

If the meeting resolves to accept the said offer the Company shall upon payment of the purchase price as hereinafter provided, transfer and convey to the Commission hereinafter provided for, all its property real and personal, and its franchises, and the Company is hereby authorized and empowered to execute by the hands of its President and Secretary all such instruments, conveyances and assurances as are requisite to fully and effectually convey such property and franchises to the said Commission, and the Commission is authorized to receive and hold the same on the terms and for the purposes of this Act.

If the said meeting does not accept the said offer of the City the sum to be paid by the City to the Company as compensation for its said property and franchises shall be determined by arbitration as hereinafter provided.

Within one month after the refusal to accept the offer of the City, the City shall appoint a person to be an Arbitrator to determine such compensation and shall notify the Company of the person so appointed and request the Company to appoint an Arbitrator, and the Company shall thereupon appoint an Arbitrator.

If the Company does not appoint such Arbitrator within one month after receipt of such request, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court shall, on application by the City name a person to be such Arbitrator. The two Arbitrators so named or appointed shall appoint a person to be a third Arbitrator, and if they are unable to agree within one month after the nomination or appointment of the second arbitrator, such third Arbitrator also shall, on application by the City, be appointed by the Chief Justice.

The three Arbitrators so appointed shall determine the amount of compensation to be paid by the City to the Company.

The provisions of the Arbitration Act shall apply to the proceedings of such arbitration except that the period of three months provided by Section thereof shall be extended to six months.

In determining the amount of such compensation the arbitrators shall allow the Company the present value of all its land, buildings, fixtures, stock, plant, machinery and all other property real and personal of every description, including the value of its rails and gas pipes and the cost of replacing the same in the streets, together with ten per cent. added to the value of all its property other than the value of its land apart from any buildings thereon, but shall not allow any sum whatever for the value of any franchise, or any allowance whatever for good will or loss of prospective profits.

The sum so determined shall be the compensation to be paid by the City to the Company for all its property real and personal and franchises.

For the purpose of acquiring the funds requisite to carry out this Act the City may upon the acceptance of its offer to the Company or upon the determination of the amount to be paid as compensation borrow the amount required for the acquisition of the property and franchises of the Company.

The amount so borrowed shall be in addition to the amount authorized to be borrowed by the Halifax City Consolidated Fund Act 1905 and amendments thereto, and shall be secured by stock or debentures or both (of which not less than

of the total amount borrowed shall be debentures of one hundred dollars each), to be issued in conformity with that Act at a rate of interest not exceeding five per cent. per annum and the dates on which the same shall be payable shall be determined by the Council of the City.

Upon either

- (a) the acceptance by the Company of the sum offered by the City, or
- (b) the determination by the Arbitrators of the amount to be paid by the City to the Company as compensation,

the City may within \_\_\_\_\_ months from the date of such acceptance or determination pay the sum so accepted or determined to the Eastern Trust Company as trustee for the holders of the bonds and stock of the Company and the creditors of the Company.

Immediately upon such payment all the property real and personal of every sort of the Company shall pass to and become vested in and be the property of the Commission hereinafter mentioned to hold and employ the same for the purposes hereinafter set forth, and all the franchises held and enjoyed by the Company shall revert and pass to the said Commission to be held and employed as aforesaid, and the said Company shall thereupon be deemed to cease and be dissolved except for the purpose of being wound up as hereinafter set forth.

The Eastern Trust Company shall apply the moneys so paid to it

- (a) in the payment of the costs and charges of winding up the business of the Company, including its own charges and remuneration;
- (b) in payment of all lawful debts due by the Company or claims upon it;
- (c) in discharge of the bonds of the Company at par with interest up to the date of discharge, and
- (d) by distributing the balance equally among the holders of the common stock of the Company.

For the purposes of this Act the Eastern Trust Company shall have all the powers of a liquidator of the Company under the Winding Up Act, and all the provisions of that Act in respect to the voluntary winding up of a company shall apply and have effect to enable the Eastern Trust Company to wind up and dispose of the assets of the Company.

### PART III.

There shall be a Commission for the operation of the property and franchises now held and enjoyed by the Company.

Such Commission shall be composed of the Mayor of the City for the time being, two members appointed by the Governor-in-Council and two by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

Of the two members appointed by the Governor-in-Council and by the Chief Justice respectively one member of each two shall at the first appointment be appointed to hold office until the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ next succeeding his appointment and one to hold office until the same day and month in the second year thereafter. At the expiry of the term of office of each of the two so appointed the Governor-in-Council or the Chief Justice as the case may be shall appoint a person to hold office for two years from the date of appointment. Any person so appointed shall be eligible for re-appointment.

In the event of a vacancy in the Commission by death, resignation or otherwise, a successor shall be appointed by the authority by whom the person previously holding the position was appointed and such successor shall hold office for the unexpired portion of the term.

The Commission shall be a body corporate under the name of the Halifax Tramway Commission, and may sue and be sued and have a common seal, and hold property and perform and discharge all the functions necessary or requisite for the carrying out of this Act.

(1) No member of the Commission shall directly or indirectly enter into or be concerned in any contract express or implied for the supply of any goods or materials or the performance of any work or labor or the sale or leasing of any land to the Commission.

(2) If any member of the Commission contravenes any provisions of this section he shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding one thousand dollars and in default of payment to imprisonment for a period not exceeding one year, and the Commission may declare any contract so made in violation of this section to be void and may recover back any money paid under the same notwithstanding that it has been in part performed.

The Commission shall appoint one of their number, not the Mayor of the City, to be Chairman and in his absence may appoint some person to discharge his duties.

There shall be paid to the Chairman of the Commission the yearly sum of \_\_\_\_\_ dollars, and to each of the other members the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ dollars, to be divided in proportion to their attendance at the meetings of the Commission.

It shall be the duty of the Commission and they are hereby empowered

(a) to operate an electric tramway on, upon and along the streets of the City of Halifax; and

(b) to supply electric current and gas for lighting and power both public and private within the City.

For the purposes of carrying out the duties by this Act imposed upon it the Commission shall be deemed to hold and enjoy all the powers, rights and privileges, and be subject to all the limitations, duties and obligations conferred or imposed upon the Company by Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 19, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, and 35, and by the schedule of the Charter of incorporation of the Company, being Chapter 107 of the Acts of 1895, as fully and effectually to all purposes as though the Commission had been named and expressed therein in place of the Company.

The Commission shall apply the proceeds realized by it from the operation of the property and franchises vested in or acquired by it,

(a) to the discharge of the costs, charges and expenses of such operation including their own remuneration;

(b) to the payment of the interest on the stock or debentures issued for the acquisition of the property and franchises of the Company, and

(c) shall pay any balance remaining at the end of its financial year and not required for the operation of the next ensuing year to the Treasurer of the City to be added to and form part of the general revenue of the City.

If the proceeds of the operations of the Commission are in any year insufficient to meet and discharge such expenses of operation or such interest, the amount of such deficiency shall be made good by the City and shall be included in the Estimates of the next ensuing civic year and rated and collected along therewith.

Also read letter E. A. Robert, President Halifax Electric Tramway Company, Limited, on proposed acquisition by the City of Halifax of the property and franchises of the Tramway Company.

#### TRAMWAY COMPANY'S LETTER.

*Halifax Electric Tramway Co., Limited,  
Halifax, N. S., February 11th, 1913.*

*To the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Halifax:*

*Dear Sirs:*—On behalf of the board of directors elected today to the management of this company's affairs, I am taking the liberty of stating to your Council our understanding of the situation as between the City Council and the Company and our attitude as to the future relations between our respective corporations.

The relations between the City and the Company are governed by a written contract defining the rights and obligations of the respective parties, which contract both the Company and the City are bound in honor as well as in law to respect.

The shareholders of this Company have put on record and transmitted to the Government their protest against the invasion of that agreement by legislation or otherwise. It is scarcely necessary to add that it is our duty to support the position taken by the shareholders in this respect.

On the other hand, both the shareholders and the board recognize that it is in the interests of the Company and the Citizens that the governing bodies of our respective corporations should work in harmony, and with that end in view the shareholders have fully authorized us, in case you desire at any time to propose any change in our existing contract relations, to discuss with you and to enter into any new arrangement, fair and reasonable to all parties interested, and this we shall be glad to do. Faithfully yours,

E. A. ROBERT, *President.*

Moved by Alderman R. V. Harris, seconded by Alderman Hoben that the principle of the Act submitted be now considered and discussed by the Council. Motion passed.

Alderman Dennis submits the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, that the draft of the Act as read by the Clerk be referred to the City Solicitor and the Committee on legislation, of which the Mayor shall be Chairman, with instructions to submit it to the Legislature at the earliest day possible, prepare or agree to any necessary amendments to make it more perfect and workable and to watch its progress through the Legislature.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman R. V. Harris.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Morrow that the draft Act be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges for report at the next meeting of the City Council.

Amendment put and lost, 5 voting for the same, and 11 against it, as follows:—

*For the Amendment—*

Aldermen Morrow, Whitman, Gates, Hawkins, Upham,—5.

*Against it—*

Aldermen R. V. Harris, Hattie, Scanlan, Dennis, Clarke, Hoben, Keltie, Hines, Martin, J. C. Harris, MacKenzie.—11.

The original resolution is now put and passed, 11 voting for the same and 5 against, the division of Council being as follows:

*For the Resolution—*

Aldermen R. V. Harris, Hattie, Scanlan, Dennis, Clarke, Hoben, Keltie, Hines, Martin, J. C. Harris, MacKenzie.—11.

*Against it—*

Aldermen Morrow, Whitman, Gates, Hawkins, Upham.—5.

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

Council adjourns 10.45 o'clock.

L. FRED. MONAGHAN, *City Clerk.*

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor.*

## AFTERNOON SESSION.

4.40 o'clock.

*Council Chamber, City Hall, February 18th, 1913.*

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

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Keltie that the time for meeting be extended until a quorum is present or until 5 o'clock. Motion passed.

4.50 o'clock. Roll called. Present the above named together with Aldermen Hoben and Hines.

The Council was summoned to deal with report of Board of License Commissioners re applications for Liquor Licenses 1913-14.

### PRESENTATION OF PAPERS.

The following named papers are submitted:—

Report Laws and Privileges Committee by Alderman Whitman, Chairman.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following named papers:

Report Special Committee on Legislation.

Report Board of License Commissioners re applications for Liquor Licenses 1913-14.

Report City Engineer re wires of Halifax Development Company.

Letter of thanks from Anti-Tuberculosis League.

Letter Halifax Properties, Ltd., re purchase of City Home property.

### REFERENCE OF PAPERS.

Read letter Anti-Tuberculosis League thanking the Mayor and Council for voting of civic grant in aid of their work.

**TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL.**

*Halifax, N. S., Feb. 15th, 1913.*

*F. P. Bligh, Mayor of the City of Halifax:*

*Dear Sir:*—The Council of the Halifax County Anti-Tuberculosis League wish me to express their gratitude and sincere appreciation to you and the Members of the City Council for the offer of a free site for an Hospital for the treatment of tuberculosis—consisting of five acres on the north-east corner of Rockhead Farm; and one thousand dollars for construction, with five hundred dollars a year toward maintenance. The League accepts most gratefully this expression of the City's generosity and of its interest in the campaign against the spread of tuberculosis.

HARRIET SCHON, *Secretary Halifax County Anti-Tuberculosis League.*

Filed.

Read letter Halifax Properties, Limited, offering to negotiate with the City for purchase of the City Home property.

**SALE OF CITY HOME PROPERTY.**

*Halifax Properties, Limited, 119 Granville St., Feb. 17th, 1913.*

*City Clerk:*

*Dear Sir:*—It has occurred to the writer that some time in the near future, the City will want to remove the Poor House to another part of the City or suburbs. Should such be the case, we shall be glad to consider the purchase of the property on which it is now situated.

*Halifax Properties, Limited, A. H. MINSHULL, Mgr.*

Filed.

**CONSIDERATION OF PAPERS SUBMITTED.**

Read report City Engineer submitting for ratification agreement under which the Halifax Development Company shall receive a permit to place their wires on the poles of the Halifax Electric Tramway Company, Limited.

**HALIFAX DEVELOPMENT COMPANY POLE LINES.**

*City Engineer's Office, February 18th, 1913.*

*His Worship the Mayor:*

*Sir:*—In accordance with the instructions of the City Council, the City Solicitor has prepared conditions under which the Halifax Development Company shall receive a permit to place their wires on the pole lines of the Halifax Electric Tramway Company. The conditions have been thoroughly discussed by the Mayor, City Solicitor and City Engineer. They include all conditions suggested by the City Council and City Works Committee. I beg to submit the agreement for ratification by the Council.

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

## THE AGREEMENT.

*This Memorandum of Agreement* made this \_\_\_\_\_ day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirteen,

*Between* the City of Halifax, a body corporate, hereinafter called the "City" and the Halifax Development Company, Limited, a body corporate, hereinafter called the "Company."

*Whereas* the Company has applied to the City for permission under the laws and ordinances of the City to place wires upon and along certain poles in the City, the property of the Halifax Electric Tramway Company, Limited, which permission the City has agreed to give on certain terms and conditions as hereinafter set forth.

*Now this Memorandum Witnesseth* that the City hereby agrees to grant the permission so applied for upon the terms set out in the written permit granted therefor, and also upon the following terms which shall be deemed part of the said permit:—

1. The permit shall be only for such poles as are specifically designated by the Company and application therefor, or in any subsequent application for a further or additional permit, and such application shall be subject to the approval of the City Engineer and he shall not be obliged to issue a permit for any poles in respect to which he deems it inadvisable to issue a permit.
2. During the continuance in force of the permit, the Company will pay to the City half yearly on the first days of May and November in each year, a sum equal to four per cent. on its gross income from the sale in the City of electric energy for any purpose during the half year next preceding, that being the rate of taxation at present paid to the City by the Halifax Electric Tramway Company in respect to electric energy supplied by it.
3. If at any time the said rate paid by the Halifax Electric Tramway Company is changed, the rate paid by the Halifax Development Company, Limited, shall be changed accordingly, so that the rate paid by each Company shall be at the same per cent.
4. If any other system of taxation is agreed upon between the City and the Halifax Electric Tramway Company in respect to the supply of electric energy, the taxation of the Company by the City may be modified accordingly so that the taxation of both Companies in that respect, so far as same may be, be upon the same terms and conditions.
5. In addition to the said four per cent. the Company agrees to pay the City taxes at the rate established in each year on any property real or personal (other than its wires) which it at any time owns and is assessed for in the City.
6. The Company agrees that it will well and truly pay to the Halifax Electric Tramway Company the rent for the use of the poles of that Company agreed upon or determined under the provisions of the ordinance of the City in that behalf at the times and in the manner so agreed or determined.
7. The Company agrees that it will well and truly observe the provisions of every law or ordinance respecting poles and wires or the use of the streets now or hereafter in force in the City, and that in the event of any dispute arising touching such matter, the determination of the Mayor and the Engineer of the City shall be final and binding upon the Company.
8. The Company agrees that the violation of any provision of this Memorandum may be deemed good cause for the cancellation and revocation of the said permission to place wires, but nothing herein contained shall be construed to abridge or affect the right of the City at any time and from time to time to cancel or revoke such permission in whole or in part for any cause deemed good and sufficient by the City.



9. The Company agrees that it will on the said first days of May and November in each year, furnish the City a written statement, verified by affidavit, of its gross income from the sales of electric energy within the City during the preceding half year, and will also permit any official or such person appointed by the City to inspect at some convenient place in the City of Halifax, its books of account for the purpose of verifying such statement if required.

10. The Company further agrees that it will indemnify and hold harmless the City from all claim, demand, charges or costs whatsoever arising out of, or in any way caused by the placing of any wire under the terms of said permit.

*In Witness Whereof* the City of Halifax has by the hand of Frederick P. Bligh, its Mayor, and L. Fred. Monaghan, its City Clerk, signed these presents and affixed its corporate seal, and the said The Halifax Development Company, Limited, has, by the hand of its President and Secretary signed these presents and affixed its corporate seal the day and year first above written.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered	)	F. P. BLIGH, <i>Mayor</i> .
in the Presence of	)	(City seal).
F. H. Bell.	)	L. FRED. MONAGHAN,
Helen M. Dustan.	)	<i>City Clerk</i> .

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman R. V. Harris that the City Engineer's report and the Agreement referred to therein be ratified and confirmed. Motion passed unanimsly.

Read letter City Clerk covering report Board of License Commissioners on applications for licenses to sell intoxicating liquors in the City of Halifax during the license year 1913-14.

#### NOVA SCOTIA TEMPERANCE ACT, 1910.

*Halifax, N. S., February 13th, 1913.*

*His Worship the Mayor and City Council and to the City Clerk:*

*Gentlemen:*—I have the honor pursuant to the provisions of the Nova Scotia Temperance Act, 1910, to submit herewith the report of the Board of License Commissioners for the City of Halifax upon the applications for licenses to sell intoxicating liquors in the City of Halifax during the license year 1913-14, referred to said Board by the City Council.

L. FRED. MONAGHAN, *Secy. Board of License Comm.*

#### LIQUOR LICENSES.

*Committee Room, City Hall, February 13th, 1913.*

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

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of License Commissioners for the City of Halifax beg to report as follows:—

Pursuant to duty imposed upon them by the Nova Scotia Temperance Acts 1910, the Board met this day at the City Hall to consider applications for Licenses

to sell intoxicating liquors in the City of Halifax during the license year 1913-14, referred to them by the City Council, (and also an application of John A. Mackasey for a license in substitution of the application of James P. Mackasey, recently deceased.) Notice of the time and place of meeting was duly given in the press.

At this meeting the Board was addressed by a number of gentlemen for and against certain applications for licenses.

In respect to the contention of Mr. Mellish, K. C., as to any ascertainment of the official census not having been communicated to the Board, the Board is of opinion that the publication of the census is a sufficient notice to the Board.

When this Board on a previous occasion reduced the number of retail licenses from ninety to seventy the work imposed upon the Board was somewhat difficult, but, on the present occasion the Board finds its work far more perplexing, as the law now requires a reduction to forty-six.

In dealing with this question the Board has been obliged to give consideration to a variety of circumstances, in addition to the character of the applicants, and, therefore, the Board, in refusing licenses to the twenty-one applicants in the annexed list, desires to state that this refusal does not necessarily involve any reflection upon the character of these applicants.

The successful applicants must not assume that they have an inherent right to have their licenses granted in future years. While it is no part of the duty of the Board to prosecute violations of the law, the Board takes this occasion to declare that if any license-holder is convicted hereafter of selling liquor on Sunday, in violation of the law, the subsequent application of such person for license will be refused. This action of the Board will, of course, apply to all license-holders—from the biggest hotels to the smallest shops—and the setting aside of any such conviction on technical grounds will not avail any applicant, if the facts in the case justify the conviction. Other violations of the law will, of course, endanger applications for licenses, but the Board wishes to emphasize its determination to aid in suppressing the unlawful sale of liquor on Sundays.

Finally the Board suggests to the successful applicants that although the law permits them to carry on their business on New Year's Day, Good Friday and Christmas Day, yet if they would voluntarily abandon their bar trade on these days such action would meet with the approval of all right-thinking citizens.

The Board has decided that the applications in the Schedule (a) hereto annexed shall be granted, and that the applications in the Schedule (b) hereto annexed shall be refused.

W. B. WALLACE, *Chairman*,  
F. H. BELL, *City Solicitor*,  
JOHN A. RUDLAND, *Chief of Police*.

**LICENSES GRANTED.****SCHEDULE "A"****Ward One.**

Section B. —John Courtney, shop, north side, head Gas Lane.

**Ward Two.**

- Section B. —W. J. Forristall, shop, 12 Rottenburg Street  
Stephen Major, shop, 62½ Dresden Row.
- Section D. —A. Keith & Son, brewers, 88 Lower Water Street.  
E. Burns, hotel, 34 Salter Street.  
Richard Cahill, shop, 126 Lower Water Street
- Section E. —Richard Cahill, shop, 33 Argyle Street.  
Dillon Bros., wholesale, 76 Sackville Street.
- Section G. —E. L. McDonald, hotel, Hollis Street, (Halifax Hotel.)  
William F. Blank, shop, 117 Hollis Street.  
James P. Fairbanks, hotel, Hollis Street, (Queen Hotel.)  
Nathaniel Doherty, hotel, Sackville Street, (Prince George.)
- Section H. —Wm. Conway, shop, 5 Sackville Street.  
L. J. Redmond, hotel, 155 Hollis Street.  
Simon Fraser, hotel, 43 Argyle Street.  
Patrick Ryan, hotel, 204-206 Lower Water Street.

**Ward Three.**

- Section A. —James T. Hogan, shop, 143 Albemarle Street.  
Susan C. Fiske, hotel, 88 Granville Street (Acadian.)  
David Andrews, hotel, 82-84 Granville Street.  
John A. Mackasey, shop, 9 Upper Water Street.  
Charles Hamm, shop, 136 Grafton Street.  
John Tobin & Co., wholesale, 15 Upper Water Street.  
Kelley & Glassey, Ltd., wholesale, 204 Hollis Street.  
Halifax Breweries, Ltd., brewers, 50 Duke Street.
- Section B. —James M. Power, shop, 13 Buckingham Street.  
Gaetano Verdi (James Scott & Co.), shop, 180 Granville Street.  
Daniel Connors, shop, 68 Duke Street.  
Arthur Monaghan, shop, 124 Barrington Street.  
Peter Hartry, shop, 1 Bell Street.  
James Salterio, hotel, 37 Buckingham Street (Farmers).  
Daniel Morriscey, shop, 211 Barrington Street.  
R. N. McDonald, shop, 152 Barrington Street.  
Grace & Gastonguay, wholesale, 73 Upper Water Street.

**Ward Four.**

- Section A. —J. M. Inglis, shop, 2½ Starr Street.  
Michael Goulding, shop, 176 Upper Water Street.  
Charles Norton, shop, 146 Upper Water Street.  
William Duggan, shop 93 Upper Water Street.  
T. F. Courtney & Co., wholesale, cor. Brunswick and Jacob Streets
- Section D. —Geo. A. James, hotel, 290 Upper Water Street.  
Robert Johnson, shop, 286 Upper Water Street.
- Section E. —R. M. Anderson, shop, 53 Creighton Street.

**Ward Five.**

- Section A. — Julia Keating, shop, 9 Cornwallis Street.  
 Section B. — Dougald McDonald, shop, 101½ Gottingen Street.  
 Section D. — John Handley, shop, 91 Gerrish Street.  
 Section E. — Simon Meaden, shop, 17½ Agricola Street.  
 Section F. — John Mullane, shop, 33 West Street.  
 Section I. — E. J. Walsh, shop, 172 Gottingen Street.  
           Charles Kehoe, shop, 174 Gottingen Street.  
 Section J. — E. J. Rolston, hotel, 22-26 North Street (Revere Hotel.)

**Ward Six.**

- Section A. — Thomas Pearson, shop, 5 Almon Street.  
           John F. Wells, hotel, 2 Almon Street.  
           William Wilson, hotel, 222 Lockman Street (King Edward).  
 Section E. — Samuel Bevis, shop, 43 Almon Street.  
           Oland & Son, brewers, Sullivan Street.

**APPLICATIONS REFUSED.****SCHEDULE "B"****Ward Two.**

- Section A. — James L. White, shop, 8½ Rottenburg Street.  
 Section E. — William McEachern, shop, 52 Sackville Street.  
 Section G. — Margaret McGrath, shop, 6 Sackville Street.  
 Section H. — E. D. Blair, shop, 21 Sackville Street.  
           James Hogan, shop, 62 Grafton Street.  
           Nathan Cornfoot, shop, 65 Granville Street.

**Ward Three.**

- Section A. — H. R. Wright, hotel, 8-10 Duke Street.  
           E. J. Quirk, shop, 217 Lower Water Street.  
           John Glassey, shop, 196 Hollis Street.  
           Thomas H. Renner, hotel, 1 Upper Water Street.  
           Joseph B. Ward, shop, 33 Upper Water Street.  
 Section B. — Ellen Meagher, shop, 144 Argyle Street.  
           Edward Donahoe, shop, 53 Buckingham Street.  
           Charles AuCoin, shop, 46 Upper Water Street.  
           R. J. Mahoney, shop, 102 Upper Water Street.

**Ward Four.**

- Section A. — Thomas Killeen, shop, 87 Upper Water Street.  
           T. F. Courney, shop, 39 Jacob Street.  
 Section D. — Thomas D. Chalmers, hotel, 278-284 Upper Water Street.  
 Section E. — Robert Gibson, shop, 86 Cornwallis Street.  
           William J. Johnson, shop, 49 Maynard Street.  
 Section A. — Adam L. Miller, shop, 155 Gottingen Street.

The following resolution is submitted.

*Resolved*, that this Council hereby authorizes the Mayor of the City and the Inspector of Licensed premises for the City to issue to each of the forty-six applicants for shop or hotel licenses whose applications have been granted by the Board of License Commissioners for the City of Halifax and whose names are set out in the

Schedule "A" to the report of said Commission dated February 13th, 1913, a shop or hotel license to sell intoxicating liquor, such licenses to be respectively shop licenses or hotel licenses, according as the same are mentioned in the said report; and also to issue to each of the applicants for a wholesale or brewer's license mentioned in the said Schedule a wholesale license for the sale of such liquors, each of such licenses to be for the term of one year beginning on the 16th day of March, 1913; and to be for the localities respectively set out in the said Schedule, and to be in form as heretofore issued, and to be issued only on compliance by the said applicants respectively with all requirements and conditions imposed by the Liquor License Act and amendments thereto and payment of the required fees.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman J. C. Harris and passed, 9 voting for the same, and 2 against it, as follows:—

*For the Resolution—*

Aldermen R. V. Harris, Whitman, Hattie, Scanlan, Clarke, Hoben, Hines, Martin, J. C. Harris.—9.

*Against it—*

Aldermen Keltie, Upham.—2.

Read report Laws and Privileges Committee on various matters and covering draft Act.

#### REPORT LAWS AND PRIVILEGES COMMITTEE.

*Committee Room, City Hall, February 17th, 1913.*

*To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:*

*Gentlemen:*—Your Committee on Laws and Privileges beg to report that at a meeting held this day, there being present Aldermen Whitman, Chairman, Hoben and Hawkins, the attached Draft Acts in re borrowing certain sums of money was submitted, approved of and recommended to the Council for adoption.

Alderman Hoben dissenting from the item \$1,000.00 grant to Tuberculosis Hospital being placed in the next year's estimates, and Alderman Hawkins dissenting from the clause making provision for payment to the Revisers of the City Charter until such compensation is determined by the Governor in Council.

Your Committee further report that they had under consideration letter of Simon Cummins, Supervisor of Coal Weighers, asking for the dismissal of Weigher George Readhead.

It is recommended that the action of the Supervisor be sustained, and the dismissal of Mr. Readhead date from December 28th, 1912.

ALFRED WHITMAN, *Chairman.*

### THE DRAFT ACT.

1. Section 301, Clause (m) is further amended by increasing the amount provided for the maintenance and keeping in order of Camp Hill Cemetery from one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars to twelve hundred (\$1200.00) dollars.

2. (1) The City may at its option grant and convey to trustees for the Anti-Tuberculosis League or to that League itself when incorporated, or may set apart and hold for the purposes of that League a plot of land not exceeding five acres situated at the north-east corner of Rockhead Farm, such property to be used exclusively for the purposes of a hospital for the treatment of persons suffering from tuberculosis, and to revert to the City if not used for that purpose.

2. (2) The City shall contribute the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) towards the cost of constructing such hospital building on the said site and for such purpose the said amount may be borrowed from any bank or other fund available, and the amount so borrowed with interest shall be included in the estimates for 1914-15, and rated and collected along therewith.

2. (3) The City may contribute a sum not exceeding five hundred (\$500.00) dollars yearly towards the cost of maintaining such hospital and the amount so voted shall be included in the yearly estimates and rated and collected along therewith.

3. The City may borrow from any bank or other fund available the amount determined by the Governor in Council to be paid as compensation to the persons appointed to revise the City Charter in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 77 of the Acts of 1912 and also the amount required for printing and binding such Charter, and the amount so borrowed with the interest thereon shall be included in the estimates for 1914-15 and rated and collected along therewith.

Also read report Special Committee on Legislation re loan for Tuberculosis Hospital.

### TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL.

*Committee Room, City Hall, February 17th, 1913.*

*His Worship the Mayor and City Council:*

*Gentlemen:*—At a meeting of the Special Committee on Legislation held this day, there being present His Worship the Mayor, Chairman, Aldermen R. V. Harris, Clarke, Hoben, Hawkins, MacKenzie, the following resolution was adopted:—

*Resolved,* that the sum of \$1,000.00 required for the construction of the Tuberculosis Hospital, and the sum required for paying the Revisers of the Charter and for the printing of the same, be raised by debentures running for the term of five years.

F. P. BLIGH, *Chairman.*

The draft Act submitted with report Laws and Privileges Committee is considered clause by clause.

Read clause 1 re increasing annual appropriation for maintenance Camp Hill Cemetery.

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

Read clause 2 (1) re conveying to the Anti-Tuberculosis League a piece of land at the Rockhead Farm.

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

Read clause 2 (2) re grant of \$1,000.00 towards cost of constructing a Tuberculosis Sanitorium.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Martin that the \$1,000.00 proposed to be raised for said purpose be borrowed on debentures to run for a period of five (5) years.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Keltie that the clause as submitted be approved.

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

*For the Amendment—*

Aldermen Whitman, Keltie, Upham.—3.

*Against it—*

Aldermen R. V. Harris, Hattie, Scanlan, Clarke, Hoben, Hines, Martin, J. C. Harris.—8.

The original motion is put and passed.

Read clause 2 (3) re annual grant of \$500.00 towards cost of maintenance of Tuberculosis Hospital.

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

Read clause 3 authorizing the borrowing of a sum sufficient to remunerate the revisers of the City Charter, and to pay the costs of printing, binding, etc. of same.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman J. C. Harris that the amount required for the revision, printing, etc. of the City Charter be borrowed on debentures to run for a period of five years.

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Moved in amendment by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Hattie that the draft Act as submitted be approved.

Amendment put and lost, 4 voting for the same, and 7 against it, as follows:—

*For the Amendment—*

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

*Against it—*

Aldermen R. V. Harris, Scanlan, Clarke, Hoben, Hines, Martin, J. C. Harris.—7.

The original motion is put and passed.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Martin that the report of the Committee as amended be adopted as a whole. Motion passed.

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

Council adjourns 5.25 o'clock.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor*.

L. FRED. MONAGHAN, *City Clerk*.



## EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

*Council Chamber, City Hall, March 13th, 1913.*

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

Moved by Alderman Scanlan, seconded by Alderman J. C. Harris 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 Dennis, Hoben, Keltie, Hawkins and Upham.

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 City Prison Committee by Alderman R. V. Harris, Chairman.

Report Committee of Fire Wards by Alderman Scanlan, Chairman.

Report Charities Committee by Alderman Gates, Chairman.

Report Laws and Privileges Committee by Alderman Whitman, Chairman.

Report Finance Committee by Alderman R. V. Harris, Acting-Chairman.

Reports (3) Civic Improvement Board by Alderman Hattie, Chairman, viz: Grass clipping Ordinance; City Hall Avenue; Sewer connections.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following named papers:

Letter Marine and Fisheries Department re application W. E. Rood & Company for water lot Halifax Harbor.

Petition for electric light Harvard Street.

Petition for extension of Oakland Road.

Petition for sewer Cabot Street.

Petition for water extension Stairs Street.

Reports Coal Weighers for January and February.

Application R. P. Burns for position of Coal Weigher.

Report Supervisor of Coal Weighers re appointment of a Weigher.

Petition for concrete sidewalk Cornwallis Street.

Petition Halifax County Agricultural Society re destruction of the weed known as ragwort.

Letter Carrick, Ltd., re permanent sidewalks on property lying between Jubilee Road and Quinpool Road, fronting on Oxford Street.

Letter Covert and Pearson covering bill entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Halifax Tramways and Power Company, Limited."

Cash Statements City Collector taxes and water rates for February, March and April, 1912.

Report City Auditor re accounts Nova Scotia Car Works, Limited, to December 31st, 1912.

Reports (2) City Health Board covering accounts.

Letters Union Canadian Municipalities and Union Nova Scotia Municipalities covering accounts for annual subscription fees, 1913.

Report Police Committee covering accounts.

Report City Solicitor re suit City of Halifax vs. N. S. Car Works.

Report City Solicitor re compensation to Dr. A. C. Hawkins for land taken in connection with the widening of Cunard Street.

Reports (8) Committee on Works, viz:—

Accounts.

Cheapside sidewalk.

Water meter rates James H. Dow.

Double Tracking Inglis Street and Campbell Road.

Granville Street ornamental street lighting.

Jacob Street sidewalk.

Street paving.

Sale of land at Fish Market Wharf.

#### REFERENCE OF PAPERS.

Read letter Carrick, Limited, re permanent sidewalks on property lying between Jubilee Road and Quinpool Road and fronting on Oxford Street.

#### SIDEWALKS OXFORD STREET PROPERTIES.

*Carrick, Limited, 33 Barrington St., March 13th, 1913.*

*To His Worship the Mayor and Council:*

*Gentlemen:*—As you are aware, we are operating several sub-divisions of property in the City of Halifax on behalf of the owners. It is our intention to handle

these on most approved lines, and with the best possible development, particularly those lying close in and surrounded by sections already built up.

We desire to immediately develop the block lying between Jubilee Road and Quinpool Road fronting on Oxford Street, which we understand you desire to make one of your most attractive through thoroughfares. This will undoubtedly be a wide through street, and has already a number of fine residences built thereon.

As you are aware, the nature of the buildings in any section is practically determined by the original class of development, and with this in mind we are very desirous of laying it out in a manner which will be a credit both to the City and to ourselves, and desire to have concrete sidewalks laid throughout the property, which would involve about 4,000 lineal feet of walk.

In view of the fact that your staff have considerable work before them, which will take up most of the season, we would make the following proposition:—We are willing to take the City specification for sidewalk, and award the contract for the work to be done on plans, specifications, and price approved by the City Engineer, and under an Inspector approved of by the City, and have the work done immediately. When the work has been completed and paid for, we will submit vouchers for such work, and the City would recoup us for such capital expenditure, and in turn assess against the property the proportion which it would pay under the normal procedure. We would also agree to pay the City interest for a period of three years on their proportion of the cost, thereby relieving them of any load.

We believe that you will appreciate the fact that the City has considerable at stake in the creditable development of this section, and we trust we may have your co-operation in our efforts.

We assure you that any dealings which we may have with the City we will conduct on broad and generous lines, as we believe our interests in the development of the City are mutual.

CARRICK LIMITED, H. R. Kirkpatrick, *Vice-President.*

Referred to Committee on Works for report.

Read letter Marine and Fisheries Department re application of W. E. Rood & Company for a water lot in Halifax Harbor.

#### WATER LOT MARKET WHARF.

*Marine and Fisheries Department, Halifax, March 13th, 1913.*

*The City Clerk:*

*Sir:*—Enclosed I hand you plan of a water lot in Halifax Harbor applied for by Messrs. W. E. Rood & Co., and I am requested to ascertain from you the assessed and market value of the adjoining water lots; also if there is any objection to this water lot being granted to Messrs. Rood & Co.

Please return the plan to me.

C. H. HARVEY, *Agent, N. S.*

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Whitman that the same be referred to the Committee on Works with power to act. Motion passed.

Read petition for an electric light on Harvard St. opposite west end of Yukon St. Referred to Committee on Works for report.

Read petition for extension of Oakland Road. Referred to Committee on Works for report.

Read petition for sewer Cabot Street. Referred to Committee on Works for report.

Read petition for water extension Stairs Street. Referred to Committee on Works for report.

Read reports Coal Weighers for January and February, 1913. Filed.

Read application R. P. Burns for position of Coal Weigher. Filed.

Read petition for concrete sidewalk Cornwallis Street, north side, between Creighton and Gottingen Streets. Referred to Committee on Works for report.

Read petition Halifax County Agricultural Society re destruction of the weed known as ragwort. Referred to Finance Committee for report.

Read report City Auditor re accounts of the Nova Scotia Car Works, Limited, to December 31st, 1912.

#### NOVA SCOTIA CAR WORKS ACCOUNTS.

*Office of City Auditor, February 27th, 1913.*

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

*Gentlemen:*—I have examined the account of the Nova Scotia Car Works, Limited, to December 31st, 1912, and find that the security of the City in same for \$125,000 cash loaned has improved in the past year.

On December 31st, 1912, there was \$20,129.55 to credit of their sinking fund.

There is \$116,000 insurance in favor of the City fully paid to April 26th, 1913.

All interest and sinking fund charges are fully paid to date.

W. W. FOSTER, *City Auditor.*

Filed.

Read Cash Statements City Collector taxes and water rates February, March and April, 1912. Filed.

Read letters Union Canadian Municipalities and Union Nova Scotia Municipalities covering accounts for subscription fees, 1913. Referred to Finance Committee for report.

**CONSIDERATION OF PAPERS SUBMITTED.**

Read reports (2) City Health Board covering accounts.

**CITY HEALTH BOARD ACCOUNTS.**

*Halifax, N. S., March 10th, 1913.*

*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, \$16.14; Melvin & Co., hardware, \$4.45; Maritime Telephone Co., telephones, \$12.87; W. R. Nicholson, drugs, \$2.50; National Drug Co., drugs, \$12.88; James D. Walsh, antitoxine, \$71.75; T. C. Allen, stationery, \$4.00; S. Cunard & Co., coal, \$16.48; L. A. Morash, groceries, \$38.31; A. & W. MacKinlay, printing, \$25.50; Royal Gazette, advertising, \$3.00; J. F. Dempster, board of patients, \$120.01. Total, \$327.89.

JOHN A. WATTERS, *Secretary.*

*Office of City Health Board, March 13th, 1913.*

*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, which were passed at a meeting of the Board held this day, viz:

Maritime Telephone Co., phones, \$12.87; Halifax Electric Tram, light for hospital, \$14.57; City Home, kindling, \$1.00; Melvin & Co., shovel, \$1.25; G. E. Mumford, plumbing, \$12.00; James P. Murray, milk, \$8.01; Kelley & Glassey, brandy for hospital, \$1.50; L. A. Morash, groceries, \$14.07; S. Cunard & Co., coal, \$58.63. Total, \$123.90.

JOHN A. WATTERS, *Secretary.*

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

Read report Finance Committee re accounts, and recommending legislation authorizing the City to pay \$1,000.00 to Mrs. Mary McKenzie, widow of the late Robert McKenzie, Driver of the Fire Department.

### REPORT FINANCE COMMITTEE.

*Committee Room, City Hall, March 13th, 1913.*

*To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:*

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

1. The attached report Committee of Fire Wards (see printed Minutes of Council January 9th, 1913, page 436) in re obtaining legislation authorizing the City to pay \$1,000.00 to Mrs. Mary MacKenzie, widow of late Driver Robert MacKenzie, was read.

It is recommended that the report of the Committee of Fire Wards be concurred in.

2. The following accounts, amounting to \$345.55, were examined, found correct and recommended for payment, viz:—

McAlpine Publishing Co., printing voters lists, \$147.90: A. & W. MacKinlay, Ltd., books, Collector, \$38.75: T. C. Allen & Co., printing and stationery, City Collector, \$13.33; City Clerk, \$112.57; total, \$125.90: Dr. Finn, Medical Examiner, certificates of death of J. O'Brien, \$4.00; Hy. O'Toole, \$4.00; J. Campbell, \$4.00; R. Andrews, \$4.00; total, \$24.00: London Rubber Stamp Co., stamping badges, \$.50; date stamps City Collector, \$8.50. Total, \$345.55.

REGINALD V. HARRIS, *Acting-Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman R. V. Harris, seconded by Alderman Scanlan that the report be adopted and the accounts paid.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Gates, seconded by Alderman Hoben that the clause re gratuity to the widow of the late Robert MacKenzie be deferred until a certificate is furnished from Dr. Corston and the City Medical Officer, and that the accounts recommended in the report be paid. The amendment is put and passed unanimously.

Read report Committee of Fire Wards on various matters.

### REPORT COMMITTEE OF FIRE WARDS.

*Committee Room, City Hall, March 5th, 1913.*

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

*Gentlemen:*—The Committee of Fire Wards met last evening, present Aldermen Scanlan, Chairman, Hines, R. V. Harris and MacKenzie.

The Committee begs to report and recommend as follows:—

1. That Thomas Healey, reported sick, has not yet reported for duty. Filed.

2. Loraine T. Heisler, Callman on No. 4 Engine, and William Healey, Callman on No. 1 Engine, have resigned. Accepted.

3. William McGuire, Relief Driver, was injured while responding to an alarm of fire from Box 34, February 22nd, and has not yet reported for duty.

4. Theodore Moller, Callman on No. 2 Hose, was overcome by smoke while working at fire Box 38, February 23rd.

5. William Keating, Callman on No. 1 Engine, has been suspended since February 25th for refusing duty.

Upon hearing Keating and the Chief it was decided that Keating be asked to tender his resignation.

6. The Chief reported that at recent third alarms of fire, six Callmen were absent on leave, and four, William Hanson, William McAskill, James Keiley and Duncan Jones, absent without excuse.

These men appeared before the Committee and gave satisfactory explanations.

It was decided not to impose any further penalties than the fines fixed by the rules.

7. Two lengths of rubber hose burst at fires not having lasted out the guarantees given by the Companies.

The manufacturers will be requested to replace them.

8. It is the intention of the Committee, upon the installation of the new motor fire engine, to make double horse hitches of Nos. 1, 3 and 4 Hose Waggon.

9. It is recommended that two 12 ft. lengths of 2½", and one 10 ft. length of 4" Suction Hose be purchased.

10. Lewis Johnson, Michael Leahy and William Stone, Supernumeraries, are recommended for appointment to the Call Force, vice Loraine T. Heisler, William Healey and William Connors, resigned, and that Ernest Stone be appointed a Supernumerary.

11. It is recommended that a clause be added in the borrowing bill now before the Legislature authorizing a loan not to exceed \$2,500 for the purchase of about 2000 feet of 2½" hose.

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

Halifax Electric Tramway Co., Ltd., light, \$41.92; Burns & Kelleher, castings, etc., \$3.75; Canadian Oil Companies, Ltd., gasoline, \$21.95; S. Cunard & Co., coal, \$20.05; Callmen working overtime at fires, \$4.00; Cragg Bros., Ltd., hardware, \$1.48; Canadian Consolidated Rubber Co., Ltd., felt, \$4.40; James Dempster, Ltd., lumber, \$20.75; Patrick Dowd, carriage work, \$60.40; Davison Parker Co., Ltd., lumber, \$11.91; William Roche, coal, \$126.50; E. P. Farquharson, Pitner lights, \$8.30; Farquhar Bros., Ltd., hardware, etc., \$23.07; Hillis & Sons, Ltd., engine track, \$29.70; James Halliday, altering overcoat, \$1.00; Kelly's Ltd., saddlery, \$.88; Lawrence Hardware Co., Ltd., hardware, \$27.94; W. & A. Moir, brakes, \$125.00; John MacInnes & Son, Ltd., lumber, \$14.07; National Drug & Chemical Co., Ltd., drugs, \$21.33; C. L. Newman, Ltd., brake lining, \$13.86; F. A. Shaw, fodder, \$421.01; Geo. E. Smith & Co., chain bolt, \$.85; Stroud & Eveleigh, carriage work, \$14.90; William Stairs, Son & Morrow, Ltd., hardware, \$6.90; Maritime Telegraph & Telephone Co., Ltd., telephones, \$80.60; Wentzells, Ltd., salt, etc., \$14.25; Halifax Steam Laundry, laundry work, \$13.11, total \$1123.88. Added March 13th, 1913, American LaFrance Fire Engine Co., motor engine, \$10,900.00.

M. SCANLAN, Jr., *Chairman.*

The same is considered clause by clause.

Clauses 1 to 10 inclusive are severally read and adopted.

Read clause 11 recommending legislation to authorize a loan of \$2,500.00 for the purchase of hose.

Moved by Alderman Scanlan, seconded by Alderman R. V. Harris that said clause be adopted and the City Solicitor instructed to prepare the necessary Act to borrow the said amount on short term debentures.

Motion put and passed unanimously, the following Aldermen voting for the same, viz.: Aldermen Whitman, R. V. Harris, Gates, Hattie, Scanlan, Dennis, Hoben, Hines, Keltie, Martin, Hawkins, J. C. Harris, Upham and Gough.

Read clause 12 re accounts including an account \$10,900.00 for motor fire engine recently purchased from the American-LaFrance Fire Engine Co., Elmira, N. Y.

Also read a report of C. L. Newman, C. W. Wickwire, James Hilton and Edward Condon, the local experts appointed to report upon the results of the tests to which said engine was subjected.

#### TESTS OF MOTOR FIRE ENGINE.

*Halifax, N. S., March, 13th, 1913.*

*Chairman Board Fire Wards.*

*Sir:—Regarding the tests of the Motor Combination Chemical and Pumping Engine "Patricia" we beg to report as follows:—*

March 6th. Left Central Engine House on "Running" and "Hill Climbing" tests, which proved quite satisfactory and above requirements.

March 7th. Left Engine House on "Speed" and "Hill Climbing" tests, going from engine house to foot of Sackville St., thence to top of Sackville St. at Brunswick St. at the rate of 20 miles per hour. From there to the 3-mile house via the Dutch Village road. Climbed "Lightening Hill" which is an 18 per cent. grade at the rate of 12 miles per hour. From there back to Spring Garden road and down South Park St. where a test was made of "Starting on the High Gear (Direct)" which proved quite satisfactory. Continued down South Park St. to the lower end of Young Avenue on a "Speed Test" which exceeded 55 miles per hour on the snow with chains on all four wheels which we consider would be in excess of 60 miles per hour on bare ground. From there up Lockman St. to Russell St. where a test was made of "Stopping and Starting on a 15 per cent. grade" with full load of equipment and men, which proved quite satisfactory.



March 8th. Made a test of "Cooling Efficiency" which was quite satisfactory

March 10th. Went to King's Wharf where 14 different "Pumping Capacity" tests were made satisfactorily. On the 13th test a slight accident occurred, one of the Exhaust Valves breaking off its stem. This was replaced in a few minutes.

March 11th. Had "Endurance Test" of 2 hours duration at King's Wharf. Pump Pressure 115 lbs. P. S. I. Nozzle Pressure 50 lbs. through two lines of Hose of 330 feet length each, with  $1\frac{1}{4}$  inch Nozzles, which was quite satisfactory.

March 12th. Had "Endurance Test" of  $2\frac{1}{4}$  hours duration at King's Wharf. Pump Pressure 235 lbs. P. S. I. Nozzle Pressure of 68 lbs. through single line of Hose 500 feet long with  $1\frac{1}{4}$  inch Nozzle, which was quite satisfactory.

March 12th. Witnessed an "Exhibition Test" on Bedford Row which compared very favorably with the Steam Fire Engine "Alexandra."

Regarding the breaking of the valve mentioned previously in this report, we would recommend that the builders of the Engine "Patricia" be asked to supply 12 new valves made according to the sketch enclosed herewith, and also a "Valve Lifting Jack" for expeditiously removing and replacing valves and springs.

In our opinion the Motor Fire Engine "Patricia" supplied by the American-LaFrance Co. has come fully up to the requirements called for.

C. L. NEWMAN,  
C. W. WICKWIRE,  
JAMES HILTON,  
E. CONDON.

Moved by Alderman Scanlan, seconded by Alderman R. V. Harris that the same be adopted and the accounts paid, and that the report of the Committee as amended be adopted as a whole. Motion passed.

Read report Charities Committee on various matters.

#### REPORT CHARITIES COMMITTEE.

*Halifax N. S., March 5th, 1913.*

*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 Upham and Keltie.

The Superintendent's report for February 1913 shows that during the month there were 22 persons admitted into the City Home, 1 born, 10 discharged and 6 died. Of the number admitted, 8 were chargeable to the Province, 1 to the Dominion Government and 13 to the City. The total number of inmates February 28th, was 341, made up of 216 men, 117 women, and 8 children. On the same date last year there were 230 men, 131 women and 1 child. Total of 362. During the month there was 1 person admitted into the Nova Scotia Hospital chargeable to the City and 1 discharged.

The appropriation, due to the increased number of patients in the Nova Scotia Hospital, is not sufficient to carry on the work for the year and we find it necessary to ask the Council to borrow a sum, not exceeding \$2000.00 to provide for the expenses up to April 30th, 1913.

The following accounts are recommended for payment, viz: Wentzells Ltd., \$356.16; W. A. Maling & Co., \$341.44; J. A. Leaman & Co., \$13.32; Smith & Proctor \$132.91; Gunn & Co., Ltd., \$167.25; Fleischmann & Co., \$3.60; A. Wilson & Son, \$34.00; C. F. Holland, \$87.36; Arthur Fordham & Co., \$17.51; Frank W. Fraser, \$41.79; J. & M. Murphy, Ltd., \$61.62; H. D. MacKenzie Co., Ltd., \$122.42; Halifax Electric Tram Co., Ltd., \$42.50; Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Co., Ltd. \$3.75; Crowell Bros., \$3.72; A. J. McNutt, \$2.80; Farquhar Bros., \$.90; Robinson, Ltd., \$2.36; Kelly's Ltd., \$4.10; Dr. F. R. Gow, \$25.00; B. J. Mulcahy, \$1.63; Salaries, \$662.83. Total, \$2128.97.

H. E. GATES, *Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Gates, seconded by Alderman Keltie that said report be adopted. Motion passed unanimously.

The following resolution is submitted:—

*Resolved*, that a sum not exceeding \$2,000.00 to meet the deficit in connection with the City Home for the current civic year be borrowed from any bank or other fund available and the amount so borrowed with interest be included in the Estimates for 1914-15.

Moved by Alderman Gates, seconded by Aldermen Keltie and passed unanimously, the following Aldermen voting for the same: Aldermen Whitman, R. V. Harris, Gates, Hattie, Scanlan, Dennis, Hoben, Hines, Keltie, Martin, Hawkins, J. C. Harris, Upham and Gough.

Read report City Prison Committee on various matters.

#### REPORT CITY PRISON COMMITTEE.

*Committee Room, City Hall, March 3rd, 1913.*

*To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:*

*Gentlemen:*—Your Committee on City Prison beg to report that at a meeting held this day, there being present Aldermen R. V. Harris, Chairman, Hines and Gough, the following named accounts amounting to \$235.27 were examined, found correct and recommended for payment:—

J. A. Leaman & Co., service, \$15.00; Neil Fox, harness supplies, \$5.35; Covey & Traise, repairs to organ, \$15.00; J. J. Scriven & Son, bread, \$18.36; E. W. Crease & Son, groceries, \$72.71; W. A. Maling & Co., oxheads, \$14.75; Black & Flinn, oats, bran, etc., \$21.99; G. S. Yates & Son, boots, etc., \$18.90; Wood Bros., Ltd., dry goods, \$20.45; T. C. Allen & Co., stationery, \$.90; S. Cunard & Co., coal, \$15.00; Hillis & Sons, Ltd., stove fittings, \$8.20; A. M. Bell & Co., Ltd., hardware, \$1.30; Geo. E. Smith & Co., hardware, \$.36; Maritime Telephone Co., telephones for February, \$4.50; Halifax Tram Co., Ltd., light for February, \$2.50; Total, \$235.27

The monthly report of the Governor was submitted and filed.

The Governor reported that one of the Underkeepers had disobeyed his orders and questioned his authority on certain occasions.

The Committee decided to investigate this matter at next meeting to be held at the prison.

R. V. HARRIS, *Chairman.*

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

Read report Supervisor of Coal Weighers recommending the promotion of Robert P. Burns, Supernumerary, to the Permanent Staff of Coal Weighers.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Gough that Robert P. Burns be appointed a Permanent Coal Weigher. Motion passed.

Read report Police Committee covering accounts.

**POLICE ACCOUNTS.**

*Mayor's Office, March 13th, 1913.*

*To the City Council:*

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

Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Co., telephones for February, \$11.67; A. & W. MacKinlay, Ltd., Police record book, \$7.00; T. C. Allen & Co., one ream foolscap, \$2.50; Cragg Bros. Co., Ltd., repairs cuffs, etc., \$6.65. Total, \$27.82.

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

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

Read report Laws and Privileges Committee re the suit the City of Halifax vs. the Nova Scotia Car Works, Limited.

**CITY vs. N. S. CAR WORKS, Ltd.**

*Committee Room, City Hall, March 7th, 1913.*

*To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:*

*Gentlemen:*—Your Committee on Laws and Privileges beg to report that at a meeting held this day, there being present Aldermen Whitman, Chairman, Hawkins and R. V. Harris;

1. The City Solicitor reported verbally that the Supreme Court of Canada had allowed the appeal in the suit The City of Halifax vs. The Nova Scotia Car Co. Ltd., which judgment is against the City.

Your Committee unanimously recommend that the Chairman be authorized, while in London, to obtain an opinion from English counsel on this case, and if favorable, an application be made for leave to appeal the case to the Privy Council.

ALFRED WHITMAN, *Chairman.*

Also read report City Solicitor on the same matter.

**CITY OF HALIFAX vs. N. S. CAR WORKS.**

*Office of City Solicitor, March 13th, 1913.*

*His Worship the Mayor:*

*Sir:*—I regret to report that the Judgment of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia in favor of the City, in this case holding that the exemption granted the Silliker Car Company did not cover the obligation to pay a proportionate part of cost of constructing sewers, has been reversed on Appeal by the Supreme Court of Canada, four Judges of that Court holding that sewerage contributions are taxation, and therefore included in the Agreement for Exemption. The Chief Justice dissented from this view, concurring with the Nova Scotia Court. In the result the opinion of five Judges is overruled by that of four.

I need not point out that this is a very serious matter for the City. Not only is the amount actually concerned large, but the decision will effect the right to recover sewerage charges from other Companies which have been granted exempting Acts in similar language, and the principle of the decision will extend to charges for grading, paving, sidewalks and other betterment charges, and it is impossible to foretell where trouble will arise in the future, as any exempted Company may acquire land and block street improvement by refusing to bear a share of the cost.

I am firmly of the opinion that the decision is wrong, and that the correct principle is stated by our own Court, and by the Chief Justice of Canada. The decision practically stands alone, and is in opposition to an enormous mass of authority in the United States from the Supreme Court of the United States through the Courts of almost all the States.

Remedial Legislation has been suggested, and if the decision is left undisturbed, it will be necessary to seek it, but I wish to point out that any such legislation to be of any service would necessarily have to be retroactive in effect. Such legislation is not desirable if it can be avoided, and might perhaps be somewhat difficult to obtain. I have discussed the matter fully with the Committee on Laws and Privileges, and I assume will be dealt with in the report of that Committee. I have suggested to that Committee that it is advisable to obtain the opinion of good English counsel as to the wisdom of an application to the Privy Council for leave to Appeal to that body.

F. H. BELL, *City Solicitor.*

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Hoben that the report of the Committee on Laws and Privileges be adopted. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman R. V. Harris that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare such remedial legislation as is referred to in his report. Motion passed.

The City Solicitor submits a draft Act on this matter.

**REMEDIAL BILL re TAX EXEMPTIONS.**

(1) Any provision contained in any Act at any time passed conferring or granting an exemption from taxation or assessment to any person, firm or company

in the City or in respect to any property situated in the City shall, unless a contrary intention manifestly appears, be construed to confer an exemption only from the ordinary rates and taxes of the City on real or personal property as the case may be, and shall not be construed to confer or grant any exemption from any water rates or from the payment of any contribution or liability to pay in respect to the construction of any sewer or the grading or paving of any street, or the laying of any sidewalk, curb or gutter or other charge imposed on property adjoining any street, in which the work or service in respect to which such charge is imposed, is done and performed.

(2) Nothing in this Section shall affect any existing litigation or any claim which has been adjudicated upon by any Court.

(3) Nothing in this Section shall be construed to give any claim for repayment from the City of any moneys paid in respect to any such charge or liability.

The same is now read.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman R. V. Harris that said draft Act be concurred in and forwarded to the Legislature for enactment. Motion passed.

Read report City Solicitor stating that the award in the matter of land taken from Dr. A. C. Hawkins in connection with the widening of Cunard Street had been remitted to the Arbitrators.

#### IN RE HAWKINS AWARD.

*Office of City Solicitor, March 13th, 1913.*

*His Worship the Mayor:*

Sir:—I beg to report that the application on behalf of the City to set aside the award of compensation to be paid Dr. Hawkins for his land taken in connection with the widening of Cunard Street has been sustained by the Court and the award remitted to the Arbitrators.

F. H. BELL, *City Solicitor.*

Filed.

His Worship the Mayor verbally reported that all the City bills forwarded to the Legislature at the present session have passed the House of Assembly, excepting the bill relating to License fees proposed to be imposed on contractors from abroad, and the bill to repeal the Board of Control Act.

Alderman Hoben directed the attention of the Council to various invitations extended during the present civic year to conventions to meet in Halifax during the coming summer, viz: The British Institute of Journalists, (delegates from); Canadian Manufacturers' Association; the Summer School of

Science and the Chief Constables' Association of Canada, all these being extra charges on the Contingent Account, and also to the fact that the appropriation in the Estimates for the fees of the Medical Examiner was insufficient.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Scanlan that the City Solicitor be authorized to add to the Borrowing Bill now before the Legislature a clause authorizing the borrowing of a sum not to exceed \$300.00 to cover deficit in Medical Examiner's fees for 1912-13 and 1914-15, the amount so borrowed to be included in the Assessment for 1914-15. Motion passed unanimously, the following Aldermen voting for the same, viz: Aldermen Whitman, R. V. Harris, Gates, Hattie, Scanlan, Dennis, Hoben, Hines, Keltie, Martin, Hawkins, J. C. Harris, Upham and Gough.

Read report Committee on Works covering accounts.

#### CITY WORKS ACCOUNTS.

*City Works Office, March 7th, 1913.*

*To the City Council:*

*Gentlemen:*—The Committee on Works beg to recommend to the Council for payment accounts, amounting to \$4,258.99, chargeable to the following services:—

Street Lighting.....	\$1776.58
City Hall Lighting.....	77.02
Internal Health.....	235.67
Fuel City Hall.....	240.75
Telephones.....	28.19
Electric Wiring Inspection.....	10.40
City Property.....	5.25
Teams and Stables.....	596.50
Sewerage.....	230.88
Streets.....	367.86
Water Maintenance.....	314.44
Water Construction.....	141.17
Permanent Sidewalks.....	234.28
Total.....	\$4258.99

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 reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re concrete sidewalk Cheapside.

**CHEAPSIDE SIDEWALK.***City Works Office, March 7th, 1913.**To the City Council:*

*Gentlemen:*—The Committee on Works beg to recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer in favor of the construction of a concrete sidewalk on the south side of Cheapside between Bedford Row and Hollis Street.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor and Chairman.**City Engineer's Office, Feb. 25th, 1913.**His Worship the Mayor:*

*Sir:*—I beg to report on the accompanying petition from Messrs. Geo. E. Smith & Co., asking for the construction of a concrete sidewalk on the south side to Cheapside between Bedford Row and Hollis Street.

The properties in this block are owned by George E. Smith & Co., and the Government of Nova Scotia. I wrote to the Commissioner of Public Works and Mines some time ago, asking if the Government would pay for one-half the cost of the sidewalk in front of their property, and also in front of the Technical College on Spring Garden Road. I have just received a letter from the Commissioner, stating that provision will be made in the estimates for one-half the cost of the sidewalk in front of the Technical College and also for one-half the cost of the sidewalk in front of their property on Cheapside.

The estimated cost of the whole sidewalk is \$185.00, and I would recommend that a concrete sidewalk be laid on the south side of Cheapside between Bedford Row and Hollis Street under the permanent sidewalk Act, 1906.

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

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Dennis that said reports be adopted. Motion passed.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer in favor of reduction of water meter rates property of James H. Dow, 1-3 Granville Street.

**JAMES H. DOW'S WATER RATES.***City Works Office, March 7th, 1913.**To the City Council:*

*Gentlemen:*—Attached hereto is a report of the City Engineer in favor of a reduction of the water meter rates on property of James H. Dow, 1-3 Granville Street.

The Committee on Works beg to recommend said report to Council for adoption.

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

*City Engineer's Office, Feb. 4th, 1913.*

*His Worship the Mayor:*

*Sir:*—I beg to report on the accompanying letter from Mr. James H. Dow asking for a reduction in the bill charged for water drawn at No. 1-3 Granville Street for the period from September 1911 to September 1912.

The bill for water at No. 1 Granville Street for the period from Sept. to March, is \$29.82 and for No. 3, \$11.66; for the half year ending Sept. 1912 the bill for No. 1 is \$11.01 and for No. 3, \$9.40. For the second half year, the bill in both cases is lower than for the preceding six months. At No. 1 Granville Street there is a reduction of 60 per cent. This can be easily accounted for, as the Meter Inspector reported a water closet wasting badly during the winter. There was a large consumption at No. 3 during the same period. A statement attached, shows the details. The consumption during the last three months recorded, shows an average of 4350 gallons a month at No. 1 and 1056 gallons at No. 3.

The Act which authorizes a reduction in the amount charged, provides that no such reduction shall be allowed unless the Committee is of the opinion;

(a) That the amount of water charged for was in excess of that which was fairly required by the owner or occupant of the premises in respect to which the same is charged.

(b) That such excess has passed through the meter by reason of unavoidable accident or otherwise, without the negligence, default or failure to use proper care and precaution on the part of the owner or occupant of such premises.

I regret that I have no information to show that the large consumption was caused by unavoidable accident. There is no doubt that the amount charged for is in excess of that fairly required.

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

*City Engineer's Office, March 5th, 1913.*

*His Worship the Mayor:*

*Sir:*—At the last meeting of your Committee, Mr. J. H. Dow appeared before the Committee and made a statement in reference to the plumbing in his properties No. 1-3 Granville Street.

Mr. Dow claims that he has used proper care and precaution to prevent waste. If the Committee agree with him I would recommend that the charge for the period covered by the unpaid bills be made up on the basis of the consumption for the last three months as shown in the statement submitted with my report of February 4th, 1913.

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

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Dennis that said reports be adopted. Motion passed.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer in favor of granting the request of the Halifax Electric Tramway Company, Limited, to double track Inglis Street and to complete the double tracking of Campbell Road.



DOUBLE TRAMWAY TRACKS.

*City Works Office, March 7th, 1913.*

*To the City Council:*

*Gentlemen:*—Attached hereto is a report of the City Engineer in favor of granting the request of the Halifax Electric Tramway Company for permission to double track Inglis Street and complete the double tracking of Campbell Road.

The Committee on Works beg to recommend that said report be adopted.

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

*Halifax Electric Tramway Co., Ltd., March 4th, 1913.*

*To His Worship the Mayor and Board of Works:*

*Dear Sirs:*—We hereby beg to make application to your Board and the City Council for permission to double-track Inglis Street and complete the double-tracking on Campbell Road, from the railroad bridge to the end of the line at Richmond, and install the necessary crossovers.

We would like an early reply as the necessary material should be ordered at once and so that we can place an order for six new cars, in addition to the six already under construction, provided the request is granted.

HALIFAX ELECTRIC TRAMWAY CO., Ltd., Jas. W. Crosby, *Mgr.*

*City Engineer's Office, March 5th, 1913.*

*His Worship the Mayor:*

*Sir:* I beg to report on the accompanying application from the Halifax Electric Tramway Company, Limited, for permission to lay double track on Inglis Street and Campbell Road from the railroad bridge to the end of the line at Richmond.

The Company has permission to lay a double track on Hollis Street, which will practically complete the double tracking of the belt line. The main line is double tracked except on the streets named in the application.

It is very desirable in order to give good service, that the rest of the main line be double tracked and I would recommend that the request of the Company be granted upon the usual conditions.

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

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

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re ornamental street lighting Granville Street.

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**ORNAMENTAL STREET LIGHTING, GRANVILLE STREET.**

*City Works Office, March 7th, 1913.*

*To the City Council:*

*Gentlemen:*—Attached hereto is a report of the City Engineer on minute of Council February 11th, 1913, re ornamental street lighting on Granville Street.

The Committee on Works beg to refer said report to the Council for its consideration.

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

*City Engineer's Office, March 5th, 1913.*

*His Worship the Mayor:*

*Sir:*—I beg to report on the accompanying communication from the Granville Street Merchants' Association, respecting the installation of ornamental street lighting on Granville Street.

If a special expenditure is to be made for one district of the City, it would seem to be fair that the owners of property in the district especially benefitted, should pay a proportion of the cost, as in the case of sewer and sidewalk construction; otherwise, the expenditure would not be just to the general taxpayer. In addition, if the City were to undertake the installation of ornamental lighting on Granville Street or any other street, they must pay for the operation to the Halifax Electric Tramway Company under the provisions of the City contract for street lighting.

We shall have at the City Incinerator a considerable quantity of power, which, under present arrangements will not be used, but the surplus steam will be blown off into the air and wasted. To utilize this surplus power, it would be necessary to instal a one hundred horse power engine and electric machinery and equipment with a capacity for maintaining about one hundred and fifty lamps, which the City's Electrician says should be 6.6 amperes luminous series arc lamps.

Ornamental street lighting for the business streets, such as Granville, Barrington and Gottingen Streets, would be a most desirable improvement. If the property owners will instal the ornamental standards and lamps, I think the City should provide the current to enable the property owners to light that portion of the streets in which they are especially interested.

As I have stated, the City cannot, under the electric light contract, light the streets itself, but I can see nothing to prevent the City giving the current to the property owners to operate the lamps themselves. Before accepting this opinion, however, the City Solicitor's opinion should be obtained.

To utilize the steam which will go to waste otherwise, and to carry the current down town from the Incinerator, the estimated cost for machinery, equipment, etc., is \$10,500. The interest on this would be \$420.00, or for 150 lamps, about \$2.80 per lamp per annum, a very low rate indeed, considering the improvement that would be made.

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

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Martin that this matter be referred to the City Solicitor for a report in writing. Motion passed.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re permanent sidewalk Jacob Street, north side, from Brunswick Street to Water Street.

#### JACOB STREET SIDEWALK.

*City Works Office, March 7th, 1913.*

*To the City Council:*

*Gentlemen:*—The Committee on Works beg to recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer in re construction of sidewalk on north side of Jacob Street from Brunswick to Barrington Streets.

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

*City Engineer's Office, Feb. 15th, 1913.*

*His Worship the Mayor:*

*Sir:*—I beg to report on the request of Alderman Keltie at the Council meeting held on December 19th, 1912, respecting the construction of a sidewalk on the north side of Jacob Street from Brunswick Street to Barrington Street.

The sidewalk on the north side of Jacob Street is covered with brick and tar concrete and it is in a very unsatisfactory condition. As there is a great deal of traffic there should be a better sidewalk laid.

A concrete sidewalk has been laid on the south side of Jacob Street between Barrington and Water Streets, and as the length of this block is very short, it would be wise to include it in any new construction. The estimated cost of constructing a sidewalk on the north side of Jacob Street is \$2580.00 and I would recommend that the construction of a concrete sidewalk on the north side of Jacob Street from Brunswick to Water Street be ordered under the Permanent Sidewalk Act, 1906.

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

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Dennis that said reports be adopted. Motion passed.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer on report of Civic Improvement Committee respecting Street paving.

#### STREET PAVING.

*City Works Office, March 7th, 1913.*

*To the City Council:*—

*Gentlemen:*—The Committee on Works beg to refer to the Council for its information the accompanying report of the City Engineer on minute of Council, October 17th, 1912, re report of Civic Improvement Committee on street paving.

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

*City Engineer's Office, Feb. 19th, 1913.*

*His Worship the Mayor:*

*Sir:*—I beg to report on the accompanying report of the Civic Improvement Committee respecting street paving.

The Committee ask the City Council to request the Works Department to prepare a scheme of improvement for roadways in the settled portions of the City, which could be overtaken in a certain number of years, so that at the end of such period, all the more important streets of the City would be in good condition, taking first those streets which most need the improvement, and paving the others in turn, as the need for improvement seems relatively important.

As this task means first the selection of the streets and afterwards the measurement for the purpose of estimating, and considerable work and study, I have not been able to overtake it. It does seem to be necessary until the Council decide to spend the money, as a great deal of the work necessary for estimating, might be for nothing. I think the Council should decide, first, whether they desire to do any more paving or not, second, the amount of money which they are prepared to spend upon it, third the period over which that expenditure should extend. All three of these questions are matters of policy, not of engineering, and the course outlined is the one followed for sidewalk construction.

The second recommendation in the report is, that the Council ask the Nova Scotia Legislature for power to borrow annually a sum not exceeding \$25,000 for the purpose of laying permanent pavements. We have all the machinery necessary for laying pavements in our existing legislation, except the power to borrow the money. It would be more convenient, and save time, if the City had an Act similar to that which authorizes the borrowing of money for sidewalks, under which they could borrow money for pavement from time to time as they see fit. The Sidewalk Act authorizes the borrowing of \$150,000 from time to time as the Council decides, which means a total expenditure of about \$300,000, as the property owners pay one-half the cost.

I would recommend that if the Council desire to lay more pavement, that an Act be prepared to borrow a total sum to be named by the Council, but that the amount be borrowed from time to time as the Council decides to pave the streets selected.

I am preparing a report on paving material for different grades, but it is not necessary to await that report in order to deal with this matter. I would recommend, however, that any permanent pavement adopted, be laid on a concrete foundation, as it is practically impossible to maintain an even surface where repairs have to be made, without a concrete foundation.

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

Moved by Alderman Hattie, seconded by Alderman Dennis that the report of the City Engineer be adopted and that authority of the Legislature be sought for permission to borrow in such amounts as may be determined by the Council from time to time, on recommendation of the Committee on Works, a total sum not exceeding \$100,000.00 for street paving.

Moved in amendment by Alderman R. V. Harris, seconded by Alderman Hoben that said reports be referred back to the

Committee on Works to confer with the City Engineer and City Solicitor as to any proposed legislation on this matter. Amendment put and passed.

Alderman Clarke here arrives and takes his seat in Council.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer against the selling of land at Fish Market Wharf to the Western Union Telegraph Company.

#### SALE OF LAND—FISHMARKET WHARF.

*City Works Office, March 7th, 1913.*

*To the City Council:—*

*Gentlemen:—*Attached hereto is a report of the City Engineer against selling the land at Fishmarket Wharf to Western Union Telegraph Company.

The Committee on Works beg to recommend said report to the Council for adoption.

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

*City Engineer's Office, March 5th, 1913.*

*His Worship the Mayor:*

*Sir:—*I beg to report on the accompanying request on behalf of the Western Union Telegraph Company, for the sale by the City of a piece of land, part of the Fishmarket Wharf property.

This wharf is the only property which the City has for landing supplies from the water. The wharf is necessarily very narrow, as the water lot is not of sufficient width to permit of the construction of a large wharf. The storage area upon the wharf is also limited, and if at any time material is stored there, there is barely room to turn a two-horse team. We have used the property for storing crossing stones and similar material taken up from the street when paving, to save extra haul out to the City lot. It would not be in the city's interest to agree to sell the piece of land referred to, and in my opinion, we need every square foot we have.

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

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

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Clarke that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare an Act and submit the same to the Legislature enabling the City to sell a vacant lot owned by the City on Tower Road. Motion passed.

The following resolution is submitted:—

*Whereas*, the City of Halifax requires the land and premises hereinafter described for the purpose of building twin reservoirs in the City of Halifax, and the City Engineer has duly prepared a plan of the said land and premises, together with a description of the same, and also a report on the expropriation of the same, and submitted the said report, description and plan to the City Council for its approval, and the said report, description and plan were duly approved by the City Council on the 23rd day of January in the year A. D. 1913, and a copy of same has been filed in the office of the City Engineer as required by law;

*And Whereas*, on the 24th day of January in the year A. D. 1913, a notice, containing a description of the land and premises so required, was duly served on each of the owners respectively of the said land and premises, which said owners are enumerated in the schedule to this resolution, together with a notice of the intention of the City Council to expropriate the land of the said owners after the expiration of the time required by law from the date of service of such notice;

*And Whereas*, on the 24th day of January in the year A. D. 1913, a notice containing a description of the land so required, and a notice of the intention of the City Council to expropriate the said land and premises after the expiration of the time required by law from the date of such publication, was duly published by the City Engineer in the Morning Herald and the Acadian Recorder, two newspapers published in the City of Halifax, and for two weeks after the said 24th day of January, by two insertions each week;

*Therefore Resolved*, that the said land and premises be and the same hereby are expropriated for the purpose aforesaid which said land and premises are described as follows:—

All that lot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being on the west side of Robie Street (formerly known as Longard Street) in the City and County of Halifax, Province of Nova Scotia, the said lot being more particularly described as follows:—

Beginning at a point on the west line of Robie Street, distant one hundred and fifteen (115') feet northerly from the prolongation westwardly of the south line of Cabot Street; thence westerly by a line at right angles to the said west line of Robie Street for a distance of two hundred and fifty-two (252') feet; thence northerly by a line parallel to the said west line of Robie Street for a distance of four hundred and seventy-one (471') feet more or less; thence easterly for a distance of two hundred and fifty-two (252') feet or until it comes to the west line of Robie Street at the south-east corner of property said to belong to David Nicholson; thence southerly by the said west line of Robie Street for a distance of four hundred and seventy-two (472') feet more or less to the place of beginning;

The above described property being shown on a plan entitled "Plan Showing Land Required for High Service Reservoir" dated November 1st, 1912, and filed in the City Engineer's Office as Plan No. 2241.

Together with all and singular the easements, tenements, rights, privileges and appurtenances to the said land and premises or to any lot or part thereof belonging or in anywise appertaining;

*Be it Further Resolved*, that the City Clerk be and he is hereby authorized and instructed by and on behalf of the City of Halifax to pay into the Supreme Court at Halifax for so much of the said land and premises as is alleged to belong respectively to each of the persons set out in the schedule as the owners thereof, the sums set opposite to the name of each of such owners respectively making in all, the sum of six thousand and fifty (\$6,050.00) dollars, the said sum being, in the judgment of the City Council, a reasonable value for the said properties respectively, and

that the City Engineer notify each of the said alleged owners so set out in the schedule, that in case they or any of them do, within one month from the date of service upon them of such notice, notify the Mayor of the said City that the amount paid into the Court for such person so given the notice is not sufficient, that the said owners and each of them shall be at liberty respectively to name an arbitrator to act for each person respectively within one month from the date of service of such notice upon them, to act with other arbitrators as by law provided to make a new award.

SCHEDULE.

List of Property Owners and Amount Directed to Be Paid to Each.

Name	Property	Amount
James Jack.....	West Side Robie Street.....	\$ 100 00
Wm. Kimber.....	" " ".....	1250 00
Chas. Kelley.....	" " ".....	625 00
Andrew Tuura.....	" " ".....	625 00
James P. Murray.....	" " ".....	750 00
David Graydon.....	" " ".....	625 00
James P. Murray.....	" " ".....	1250 00
David Nicholson.....	" " ".....	125 00
Wm. Thompson.....	" " ".....	375 00
Sadie Henneberry.....	" " ".....	100 00
Mrs. Cameron.....	" " ".....	100 00
J. P. Murray.....	" " ".....	125 00

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

Read letter Covert & Pearson covering bill entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Halifax Tramways and Power Company, Limited."

HALIFAX TRAMWAYS AND POWER CO., Limited.

45 Sackville Street, March 12th, 1913.

F. P. Bligh, Esq., Mayor:

Dear Sir:—We enclose herewith a copy of a Bill entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Halifax Tramways and Power Company, Limited," which we are handing Mr. Faulkner to introduce in the House of Assembly. You will observe that by clause 22, the Company is authorized to purchase the property, rights, franchises, etc., of the Halifax Electric Tramway Company, Limited, which, by the same clause, the Halifax Electric Tramway Company, Limited, is authorized to sell. You will also note that such sale can only be made subject to the terms and conditions of all agreements now existing between the latter Company and the City of Halifax. The new Company proposes to develop certain water powers in the Province and transmit electric energy to this City in such quantity and at such a rate that great assistance will be given to the prospective industrial expansion of Halifax.

COVERT & PEARSON.

The said bill is now read.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Martin that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to engage the services of one of the best corporation counsel available to assist the City Solicitor in opposing this bill before the Legislature and to pay the costs of such services out of the Contingent Fund, and that said draft Act be referred to the Special Committee on Legislation. Motion passed.

Alderman R. V. Harris asked if the Morris Street Boulevard is plotted on the City Plan.

The City Engineer answered in the affirmative.

Alderman Scanlan asked permission to refer to a charge made before the Police Committee against one of the Constables, and which had been before the Committee without action being taken for some time, and stated he wished to be relieved of any responsibility in the matter.

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

Council adjourns 11.55 o'clock.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor.*

L. FRED. MONAGHAN, *City Clerk.*



Report Committee on Works of the Department of Public Works  
Report City Engineer re Sewerage System  
Dark Age in mind  
REFLECTS

## EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

*Council Chamber, City Hall, March 26th, 1913.*

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Hawkins, Upham, Keltie, Morrow, Gates, MacKenzie, J. C. Harris, Gough and Martin.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Upham 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 R. V. Harris, Hattie, Scanlan, Hoben and Hines.

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 Special Committee on Public Market by Alderman Gates, Chairman.

Petition for concrete sidewalk Gottingen Street by Alderman Martin.

Report City Prison Committee by Alderman R. V. Harris, Chairman.

Report Library Commission by Alderman MacKenzie for Chairman.

Certificates of the City Medical Officer and Dr. J. R. Corston relating to the death of Driver Robert MacKenzie of the Fire Department, by Alderman Scanlan, Chairman.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following named papers:

Letter R. M. MacGregor, Chairman of House of Assembly Committee on Railways and Municipalities, in re Halifax Electric Tramway.

Letter County Council re separate representation for the City and County in the House of Assembly.

Report City Clerk re payment of money into Court in connection with the expropriation of properties for sites for water reservoirs.

Report Committee on Works re the borrowing of certain sums of money.

Report City Solicitor re Granville Street lighting.

Draft Acts in amendment of the City Charter.

#### REFERENCE OF PAPERS.

Read petition for concrete sidewalk Gottingen Street, west side, between North Street and Gerrish Street. Referred to Committee on Works for report.

Read report City Clerk re payment of money into Court in connection with expropriation of properties for sites for water reservoirs.

#### WATER RESERVOIRS.

*Office of City Clerk, March 20th, 1913.*

*His Worship the Mayor and City Council:*

*Gentlemen:*—Agreeably to resolution passed City Council March 13th inst. respecting the expropriation of certain properties on Shaffroth's Hill as a site for reservoirs for the Water Department, I beg to report that I did this day pay into the Office of the Prothonotary of the Supreme Court at Halifax the sum of six thousand and fifty (\$6,050.00) dollars, the said sum being the total amount of the values fixed by the Council for the following named properties:—

Name	Property	Amount
James Jack.....	West Side Robie Street.....	\$ 100 00
Wm. Kimber.....	" "	1250 00
Chas. Kelley.....	" "	625 00
Andrew Tuura.....	" "	625 00
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James P. Murray.....	" "	1250 00
David Nicholson.....	" "	125 00
Wm. Thompson.....	" "	375 00
Sadie Henneberry.....	" "	100 00
Mrs. Cameron.....	" "	100 00
J. P. Murray.....	" "	125 00

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