., enclosing cheque for \$10,800.00, duly received and contents noted.

Assuming that the City can take the poles while the lighting contract with the Halifax Electric Tramway Company, Limited, is outstanding, it would appear that the price should be first settled by agreement between this Company, the Eastern Trust Company and the City of Halifax, or by arbitration. I do not understand that any steps have been taken to arrive at such agreement. In any case the price should be paid to the Eastern Trust Company. I therefore return the cheque herewith.

HALIFAX ELECTRIC TRAMWAY CO., LTD.,

per JAS. W. CROSBY, Manager.

Also read report Committee on Works re Electric lighting contract.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING CONTRACT.

City Works Office, June 27th, 1912.

To the City Council:

Gentlemen:—At a special meeting of the Committee on Works, held this day,—present, His Worship the Mayor, (Chairman) Alderman Dennis, Alderman Hoben, City Solicitor Bell, City Engineer Doane, and for the Halifax Electric Tramway Company Senator MacKeen (President) Manager J. W. Crosby, Accountant Blackett and Solicitor H. Mellish—after discussing the matter of electric lighting, and owing to the legal difficulties apparent, it was decided to recommend to Council that the present contract for electric lighting be extended for a further period of six months from July 1st, 1912, for an all night and every night service.

F. P. BLIGH, Mayor and Chairman.

Office Halifax Electric Tramway Co., Ltd., May 26th, 1912.

His Worship the Mayor:

Dear Sir:—We are in receipt of a communication under date of 22nd inst., containing an extract from the minutes of a meeting of the City Council on the 20th inst., embodying a resolution of your Council that the City is prepared to enter into a contract with this Company for lighting the City streets, every night and all night, for a period of three years at \$62.50 a light. In reply to which, we beg to confirm our offer already made to the City to enter into a five year contract for an all-night and every night service for \$62.50 per light, the number of lights to be not less than as specified in the contract now in existence.

HALIFAX ELECTRIC TRAMWAY CO., LTD.,

per W. J. DeBLOIS, *Secretary.*

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Keltie that the report of the Committee on Works be adopted, and that the existing contract be extended for 6 months from the date of the expiry of the said existing contract. Motion passed.

Alderman R. V. Harris asked that Mr. F. J. Cragg be permitted to address the Council seeking permission to use the whole of the sidewalk in front of his premises, corner of George and Barrington Streets during the construction of his new building. By unanimous consent of Council permission is granted and Mr. Cragg addresses the Council in the matter.

Alderman Keltie gives notice of motion to rescind the resolution passed Council May 16th, 1912, relating to this matter.

Moved by Alderman MacKenzie, seconded by Alderman Whitman that the Committee on Works and City Engineer be requested to make a further report on this matter. Motion passed.

Read letter F. J. Tremaine re amount (\$300) voted by Council to be paid to the late Wm. Murray and Mrs. Murray, Governor and Matron of the City Prison upon their retirement.

RE ESTATE OF WILLIAM MURRAY, ETC.

Halifax, N. S., June 25th, 1912.

W. W. Foster, Esq., City Auditor:

Dear Sir:—In re the sum of \$300.00 directed by resolution of the Council, &c., I would ask you to make the cheques payable, \$200.00 to the executors of the estate of William Murray, deceased, and \$100.00 to the order of Martha Murray, widow of the late William Murray, and ex-matron of the City Prison.

I am asking this course as the \$200.00 will go into the estate funds, while the \$100.00 is Mrs. Murray's own property. If you wish further instructions in this matter kindly advise me.

I would be obliged if you could expedite the handing over of the cheques.

The executors of the estate of William Murray are Martha Murray, his widow, Ella Maud Murray, of Halifax, and John A. Balcom, of the Dominion Savings Bank. The Will has been probated and the executors have accepted execution, and been confirmed in Court.

F. J. TREMAINE,

*Solicitor for estate of William Murray,
deceased, and for Mrs. Martha Murray.*

Moved by Alderman R. V. Harris, seconded by Alderman Hoben that the request in Mr. Tremaine's letter be complied with, and that the City Treasurer be authorized to pay the amount in the manner requested. Motion passed.

Read letter City Collector reporting the death of W. H. Gibson, one of the sub-collectors in his office, and recommending the appointment of George H. Ferguson as his successor.

SUB-COLLECTORS CITY COLLECTOR'S OFFICE.

Office of City Collector, June 26th, 1912.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

Gentlemen:—It becomes my painful duty to report to you the death of Mr. W. H. Gibson, one of the sub-collectors, which took place on June 7th.

He had been connected with this office for thirty eight years, and I wish to place on record my appreciation of his faithful services rendered to the City in the capacity of sub-collector.

In order that the vacancy may be filled with as little delay as possible I would ask you to approve of my appointment of Mr. George H. Ferguson as his successor, in compliance with Chapter 38, section 4, Acts 1911.

ROBERT THEAKSTON, *City Collector.*

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman R. V. Harris that this Council approve of the appointment of George H. Ferguson as a sub-collector in the City Collector's office. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Martin that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 6 o'clock.

L. FRED. MONAGHAN, *City Clerk.*

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor.*

ELECTRIC LIGHTING CONTRACT.

This Memorandum of Agreement, made this twenty-ninth day of June in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twelve, between The Halifax Electric Tramway Company, a body corporate, hereinafter called the Company, of the First Part; and The City of Halifax, also a body corporate, hereinafter called the City, of the Second Part;

Witnesseth that the Electric Lighting Contract now existing between the Company and the City is hereby continued for a period of six months from the expiry thereof on the thirtieth day of June, instant, upon all the terms and conditions thereof, except that the Company agrees that the service to be furnished by it shall be on every night and all night.

In Witness Whereof the Company has executed these presents by the hands of its President and Secretary and by affixing its seal, and the City has executed the same by the hands of its Mayor and City Clerk, and by affixing the City seal.

Signed, Sealed and delivered,
in the presence of:

R. J. McCARTHY,
City Hall Messenger.

City
Seal.

FREDERICK P. BLIGH,
Mayor City of Halifax.

L. FRED. MONAGHAN,
City Clerk.

HALIFAX ELECTRIC
TRAMWAY CO., LIMITED. Tramway
Company's
Seal.

D. MacKEEN, *President.*

W. J. DeBLOIS, *Secretary.*

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

Council Chamber, City Hall, July 4th, 1912.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Hattie, R. V. Harris, Martin and Hines.

Moved by Alderman R. V. Harris, seconded by Alderman Hattie 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 Whitman, Gates, Scanlan, Clarke, Dennis, Keltie, J. C. Harris, MacKenzie, Upham and Hawkins.

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

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS.

The following named papers are submitted:—

Report Charities Committee, by Alderman Gates, Chairman.
Report Committee of Fire Wards, by Alderman Scanlan, Chairman.
Report City Prison Committee, by Alderman R. V. Harris, Chairman.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following named papers:—

Annual Report Board of City Assessors.
Letter Rev. Edward J. C. Macpherson asking for remission of taxes Zion Church
Application D. J. Fleming for a Bill Poster's License.
Letter John W. Regan re presentation book, "Sketches and Traditions of the
North West Arm," to H. R. H. Duke of Connaught.
Circular letter re Cartier Centenary celebration.
Report Commercial Committee re new industries.
Report City Health Board covering accounts.
Report Police Committee covering accounts.
Reports (8) Committee on Works, viz.:—
Sidewalk South Park Street from South Street to Spring Garden Road.
Pleasant Avenue Sewer.
Cleaning and Watering Streets.
Public Lavatory.
Telephone Conduits.
Accounts.
Work Robie Street, east side.
Norwood Street Water Extension.

REFERENCE OF PAPERS.

Read application D. J. Fleming for a Bill Poster's License. Referred to Laws and Privileges Committee for report.

Read Annual Report Board of City Assessors for 1912-13.

ANNUAL REPORT BOARD OF CITY ASSESSORS.

Halifax, N. S., July 2nd, 1912.

To His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Board of Assessors beg to submit for your approval, their annual report for the civic year 1911-12.

The assessment for 1912-13 as per memo attached, shows an increase over that of former years brought about largely by slightly increased values in several wards. The increased estimates for civic expenditure kept the rate at \$1.96.

Referring to the mode of assessment, it may be said that this has not changed materially in years. The present law directs the assessors to assess all real property at its cash value, which is sometimes a difficult matter to determine, for property is constantly changing ownership, being bought at a low figure and resold at a large advance, and these sales occur frequently in the same locality.

We are learning of other methods of assessment adopted in the larger cities of the United States and Canada. In many of these separate assessments are made on lands, on improvements, on income and on other sources, and in such a way an income adequate for needs is provided. Moreover, these methods are apparently giving complete satisfaction in these growing centres. Whether or not similar methods should be adopted in this City (which for years has had its values settled) remains for your Council to consider. In view of the increasing yearly expenditure we are of the opinion that difficulty will be experienced in securing increased valuation sufficient to meet the requirements of the near future if the rate is to be kept within the 2 p. c. limit.

The subject of assessment on personal property has long proved a source of annoyance to assessor and assessed, because of the very obvious difficulty in estimating; in many cases the decisions arrived at by your assessors have been objected to both by the assessed and by the court of appeal. We find also that continuous objection is being made to the taxation on merchandise; and the adoption of some other system in this respect would entail a deal more of satisfaction.

Your Board of Assessors find the poll tax a most difficult tax to impose. They give a large portion of their time to it, and if it is to be continued some radical change must be made so that it can be properly placed and collected.

Your assessors find too, that under the present system, a large portion of their time is taken up in clerical duties of the office, and they feel that these should be adjusted so as to give them adequate time to study the adjustment of real estate values, a matter which, in their judgment requires careful consideration from year to year. The changing conditions, transfers of property, divisions and sub-divisions of lots continually taking place, require most careful consideration. A more modern system of locating these changes is needed and, to the attainment of this end, we suggest the purchase of a complete set of charts, showing lands and buildings; the installation later on of a card registering system would also facilitate matters.

We would further suggest that, in the matter of registering sales of property, a copy of sale of every property of the City be filed with the assessors as early as possible, giving the particulars so that a complete registration file may be kept.

P. J. McMANUS, *Chief Assessor.*

Real and Personal Property, 1912,1913.

Ward	Real	Personal	Total	At \$1.96 per \$100.
1	\$3,857,050	\$ 676,100	\$4,533,150	\$ 88,849.74
2	5,461,700	1,825,000	7,286,700	142,819.32
3	4,053,600	1,643,850	5,697,450	111,670.02
4	1,920,950	536,300	2,457,250	48,162.10
5	2,505,700	515,800	3,021,500	59,221.40
6	2,550,450	515,900	3,066,350	60,100.46
	20,349,450	5,712,950	26,062,400	510,823.04
Bank Tax				\$ 19,000.00
Company Licenses				25,811.72
Poll Tax:				
1729 at \$5.00			\$8,645.00	
Less for doubtful			1,645.00	7,000.00
				\$ 562,634.76
Less school rebate				2,100.00
				\$ 560,534.76
Estimated amount required				559,711.10
				\$ 823.66
Rate—City tax \$1.21; School \$0.70; County \$0.05—\$1.96.				
To amount assessed 1912-13				\$ 26,062,400
To amount assessed 1911-12				25,376,400
				\$ 685,850
Total value real property				\$ 20,349,450
Total value exempted property				10,567,000
				\$ 30,916,450

(This does not include City Property).

Referred to Finance Committee.

Read letter Rev. Edward J. C. Macpherson asking for remission of certain taxes Zion Church. Referred to Laws and Privileges Committee for report.

Read letter John W. Regan offering to donate book, "Sketches and Traditions of the North West Arm" for presentation to H. R. H. Duke of Connaught.

Moved by Alderman Hattie, seconded by Alderman Whitman that the same be referred to the Special Committee on Reception to the Governor General. Motion passed.

Read circular letter re centenary celebration of the birth of Sir George-Etienne Cartier. Referred to Finance Committee for report.

CONSIDERATION OF PAPERS SUBMITTED.

Read report Charities Committee for June.

REPORT CHARITIES COMMITTEE.

Halifax, July 3rd, 1912.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council:

Gentlemen:—The Charities Committee met this day, and beg to submit the following report, members present, the Chairman, Aldermen Keltie, Upham and Scanlan.

The Superintendent's report for June, 1912, shows that during the month there were 25 persons admitted into the City Home, 1 born, 28 discharged and 1 died. Of the number admitted 5 were chargeable to the Province and 20 to the City. The total number of inmates June 30th was 287, made up of 162 men, 121 women and 4 children. On the same date last year there were 164 men and 122 women, a total of 286.

During the month there was one person admitted into the Nova Scotia Hospital chargeable to the City, 1 discharged and 2 died.

The following accounts are recommended for payment, viz.: Wentzell's Ltd., \$531.34; W. A. Maling & Co., \$327.56; Smith & Proctor, \$109.97; J. M. Currie, \$67.50; A. Wilson & Son, \$28.87; Fleischman & Co., \$3.90; J. S. Cashen & Son, \$53.35; J. & M. Murphy Ltd., \$82.12; Henry Lovett, \$1.97; H. D. MacKenzie Co., Ltd., \$109.39; Halifax Elec. Tram. Co., \$14.00; The Maritime Telegraph & Telephone Co., \$7.50; C. E. Puttner, \$50.00; Black & Flinn, \$3.30; Snow & Co., \$2.00; National Drug & Chemical Co., Ltd., \$1.50; W. Taylor & Co., \$15.45; Robinson, Ltd., \$1.88; R. R. Kennedy \$42.00; W. C. Knight, \$3.50; Brookfield Bros., \$21.86; Crowell Bros., \$.90; B. J. Mulcahy, \$166.63; Salaries \$656.23. Total \$2302.72.

Davison, Parker & Co., Ltd., \$37.40, chargeable to 1911-12.

H. E. GATES, *Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Gates, seconded by Alderman Upham that said report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

Read report City Health Board re accounts.

CITY HEALTH BOARD ACCOUNTS.

Halifax, N. S., June 28th, 1912.

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

Gentlemen:—The City Health Board beg to recommend the payment of the following accounts, viz.: N. S. Telephone Co., Phones month May, 1912, \$12.87; Postage, \$3.00; J. F. Dempster, Board of patients, \$122.55; Total, \$138.42.

JOHN A. WATTERS, *Secretary.*

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

Read report Police Committee re accounts.

POLICE ACCOUNTS.

Mayor's Office, June 29th, 1912.

To the City Council:

Gentlemen:—The Police Committee, at a meeting held on the 24th inst., resolved to recommend for payment the following accounts:—Maritime Telegraph & Telephone Co., Telephones for May, \$11.67; Holland & Kuhn, Blinds, etc., \$7.50; Chronicle Publishing Co., Advertising for Policeman \$5.85; Kline & Mullins, Five Police Helmets, \$15.00; \$40.02.

FREDERICK P. BLIGH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

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

Read report Committee on Works re accounts.

CITY WORKS ACCOUNTS.

City Works Office, July 3rd, 1912.

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 for payment, viz.

Water Maintenance.....	\$1,708.25
Water Construction.....	111.43
Street Lighting.....	1,848.83
Sewerage.....	1,637.21
Permanent Sidewalks.....	729.51
City Property.....	569.67
Streets.....	389.48
Teams and Stables.....	132.58
City Hall Lighting.....	69.20
Public Baths.....	42.09
Telephones.....	28.19
Internal Health.....	12.00
New Workshops.....	9.20
New Market Site.....	7.95
Fuel City Hall.....	7.65
Sewer Maintenance.....	1.00

Total.....\$7,304.24

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

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

Read report City Prison Committee on various matters and accounts.

REPORT CITY PRISON COMMITTEE.

Committee Room, City Hall, July 4th, 1912.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on City Prison met this day, there being present at the meeting Aldermen R. V. Harris, (Chairman), Hattie, Hines, J. C. Harris and Gough.

Your Committee beg to report and recommend as follows:

1. That the Committee be authorized to renew the line fence around the Prison farm with wire fencing, the cost not to exceed One Hundred Dollars (\$100), Prison labor to be utilized as far as possible.

2. That the tender of Wm. McFatrige for old junk, bones, etc., be accepted, viz.: 75c. per 100 lbs. for old bones and 50c. per 100 lbs for old iron.

3. That the City Engineer be instructed to prepare specifications for the plumbing, drainage, hot water heating, alterations in cook house and the alterations to cell doors as recommended in the report of the Prison Committee of December 20th, 1911, and that when funds are available the Committee on Works be instructed to ask for tenders and proceed with the work.

4. That the City Solicitor be asked to submit an opinion in writing to the Committee as to the legality of remitting "time" to prisoners for working overtime.

5. That the Chairman be authorized, when on his trip to Windsor, Ont., as delegate to convention of Union of Canadian Municipalities, to visit the prisons in the different Cities en route, to and from, to collect information that will be useful to this Committee.

6. The following accounts amounting to \$191.45, were examined, found correct and recommended for payment, viz : Wm. J. Regan, harness repairs, \$7.25; Blackadar Bros., advertising, \$4.35; Frank Moules, repairing plaster, \$37.60; Wm. Taylor & Co., boots, \$12.00; Halifax Tramway Co., Ltd., light, \$1.02; C. H. Jordan, horse shoeing, \$3.25; A. L. Melvin, one double mould board plow, \$17.00; A. M. Bell & Co., paint, etc., \$31.21; Isaac Creighton & Co., dry goods, \$12.20; W. A. Maling & Co., ox-heads and shins, \$18.25; E. W. Crease & Son, groceries, \$35.13; J. J. Scriven & Sons, bread, \$12.19. Total, \$191.45.

7. The monthly report of the Governor re discipline, number of prisoners in custody, and in re the escape of the prisoner Thomas Doherty, are hereto attached. It is recommended that the same be filed.

REGINALD V. HARRIS, *Chairman.*

The same is considered clause by clause and the various clauses thereof adopted.

Moved by Alderman R. V. Harris, seconded by Alderman Hattie, that the report as a whole be adopted, and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

Read report Committee of Fire Wards on various matters.

REPORT COMMITTEE OF FIRE WARDS.

Committee Room, City Hall, July 4th, 1912.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

Gen'lmen:—The Committee of Fire Wards met yesterday afternoon. Present Aldermen Scanlan, (Chairman), Harris, Hines and Gates, and beg to report and recommend as follows:

1. That the Chairman and Chief have been authorized to sell the mate of a horse that died June 6th, and to purchase two to replace the pair.
2. That Roy Smith and Percy Smith, Supernumeraries, have resigned.
3. That Robert MacKenzie, Driver of No. 5 waggon, reported sick June 17th, has not yet reported for duty.
4. That Thomas Healey, Callman, and Frank Schrage, Blacksmith, are still on the sick pay list.
5. It is recommended that Ernest Isnor be appointed Supernumerary.
6. That Thomas MacKenzie, Acting-Driver, be appointed to the permanent force, Vice Joseph Whalen left the Department.
7. In response to advertisement in the newspapers, tenders for a ladder truck were received as follows:—

American-La France Fire Engine Company.

Tender No. 1 Duplicate of truck previously purchased from said Co.	\$ 2,325.00
Tender No. 2	2,700.00
Tender No. 3	3,050.00
Tender No. 4	2,875.00
Tender No. 5 (For special truck)	3,250.00

Robinson Fire Apparatus Manufacturing Co.

St. Louis, Missouri. \$ 3,510.00

Austen Bros.

For Seagrave Truck:

No. 9 Special Truck	\$ 2,650.00
No. 100 Truck	3,000.00

It is recommended that the tender of Austen Bros. for the Seagrave No. 9 Special Truck at \$2,650.00 be accepted, subject to the weight being satisfactory to the Chief.

The following named accounts are recommended for payment:

Halifax Electric Tramway Co., Ltd., Light, \$12.89, Power, \$17.83, \$30.72; T. A. Allen & Co., Stationery, \$10.70; Wm. J. Butler & Co., Insurance, \$8.60; Canadian Oil Co., Gasoline, \$3.09; Canadian Rubber Co., Supplies, \$14.50; Cragg Bros. & Co., Hardware, \$7.00; S. Cunard & Co., Coal, \$38.55; Patrick Dowd, Carriage Repairs, \$10.20; J. A. Dunn, Ltd., Plating, \$1.00; James Dempster, Ltd., Lumber, \$20.20; Halifax Steam Laundry, Work, \$6.68; Hillis & Sons, Castings,

\$16.15; Halifax Printing Co., Printing, \$1.75; Imperial Oil Co., Oil, \$23.10; Kelly's Ltd., Saddlery, \$13.25; A. J. McNutt, Carriage Work, \$2.00; H. D. MacKenzie Co., Charcoal, \$.30; Morton & Cragg, Polish, \$12.00; W. & A. Moir, Machine Work, \$5.52; Lawrence Hardware Co., Ltd., Hardware, \$11.63; N. S. Telephone Co., Phones (May) \$27.00; Recorder, Advertising, \$11.60; David Roche, Paint, \$9.56; F. A. Shaw, Forage, \$423.72; W. & C. Silver, Pillow Slips, \$1.65; Stairs, Son & Morrow, Hardware, \$3.20; Wentzell's, Ltd., Soda, etc., \$13.25; Stroud & Eveleigh, Carriage Work, \$48.85. Total \$775.77.

M. SCANLAN, JR., *Chairman.*

The same is considered clause by clause.

Clauses 1 to 6 are severally read and on motion adopted.

Read clause 7 re tenders for a Ladder Truck.

Moved by Alderman Scanlan, seconded by Alderman R. V. Harris that the clause be adopted, and that the City purchase from Austen Bros., the Seagrave No. 9, Special Truck, at \$2,650.00 when the funds are provided. Motion passed.

Read clause 8 re accounts.

Moved by Alderman Scanlan, seconded by Alderman R. V. Harris, that said clause be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Scanlan, seconded by Alderman R. V. Harris, that the report as a whole be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report Commercial Committee re new industries, etc.

NEW MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.

June 28th, 1912.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council:

Gentlemen:—At a meeting of the Commercial Committee, held June 27th, the matter of a definite policy in regard to inducing new industries to locate in this City was discussed. It was considered at the meeting that the matter of publicity entered into this subject, and the following recommendations were made and ordered to be submitted to you for your approval.

Publicity.

Your Committee would recommend the appropriation of a small sum of money yearly to the Board of Trade, to be expended in advertising the advantages of Halifax as a manufacturing and residential City, and also the inducements that would be given to new industries to locate here.

Free Sites.

Would also recommend the carrying out of the provisions of Section 4, Chapter 71 of Acts 1907, by which the Council may at any time by a two-thirds vote acquire by purchase or expropriation land, not exceeding Fifteen Thousand Dollars in value, for the purpose of granting or leasing to any persons or Company establishing a new industry.

Tax Exemption.

The continuation of Section 344, Sub-Sec. (1) of City Charter, enabling tax exemption to be given to a new industry, other than water rates, for a period not exceeding ten years; would also suggest that for the following twenty years taxation at the rate of fifty per cent. of assessed value of property, plant and stock be extended, providing the industry does not come into competition with any existing industry in the City.

Water Rates.

That the minimum water rate be extended to new industries.

Bonuses, etc.

Would recommend a general law in connection with bonusing, such as the Ontario Act, whereby the matter of bonusing, guaranteeing of bonds, etc., must be submitted to the ratepayers for their approval.

If the above suggestions are favorably regarded by your honourable body, your Committee would ask that the necessary legislation be obtained at the next sitting of the Local Legislature.

E. A. SAUNDERS, *Secretary.*

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Keltie that said report be referred to the Finance Committee for report, and that a copy be forwarded to each member of the Council. Motion passed.

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

WATER EXTENSION NORWOOD STREET.

City Works Office, July 3rd, 1912.

To the City Council:

Gentlemen:—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day the attached report of the City Engineer on petition of the Halifax Realty Corporation, Ltd., in re water extension Norwood Street, was read and recommended for adoption.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

City Engineer's Office, June 24th, 1912.

His Worship the Mayor:

Sir:—I beg to report on the accompanying petition for water extension on Norwood Street about two hundred and twenty-five feet (225') west of Connaught Avenue to supply the Rosebank House, and about two hundred feet (200') east of Connaught Avenue to supply a new house.

The size of pipe required is six-inch. The estimated cost, west, is \$587.50; interest on the estimated outlay at 5%, \$29.38. The estimated cost, east, is \$525.00; interest on the estimated outlay at 5%, \$26.25.

The property owners promise to grade Norwood Street without delay as far as the extension is asked for at least. I would recommend, therefore, that these two extensions be made, provided a satisfactory bond is given for the payment of the special rate \$29.37 and \$26.25, and that the street is graded as far as the water pipe is to be laid, at least.

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

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

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re Robie Street sidewalk at Camp Hill Cemetery.

ROBIE STREET SIDEWALK.

City Works Office, July 3rd, 1912.

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 covering a recommendation of the Camp Hill Cemetery Commission in re certain sidewalk work on the east side of Robie Street, was read.

After discussing the matter it was decided to report to Council that in the opinion of this Committee the cost so estimated in the City Engineer's report was more necessary to be spent upon other streets of the City.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

City Engineer's Office, June 18th, 1912.

His Worship the Mayor:

Sir:—I beg to report on the accompanying communication from the commissioners of Camp Hill Cemetery, asking for the construction of a curb and gutter to retain the sidewalk on the west side of the Cemetery.

A concrete curb and gutter has been constructed on the west side of Robie Street between Spring Garden Road and Jubilee Road, and on the east side from Spring Garden Road to the Cemetery. The street has been boulevarded to Bliss Street.

As the Cemetery is City property, no move has been made by the public to further improve this portion of Robie Street. It seems proper that the City should take the lead and improve the street in front of their own property, instead of following the example of private property owners. The estimated cost of constructing the concrete curb and gutter required to complete the work opposite the Cemetery, is \$2,110.00. The estimated cost of laying the sidewalk as well, is \$3,186.00.

I would respectfully recommend that the whole work be done so that the east side of the street shall be in keeping with the work done on the west side.

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

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

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re South Park Street sidewalk, east side, from South Street to Spring Garden Road.

SOUTH PARK STREET SIDEWALK.

City Works Office, July 4th, 1912.

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 under date June 20th, 1912, in re cost of a sidewalk on the east side of South Park Street, from South Street to Spring Garden Road, was read and recommended for adoption.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor and Chairman*

City Engineer's Office, July 4th, 1912.

His Worship the Mayor:

Sir:—In accordance with the accompanying extract from Minutes of the City Council, I beg to report on the cost of constructing a concrete sidewalk on the east side of South Park Street from South Street to Spring Garden Road.

The tar concrete sidewalk is so badly worn that it is impossible to repair it. It is necessary either to lay a new tar concrete sidewalk or a new cement concrete sidewalk.

As the former has a very limited life owing to the character of the sand which we are obliged to use, it is not economical to construct any more of them. This sidewalk carries very heavy traffic and the street is one of the most important in the City. The estimated cost of constructing a concrete sidewalk is \$3,550.00; and I would recommend that a sidewalk be constructed under the Permanent Sidewalk Act, 1906.

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

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

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer, and reports (2) City Health Board re sewer Pleasant Avenue or "Laundry Lane."

PLEASANT AVENUE SEWER.

Office City Health Board, May 15th, 1912.

Chairman and Other Members Committee on Works:

Gentlemen:—At a meeting of the City Health Board held yesterday, the following resolution was introduced and passed and I am directed to transmit the same to you for your consideration and action:

Resolved, that as a public sewer is urgently needed in Pleasant Avenue, the Committee on Works be recommended in the interest of public health, to order the construction of same as soon as possible.

JOHN A. WATTERS, *Secretary.*

SEWER LAUNDRY LANE.

City Engineer's Office, May 10th, 1912.

His Worship the Mayor:

Sir:—I beg to report on the accompanying petitions, one asking for the construction of a sewer in Laundry Lane, the other opposing it.

The sewer was constructed in the western third of the Lane, last year, but the eastern two-thirds has been drained principally by a private 6" crock drain. The crock pipe empties into an old stone drain running across Pleasant Street at the foot of Laundry Lane and passing under a house north of the Yacht Squadron to the harbour. It is not a desirable location for a sewer outlet, and as we have no record of the City's rights, it is doubtful if a new sewer could be constructed to empty through it. In any case, it would not be wise to do so.

The only alternative is the construction of a sewer to the Ogilvie Street outlet below Greenbank. The estimated cost of the construction of a sewer along Pleasant Street to the Ogilvie Street outlet and up Laundry Lane to the premises of the petitioners, is \$11,600.00; estimated sewer assessment \$2,750.00.

There are four petitioners asking for the construction of the sewer and six opposing it, all of the petitioners representing property on Laundry Lane.

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

City Works Office, June 22nd, 1912.

Chairman and Members City Health Board:

Gentlemen:—I am instructed to send you for your further consideration the petitions and City Engineer's report in re Pleasant Avenue sewer extension as requested by your Minute under date May 15th, 1912.

Please return all papers.

JAS. J. HOPEWELL, *Clerk of Works.*

Office of City Health Board, June 25th, 1912.

Chairman and Other Members Committee on Works:

Gentlemen:—At a meeting of the City Health Board held yesterday your communication of 22nd inst., relating to Pleasant Avenue sewer extension, was read with a report from the City Engineer and petitions relating thereto. On motion the former resolution of the Board dated May 15th, 1912, relating to said matter was re-affirmed, a copy of which is attached.

JOHN A. WATTERS, *Secretary.*

City Works Office, July 3rd, 1912.

To the City Council:

Gentlemen:—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day the attached Minute of the Board of Health re-affirming their former resolution under date May 15th, 1912, in re "the urgent need of a public sewer in Pleasant Avenue" was read.

It was decided to refer all papers connected therewith to Council for its consideration and decision as funds now at the disposal of this Committee will not admit of its immediate construction.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

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

Read report Committee on Works re street cleaning and watering.

CLEANING AND WATERING STREETS.

City Works Office, July 3rd, 1912.

To the City Council:

Gentlemen:—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day the attached Minute of Council on motion of Alderman Harris re cleaning streets was read.

The City Engineer was instructed to furnish a full report on the method of cleaning and watering the streets.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

Filed.

Read report Committee on Works re Public Lavatory.

PUBLIC LAVATORY.

City Works Office, July 3rd, 1912.

To the City Council:

Gentlemen:—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day the attached Minute of Council under date June 22, 1912, in re Public Lavatory, was read.

It was decided to inform Council that His Worship the Mayor and the City Engineer will on the way to the meeting of the Union of Canadian Municipalities see how such matters are regulated and report on their return.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

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

Read report Committee on Works re use of telephones conduits by the City, and cost of telephones to the City. (See printed minutes of Council, June 6, 1912, page 129).

TELEPHONE DUCTS AND TELEPHONE RATES.

City Works Office, July 4th, 1912.

To the City Council:

Gentlemen:—A special meeting of the Committee on Works was held this day to meet Manager Winfield, Telephone Co., with a view to obtain more favorable terms for the use of the telephones, and secure the use of ducts for the fire alarm service as per Minute of Council June 6th, 1912. After urging most strongly the claims of the City, and Manager Winfield making it plain that it was impossible to do better than the Company agreed to do in letter of May 29th, 1912, it was decided to again recommend the report of this Committee under date May 17th, 1912, for acceptance.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Gates, that the report be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Keltie, that this matter be referred back to the Committee on Works for further report, and that the members of Council be notified when the matter is to be considered by said Committee.

The amendment is put and lost, four voting for the same and ten against it, as follows:—

For the Amendment—

Aldermen Whitman, Keltie, Hawkins, Upham.—4.

Against it—

Aldermen R. V. Harris, Gates, Hattie, Scanlan, Dennis, Clarke, Hines, Martin, J. C. Harris, MacKenzie.—10.

The original motion is put and passed, 10 voting for the same, and 4 against it, as follows:—

For the Motion—

Aldermen R. V. Harris, Gates, Hattie, Scanlan, Dennis, Clarke, Hines, Martin, J. C. Harris, MacKenzie.—10.

Against it—

Aldermen Whitman, Keltie, Hawkins, Upham.—4.

Alderman Whitman gives notice of reconsideration.

Alderman Hawkins gives notice of reconsideration.

QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS.

Alderman R. V. Harris asked for a report as to the account due by F. W. Bissett & Co., for rental of Stayner's Wharf property.

Alderman R. V. Harris asked when the printed minutes of Council for the month of June would be furnished.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the matter is being attended to.

Alderman Keltie asked how matters are progressing between the City and the Dartmouth Ferry Commission.

Alderman Martin asked if the City Engineer has written the Tramway Company re the material they are putting on the double track now being constructed on the loop line.

Alderman Whitman asked if the City can compel the Tramway Company to water the streets in which car rails are laid.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

Read No. 2 on Order of the Day, viz.:—Alderman Keltie's notice of motion to rescind resolution passed May 16, 1912, in re use of Barrington Street sidewalk during construction of Cragg Bros. new building. June 27, 1912.

Moved by Alderman Keltie, seconded by Alderman Scanlan that the resolution passed May 16th, relating to this matter be now rescinded.

By agreement of Council the matter is deferred.

Read No. 1 on Order of the Day, viz.: An Ordinance to amend the schedule to Ordinance No. 14 "The Regulation of Hacks", read the first time June 20, 1912, read a second time June 20, 1912.

ORDINANCE RE HACKS.

No. 34.

An Ordinance to amend the schedule to Ordinance No 14 of the Regulation of Hacks.

The table of Fares and Distances in the schedule to Ordinance No. 14, "Of the Regulation of Hacks," is hereby amended by striking out the last part thereof, beginning at the 33rd line with word "For all hacks or cabs hired by the hour" and substituting for the part so struck out the following:—

For all hacks or cabs hired by the hour the charge shall be:

For a one horse carriage per hour.....	\$1.00
For a two-horse carriage per hour.....	1.50

And a like proportion for every fraction of an hour. Persons engaging a licensed hack by the hour to state the same at the time of hiring.

To or from any steamer or passenger vessel, to or from any railway station, or to or from any hotel or dwelling house to any wharf, stage office, railway station, dwelling house, or other place, with $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt. of luggage for each person for any distance within the City limits.....50c.

Children under one year old free; over one year old and under twelve half fare

For employment in the night time between 12 o'clock midnight and 6 o'clock a. m., in summer, and 12 o'clock midnight and 7 a. m., in the winter, the fare shall be as parties may agree, not however to exceed double fare.

Moved by Alderman J. C. Harris, seconded by Alderman Keltie that said Ordinance be now read a third time. Motion passed.

The said Ordinance is now read a third time.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Keltie that said Ordinance be now adopted and forwarded to the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council for approval. Motion passed.

Alderman Hattie submits the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the Board of Works be asked to report on the matter of placing on the Official Plan an extension of the Morris Street boulevard to the new Dalhousie campus at Studley; expropriation of the necessary land in the block between Seymour Street and the campus to be carried out when the new university establishment is under construction, Dalhousie College then to give to the City as a quid pro quo the necessary land for widening Morris Street on the south side of the old campus and for the widening of Coburg Road on the north side of the new campus.

Moved by Alderman Hattie, seconded by Alderman MacKenzie and referred to the Committee on Works for report.

Moved by Alderman Scanlan, seconded by Alderman Keltie that the City Engineer prepare an estimate of the cost of a permanent sidewalk on Argyle Street, west side, from Duke Street to Jacob Street. Motion passed.

Alderman Clarke asked that the sidewalk on the north side of Prince Street from Brunswick Street to Argyle Street be repaired.

Alderman Martin submits the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the sidewalk to be laid on the east side of Brunswick Street from Jacob Street to North Street be laid out of its turn and as soon as possible.

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

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Dennis, that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 10.20 o'clock.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor*.

L. FRED. MONAGHAN, *City Clerk*.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

4.10 o'clock.

Council Chamber, City Hall, July 19, 1912.

A special meeting of the City Council was held this afternoon. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Martin, Hines, Hattie, J. C. Harris, Whitman, Scanlan, R. V. Harris, Gough and Hoben.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Hines that the time for meeting be extended until 4.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

4.30 o'clock. Roll called. Present the above named together with Aldermen Hawkins and Keltie.

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

NOTICES OF RECONSIDERATION.

Read No. 1 on Order of the Day, viz.:—Alderman Whitman's notice of reconsideration in the matter of the use of telephone conduits by the City, and cost of telephones to the City. July 4, 1912.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Hawkins that the said matter be now reconsidered.

Motion put and lost, 3 voting for the same, and 8 against it, as follows:—

For Reconsideration—

Aldermen Whitman, Hoben, Hawkins.—3.

Against—

Aldermen R. V. Harris, Hattie, Scanlan, Keltie, Hines, Martin, J. C. Harris, Gough.—8.

Read No. 2 on Order of the Day, viz.:—Alderman Hawkins' notice of reconsideration in the same matter. July 4, 1912.

The item is dropped from the Order Paper.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS.

The following named papers are submitted:—

Report Finance Committee, by Alderman Hoben, Acting-Chairman.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following named papers:

Report Police Committee covering accounts.

Report City Health Board covering accounts.

Report Commissioners of Halifax Common covering accounts.

Report Tenders Committee re tenders for coal.

Letters U. C. M. and Toronto Board of Control re embellishment of Capital Cities.

Report Coal Weighers for June.

Letter Andrew R. Cobb, architect, re Oriole Windows.

Petition for concrete sidewalk west side of Creighton Street.

Letter Union Nova Scotia Municipalities re Annual Convention August 21, 22, 1912, at Antigonish.

Reports (5) Committee on Works, viz:—

Water Street concrete sidewalk.

Summer and College Streets concrete sidewalks.

Agricola Street sidewalk.

Argyle Street sidewalk.

J. A. Lindsay's claim for damages.

REFERENCE OF PAPERS.

Read petition for a concrete sidewalk Creighton Street, west side, between Falkland and Cogswell Streets.

Referred to Committee on Works for report.

Read letter Andrew R. Cobb, architect, asking that Section 17, of Ordinance No. 4 be amended in so far as the same relates to the construction of Oriole Windows.

ORIOLE WINDOWS.

Halifax, N. S., July 19th, 1912.

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

Gentlemen:—I wish to direct your attention to the provision of the City Ordinance relating to streets, No. 4, Section 17, which prevents the construction of what is known as an Oriole Window on the front of a building above the first story.

Modern building construction in other cities provides for the construction of such windows; also balconies and marques. They add greatly to the appearance of buildings. If there could be some provision made for such Architectural Embellishments in Halifax, with certain restrictions, it would be of great benefit to the City. I have numerous photographs which I shall be glad to show you or any committee of the Council at any time.

I am sure that other architects and builders in the City will agree with me in the statements contained in this letter and I would ask for the repeal of that provision of the Ordinance as soon as possible.

ANDREW R. COBB.

Referred to Committee on Laws and Privileges for report.

Read report Coal Weighers for month of June. Filed.

Read letters U. C. M. and the Toronto Board of Control re subventions by the Dominion and Provincial Governments to capital cities.

EMBELLISHMENT OF CAPITAL CITIES.

Montreal, July 2, 1912.

L. Fred Monaghan, Esq., City Clerk:

Dear Sir —Re resolution of the City Council of Halifax, regarding "Capital Cities." The Resolution of the City of Halifax will be forwarded to the Mayor and Council of the following cities, for their information and co-operation.—Charlottetown, Fredericton, Quebec, Toronto, Winnipeg, Regina, Edmonton, Victoria.

We have already advised the Mayor and Council of each of the above cities that this matter would be brought up at our Convention at Windsor, Aug. 27, 28, 29th.

G. S. WILSON, *Asst. Sec. U. C. M.*

Board of Control, Toronto, July 8, 1912.

To the City Clerk, Halifax, N. S.:

Dear Sir —I beg to forward herewith an extract from the Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Control held on the 5th inst., as follows:—

"The following extract from Minutes of a meeting of the City Council of the City of Halifax held on the 20th June, 1912, was presented: 'Resolved That the Council request the Union of Canadian Municipalities to secure through its convention in August next the united co-operation of the municipalities of Canada in approaching the Governments of the Dominion and of the various Provinces asking for grants by such Governments to the capital cities of the Provinces of annual amounts in lieu of the taxation of Government properties now exempted under the general assessment law.

Ordered —That the foregoing resolution be placed on file, and that the Clerk of the City of Halifax be advised that the City Council of Toronto have adopted resolutions in favor of the principle of subventions to capital cities by the Provincial Legislatures.

W. A. LITTLEJOHN, *City Clerk.*

Filed.

Read report Commissioners of Halifax Common, covering accounts.

REPORT COMMON COMMISSIONERS.

Committee Room, City Hall, July 4, 1912.

At a meeting of the Commissioners of Halifax Common, held this day at 4 p. m., the following bills were passed and recommended to the Council for payment:—

National Drug & Chemical Co., \$8.45; Forsyth, Sutcliffe & Co., \$10.08; R. B. Adams & Co., \$11.95; Frank W. Fraser, \$30.56; Stroud & Eveleigh, \$1.50; William Robertson & Son, \$71.27; John R. Rawley, \$9.00; Halifax Electric Tramway Co. Ltd., \$3.19; Kelly's Ltd., \$14.10; W. C. Knight, \$1.60; A. L. Melvin, \$4.00; Austen Bros., \$2.00; The Connors Floral Co., \$30.50; M. F. Burns, \$42.88; A. & W. Mackinlay, Ltd., \$1.00; David Roche, \$28.10; Morton & Cragg, \$8.75; Longard Bros., \$579.00. Total, \$857.93.

JOHN F. KELLY, *Hon. Sec.*

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

Read report City Health Board re accounts.

CITY HEALTH BOARD ACCOUNTS.

Halifax, N. S., July 17, 1912.

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

Gentlemen—The City Health Board beg to recommend the payment of the following accounts:—

Halifax Electric Tram Co., Light for Hospital, \$8.28; Chas. Craig, Hack Hire, \$4.00; T. C. Allen & Co., Stationery, \$8.90; Melvin & Co., Hardware, \$2.50; Farquhar Bros., Repairing Lights, \$.85; Blackadar Bros., Advertising, \$51.35; C. A. Mumford, Drugs, \$45.05; S. Cunard & Co., Coal, \$5.00; L. A. Morash, Groceries, \$25.71; J. F. Dempster, Board of Patients, \$220.24. Total, \$371.88.

JOHN A. WATTERS, *Secretary.*

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

Read report Tenders Committee re tenders for coal.

TENDERS FOR COAL.

Committee Room, City Hall, July 15, 1912.

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

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Tenders beg to report that at a meeting held this day, there being present Aldermen Morrow, (Chairman), Clarke and Upham, Tenders were opened for the City's supply of Coal for the year ending June 30, 1913, from:—Messrs. Wm. Roche, S. Cunard & Co., Geo. E. Boak & Son, Clarke & Macdonald and H. D. McKenzie Co. Ltd.

The following is a schedule of the tenders received:—

	Wm. Roche	S. Cunard & Co.	Geo. E. Boak & Son	Clarke & H. D. Mac- Donald Kenzie Co. Ltd.
City Health Board				
Hard Stove.....	\$7.55	\$7.50	\$7.55	
Hard Nut.....			7.80	
Reserve.....	5.20	5.15	5.20	
City Prison				
Hard Stove.....	7.70	7.50	7.55	
Hard Nut.....	7.85	7.75	7.80	
Reserve.....	5.20	5.15	5.30	
Sydney.....	5.50	5.40	5.50	
Joggins.....				\$4.50
City Home				
Hard Egg.....	7.70	7.35	7.40	
Hard Nut.....			7.65	
Pictou Nut.....	5.00	5.00		
Run of Mine.....	5.00			
Drummond Nut.....				
Joggins.....				\$4.75
				400 tons at \$3.80
				400 tons at \$4.00

	S. Cunard Wm. Roche & Co.	Geo. E. Boak & Son	Clarke & H. D. Mac- Donald Kenzie Co. Ltd.
Fire Department			
Hard Egg	7.70	7.90	8.00
Hard Stove	7.70	7.95	8.00
Hard Nut	7.95	8.10	8.15
Acadia Lump	5.30	5.50	
Reserve	5.20	5.40	5.45
Sydney	5.40	5.60	5.65
Inverness			5.65
Joggins			4.00
Public Gardens			
Hard Egg	7.60	7.35	7.40
Acadia Nut	4.65	4.75	
Reserve	5.20	5.00	5.05
Sydney	5.40	5.25	5.30
Inverness			5.30
Joggins			8 tons at \$4.00 40 tons at 3.80
Works Department			
City Hall.			
Hard Egg (delivered).	7.50	7.35	7.40
Hard Egg (not delivered)	7.10	7.00	7.05
Reserve	5.10	5.00	5.05
Sydney	5.30	5.25	5.30
			30 tons at \$3.60 per ton, 10b cars Deep Water.
Steam Roller			
Inverness			5.30
Acadia Lump	5.40	5.30	
Crusher			
Acadia Nut	4.56	4.15	\$3.80 per ton (Jog- gins Mine)
Steam Drill			
Acadia Lump	5.40	5.30	
Stables, &c.			
Reserve	5.20	5.00	5.05
			\$4.00 per ton (Jog- gins Mine.)
Sydney	5.40	5.25	5.30
Inverness			5.30
Blacksmith Shop			
Albion Slack	4.75	4.70	
Stock Yard			
Hard Stove	7.70	7.50	7.55

Your Committee recommend:

1. That the tender of Hugh D. MacKenzie Co. Ltd. for 400 tons more or less of Drummond Coal at \$4.75 per ton for the City Home be accepted.
2. That the tender of S. Cunard & Co. for all coal required by City Health Board, the City Prison, the Works Dep't., and the Hard Coal required at the City Home be accepted.
3. That the tender of Wm. Roche for all Coal required by the Fire Department and the Public Gardens, be accepted.

ROBERT MORROW, *Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman R. V. Harris, seconded by Alderman Hines that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report Police Committee covering accounts.

POLICE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS.

Mayor's Office, July 16, 1912.

To the City Council:

Gentlemen—At a meeting of the Police Committee held this day the attached bills were submitted, approved and recommended for payment.—

Maritime Tel. Co., Rent, \$11.67; W. H. Nye, Repairs Stop Watch, \$.50; Blackadar Bros., Advertising, \$4.35; Cragg Bros. & Co., 6 Pairs Handcuffs, \$36.00; Neil Fox, Raw-hide Whip, etc., \$2.10; Colwell Bros., Repairs Top Coat, \$.50; T. C. Allen & Co., Stationery, \$1.95; Stroud & Eveleigh, Repair Waggon, \$29.75; Citizens' Free Library, Binding, \$3.00; Farquhar Bros., Tinsmith's Work, \$1.75; Chief of Police, Expenses, \$105.90; Maxwell's, Ltd., Uniforms, \$1225.75. Total, \$1423.22.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

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

Read report Finance Committee re loan for \$352,700 and on other matters.

REPORT FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Committee Room, City Hall, July 18, 1912.

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

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Finance beg to report that at a meeting held this day, there being present Aldermen Hoben, (Acting-Chairman), R. V. Harris, Scanlan, J. C. Harris and MacKenzie.

1. The City Treasurer submitted the following tenders received in response to advertisement for a City Loan of \$352,700 as authorized by the City Council by resolution on 5th June last, viz:—

Dominion Securities Co. offer \$323,602.25 for \$352,700.00 or 91.75 per centum.

J. C. Mackintosh & Co., and F. B. McCurdy & Co. jointly, \$100,000.00 at 90.02%.

N. W. Harris & Co., Boston, Mass. for the whole amount 93.32 per centum.

It is recommended that the tender of Messrs. N. W. Harris & Company of Boston, Mass., be accepted and that the City Treasurer be authorized to issue bonds or stock certificates of the Consolidated Fund 1905 to the amount of \$352,700.00 bearing interest at the rate of 4 per centum per annum and repayable the 1st day of July, 1945.

2. Letter City Treasurer covering an application of heirs of late Wm. H. Gibson, a Sub-Collector in City Collector's Office, for a refund of \$90.36, the amount paid by him into the Officials' Superannuation Fund.

It is recommended that the City Treasurer be authorized to pay out of the Officials' Superannuation Fund the said amount of \$90.36 to the legal representative of the late Wm. Gibson.

3. Report of Commercial Committee in re new industries.

It is recommended that for the purpose of giving publicity to this movement, the sum of \$500.00 be placed in the Civic Estimates for 1913-14 to be expended by the Commercial Committee in advertising the advantages of Halifax as a manufacturing and residential City;

That clause 3 of report re Tax Exemption be amended in the last sentence to read, "providing the industry does not at the time of its establishment come into competition with any existing industry in the City; and,

That clause 4 re Water Rates be amended to read, "that the Water Rate as per scale adopted by the Committee on Works January 1911, be extended to new industries, and that the report as so amended, be adopted.

4. The following accounts amounting to \$2038.75 were examined, found correct, and recommended for payment:—

School for the Blind for year ending June 30, 1912, \$1390.00; F. M. Switzer & Co., Engraving Badge, \$15; T. C. Allen & Co., Stationery, etc., City Collector's Office, \$33.95, \$19.65, \$10.00, \$20.00, \$10.00, City Clerk's Office, \$81.20, \$35.50, License Inspector, \$2.40, Mayor's Office, \$8.75, \$27.00, Auditor's Office, \$10.40, Treasurer's Office, \$2.00, Total \$260.85; A. & W. MacKinlay, Ltd., Books, City Collector, \$27.40, City Treasurer, \$3.95, City Clerk, \$22.00, Total, \$53.35; United Typewriter Co., Ribbon Coupons, \$4.50; Citizen's Free Library, Binding Books, &c., City Clerk, \$34.10, City Assessors, \$4.35, City Collector, \$3.95, Total, \$42.40; Notman's Studio, Negatives, &c., \$5.00; London Rubber Stamp Co., Key Tag, \$2.25; Imperial Pub. Co., Printing Circular, \$5.00; Blackadar Bros, Advertising, \$10.75, \$4.35, \$32.00, \$4.35, Total, \$51.25; Holloway Bros., Index Minutes, 1911-12, \$28.00; Halifax Posting Co., Posting License Posters, \$4.00; Chronicle Pub. Co., Advertising, \$8.00, \$4.00, \$27.60, \$4.00, \$9.75, Total, \$64.00; R. C. R. Band, Transportation 1910, \$85, 1911, \$45, Total \$130.00; Total, \$2038.75.

C. R. HOBEN, *Acting Chairman.*

HARRIS & CO'S TENDER FOR LOAN.

35 Federal St., Boston, Mass., July 13, 1912.

W. L. Brown, Esq., *City Treasurer:*

Dear Sir —In accordance with your circular dated June 20, 1912, calling for sealed proposals, we bid you 93.32 for total of \$352,700 City of Halifax 4 per cent. bonds, dated July 1, 1912, and maturing July 1, 1945, interest payable semi-annually January and July 1st, as further described in said circular.

This bid is made subject to our being furnished, previous to the delivery of the bonds, with the necessary certified copies of legal papers showing evidence of the legality of the issue of the satisfaction of our attorneys. Bonds to be delivered in Boston.

This bid is for the entire amount of \$352,700, and not any part.

Kindly send us full list of bids and bidders.

N. W. HARRIS & COMPANY, INC.,

By W. E. McGregor.

The same is considered clause by clause.

Read clause 1 re tenders for loan.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman R. V. Harris that said clause be adopted. Motion passed, 10 voting for the same, and 1 against, the division of Council showing as follows:—

For the Motion—

Aldermen R. V. Harris, Hattie, Scanlan, Hoben, Keltie, Hines, Hawkins, Martin, J. C. Harris, Gough.—10.

Against it—

Alderman Whitman.—1.

Alderman Hoben submits the following resolution:—

Whereas the City Council did at meetings held on the 30th day of May last, and on the 6th day of June last, resolve to borrow \$352,700 for certain purposes then specified;

And Whereas Messrs. N. W. Harris & Company of Boston, Mass., have offered to take said sum of \$352,700 at the rate of 93.32 of par;

Therefore resolved that the offer of Messrs. N. W. Harris & Co. be accepted, and the City Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to issue and deliver to Messrs. N. W. Harris & Co. debentures or stock or both of the par value of \$352,700, the said debentures or stock to be issued under the authorities mentioned in the resolution of the City Council passed on the 6th day of June last, and to be issued in like manner and upon the same terms and conditions as is provided by the Halifax City Consolidated Fund Act 1905, and to bear interest at the rate of 4 per centum per annum and to be redeemable on the 1st day of July, 1945.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman R. V. Harris and passed.

Read clause 2 re application of heirs of the late William H. Gibson for a refund of \$90.36 out of Officials' Superannuation Fund.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman R. V. Harris that said clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read clause 3 re encouragement of new industries and advertising Halifax.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman R. V. Harris that said clause be adopted, and that the matter of drafting such legislation as may be necessary to carry out the intention thereof be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Keltie that the clause be deferred for consideration at the next meeting of Council, and that the report be published in the meantime.

The amendment is put and lost, 3 voting for the same, and 7 against it, as follows:—

For the Amendment—

Aldermen Whitman, Keltie, Hawkins.—3.

Against it—

Aldermen R. V. Harris, Hattie, Hoben, Hines, Martin, J. C. Harris, Gough.—7.

Alderman Whitman gives notice of reconsideration.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Hoben that before a vote is taken by Council on the original motion a statement be prepared showing what industries have taken advantage of existing legislation relating to this matter.

The amendment is put and lost, 2 voting for the same, and 8 against it, as follows:—

For the Amendment—

Aldermen Whitman, Hawkins.—2.

Against it—

Aldermen R. V. Harris, Hattie, Hoben, Hines, Keltie, Martin, J. C. Harris, Gough.—8.

The original motion is put and passed, 7 voting for the same, and 3 against it, as follows:—

For the Motion—

Aldermen R. V. Harris, Hattie, Hoben, Hines, Martin, J. C. Harris, Gough.—7.

Against it—

Aldermen Whitman, Keltie, Hawkins.—3.

Alderman Whitman gives notice of reconsideration.

Read clause 4 re accounts.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman R. V. Harris that said clause be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman R. V. Harris that the report be adopted as a whole. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Hawkins that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 5.50 o'clock.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor*.

L. FRED. MONAGHAN, *City Clerk*.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

Council Chamber, City Hall, August 7th, 1912.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present, His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Hattie, Hines, Martin, Hoben, Upham, Dennis, J. C. Harris, Connolly and MacKenzie.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Hines that the time for meeting be extended until a quorum is present or until 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8.25 o'clock. Roll called. Present the above named together with Aldermen R. V. Harris, Scanlan and Keltie.

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

NOTICES OF RECONSIDERATION.

Read Nos. 1 and 2 on Order of the Day, viz:—

1. Alderman Whitman's notice of reconsideration of amendment to defer consideration of the matter of the encouragement of new industries and advertising Halifax. July 19th, 1912.

2. Alderman Whitman's notice of reconsideration of original motion on same subjects. July 19th, 1912.

Alderman Whitman not being present the items are struck from the Order Paper.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS.

The following named papers are submitted:—

Report City Prison Committee by Alderman R. V. Harris, Chairman.
Report Charities Committee by Alderman Martin for Chairman.
Report Committee of Fire Wards by Alderman R. V. Harris, Vice-Chairman.
Report Finance Committee by Alderman Hoben, Acting-Chairman.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following named papers:—

Letter Supervisor of Coal Weighers re the appointment of a Coal Weigher.

Applications (5) for position of Coal Weigher.

Letter Halifax Fire Insurance Company re condition of building No. 187 Upper Water Street.

Letter Acting-Mayor of Toronto, re invasion of Provincial and Municipal rights by the Federal Government.

Petition for the grading and improving of Henry Street north of Coburg Road.

Circular letter re proposed organization to promote "Housing Reform" throughout the Dominion.

Petitions for and against concrete sidewalk, curb and gutter on Parker Street.

Petition for concrete sidewalk, curb and gutter west side Vernon Street.

Reports (3) City Health Board.

Report Police Committee covering accounts.

Reports (6) Committee on Works, viz:—

Dartmouth Ferry Dock.

Accounts.

Creighton Street sidewalk.

Morris Street Boulevard.

Stone for crusher.

F. W. Bissett Co., Ltd.'s rent Stayner's Wharf.

REFERENCE OF PAPERS.

Read letter Halifax Fire Insurance Company re condition of building No. 187 Upper Water Street.

DILAPIDATED BUILDING.

Halifax, N. S., July 24th, 1912.

To His Worship the Mayor.

Dear Sir—We would respectfully call your attention to the derelict condition of building No. 187 Upper Water St., and request that Your Worship endeavor to have the same removed. The building in question was on fire last night, and had it not been for the prompt response of the firemen, a serious conflagration might have resulted. The place is open to any one who may happen along, and is also well stocked with old rubbish and other inflammable material likely to produce a blaze, and burn down the neighborhood.

On behalf of the Halifax Fire Insurance Company and others, we are,

WILLIAM ROCHE, *President.*

THOMAS GOUDGE, *Secty.-Treas.*

Referred to Committee of Fire Wards for report.

Read letter Acting-Mayor of Toronto re invasion into Provincial and Municipal rights by the Federal Government.

MUNICIPAL RIGHTS.

Mayor's Office, Toronto, July 26th, 1912.

His Worship the Mayor, Halifax, N. S.

Dear Mr. Mayor:—There has been for some years an invasion of provincial and municipal rights by the Federal Government at Ottawa. Recently a decision has been given by the Privy Council which allows the Toronto and Niagara Power Company, operating under a Federal charter, to enter on the streets of the City of Toronto and carry on its business without the consent of the Municipality.

The consent of the municipalities has been settled at Ottawa so far as a steam road question goes, and as the decision of the Privy Council will have a far-reaching effect in Canada, I hope that the City of Toronto will have the aid and support of yourself, when the conference is held at Ottawa in this matter.

Thanking you in anticipation, and with kind regards, I am,

THOS. L. CHURCH, *Acting Mayor.*

Referred to Committee on Laws and Privileges for report.

Read petition for the grading and improving of Henry Street north of Coburg Road.

Referred to Committee on Works for report.

Read circular letter re organizing of an Association to promote "Housing Reform" throughout the Dominion.

HOUSING REFORM.

Toronto Housing Company, Ltd., Toronto, July 18th, 1912.

The Mayor, Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:—At a meeting recently of representatives of the Executives of the Hamilton Housing Committee and The Toronto Housing Co., Ltd., it was agreed that a Canadian Housing Association should be organized to promote housing reform throughout the Dominion. Such an Association would carry on a housing propaganda, furnish information to local organizations and act as a clearing house for the collection and distribution of useful housing information gathered by local organizations.

To bring about such an organization it was decided to hold in the coming fall a Housing Conference to which all the cities and towns of Canada and Newfoundland and interested organizations would be invited to send representatives.

Will you kindly send me at your earliest convenience the names of two or three residents of Halifax who would be interested in such an undertaking?

W. S. B. ARMSTRONG.

Referred to Committee on Laws and Privileges for report.

Read petition for concrete sidewalk, curb and gutter Parker Street, and petitions (2) against the same.

Referred to Committee on Works for report.

Read petition for a permanent sidewalk and curb on Vernon Street, west side, between Coburg Road and Watt Street.

Referred to Committee on Works for report.

CONSIDERATION OF PAPERS SUBMITTED.

Read report Charities Committee for July.

REPORT CHARITIES COMMITTEE.

Halifax, N. S., August 7th, 1912.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Charities Committee met this day and beg to submit the following report. Members present, The Chairman, Alderman Scanlan and Alderman Martin.

The Superintendent's report for July 1912, shows that during the month there were 28 persons admitted into the City Home, 2 born (1 still born), 24 discharged and 1 died. Of the number admitted 5 were chargeable to the Province and 23 to the City. The total number of inmates July 31st, was 290, made up of 168 men, 118 women and 4 children. On the same date last year there were 164 men, 124 women and 2 children, a total of 290.

There were during the month 5 patients admitted into the Nova Scotia Hospital chargeable to the City, and 1 died.

The following accounts are recommended for payment, viz:—Wentzells, Ltd., \$457.59; W. A. Maling & Co., \$388.26; Smith & Proctor, \$117.87; J. & M. Murphy Ltd., \$63.59; Fleischmann & Co., \$3.90; J. S. Cashen & Son, \$37.89; A. Wilson & Son, \$36.13; Hy. Lovett, \$8.81; H. D. MacKenzie Co. Ltd., \$92.03; Halifax Electric Tram Co., Ltd., \$12.80; W. McFatrige, \$41.50; Baldwin & Co., \$2.20; Robinson, Ltd., \$3.61; Black & Flinn, \$85.50; Cragg Bros., \$1.25; A. E. Boutilier, \$5.00; Geo. E. Smith & Co., \$4.50; Nickerson & Hart, \$3.25; A. J. McNut, \$33.10; Dillon Bros., \$3.75; Nova Scotia Hospital, \$1780.67; Salaries, \$835.25; J. M. Currie, \$69.75; B. J. Mulcahy, \$144 07. Total, \$4232.27.

The Chronicle Publishing Co., \$7.80; Longard Bros. \$397.00; Geo. E. Smith & Co., \$3.40. Chargeable to 1911 and 1912 account.

P. F. MARTIN, *for Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Upham, seconded by Alderman Martin that the report be adopted, and the accounts therein referred to be paid. Motion passed.

Read reports (2) City Health Board covering accounts.

CITY HEALTH BOARD ACCOUNTS.

Halifax, N. S., Aug. 7th, 1912.

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

Gentlemen:—The City Health Board beg to recommend the payment of the following accounts, viz:—

Halifax Electric Tram., Light for Hospital, \$6.85; G. A. Burbidge, drugs and disinfectants, \$176.95; Melvin & Co., Screen doors, etc., \$6.42; T. C. Allen & Co., Stationery, \$1.40; J. P. Murray, Milk, Smallpox Hospital, \$27.82; Jno. McDonald, Cab Hire, \$5.25; L. A. Morash, Groceries, Smallpox Hospital, \$43.47; A. & W. MacKinlay, Printing, \$13.50. Total, \$281.66.

JOHN A. WATTERS, *Secretary.*

Office of the City Health Board, July 30th, 1912.

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

Gentlemen:—The City Health Board beg to recommend the payment of the following accounts, viz:—

National Drug Co., Drugs, \$.91; Baldwin & Co., Crockeryware, \$1.25; Kelley & Glassey, Medicine, \$1.50; Telephone Co., Phones, June, \$12.87; G. A. Wootten & Co., Hardware, etc., \$4.45; Milk Inspector, Transportation, \$2.00; J. F. Dempster, Board of Patients, \$192.38. Total, \$215.36.

JOHN A. WATTERS, *Secretary.*

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

Read report Police Committee covering accounts.

POLICE ACCOUNTS.

Mayor's Office, August 5th, 1912.

To the City Council:

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

Kline & Mullins, Uniform cap and badge, \$5.25; Melvin & Co., Coats and hats, \$6.00; Stroud & Eveleigh, Repairs police patrol, \$4.15. Total, \$15.40.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

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

His Worship the Mayor asked the desire of the City Council as to the holding of a public holiday on Wednesday, August 14th inst., upon the occasion of the official visit of H. R. H. the Duke of Connaught as Governor General of Canada.

Moved by Alderman R. V. Harris, seconded by Alderman Martin that His Worship the Mayor be requested to proclaim Wednesday, August 14th, inst. a public holiday. Motion passed unanimously.

Read letter Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities re appointment of delegates to the Annual Convention to be held at Antigonish, August 21st and 22nd inst.

UNION OF NOVA SCOTIA MUNICIPALITIES.

Bridgewater, N. S., July 8th, 1912.

To His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Halifax:

Dear Sirs:—The Seventh Annual Convention of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities will be held at Antigonish on the 21st and 22nd days of August, 1912. The Union is now well established and of recognized value to Municipal Governments.

The Convention promises to be interesting and profitable. Papers will be read or discussions had on the following subjects:—

- "Fire Fighting and Fire Prevention."
- "Origin of Municipal Institutions."
- "The Poor Relief Act."
- "The Nova Scotia Public Utilities Commission."
- "Municipal Aid in Prevention of Tuberculosis."
- "Immigration and Farm Values."
- "Provincial Public Offices, Inspection and Reform."
- "Municipal Advertising."
- "A Central Prison for Nova Scotia."
- "Street Cleaning and Disposal of Waste."
- "The Tourist Trade."

Arrangements have been made for the usual reduced fares on the Railways, and, as you are aware, Municipalities are authorized to pay the expenses of the delegates.

Will you please appoint your delegates at your next meeting, and report their names to me. Two or three delegates is the usual number from each town, but you may appoint as many as you wish to send.

ARTHUR ROBERTS, *Hon. Sec.*

Deputy Mayor Alderman Martin and Aldermen J. C. Harris and Hoben are severally nominated as delegates to represent the City at said convention. Said nominations are unanimously concurred in.

Read report Committee on Works re accounts.

WORKS DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS.*City Works Office, August 5th, 1912.**To the City Council:*

Gentlemen:—The Committee on Works beg to recommend for payment accounts amounting to \$5813,50, chargeable to the following services:—

Water Maintenance.....	\$ 793.33
Water Construction.....	409.72
Street Lighting.....	1880.83
Streets.....	1090.15
Permanent Sidewalks.....	495.54
Sewerage.....	495.14
Teams and Stables.....	208.38
City Property.....	94.55
Internal Health.....	116.75
City Hall Lighting.....	68.86
New Workshops.....	55.14
Sandford Fleming Park.....	45.48
Rents City Property.....	30.00
Telephones.....	28.19
Electric Wiring Inspection, 1911-12.....	13.41
Public Baths.....	10.03
Charles Street Extension.....	8.00
Total.....	\$5813.50

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

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

Read report Committee of Fire Wards on various matters.

REPORT COMMITTEE OF FIRE WARDS.*Committee Room, City Hall, August, 7th, 1912.**His Worship the Mayor, and Members of the City Council:*

Gentlemen:—The Committee of Fire Wards beg to report and recommend as follows:

1. That John Malone, Driver of No. 5 Engine, suspended by the Chief for one week for insubordination, has been further disciplined by the Board by an additional week's suspension.
2. That William McGuire, Driver on No. 4 Engine, reported sick June 17th, reported for duty July 29th.
3. Robert McKenzie, Driver of No. 3 Waggon, reported sick on June 17th, has not yet reported for duty.
4. Frank Schrage, Blacksmith, reported sick on June 17th, reported for duty July 6th.

5. Thomas Healey, Callman on No. 5 Engine, has not yet reported for duty.
6. Charles McGuire, Callman on No. 2 Engine, has resigned. Resignation accepted.
7. Arthur Verity, Callman on No. 1 Engine, has resigned. Resignation accepted.
8. William Brunt, District Chief, asks that his leave of absence be extended. Granted.
9. Twenty members of the Department attended the Fredericton Firemen's Tournament with permission of the Board.
10. That Thomas Healey and John Connors, Supernumeraries, be appointed to the Call force, vice Charles McGuire and Arthur Verity, resigned.
11. That No. 1 Chemical be repaired and painted at a cost of about \$169.00, (repairs, \$74.00, painting \$95.00).
12. That a new heater and cistern be placed in West Street Station at a cost of about \$75.00.
13. In consequence of some valuable papers to be read at the Annual Convention of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities at Antigonish, on August 21st and 22nd, it is recommended that the Chief be appointed as one of the delegates to represent the City.
14. As a balance of \$98.00 remains in the loan for improving the Fire Department, the Committee will be able, with an additional expenditure of only \$42.00, to provide the two Eastman holders required by the Department, and it is recommended that the same be purchased.
15. The Chief has been authorized to expend not exceeding \$50 in decorating Fire Stations for the visit of His Royal Highness, the Duke of Connaught.
16. At the large fires last winter the Fire Engine of the town of Dartmouth which assisted our Department was damaged and the Town was asked to send in an account for repairs. Dartmouth did not forward their bill and it is recommended that the City forward to the town a receipted bill for \$38, for goods which the City supplied to Dartmouth some time ago.
17. It is recommended that 500 feet of old hose and a hose reel be loaned to the City Prison Committee for fire protection of the prison property.
18. Under authority from the Council and in response to advertisement in the newspapers, the Committee, on July 18th, received and opened tenders for a 600 gallon motor driven combination water pump, chemical and hose carrying apparatus from a number of different concerns, and appointed a Sub-Committee including Mr. Cameron W. Wickwire as an expert to assist them. The Sub-Committee having reported to your Committee that they are not in a position without further information than is contained in the tenders or to make a selection from the facts before them, it is recommended that Chief Engineer Condon be authorized to visit Cities in which such apparatus is in use, including Montreal, Toronto, Hamilton, Buffalo, Springfield, New York and Boston, while he is on his holidays, and that Alderman Harris while attending the convention of the Union of Canadian Municipalities be requested to go to New York, etc., with Mr. Condon, the cost to the City not to exceed \$150.00.

19. The following named accounts are recommended for payment:—

Halifax Electric Tramway Co., Ltd., Light \$15.06; Power \$17.19: \$32.25; E. M. Bowes, Painting, \$41.00; William J. Butler & Co., Insurance, \$1.00; Burns & Kelleher, Castings, \$3.00; Cragg Bros. Co., Ltd., Hardware, \$7.12; The Cornelius Callahan Co., Buttons, \$3.75; Canadian Oil Companies, Ltd., Gasoline, \$7.21; S. Cunard, & Co., Coal, \$36.23; James Dempster, Ltd., Lumber, \$22.53; Davison Parker Co., Ltd., Lumber, \$19.51; Farquhar Bros., Plumbing, \$24.75; Neil Fox, Saddlery, \$6.50; T. H. & W. T. Francis, Blinds, \$.90; Halifax Steam Laundry, Work, \$5.81; Hillside Stables, Truckage, \$3.00; W. H. Isnor & Sons, Horse Shoeing, \$1.00; Thos. C. Johnson & Sons, Buttons, \$3.00; Kelly's Ltd., Saddlery, \$7.25; Longard Bros., Boiler West St. House, \$345.00; The Lawrence Hardware Co., Ltd., Hardware, \$20.85; Henry Lovett, Leather, \$17.50; H. D. MacKenzie Co., Ltd., Charcoal, \$.90; J. M. McGrath & Co., Difference sale of horse, \$50.00; Wm. McFatrige, Roofing, \$17.00; A. E. McManus & Son, Uniform Clothing, \$533.00; Macdonald & Co., Ltd., Machine Work, \$7.13; John MacInnes & Son, Ltd., Lumber, \$2.40; W. & A. Moir, Machine Work, \$13.48; J. C. Merlin & Son, Lumber, \$10.91; Morton & Cragg, Polish, \$25.50; National Drug & Chemical Co., Battery Fluid, \$2.00; William Roche, Coal, \$26.20; David Roche, Painting, \$7.19; Stroud & Eveleigh, Carriage Work, \$112.10; F. A. Shaw, Forage, \$358.74; John Starr, Son & Co., Ltd., Gong, etc., \$18.50; W. & C. Silver, Bed Clothing, \$23.25; Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Co., Phones (June), \$27.75; Thompson, Adams & Co., Insurance, \$2.00; Wentzells Ltd., Soda, \$10.00; Western Union Telegraph Co., Telegrams, \$1.62; Total, \$1,858.83.

REGINALD V. HARRIS, *Vice Chairman*.

The same is considered clause by clause, and on motion of Alderman R. V. Harris, seconded by Alderman MacKenzie the several clauses thereof are adopted and the accounts therein recommended ordered to be paid.

Moved by Alderman R. V. Harris, seconded by Alderman Hines that the report be adopted as a whole. Motion passed.

Alderman Hoben requests the unanimous consent of the Council that the order of business be suspended for the purpose of introducing a resolution to rescind the resolution passed at the meeting of the Council held on the 30th day of May last, whereby it was resolved that \$75,000 should be borrowed for Public Schools, and the resolution in reference to the acceptance of the offer of N. W. Harris and Company for the City loan passed at the meeting of the Council held on the 19th day of July last, notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 19 of Ordinance No. 2, and substituting another resolution in the place thereof.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Dennis that the request of Alderman Hoben be complied with, and the rules suspended accordingly. Motion passed unanimously.

Alderman Hoben submits the following resolution:—

Whereas, the City Council did, by resolutions duly passed at meetings held on the 30th day of May last, and on the 6th day of June last, resolve to borrow the sum of \$352,700 for certain purposes in said resolutions specified and under the authorities referred to therein;