

Other papers and addresses were given on Nova Scotia and Its Relation to Emigration; Municipal Planning and Housing; Municipal Government in German Cities; Mutual Municipal Insurance; The Adjustment of the Joint Services and Relative Assessments between Town and County; Municipal Home Rule; The Teaching of Civics in the Public Schools; Prison Reform in Nova Scotia; The Collection of Taxes in Towns; Police Administration, Etc.

The questions probably of greatest interest to the City of Halifax were those on Municipal Home Rule and a scheme for Mutual Municipal Insurance.

The Home Rule question has been referred to the incoming Executive to take further action in the direction suggested, namely to give municipalities greater independence in the conduct of their own affairs. If the scheme for municipal insurance suggested by City Engineer Doane can be carried out, it will mean, after about ten years, an annual saving to the City of Halifax of between three and four thousand dollars.

A strong protest was filed against the Act introduced at Ottawa to compel municipalities to adopt sewer treatment systems, as compliance with the Act would entail an expenditure of about one million dollars for this City.

The Standard Town By-laws prepared by City Solicitor Bell of Halifax and Town Solicitor Roberts of Bridgewater, were referred to a Committee of mayors and city officials to thresh out before adoption, after which they will be available for any city, town or municipality desiring to use them.

The Government were also requested to establish an independent commission to investigate and report on the proposed municipal expenditures on capital account, such investigation to be at the option of the municipality; and that the government be requested to guarantee bonds for expenditures endorsed by such commission.

The delegates were the guests of the Town of Bridgewater, the Town of Lunenburg and the Municipality of Lunenburg and the hospitality extended was almost overwhelming.

ALDERMAN J. C. HARRIS,
 " JOHN J. HINES,
 " J. S. PARKER,
 " C. A. RIORDON,
 " L. A. GASTONGUAY.

Filed.

QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS.

Alderman Harris asked if steps had been taken to have the buildings removed from the properties expropriated for the widening of Cunard Street, particularly the building at the corner of Creighton Street.

Alderman Harris was informed that some difficulties had been encountered in dealing with those interested in the properties, that the matter was now in the hands of the City Engineer and City Solicitor and was well under way for adjustment.

Controller Hoben asked if permission had been given to move back the building at the corner of Agricola and Cunard Streets.

The City Engineer answered that that building along with the other buildings had been ordered to be removed.

Alderman Hubley complained that the shifting of the light at Summit Street had made the conditions worse than before and asked that the City Engineer report on the matter.

Moved by Controller O'Connor, seconded by Controller Hoben that His Worship the Mayor be asked to suggest to the citizens that they leave their blinds up and light their premises in the evenings during Exhibition. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Harris, seconded by Alderman Rior-don that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 10.50 o'clock.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor*.

L. FRED. MONAGHAN, *City Clerk*.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

4.10 o'clock.

Council Chamber, City Hall, September 25th, 1913.

A special meeting of the City Council was held this afternoon. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Harris and Hoben, and Aldermen Hines, Gastonguay, Harris, Hubley, Murphy, Powell and Cox.

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

4.30 o'clock. Roll called. Present the above named together with Controller Scanlan and Alderman Covert.

The Council was summoned to consider resolutions to amend resolutions in re City loans previously adopted, to proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS.

His Worship the Mayor submits sixteen (16) reports from the Board of Control, as follows:—

Water lots Market Wharf.
Loans.
Various matters.
Fire alarm battery elements.
Cartage of coal.
George Street sidewalk.
Reservoir expropriation.
Ornamental street lighting.
Street lights.
Summer Street electric light.
Telephone conduits.
Oxford Street sewer.
Morris Street paving.
Connaught Avenue Boulevard.
Oakland Road landing (North West Arm.)
Carting of Broken Stone.

CONSIDERATION OF PAPERS SUBMITTED.

Read report Board of Control re water lots Market Wharf and City Wharf.

WATER LOTS MARKET WHARF AND CITY WHARF.

City Hall, September 22nd, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Control beg to report that in 1872 the Government of Nova Scotia granted rights in adjoining water lots in Halifax Harbor at the Market Wharf and City Wharf. The Western Union Telegraph Company have recently come into possession of the Market Wharf property and propose applying to the Dominion Government for confirmation of the grant made by the Local Government of the water lot. As the City's rights to the adjoining lot have never been confirmed at Ottawa the Board of Control beg to recommend that the City Solicitor join with Mr. Humphrey Mellish, representing the Western Union Telegraph Company, in an application to the Dominion Government for grants of these two adjoining water lots.

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

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Scanlan that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Controller Harris submits the following resolution:—

That the City and the Western Union Telegraph Company agree that the grants No. 13435 to T. B. Akins and Charles Beamish, the predecessors in title of the Western Union Telegraph Company, and grant No. 13436 to the City respectively, be confirmed by the Dominion Government.

Moved by Controller Harris, seconded by Controller Hoben and passed.

Read report Board of Control re resolution passed by the City Council July 29th, 1913, accepting the offer of N. W. Harris & Company to loan the City \$299,727.35, (see printed minutes July 29th, 1913, page 126), and re resolution passed by the City Council August 7th, 1913, accepting the offer of J. C. Mackintosh & Company and associates to loan the City \$115,006.62, (see printed minutes August 7th, 1913, page 140), recommending that said resolutions as since amended be reaffirmed by the Council, covering copies of said resolutions as so amended.

CONTRACTS FOR LOANS.

City Hall, September 22nd, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Control beg to report that at a meeting of the City Council held on July 29th a resolution was adopted in respect to the loan from N. W. Harris & Company of \$299,727.35 under the terms of which delivery of the bonds was to be made in the City of New York. The original tender of the lenders made the delivery optional at either New York or Boston and since the time of the passing of the resolution the firm has named the City of Boston as the place of delivery

and their solicitors deem it necessary to have the resolution reaffirmed containing that and some further minor changes. Your Board therefore recommend that the request of Messrs. MacInnes, Mellish, Fulton & Kenny be complied with and that the resolution accompanied herewith be adopted by the City Council in place of the resolution adopted on the 29th of July.

Messrs. MacInnes, Mellish & Company who are also acting for J. C. Mackintosh & Company and associates in the matter of the loan of moneys to the City for School purposes desire that amendments of a similar character be made to the resolution passed by the City Council on August 7th in respect to the loan for Schools. The Board of Control therefore recommend that the accompanying resolution re loan for Schools be adopted by the City Council in substitution for the resolution passed on August 7th.

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

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Scanlan that said report be adopted. Motion passed unanimously.

Controller Hoben stated that this meeting had been specially summoned "To consider resolutions to amend resolutions in re City Loans previously adopted" and acting under the provisions of rule 40 of Ordinance No. 2 "Rules of Order of Council" which provides that "any provision in this Ordinance may be suspended in its operation by unanimous consent of the members of the Council present" moved that rule No. 19 of the said Ordinance No. 2, viz., Rule "19. No motion to rescind any resolution of the Council shall be made unless notice of the intention to move the same has been given at a meeting of the Council previous to that at which the same is moved" be and the same is hereby suspended in its operation by unanimous consent of the members of the Council now present for the purpose of enabling Controller Hoben to introduce a motion to rescind the resolution passed July 29th, 1913, respecting a loan of \$299,727.35 from N. W. Harris & Company.

Controller Hoben's motion is seconded by Controller Harris and being put is passed unanimously, the following members of Council being present and voting for the same, viz., Controllers Harris, Hoben and Scanlan and Alderman Covert, Powell, Cox, Gastonguay, Hines, Murphy, Harris and Hubley.—11.

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that the resolution passed by the City Council July 29th, 1913, in re loan from N. W. Harris & Company of \$299,727.35 be and the same is hereby rescinded. Motion put and passed unanimously.

The following resolution is introduced by Controller Hoben:

Whereas, the City Council did by resolutions duly passed at meetings held on the 5th and 19th days of June last instruct the City Treasurer to advertise for tenders from persons willing to loan the City the sum of \$172,250.00 and the sum of \$127,500.00 respectively, making in all the sum of \$299,750.00, for certain purposes in such resolutions specified and under the authorities referred to therein;

And Whereas, N. W. Harris & Company, of Boston, Massachusetts, have offered to purchase City debentures or stock to an amount sufficient to produce the sum of \$299,727.35 at a price equal to 89.125 per cent. of the par value of such debentures or stock, together with interest thereon at the rate of 4 1-2 per cent. per annum from the first day of July, 1913;

And Whereas, the Board of Control have recommended to the City Council the acceptance of the said offer of N. W. Harris & Company;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the said sum of \$299,727.35 be borrowed for the purposes in the said resolution specified and that the said offer of N. W. Harris & Company be accepted and that debentures of the City of Halifax to the par value of \$336,000.00 and stock of the City of Halifax to the par value of \$300.00 be issued and delivered to N. W. Harris & Company for the said loan, and that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to issue such debentures and stock of the said par value of \$336,300.00 and to deliver the same to N. W. Harris & Company upon payment by the said N. W. Harris & Company in the City of Boston, Massachusetts, of the said sum of \$299,727.35 with interest at the rate of 4 1-2 per cent. per annum on the said sum of \$336,300.00, being the par value of said debentures and stock, from the first day of July, 1913, to the date of such payment, and that such debentures and stock be issued in conformity with provisions of "The Halifax City Consolidated Fund Act 1905" and its amendments, and be in the form provided by said Act; such debentures and the certificates for such stock to be dated the first day of July, 1913, and to be payable or redeemable on the first day of July, 1945, and to bear interest at the rate of 4 1-2 per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually on the first days of January and July in each year, and such debentures to be payable both as to principal and interest at the Office of the City Treasurer, Halifax, or at the First National Bank in Boston, Massachusetts, and that the form of coupons to be attached to such debentures be as follows

**"CITY OF HALIFAX CONSOLIDATED FUND \$22.50
1905"** Coupon No....

Interest Warrant for
 TWENTY-TWO DOLLARS AND FIFTY CENTS
 Dominion Currency payable on the first day of
at the office of the City Treasurer, at
 Halifax, or at the First National Bank of Boston,
 Mass., for six months interest on debenture No....
 For the City

.....Mayor.....
Treasurer..... for \$1,000

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris and passed unanimously the following named members of Council being present and voting for the same, viz., Controllers Harris, Hoben and Scanlan, and Aldermen Covert, Powell, Cox, Gastonguay, Hines, Murphy, Harris and Hubley.—11.

Controller Hoben again formally followed the formula observed in the case of the resolution re loan from N. W. Harris & Company as above recorded and moved that rule No. 19 of

the "Rules of Order of Council" be and the same is hereby suspended in its operation by unanimous consent of the members of the Council now present for the purpose of enabling Controller Hoben to introduce a motion to rescind the resolution passed August 7th, 1913, respecting a loan of \$115,06.62 from J. C. Mackintosh & Company and associates.

Controller Hoben's motion is seconded by Controller Harris and being put is passed unanimously, the following named members of Council being present and voting for the same, viz., Controllers Harris, Hoben, and Scanlan and Aldermen Covert, Powell, Cox, Gastonguay, Hines, Murphy, Harris and Hubley.
—11.

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that the resolution passed by the City Council August 7th, 1913, in re loan from J. C. Mackintosh & Company and associates of \$115,006.62 be and the same is hereby rescinded. Motion put and passed unanimously.

The following resolution is introduced by Controller Hoben:

Whereas, J. C. Mackintosh & Company and associates of Halifax have offered to purchase City debentures or stock to an amount sufficient to produce the sum of \$115,006.62, at a price equal to 90.06 per cent. of the par value of such debentures or stock, together with interest thereon at the rate of 4 1-2 per cent. per annum from the first day of July, 1913;

And Whereas, the Board of Control have recommended to the Council the acceptance of the said offer of J. C. Mackintosh & Company and associates, which recommendation has been by resolution adopted by the City Council;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the said sum of \$115,006.62 be borrowed for the purposes in the said resolution recited, and that the said offer of J. C. Mackintosh & Company and associates be accepted, and that debentures of the City of Halifax to the par value of \$126,000.00, and stock of the City of Halifax at the par value of \$1,700.00 be issued and delivered to J. C. Mackintosh & Company and associates for the said loan, and that the City Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to issue such debentures and stock of the said par value of \$127,700.00, and to deliver the same to J. C. Mackintosh & Company and associates upon payment by the said J. C. Mackintosh & Company and associates of the sum of \$115,006.62 with interest at the rate of 4 1-2 per cent. per annum on the said sum of \$127,700.00, being the par value of said debentures and stock, from the first day of July, 1913, to the date of such payment, and that such debentures and stock be issued in conformity with provisions of the "Halifax City Consolidated Fund Act 1905" and its amendments, and to be in the form provided by said Act; such debentures and certificates for such stock to be dated the first day of July, 1913, and to be payable or redeemable the first day of July, 1945, and to bear interest at the rate of 4 1-2 per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually on the first days of January and July in each year, and such debentures to be payable both as to principal and interest at the Office of the City Treasurer, Halifax, or at the First National Bank in Boston, Massachusetts, and that the form of coupons to be attached to such debentures be as follows:—

"CITY OF HALIFAX CONSOLIDATED FUND \$22.50
1905" Coupon No.

Interest Warrant for
 TWENTY-TWO DOLLARS AND FIFTY CENTS
 Dominion Currency payable on the first day of....
at the office of the City Treasurer, at Halifax,
 or at the First National Bank of Boston, Mass., for
 six months interest on debenture No....
 For the City

.....Mayor.... for
Treasurer..... \$1,000

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris and being put is passed unanimously, the following named members of Council being present and voting for the same, viz., Controllors Harris, Hoben and Scanlan, and Aldermen Covert, Powell, Cox, Gastonguay, Hines, Murphy, Harris and Hubley.—11.

Read report Board of Control covering report Coal Weighers for August and report Governor City Prison re his recent visit to Dorchester Penitentiary.

Filed.

Read reports Board of Control and City Electrician re purchase of battery elements for fire alarm system.

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM.

City Hall, September 22nd, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Control recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the City Electrician re the purchase of storage battery elements for the Fire Alarm System, costing \$326.00.

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

City Electrician's Office, Sept. 19th, 1913.

L. Fred. Monaghan, Secty. Board of Control.

Sir:—Provision having being made in this year's estimates for the renewing of the Storage Battery elements, I would beg to recommend the purchase of:—

355 type B. T. Chloride couples
 15 each positive and negative end cells
 400 lbs. spl. 210 electrolyte
 Total cost, \$326.00.

P. R. COLPITT, *City Electrician.*

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that said reports be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report Board of Control covering tenders for cartage of coal.

COAL CARTAGE TENDERS.

— *City Hall, September 19th, 1913.*

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Control beg to inform the Council that they have received tenders for cartage of coal from the Cotton Factory siding to the various civic departments as follows:—

William P. Buckley	59c. per ton
Geo. E. VanBuskirk	69c. per ton

It is recommended that the tender of W. P. Buckley being the lowest be accepted.

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

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report Board of Control re concrete sidewalk George Street.

CONCRETE SIDEWALK GEORGE STREET.

City Hall, September 24th, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Control beg to recommend that a concrete sidewalk be laid at the foot of George Street, north side, at the approach to the Ferry Landing.

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

Moved by Alderman Powell, seconded by Controller Hoben that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read reports Board of Control and City Clerk re payment into Court of \$360.32 for property expropriated from Mrs. Sadie Henneberry for reservoir site, Shaffroth's Hill.

RESERVOIR SITE EXPROPRIATIONS.

City Hall, September 10th, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Control beg to report that the City Clerk reported to them that he did on the 9th inst. pay into the office of the Prothonotary of the Supreme Court at Halifax the sum of \$360.32, the additional amount of compensation awarded Mrs. Sadie Henneberry by the Arbitrators for land taken for reservoir site at Shaffroth's Hill.

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

Office of the City Clerk, Sept. 10th, 1913.

The Board of Control.

Gentlemen:—The recommendation of this Board that the amount awarded by arbitrators as additional compensation for property of Mrs. Sadie Henneberry, Shaffroth's Hill, taken for reservoir site, having been adopted by the City Council at its meeting on the 4th inst., I paid into the Office of the Prothonotary of the Supreme Court at Halifax yesterday the sum of \$360.32 in that behalf.

L. FRED. MONAGHAN, *City Clerk.*

Filed.

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re erection of an ornamental street lamp post by the Dennis Realty Corporation, Limited, at the corner of Sackville and Argyle Streets.

ORNAMENTAL STREET LAMP POST CORNER OF ARGYLE AND SACKVILLE STREETS.

City Hall, September 19th, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Control beg to recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer recommending that permission be given the Dennis Realty Corporation, Limited, to erect and maintain an ornamental street lamp post at the corner of Argyle and Sackville Streets.

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

City Engineer's Office, Sept. 18th, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:—I beg to submit herewith an application from the Dennis Realty Corporation, Limited, for permission to erect and maintain an ornamental street lamp post at the corner of Argyle and Sackville Streets. I would recommend that permission be granted on the general conditions already adopted.

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

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that said reports be adopted. Motion passed.

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re street lights.

STREET LIGHTS LIVINGSTONE STREET AND ALMON STREET.

City Hall, September 19th, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The accompanying report of the City Engineer re street lights at Livingstone Street and Kempt Road and at Almon Street near Gottingen Street is recommended by the Board of Control for adoption.

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

City Engineer's Office, Sept. 18th, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:—I beg to report respecting electric street lights asked for:—

At the corner of Livingston Street and Kempt Road there should be another light, as the point is a dangerous one for traffic, especially at Exhibition times.

Corner of Almon and Gottingen Streets, is another point where there should be a light, and I would recommend that these two lights be installed in turn when funds are available.

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

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that said reports be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report Board of Control re street light Summer Street.

ELECTRIC LIGHT SUMMER STREET.

City Hall, September 22nd, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—Mr. George A. Wootten applied to the Board of Control for the installation of an electric light on Summer Street between Spring Garden Road and Sackville Street, and being informed that the City has no funds with which to place a light there instructed the Board that he would pay for such light between October 1st and April 30th if the City agreed. Your Board therefore recommend that upon Mr. Wootten's paying in advance for such light for seven (7) months that the same be installed by the City, its continuance after May 1st, 1914 to be contingent upon funds being provided in the estimates for all lights already ordered.

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

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re telephone conduits Coburg Road and North Street.

TELEPHONE CONDUITS.

City Hall, September 19th, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Control beg to recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer on application of the Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Company, Limited, for permission to lay underground conduits and branches on Coburg Road and North Street.

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

City Engineer's Office, Sept. 18th, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:—I beg to report on the accompanying application from the Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Company for permission to lay underground conduits and branches on Coburg Road and North Street in accordance with plans filed in the City Engineer's Office. The last time the Company applied for a permit, they were granted permission on agreeing to the following conditions:—

(a) That they would agree to legislation increasing the license fee from six hundred to one thousand dollars.

(b) To do any necessary trimming of trees under the supervision of Superintendent Power.

(c) To lay an extra duct for the use of the City at any time any of their trenches are opened, the City to pay the cost of the duct and laying.

On enquiry to-day, I find that the legislation has been overlooked. I have called the attention of the City Solicitor to the matter and he has made a note to have it attended to at the next session. I would recommend that permission be granted, subject to the same conditions contained in the letter from the Company dated May 29th, 1912 as above quoted.

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

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that said reports be adopted. Motion passed.

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re Oxford Street sewer.

OXFORD STREET SEWER.

City Hall, September 19th, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Control recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer re construction of a sewer in Oxford Street from Jubilee Road to Quinpool Road.

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

City Engineer's Office, Sept. 19th, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:—I beg to report on the accompanying petition asking for the extension of the sewer on Oxford Street from Jubilee Road to Quinpool Road.

The sewage from this district is designed to be carried down Jubilee Road so that it will flush the upper end of the Jubilee Road sewer west of Oxford Street where the grade is flat. It could be disposed of temporarily, however, through that portion of the sewer on Oxford Street already completed, and the permanent connection made after the Jubilee Road is constructed.

The estimated cost of constructing this sewer is \$8400; estimated assessment \$3200. I would recommend that the construction of the sewer be ordered to be carried out in its turn.

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

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that said reports be adopted. Motion passed.

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re paving Morris Street east of Hollis Street with granite blocks.

Moved by Alderman Powell, seconded by Controller Hoben that this matter be deferred until next meeting of the Council Motion passed.

Read report Board of Control re extension of Connaught Avenue boulevard through the Edgewood property to the north of Bayer Road.

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that this matter be deferred until next meeting. Motion passed.

Read report Board of Control covering various reports and petitions relating to landing privileges at the foot of Oakland Road on the North West Arm.

Moved by Alderman Murphy, seconded by Controller Hoben that this matter be deferred until next meeting. Motion passed.

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re carting of broken stone.

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that this matter be deferred until next meeting. Motion passed.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

Read No. 1 on Order of the Day, viz., An Ordinance fixing maximum fares chargeable by licensed motor cabs. Read a first time and a second time September 4th, 1913. Page 184.

Moved by Controller Harris, seconded by Controller Hoben that said Ordinance be now read a third time. Motion passed.

Read a third time An Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 14 of 'The Regulation of Hacks'." (See printed minutes September 4th, 1913, page 184.)

Moved by Controller Harris, seconded by Controller Hoben that said Ordinance having been duly read a third time in Council be now finally passed and the City Clerk instructed to forward the same to the Honorable the Provincial Secretary for submission to the Governor in Council for approval. Motion passed.

Read No. 2 on Order of the Day, viz., An Ordinance re horses' damaging sodded sidewalks. Read a first time and a second time September 4th, 1913. Page 187.

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that said Ordinance be now read a third time. Motion passed.

Read a third time An Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 4 of the City of Halifax 'Of Streets'." (See printed minutes September 4th, 1913, page 187.)

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that said Ordinance having been duly read a third time in Council be now finally passed and the City Clerk instructed to forward same to the Honorable the Provincial Secretary for submission to the Governor in Council for approval. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Harris, seconded by Alderman Hines that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 5 o'clock.

C. R. HOBEN, *Chairman.*

L. FRED. MONAGHAN, *City Clerk.*

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

Council Chamber, City Hall, October 8th, 1913.

An emergency meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present Controller Hoben, and Aldermen Smith, Brown, Hines, Parker and Harris.

Moved by Alderman Hines, seconded by Alderman 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 Controllers Harris and Scanlan and Aldermen Cox, Gastonguay, Murphy, Riordon and Hubley.

The Council was summoned at the request of the Board of Control to consider an application of the City Health Board for the temporary use of the cottage hospital on the City Home property for the treatment of typhoid fever patients.

In the absence of His Worship the Mayor and the Deputy-Mayor the City Clerk called the meeting to order and asked the members present to appoint a Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Brown, seconded by Alderman Harris that Controller Hoben be Chairman of the meeting. Motion passed.

Controller Hoben takes the chair.

Controller Hoben explained the purpose of the meeting. Reports to the City Health Board had shown that during the last eight days an extraordinary outbreak of typhoid fever had occurred in the City and that there are now thirty-one known cases. The Victoria General Hospital now has fourteen cases and is unable to accommodate any more. The City Health Board had applied to the Board of Control for the use of the cottage hospital on the City Home property for the temporary care of typhoid cases and the Board of Control had decided to

submit the matter to the City Council at this emergency meeting to determine as to whether such use should be made of the building.

Moved by Alderman Riordon, seconded by Alderman Parker that the City Health Board be permitted the use of the cottage building on the City Home property temporarily for the treatment of typhoid fever cases until the present epidemic passes over.

By unanimous consent of the Council the meeting is addressed by Dr. MacAulay, Chairman of the City Health Board, Dr. Trenaman, City Medical Officer, and Dr. L. M. Murray, all of whom urged the absolute necessity of at once providing hospital accommodation for typhoid sufferers and stated that there is absolutely no danger of contagion from the proposed use of the building as a typhoid fever hospital.

The motion being put is passed, 9 voting for it and 3 against it, as follows:

For the Motion—

Controller Harris and Aldermen Cox, Hines, Gastonguay, Murphy, Riordon, Harris, Hubley, Parker.—9

Against it—

Controller Scanlan and Aldermen Brown, Smith.—3

Moved by Alderman Parker, seconded by Alderman Murphy that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 9.20 o'clock.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor.*

L. FRED. MONAGHAN, *City Clerk.*

Omitted from page 209 September 25th, 1913.

OAKLAND ROAD BOAT LANDING.

City Hall, September 24th, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Control recommend that Joseph Boutillier be granted the exclusive privilege of obstructing the street at the foot of Oakland Road for the purpose of a ferry landing but not for the purpose of hiring out boats. The size, character and location of any structure to be erected and the agreement to be entered into to be to the approval of the City Engineer and Board of Control.

The following named papers before the Board for consideration with this matter are submitted for the information of the Council:

Application Joseph Boutillier for permission to operate ferry (afterwards amended to include the keeping of boats for hire.)

Petition in behalf of Mr. Boutillier's application.

Application David Dixon for permission for a ferry landing (afterwards amended to include only the privilege of keeping boats for hire.)

Reports City Engineer August 13th, 1913, and September 15th, 1913.

Letter City Clerk to City Solicitor re the Mayor's vote.

Opinions (2) City Solicitor re Mayor's vote.

Letter Rod Macdonald re City's right to grant privileges to private persons at street ends on water lots.

Letter Civic Improvement League.

Letter Harbor Master covering copy of regulations.

Petition in behalf of David Dixon's application.

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

City Engineer's Office, August 13th, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:—I beg to report on the accompanying applications and petitions asking for permission to place a float and operate a ferry from the foot of the extension of Oakland Road at the North West Arm.

The ferry to the Jollimore Village is operated from the south end of the Armview boat house, but I understand that Mr. Rod. Macdonald has given notice that that landing cannot be used in future. It was for the purpose of providing a ferry landing that Oakland Road was extended to the Arm. It has been the policy of the City for some years to grant permission to one ferryman for five or ten years.

While these ferries and boat landings are a convenience to the general public especially to those who do not own boats, they are operated by private enterprise and should not be allowed to interfere with the rights of the public. At these landings, the street end is 60 feet wide, and if more than one ferryman or boat keeper were given a permit it would use up the whole space. I think at least one-half the width of the street end should be left open and unobstructed for the use of the private owners of boats who at times would desire to land there, so that the public should not be shut out altogether. I have grave doubts whether we should give permission for a private boat landing at street ends, but in any case, I am strongly of the opinion that we should not encroach further on the rights of the general public and individual boat owners than to grant a permit for one ferry.

It has been the custom to charge one dollar a year for the permit, and the conditions named in granting permission include the revocation of the permit at any time it is considered desirable to do so. The location, dimensions and form of construction of the float and any building erected, to be subject to approval. As it is obstructing public property, I think the permit should also include the privilege for the public to land upon the ferryman's float. The exact location of the float and any other structure erected, to be determined by the City Engineer.

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

MAYOR'S VOTE.

Office of City Clerk, August 19th, 1913.

F. H. Bell, K. C., City Solicitor, City.

Sir:—At a meeting of the Board of Control held yesterday there were present His Worship the Mayor, Chairman, and Controllers O'Connor, Hoben and Scanlan.

A certain matter being under consideration, a motion was made by Controller Scanlan, which failed to find a seconder.

Controller Hoben made a motion which likewise was not seconded.

Controller O'Connor made a motion which was seconded by Controller Scanlan. This motion being put, Controllers O'Connor and Scanlan voted for it and Controller Hoben and His Worship the Mayor against it.

Controller O'Connor asked for the opinion of the City Solicitor as to the right of His Worship the Mayor to vote thus creating a tie.

On the same subject matter, but proposing to deal with it in a different way, Controller Hoben made a motion which was seconded by His Worship the Mayor, the Chairman.

Controller O'Connor objected to the motion on the ground that the subject was dealt with in the previous motion and objected also to His Worship the Mayor seconding any motion made at a meeting of the Board of Control.

The motion being put, Controller Hoben and His Worship the Mayor voted for it and Controllers O'Connor and Scanlan against it. His Worship the Mayor gave his casting vote for the motion and declared it carried.

Controller O'Connor protested against His Worship the Mayor voting for the motion, thus creating a tie, and afterwards giving a casting vote and declaring the motion carried, and asked for the opinion of the City Solicitor.

L. FRED. MONAGHAN, *City Clerk*.

Office of City Solicitor, September 5th, 1913.

Secretary Board of Control.

Sir:—The Board of Control Act now embodied in the new Charter prescribes that the Board of Control shall consist of the Mayor and four Controllers and the Mayor shall be *ex officio* Chariman of the Board. There is no regulation as to his voting powers, and the matter consequently depends on the common law governing such a case.

There is no higher authority on such a point than Sir John Bourinot. In his manual on Municipal Procedure at page 272 he states the matter very concisely in a note to the Toronto Rule of Order of the Council No. 11. The Toronto Rule prescribes that the Mayor may vote with the other members on all questions, and any question on which there is an equality of votes shall be deemed to be negative. Bourinot's note is, "the concluding part of this rule embodies the old common law rule *Semper presumitur pro negante*," and in a note upon the page opposite, in which he discusses the rules of order of other municipal parties in Ontario, he stated the common law rule to be "that the Mayor being a member votes as a matter of course, and has no casting vote in the absence of a special regulation."

I am aware that the Speaker of the House of Assembly following the practice of the English Parliament does not vote, except in the case of a tie; but as Mr. Cushing in his book on the subject points out, there are special and historical reasons for this. In the House of Lords the presiding officer does not necessarily have a vote, unless a peer of realm, and even if such has no casting vote. (Section 288). And if the House is equally divided the motion fails. The same authority, after pointing out that in purely parliamentary matters most of the legislative assemblies of the States have followed the English practice as to confining the vote of a speaker to a casting vote, proceeds in Section 310 as follows:—

"But in this country, by constitutional and legal provisions, there are many duties in force upon our legislative assemblies, which are not parliamentary in their character, and especially are they frequently required to make certain important elections. In all these cases, where a proceeding, not of a parliamentary nature, is imposed by constitution or law upon a legislative assembly, the presiding officer, if a member, votes, in the first instance, like any other member, and does not give a casting vote."

I believe therefore on these authorities that it is clear that the Mayor has a vote as a member of the Board of Control; but no second or casting vote.

F. H. BELL, *City Solicitor*.

Office of City Solicitor, September 13th, 1913.

Secretary Board of Control.

Dear Sir:—I have been unable to find any law definitely regulating the time at which the Mayor as Chairman of the Board of Control must exercise his right to vote as a member on any question before the Board. The nearest statement is that of Sir John Bourinot in his Procedure at Public Meetings, page 129, when he says:—

"By common right a chairman has no casting vote if the number of votes is equal. The law or the regulations, however, generally provide that the chairman of companies and boards is empowered to vote as an ordinary member, and then to give as chairman a second or casting vote in case of an equality of votes (q). The chairman must give his vote while the vote of the other members is being taken—first, generally, and before the tendency of the votes is visible. 'It would therefore be a grave irregularity if a chairman reserved his votes and gave, if the number proved uneven, i. e., seven yeas to six nays, first to the yeas his vote as member, and then his casting vote as chairman' (r)."

This obviously applies only to the case of the chairman having both an ordinary vote and a casting, which I have already held the Mayor has not. In the absence of any authority it appears clear that the time at which the Mayor shall vote must be left to him to decide for himself.

F. H. BELL, *City Solicitor.*

City Engineer's Office, September 15th, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:—In compliance with the request contained in the accompanying extract from Minutes of the Board of Control, I beg to submit a further report on the granting of permission to boatmen to occupy the foot of Oakland Road.

I think I have covered the ground in my report of August 13th. I have had to report upon a similar application before. In a report dated May 29th, 1912, read at the meeting of the City Council of June 6, 1912, I reported unfavourably on a similar application. I have always been of the opinion that the granting of permission for two boatmen to do business at a street end, would shut out the public altogether. The City Council decided upon a policy at the time I refer to, in accordance with my report. When a boatman is once established at a street end, it is almost impossible to dispossess him. In that case, there were a number of citizens of Halifax living temporarily on the other side of the Arm, who owned their own boat and desired to use the landing almost daily. The space left for the general public by one boatman is very limited, but if two boatmen were granted permission, I am satisfied that it would take up all the space available. Black rock projecting leaves room for one float or landing only.

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

CARTAGE OF STONE.

City Hall, September 24th, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Control beg to submit for the approval of the City Council a report from the City Engineer re wages of truckmen hauling broken stone. It is recommended that tenders be called for hauling stone for next year's work, the persons tendering to be given to understand that if the bids offered are unsatisfactory the City will continue under the present system. Controller Scanlan is opposed to the recommendation of the City Engineer.

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

TRUCKMEN'S WAGES.

City Engineer's Office, Sept. 23rd, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:—I beg to report on the complaint made by truckmen, that they were being asked to haul too many loads of stone for the wages paid.

The wages of truckmen were increased only four or five years ago, and in comparison with other wages, I think the rate is a fair one. I investigated this matter yesterday afternoon and am satisfied that the injustice has not been against the truckmen but against the City. I timed a man who owned his own truck and was driving it, and cautioned him at first not to be in a hurry but to go deliberately. I also engaged him in conversation when he was loading so that he would not load rapidly. The time he occupies from the time he begins to load his team until he is back at the stone pile, ready to load again, is one hour and thirteen minutes.

A truckman who is at the stone pile at seven in the morning, as he should be, could deposit his fifth load and be ready to start for home in less than five hours and three-quarters, while they are paid for nine hours. All the teams were starting or had started for their fifth load when I arrived at Robie Street. The last team bringing a load had deposited the stone and was leaving for home at twelve minutes past four, although the nine-hour day does not expire until five o'clock.

I instructed the foreman to require them to haul six loads, which would occupy six hours and fifty-one minutes out of the nine hours for which they are paid. They could haul another load in eight hours of working time, and any man who had a contract would require them to haul at least seven loads in a nine-hour day. There is no difficulty in making the time which the truckman made yesterday, as the horse moved at an ordinary gait and he did not hurry. I have on several occasions in the past recommended that such work be done by contract, and on one or two occasions tenders were taken. When we paved upper and lower Water Street the contract was let in each case for hauling the stone. There would be no difficulty in establishing zones and obtaining prices for the hauling of stone from the crusher at a different price for each zone according to the distance.

I would strongly recommend that this course be followed for next year's work. As the City is losing money by the system followed, and unless we require the drivers to haul what they can fairly do within the nine hours, the property owners who pay for concrete sidewalk work, where broken stone is used also, are paying more than they should. There is a loss also in the work done by the men who use the stone, as when the truckmen do not make a full day's work those men also are paid for more than they do and they are idle a portion of their time.

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

EVENING SESSION

8.10 o'clock.

Council Chamber, City Hall, October 16th, 1913.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Controllers Hoben and O'Connor, and Aldermen Smith, Brown, Hubley, Hines, Covert and Powell.

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

8.20 o'clock. Roll called. Present the above named together with Controller Harris, and Aldermen Cox, Gastonguay, Murphy, Harris and Parker.

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

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS.

His Worship the Mayor submits twenty (20) reports from the Board of Control, viz.,

- Ordinances.
- Accounts.
- Military water agreement.
- Lease south Common to Wanderers' A. A. C.
- Motor cycle for Police Department.
- Street lights (2).
- Ornamental street lighting.
- Fire Department.
- Kenny Street sewer.
- Oxford Street water extension.
- City Home tenders.
- Sale of lot Tower Road.
- Argyle Street paving.
- Petition against paving Morris Street.
- Report Liquor License Inspector.
- Livingstone and Cork Streets water extension.
- Water bill C. W. Anderson.
- City Officials taking part in civic elections.
- Straightening East and West Young Streets.

CONSIDERATION OF PAPERS SUBMITTED.

Read report Board of Control covering accounts for payment.

ACCOUNTS.

City Hall, October 16th, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Control beg to recommend for payment the following named accounts:—

City Prison

Moirs, Ltd., bread, \$19.26; Wentzells, Ltd., groceries, \$39.91; W. A. Maling & Co., ox heads, \$20.50; Stairs, Son & Morrow, Ltd., supplies, \$7.60; Crowell Bros., hardware, \$15.85; T. C. Allen & Co., stationery, \$.57; Irwin & Sons, drugs, \$1.45; Maritime Telegraph & Telephone Co., Ltd., phone, \$4.50; Halifax Electric Tramway Co., Ltd., light, \$2.10; Hugh Kedgers, services of horse, \$10.00; David Roche, glass and cutter, \$3.55; W. L. Kane & Co., Ltd., blankets, \$126.00; Neil Fox, saddlery, \$2.70; J. S. Cashen & Sons, oats and bran, \$23.75; S. Cunard & Co., coal, \$103.55; George Grant, expenses visit to Dorchester Penitentiary, \$4.80. Total, \$386.09.

City Home

Wentzells, Ltd., groceries, \$268.99; Gunn & Co., Ltd., flour, \$167.25; W. A. Maling & Co., meats, \$324.30; J. A. Leaman & Co., pork, \$43.68; A. Wilson & Son, fresh fish, \$21.25; Smith & Proctor, butter, \$123.63; C. F. Holland, milk, \$93.60; Fleischmann Co., yeast, \$3.90; F. W. Fraser, foage, \$36.26; Arthur Fordham & Co., leather, \$18.14; H. D. MacKenzie Co., Ltd., coal, \$251.85; Halifax Electric Tramway Co., Ltd., light, \$23.50; V. G. Hospital, medicine, \$119.65; Maritime Telegraph & Telephone Co., Ltd., exchange, \$7.50; T. C. Allen & Co., stationery, \$2.70; C. E. Puttner, dispensing medicine, \$50.00; S. Cunard & Co., hard coal, \$175.00; Chronicle Publishing Co., Ltd., advertising, \$2.51; Blackadar Bros., advertising, \$1.95; J. & M. Murphy, Ltd., dry goods, \$50.78; Hancock Manufacturing Co., Clenso, \$8.33; W. Y. Kennedy, men's clothing, \$45.00; Willis Bros., repairs waggon, \$9.50; Cragg Bros., Co., Ltd., fry pan, \$.60; Brookfield Bros., lime, \$3.00; Baldwin & Co., crockeryware, \$2.20; W. J. O'Connell, horse shoeing, \$5.53; E. W. Crease & Son, potatoes, \$33.15; B. J. Mulcahy, cash expended, \$298.06; Salaries, September, 1913, \$676.87. Total, \$2868.68.

Fire Department

Austen Bros., Ltd., hose, \$440.00; M. L. M. Buskins, chimney sweeping, \$18.00; Geo. E. Boak & Son, coal, \$363.00; Burns & Kelleher, castings, \$8.05; Carter & O'Brien, painting, \$231.00; Clayton & Sons, clothing, \$307.75; John Davison & Son, lumber, \$2.22; Jas. Dempster, Ltd., lumber, \$29.43; Patrick Dowd, carriage work, \$42.60; E. B. Eddy Co., Ltd., toilet paper, \$2.52; John Foley, repairs, \$170.80; Neil Fox, saddlery, \$19.00; F. P. Farquharson, Pitner lights, \$9.35; Farquhar Bros., Ltd., supplies, \$7.50; Globe Manufacturing Co., Ltd., coats, \$26.00; Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., hose, \$550.00; Halifax Steam Laundry, laundry work, \$18.14; T. Hogan & Co., machine work, \$1.00; L. L. Harrison, M. D., professional services, \$2.00; Holland Window Shade Co., window shades, \$30.00; Halifax Printing Co., printing, \$5.75; Kelly's Ltd., saddlery, \$37.58; G. A. Kline, painting, \$10.00; London Rubber Stamp Co., stencil sorts, \$1.10; Lawrence Hardware Co., Ltd., hose, \$450.00; James Mahar, truckage, \$1.00; A. J. McNutt, carriage work, \$1.00; Imperial Oil Co., Ltd., gasoline, \$40.01; Maritime Paint & Varnish Co., Ltd., sponges, \$14.00; McAlpine Publishing Co., Ltd., directories, \$9.00; Morrison & Williams, polish, \$8.50; National Drug & Chemical Co., Ltd., wood alcohol, \$5.75; Wm. Roche, coal, \$45.43; David Roche,

painting, \$5.75; John Starr, Son & Co., Ltd., recharging batteries, \$2.50; Jas. Simmonds, Ltd., hardware, \$34.93; W.&A. Moir, machine work, \$12.40; Stroud & Eveleigh, carriage work, \$11.60; F. A. Shaw, fodder, \$909.11; Wm. Staris, Son & Morrow, Ltd., hose, \$550.00; Wentzells, Ltd., supplies, \$10.75; A. A. Thompson, sponges, \$8.50; Jas. Taylor, plastering, \$30.00; W. A. Thompson, brooms, \$7.00; Robert Taylor Co., Ltd., boots, \$286.00; Thos. Trenaman, M. D., medical examinations, \$10.00; Halifax Electric Tramway Co., light, \$34.84, power, \$24.66, total, \$59.50. Total, \$4870.19.

City Health Board

Melvin & Co., lantern globe, \$.20; L. E. Hatt, milk, \$3.20; S. Cunard & Co., coal, \$77.00; T. C. Allen & Co., printing, etc., \$10.60; E. W. Crease & Son, groceries, \$47.20; A. & W. MacKinlay, Ltd., printing, \$17.85; Maritime Telegraph & Telephone Co., Ltd., phones August, \$12.87; Halifax Electric Tramway Co., Ltd., light, \$10.79; Chronicle Publishing Co., advertising, \$11.29; W. R. Nicholson, drugs, \$13.25; J. F. Dempster, board of patients, \$169.92; John Foley, building chimneys, etc., \$507.00; J. Howard, conveyance of patients, \$37.75; Alex. Gay, hack hire, \$3.00. Total, \$921.92.

City Works Department

Water Construction, \$1153.72; Water Maintenance, \$287.37; Street Lighting, \$1889.62; Sewerage, \$1242.85; Permanent Sidewalks, \$1230.06; Streets, \$526.06; Fuel, \$423.92; Teams and Stables, \$335.05; Internal Health, \$197.80; New Market, \$100.00; City Property, \$78.12; City Hall Lighting, \$70.79; Telephones, \$30.69; Public Baths, \$27.47; Cunard Street Widening, \$5.60. Total, \$7599.12.

Printing, Stationery, etc.

Dr. Finn, Med. Examiner, certificates of death of Edward Hennessey, \$4.00, John Connolly, \$4.00, Thomas Gauld, \$4.00, John P. Hobin, \$4.00, George Eccleson, \$4.00, John O'Toole, \$4.00, Dennis Cain, \$4.00, Alex. Donaldson, \$4.00, total, \$32.00; Office Specialty Co., man. guides, \$1.24; London Rubber Stamp Co., City Collector's Office, \$1.75, City Clerk's Office, \$1.75, total, \$3.50; H. R. Bergmann & Co., engraving badge, \$.20; United Typewriter Co., typewriter supplies, \$3.25; W. H. Isnor & Sons, horse hire, City Assessors, \$22.00; Reg. of Deeds, searching land titles John Mcaloney, \$1.50; Chronicle Publishing Co., sub. Chronicle to Dec. 31, '13 and adv. \$54.45; A. & W. MacKinlay, Ltd., blank books, City Clerk, \$6.00; City Collector, \$66.15; City Treasurer, \$4.50, total, \$76.65; T. C. Allen & Co., stationery and printing, City Assessor, \$29.10, City Auditor, \$.75, City Collector, \$22.10, City Clerk, \$131.00, total, \$182.95. Total, \$377.74.

Police Department

Maritime Telegraph & Telephone Co., Ltd., phones, \$11.67; Colwell Bros., helmets, \$12.99; Kelly's, Ltd., belts, \$4.50; Wm. Taylor & Co., Ltd., rubber boots, \$8.00; Cragg Bros. Co., Ltd., lock, \$.20; Neil Fox, candles, \$.75; A. M. Bell & Co., hats, \$1.20; Maxwells, Ltd., repairs clothing, \$53.25; Chronicle, advertising, \$16.72; T. L. Connolly, motor cycle, \$200.00. Total, \$309.28.

Public Gardens

S. Cunard & Co., coal, \$56.00; Halifax Electric Tramway Co., Ltd., light, \$5.68; National Drug & Chemical Co., Ltd., wood alcohol, \$.78; Wm. Robertson & Son, hardware, \$46.62; F. A. Shaw, fodder, \$8.75; Farquhar Bros., Ltd., electric supplies, \$1.38; J. L. Connolly, printing, \$13.50; M. F. Burns, plumbing, \$67.63. Total, \$200.34.

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

Alderman Powell stated that the Commissioners of Halifax Common at a meeting yesterday passed a number of accounts which are due but that the Secretary had omitted to send them in to the Board of Control. The bills were all certified as correct. He requested that the Board of Control include said accounts in their report and that said bills be paid if found correct by the Board of Control.

The Board of Control unanimously agreed to the request of Alderman Powell.

Moved by Controller O'Connor, seconded by Controller Harris that the report, including accounts against the Commissioners of Halifax Common, be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

Read report Board of Control covering letter Provincial Secretary re approval by the Governor in Council of Ordinance relating to damaging of sodded sidewalks by horses and of Ordinance re the maximum fares allowed to be charged by licensed motor cabs. (See printed Minutes of Council September 4th, 1913, pp. 184, 187, 188.)

ORDINANCES.

City Hall, October 16th, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Control submit herewith for the information of the City Council notification from the Provincial Secretary of the approval by the Lieutenant Governor in Council of Ordinances recently passed by the City Council relating to the damaging of sodded sidewalks by horses and the maximum fares allowed to be charged by licensed motor cabs.

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

Filed.

Read report Board of Control re renewal for fifteen years to the Wanderers' Amateur Athletic Club of lease of the portion of the south common now held by that Club.

LEASE OF COMMON TO W. A. A. C.

City Hall, October 16th, 1913.

The Board of Control.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Commissioners of Halifax Common beg to report that at a meeting held yesterday afternoon they had before them

an application from the Wanderers' Amateur Athletic Club for a renewal for the period of fifteen years of their present lease of that portion of the Halifax Common now occupied by the Club. The present lease expires in 1916.

The Commissioners of the Common recommend that the petition of the W. A. A. C. be complied with, and that the present lease be extended from the date of its expiry for the further period of fifteen years on the same terms and conditions as their present holding.

WILLIAM R. POWELL, *Acting Chairman.*

Wanderers' Amateur Athletic Club, Halifax, N. S., Oct. 9th, 1913.

To the Board of Control, City.

Gentlemen:—On the 1st of May 1896 the City of Halifax on recommendation of the then Board of Commissioners Halifax Common leased to the above named Club for a period of twenty years that portion of the Halifax Comon (so called) now occupied by said Club.

Our Club approaches your Board asking your favorable recommendation to the City Council for a continuation or renewal of our present lease for a further period of fifteen years from the termination of our present term which expires in 1916, subject to same terms and conditions as our present holding.

Should your Board favorably recommend our application and the City Council grant a renewal of our lease, we would by the conditions of our lease have to obtain consent of your Board for the erection of any buildings or anything of a permanent nature.

By Chapter 59 of the Acts of Nova Scotia 1886 (and by virtue of which Act the City is authorized to lease this and adjoining property), the City of Halifax upon request of the Commissioners of Halifax Common may lease this property for such period at such rental, and upon such other conditions as said commissioners shall determine, consequently we make this application to your Board direct.

Of course the rights of the Imperial Authorities would in case of granting of new lease be safeguarded and preserved as in our present lease.

Trusting your Board will favorably recommend our application and that the Council may grant the renewal of our lease.

FREDERICK P. BLYTH, *President Wanderers' A. A. C.*
L. A. GASTONGUAY, *Secretary Wanderers' A. A. C.*

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report Board of Control re tenders for supplies for various services for the City Home.

TENDERS CITY HOME.

City Hall, October 16th, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Control beg to report that agreeably to advertisement in the newspapers tenders were received for various services

for the City Home for the year ending October 31st, 1914. The report of Controller Scanlan attached hereto recommending in each case the acceptance of the best offer as shown in schedule is recommended for the approval of the Council.

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

SCHEDULE.

Halifax, N. S., October 15th, 1913.

Statement of Tenders for Supplies to City Home for one year from November 1st, 1913, received this day—

Groceries

Dillon Bros.....	\$ 3979.24	
E. W. Crease & Son.....	3891.18	Lowest
Wentzells, Ltd.....	3974.18	

Milk

C. F. Holland.....	\$5.45 per hundred quarts	Only tender
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Leather

Arthur Fordham & Co.		Only tender
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Dry Goods

J. & M. Murphy, Ltd.....	\$1478.72	Only tender
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Fresh Fish

A. Wilson & Son	2 1-2c. per lb.	Only tender
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Butter

Smith & Proctor.....	25 3-4c. per lb.	Only tender
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Pork

J. A. Leaman & Co.....	13c per lb.....	Lowest
Wentzells Ltd.....	13 1-2c. per lb.	

Meats

	J. A. Leaman & Co.	W. A. Maling & Co.	E. & A. Thomp- son	
Fore qtrs.....	\$2915.60	\$3128.00	\$3478.00	
Hind qtrs.....	1625.00	1560.00	1690.00	Lowest
Lamb.....	58.50	67.50	72.00	J. A. Lea- man & Co.
Veal.....	27.50	35.00	40.00	
Fresh Pork....	33.75	40.00	40.00	
	<u>\$4660.35</u>	<u>\$4884.50</u>	<u>\$5320.00</u>	

Flour

	Dillon Bros.	Wentzells, Ltd.	Gunn & Co. Ltd.	E.W.Crease. & Son	
70% blend	\$5.10	\$5.35	\$5.40	\$5.40	Lowest
80% blend	4.95	4.95	5.15	5.25	Dillon Bros.

Tenders for Purchase of Offal

J. M. McGrath.....	\$110.00 per year.....	Highest
Heber Hartlen.....	100.00 per year	

I recommend in each case the acceptance of the best offer as shown in the schedule above.

M. SCANLAN, Jr., *Controller City Home.*

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer covering draft agreement for water supply to the Militia Department.

MILITARY WATER SUPPLY AGREEMENT.

City Hall, October 13th, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Control beg to submit for the approval of the City Council a draft agreement for water supply to the Militia Department.

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

City Engineer's Office, Oct. 9th, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:—The Department of Militia and Defence have approved of the draft agreement for water supply. It is therefore ready for final approval by the Board of Control and City Council and execution by the Mayor and City Clerk. Copy of the agreement is attached.

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

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that said reports be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report Board of Control re tenders for motor cycle for the Police Department.

POLICE DEPARTMENT MOTOR CYCLE.

City Hall, October 13th, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Control beg to recommend for adoption the accompanying report of Controller Harris and the Chief of Police re tenders for motor cycle for the Police Department.

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

Halifax, N. S., October 11th, 1913.

The Board of Control, City.

Gentlemen:—The following tenders have been received:

1. Morton & Cragg—Harley-Davidson, 8 horsepower, twin cylinder, guaranteed one year, \$350.00, f. o. b. Halifax.

2. R. L. Archibald—Indian, 7 horsepower, twin cylinder, \$325.00. Same guarantee.
3. R. L. Archibald—Indian, 7 horsepower, twin cylinder, 2 speeds, \$420.00. Same guarantee.
4. T. L. Connolly—Pope-Hartford, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ horsepower, twin cylinder, \$325.00.

Messrs. Morton & Cragg did not state what they will allow for the motor cycle at present owned by the Department. Messrs. Archibald and Connolly both offer \$125.00 credit for this old machine.

Owing to the fact that the driver is familiar with the mechanism of the Pope-Hartford machine, also because of the greater horsepower of the Pope-Hartford over the Indian motor cycle offered by R. L. Archibald, we would recommend the purchase of the Pope-Hartford offered by T. L. Connolly for \$325.00, the old machine now used by the Department to be disposed of to him for \$125.00.

REGINALD V. HARRIS, *Controller*,
JOHN A. RUDLAND, *Chief of Police*.

Moved by Controller Harris, seconded by Controller Hoben that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report Board of Control October 15th, 1913, re street lights.

STREET LIGHTS.

City Hall, October 15th, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The accompanying report of the City Engineer re street lights is recommended for adoption.

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

City Engineer's Office, October 14th, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:—I beg to report on the accompanying petitions for street lights:—

I would recommend that an electric light be installed on Waterloo Street and one on Connaught Avenue at Norwood Street; also that an additional light be installed on Upper Water Street at the corner of Proctor Street and that the light opposite Cunard's wharf be then moved one pole north; also that the position of the light at the corner of Cornwallis and Water Streets be altered so that the poles will not throw so much shadow.

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

Moved by Alderman Brown, seconded by Controller Harris that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report Board of Control October 8th, 1913, re street lights.

City Hall, October 8th, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The attached report of the City Engineer re street lights is recommended to the City Council for adoption.

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

City Engineer's Office, October 17th, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:—In compliance with a request of the Board of Control, I beg to recommend the installation of the following street lights when the appropriation is available, all of which are required:

At the corner of Tower Road and South Street.

Agricola Street at the corner of Bloomfield Street.

On Vieth Street between Young Street and Hanover Street.

On Allen Street at or near Harvard Street. There is a light already at Chebucto Lane on this street.

I would recommend the installation of a burnstein lamp at the north end of Carleton Street near the Cemetery.

There is a light already at the corner of West Young and Gottingen Streets. An additional light is not needed.

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

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report Board of Control re ornamental street lighting Barrington and Granville Streets, covering plan.

ORNAMENTAL STREET LIGHTING.

City Hall, October 15th, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Control recommend that the prayer of the accompanying petition from the Merchants of Barrington and Granville Streets, re electric lighting of said streets, covering plan, be granted.

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

Halifax, N. S., October 15th, 1913.

To the Board of Control of the City of Halifax.

Gentlemen:—The Merchants of Barrington and Granville Streets being desirous of installing extra Electric Lights on these streets would ask—

) First—your consent to placing the new lights on the posts as designated on the plan hereto annexed;

And Second—the assurance of the City to continue the present payment for the lights on those streets which they are now paying to the Halifax Electric Tramway Company until the termination of the existing contract between the City and the Halifax Electric Tramway Company.

Awaiting your reply, we are, on behalf of the above Merchants,

LOUIS CONNOLLY,
WILLIAM SCHON.

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Alderman Gastonguay that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

Controller Scanlan arrives and takes his seat in Council.

Read report Board of Control re Fire Department.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

City Hall, October 10th, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Control beg to report and recommend as follows, relating to the Fire Department:

1. That Thomas Healey, Callman, reported sick, has not yet reported for duty.
2. That William Wells, Driver, has left the Department.
3. That Walter Oakley, Callman on No. 2 Engine, has resigned.
4. That Alex. Hoganson, Driver, had his finger badly injured in crank of siren on motor engine while responding to an alarm from Box 56 September 6th, and has not yet reported for duty.
5. That a horse was sold at public auction, netting \$184.50.
6. That the 1900 feet of 2 1-2 inch hose has been received and tested at a pressure of 400 lbs. and has been put in service.
7. That John McGrath, Acting Driver, be appointed Driver, vice Thomas McDonald, resigned.
8. That Arthur Sheehan, Acting Assistant Operator on No. 3 Chemical, be appointed Assistant Operator on No. 3 Chemical, vice George Melvin, who has resigned.

9. That Cornelius Leahy be appointed Driver, vice William Wells, who has left the Department.

10. That George P. Sheridan, Joseph Power, Edward Brown, Daniel McNeil, Nelson Brown and Charles W. Thompson be appointed Super-numeraries.

11. That James Hilton, Operator of the motor fire engine, who was engaged for a period of six months, be continued in his employment for a further period of six months.

12. The accompanying letter from the Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs thanking the City of Halifax for the benefit to them of the attendance of Chief Broderick at the Annual Convention at Kingston, Ontario, August 28-29-30, is submitted for the information of the Council.

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

*Provincial Association of Fire Chiefs of Ontario,
Guelph, Ont., September 27th, 1913.*

*F. P. Bligh, Esq., Mayor of Halifax,
I. Fred. Monaghan, Esq., City Clerk, Halifax.*

Gentlemen:—I have been instructed by the President of the Provincial Association of Fire Chiefs of Ontario to extend to you the thanks of the Association for the pleasure and honor of the attendance of your Fire Chief, P. J. Broderick, to the convention of this Association held at the City of Kingston on August 28-9-30 of this year.

We have derived great benefit from the presence of your experienced Fire Chief to this convention, besides having the pleasure of the acquaintance of Chief Broderick, who is a gentleman in every sense of the word, and Halifax is to be congratulated in having for so important a position a person so well qualified for Fire Chief.

Kindly convey to the City Council, the Board of Control and the Fire Department the thanks of this Association for the courtesy extended, and also it is our hope that in the near future we may have the privilege of meeting in one great convention as the Dominion Association of Municipalities and Fire Chiefs of Canada.

LESLIE G. FINCH, *Secretary Provincial Association of
Fire Chiefs of Ontario,
Chief Fire Department, Guelph, Ont.*

Moved by Controller Scanlan, seconded by Controller O'Connor that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report Board of Control re sale of lot Tower Road, covering report City Engineer.

SALE OF TOWER ROAD LOT.

City Hall, October 10th, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Control beg to recommend that under authority of Section 16, of Chapter 69, of the Acts of 1913, that the City's lot

of land on the east side of Tower Road be sold at public auction, and for that purpose placed in the hands of W. S. Rogers, and that a deed be given.

A report from the City Engineer is attached hereto.

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

City Engineer's Office, October 8th, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:—Recent legislation authorizes the City to sell several lots of land, but the time does not seem to have come to sell all of them. On Wellington Street we need the property still; on Young Avenue it is not a good time to sell and on Fenwick Street the work is not completed.

I would recommend, therefore, that the lot on Tower Road be put up to public auction, as there are several enquiries for it and I believe the highest price would be obtained by that method of sale.

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

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that the same be approved. Motion passed.

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re Kenny Street sewer.

KENNY STREET SEWER.

City Hall, October 10th, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Control beg to recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer re sewer construction Kenny Street.

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

City Engineer's Office, October 9th, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:—I beg to report on the feasibility of constructing a sewer in Kenny Street from Gottingen Street eastwardly.

Mr. McCleave reports that six houses can be drained by a sewer to Acadia Street. These houses are supplied with water, and should have sewer accommodation. The estimated cost is \$2100.00. I would recommend that this sewer be ordered to be constructed in its turn.

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

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that said reports be adopted. Motion passed.

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re Oxford Street water extension.

OXFORD STREET WATER EXTENSION.

City Hall, October 8th, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Control beg to recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer recommending the extension of the water service on Oxford Street between Quinpool Road and Chebucto Road.

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

City Engineer's Office, October 7th, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:—I beg to report on the accompanying petition asking for the extension of the water service in Oxford Street.

An extension of the system was ordered to be laid in this street in 1896, but the property owners have never signed the bond for the special rate. At that time the petition covered only a very little over half that portion of Oxford Street between Quinpool Road and Chebucto Road.

The district is high service; length of pipe required 1600 feet; excavation, rock. The estimated cost of laying 6-inch pipe \$5551.50. There are eighteen houses to supply, which would make a special rate of \$15.40.

The circumstances in connection with this extension are unusual. It has been proposed that a 15-inch pipe should be laid in this street as a part of an encircling main for the high service system. It would not be just to others, however, to give the property owners on Oxford Street a service at a very low rate, simply because they happened to be on a route where the pipe must be put in.

I would recommend that the pipe be laid now in Oxford Street between Quinpool Road and Chebucto Road and that the property owners on that portion of Oxford Street be charged at the same special rate as is paid in Kline Street between Quinpool Road and Oak Street, namely \$8.14, and that the rate be reduced and cancelled whenever the rate on Kline Street in the district referred to is reduced or cancelled.

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

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that said reports be adopted. Motion passed.

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re paving Argyle Street.

PAVING ARGYLE STREET.

City Hall, October 8th, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Control beg to recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer recommending the paving of Argyle Street, the Mayor reserving right to object if ratepayers petition against it.

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

City Engineer's Office, October 4th, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:—I beg to report on the accompanying petition and resolution of the Board of Control, respecting the pavement on Argyle Street.

The importance of Argyle Street as a business street has been increasing for years. It is impossible with our limited appropriations to keep a macadamized street in good condition. The petitioners desire to have the street paved with a sheet paving either bitulithic or sheet asphalt. While blocks between street intersections can be paved with sheet pavement, it would not be wise to pave the street intersections with such material, as the footing for horses hauling heavy loads up the hill would be treacherous. It would be better to pave the street intersections with stone blocks, and the remainder of the street with a sheet pavement either asphalt or bitulithic.

The estimated cost is \$28,690, and I would recommend that the street be paved with sheet pavement and stone blocks as herein suggested.

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

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that the reports be adopted. Motion passed.

Alderman Riordon arrives and takes his seat in Council.

Read report Board of Control covering petition of coal merchants against the paving of Morris Street with granite blocks.

PAVING MORRIS STREET.

City Hall, October 6th, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—At the meeting of Council held September 25th the Board submitted for the approval of the Council a recommendation of the City Engineer that Morris Street, from Hollis Street east, be paved with granite blocks. Since making that report the Board has received a petition from coal merchants against the contemplated paving of Morris Street which is herewith referred to the Council for consideration with the abovementioned reports.

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

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that No. 3 on Order of the Day be now taken up for consideration with this report. Motion passed unanimously.

Read No. 3 on Order of the Day, viz., report Board of Control re paving Morris Street, east of Hollis Street, with granite blocks. September 25th, 1913. Page 209.

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that the Council do unanimously consent that the papers in this matter be filed. Motion passed unanimously.

Read report Board of Control covering report Chief Liquor License Inspector for September.

MONTHLY REPORT LIQUOR LICENSE INSPECTOR.

City Hall, October 1st, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Control beg to report that they have required of the Chief Inspector under the Liquor License Act that he shall submit to the Board each month a report of his activities under the Act. The Inspector's report for September is attached hereto for the information of the Council.

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

Office of License Inspector, October 1st, 1913.

To the Board of Control.

Gentlemen:—In compliance with your resolution herewith I submit the report of violations of the Liquor License Act dealt with for the month of September, 1913:

James P. Fairbanks.....	finned	\$103.35
Daniel Connors.....	"	102.75
David McDonald.....	"	41.75
George Fornier.....	"	51.75
Frederick Rowe.....	"	31.75
Bessie Slattery.....	"	51.75
James Kervin.....	"	21.75
Evans Earle.....	"	21.75
James Shortland.....	"	21.75
Charles Connors.....	"	51.75
Total.....		\$500.10

George Fornier..... Case dismissed
 Mary Spray..... Case dismissed

W. E. MESSERVEY, *License Inspector.*

Filed.

Read report Board of Control and reports (2) City Engineer re water extension Livingstone and Cork Streets.

WATER EXTENSIONS LIVINGSTONE AND CORK STREETS.

City Hall, October 1st, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Control beg to recommend for the approval of the City Council the accompanying reports of the City Engineer re extension of the water service along Livingstone Street between Agricola and Gottingen Streets, also on Cork Street.

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

WATER EXTENSION LIVINGSTONE STREET.

City Engineer's Office, October 1st, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:—I beg to report on the accompanying petition asking for the extension of the water service along Livingstone Street between Agricola and Gottingen Streets.

In the whole Merkelsfield district where the water service has not been laid they have been without water this year during the dry season.

The district is high service; length of pipe required, 924 feet; size, 6-inch; estimated cost \$1211.80; number of service pipes required, eight. I would recommend that the extension be made on a special rate of \$7.57.

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

WATER EXTENSION CORK STREET.

City Engineer's Office, October 1st, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:—I beg to report on the accompanying petition asking for the extension of the water service on Cork Street. The district is high service; length of pipe required, 675 feet; size of pipe, 6-inch; estimated cost \$1142.20; number of houses to supply, six.

I would recommend that the extension be made on a special rate of \$9.52.

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

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that the reports be adopted. Motion passed.

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re water rates C. W. Anderson.

WATER BILL C. W. ANDERSON.

City Hall, September 26th, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Control beg to report that C. W. Anderson complained of excessive charge for water in tenement houses at the corner of Cornwallis and Upper Water Streets for the years 1909-13, the total bills amounting to \$385.00. After investigation the Board recommend that the bill be reduced by \$95.00, leaving the total to be paid by Mr. Anderson \$290.00.

A report from the City Engineer is attached hereto.

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

City Engineer's Office, September 25th, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:—I beg to report on the account charged against C. W. Anderson for water supplied at houses on the south side of Cornwallis Street near Water Street and at the corner of Water Street.

There are five tenements on Cornwallis Street on which was formerly paid a flat rate of \$20.00, and on the Water Street house a flat rate of \$10.40 was paid. There are three closets in the houses for which \$12.00 a year was paid. Mr. Anderson states that he is still being charged \$10.40 on the Water Street house, although all the water used there passes through the meter in the other houses. The Water Street house is assessed at \$4,000, and the pipe rate on that should be \$4.80. The pipe rate on the Cornwallis Street houses, \$3.60, is a correct charge.

The meter bill unpaid is as follows:—

1909.....	\$44.72	
	50.59	
	—	\$95.31
1910.....	\$31.50	
	49.43	
	—	80.93
1911.....	\$36.04	
	40.01	
	—	76.05
1912.....	\$29.11	
	56.90	
	—	86.01
1913.....	\$22.28	
	24.42	
	—	46.70
		<u>\$385.00</u>

It is evident that the tenants have been careless and apparently there has been considerable waste.

Mr. Anderson has been away a great deal of the time and states that he has instructed Mr. James Desmond to visit the property daily so that waste will be avoided in future.

Recent readings indicate that the consumption has been very much reduced.

The law does not permit me to recommend any reduction in this case

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

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that the report of the Board of Control be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report Board of Control re straightening East and West Young Streets at the Hennessey property, so called.

STRAIGHTENING EAST AND WEST YOUNG STREETS.

City Hall, October 1st, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—For a number of years the City Council had before it a proposition to connect West and East Young Streets in a straight line as laid out in old plans of the City and in 1907 an Act was passed authorizing the City to borrow money for the acquisition of necessary land. The lines for connecting these two streets are laid down on the Official City Plan. West Young Street at its eastern end when laid out was diverted about one hundred and seventy five (175) feet to the southward instead of being carried in a direct line to East Young Street because of the existence of a dwelling house and buildings in a direct line between East and West Young Streets.

In July last Mr. Gerald B. Ternan, who now owns the intervening property formerly known as the Hennessey property, appeared before the Board stating that the buildings on his property are in need of repairs and that the tenants threaten to leave unless the same are effected. The street extension being laid out on the Official City Plan prevents Mr. Ternan from making any outlay on the buildings except at the risk of losing the same if the City takes the property for street purposes.

Mr. Ternan made an offer to sell the property to the City, including a jib lot to the south of the land necessary for street extension which it is proposed would be used as a public square, for \$7,500.00. This offer the Board declined to consider. Subsequently Mr. Ternan verbally stated he would accept \$4,500.00. This offer your Board also thought was excessive for the land proposed to be taken and further negotiations with Mr. Ternan were entered into the result of which was that he finally agreed to accept \$3,500.00, on the condition that there be no unnecessary delay in effecting the contemplated joining of the two streets.

Whilst hesitating to pass upon the necessity of straightening Young Street at the present time the Board realizes the position Mr. Ternan is placed in in being prevented from repairing his buildings except at his own

risk, on the other hand the Board is reluctant to interfere with the Statute legalizing the Official City Plan. These considerations induce the Board, in all the circumstances, to recommend that Mr. Ternan's offer of \$3,500.00 be accepted.

At a meeting held this day the Board passed the following resolution, Controllers Hoben, Harris and Scanlan voting for it and His Worship the Mayor and Controller O'Connor against it:

"That the Board recommend to the Council the purchase for the sum of \$3,500.00 of all the land belonging to the Ternan-Clarke syndicate known as the Hennessey property lying to the south of the north line of West Young Street between Longard Road and Gottingen Street as laid down on the Official Plan, and that any legislation necessary for such purchase or the borrowing of the purchase price be sought at the next session of the Legislature on the usual long term debentures."

Reports (2) City Engineer and opinion City Solicitor and Mr. Ternan's offers are attached hereto.

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

City Engineer's Office, August 16th, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:—I beg to report on the proposed extension of Young Street. There is a bend in West Young Street about 500 feet west of Gottingen Street, so that the junction of West Young Street with Gottingen Street is at Kaye Street instead of at East Young Street, where it should be.

In 1906 I was instructed by the Council to negotiate with the Misses Hennessey, who owned the property, for the purpose of making a bargain if possible in order to acquire that portion of their property south of the north line of East Young Street. I was unable to make any agreement with them and Mr. George Wiswell was appointed to appraise the property required. The accompanying plan is a copy of an expropriation plan prepared and approved by the Council.

Mr. Wiswell appraised the value of the property, including the buildings south of the north line of East Young Street, at \$2125.00 in December 1906. That amount was offered to the Misses Hennessey, but they declined to accept it. The matter was placed on the Order of the Day, where it died. It was proposed at that time to extend Young Street through on its proper location and convert the flat iron between the present West Young Street and the proposed straightening into a public park. The buildings are less valuable to-day than they were when the appraisement was made, but the value of the land is probably greater. The street has been laid down on the Official Plan.

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

Halifax, N. S., Sept. 3rd, 1913.

Chairman Board of Control.

Sir:—I beg to acknowledge communication from your Secretary, dated the 29th of August, with reference to the proposed West Young Street extension.

I will sell to the City the triangular piece of land measuring four hundred and eighty two (482) feet front on West Young Street, one hundred and seventy four (174) feet front on Gottingen Street, and measuring about four hundred and eighty (480) feet through from street to street, containing in all over forty one thousand (41,000) square feet and including the two houses thereon, for the price or sum of \$7,500.00 and for the further consideration that I be relieved of any unpaid sewerage rates for sewerage upon the frontage taken.

I would point out that the rental from the houses mentioned has been between \$275.00 and \$300.00 a year, and in case you decide not to acquire this property, I would ask that the City formally abandon the proposed extension of West Young Street, as if this is not done I shall be unable to repair the dwellings except at the risk of receiving no compensation for same, should the City at any time later decide to acquire the property, which practically puts me in a position of holding my property indefinitely for the benefit of the City without remuneration therefor, and at the same time paying taxes on it, which is manifestly unfair. It is hardly necessary to point out that the piece in question is the most valuable corner of the property.

GERALD B. TERNAN.

Office of City Solicitor, September 13th, 1913.

Secretary Board of Control.

Dear Sir:—Section 556 of the Charter provides that the official plan when confirmed "is to be binding and conclusive both upon the City and the owner of any property effected and upon every other person whosoever as to the location, dimensions and lines of any existing street shown thereon." Sub-section 2 of the same section provides that the section is not to prevent the City at any future time from "extending or widening or otherwise altering any street shown on such plan." There is no provision in the Charter authorizing the Council to cancel any street shown on the plan or to release from the effect of the plan any property included by the operation of the plan within the lines of any street or proposed street.

F. H. BELL, *City Solicitor.*

City Engineer's Office, September 15th, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:—I beg to report on the offer from Mr. Ternan to sell the land required for a small park at the junction of Young and Gottingen Streets, and also for the extension of West Young Street through to East Young Street.

Mr. Ternan offers to sell the property for \$7500, which is about 18c. a foot for the land, estimating the buildings of no value. The buildings are so old and dilapidated that they are of very little value, but in my opinion, the price named is very high. The price fixed by offers for the jib of land in front of the Cotton Factory between Kempt Road and Longard Road, was about 8 1-2 c. per square foot, less than half the price named by Mr. Ternan. Further, Mr. Ternan is asking for payment of a high rate for a piece of land reserved as a street on the Official Plan. It was reserved as a street when the land came into the possession of the present owner, and nothing has been done, that I am aware of, since he obtained the ownership of it to affect him in any way.

The buildings are so old that the Board of Health should consider seriously the advisability of condemning them. If the buildings were removed, and the property owner desired to open up the property, in laying it out he would have to include the street as shown on the plan, and he would receive no payment for it at all.

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

Halifax, N. S., September 25, 1913.

The Secretary Board of Control.

Sir:—I will accept thirty five hundred (\$3500.00) dollars for land requisite for extension of West Young Street and for jib as described in my letter provided that the City opens up West Young Street extension through the property without any unreasonable delay, say during the coming summer. I will pay the sewerage rates assessed thereon.

GERALD B. TERNAN.

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that the report be amended by including therein a recommendation that accrued taxes and sewer rates on the property be paid by the present owner and that the report as amended be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Murphy, seconded by Alderman Hines that the report be referred back to the Board of Control for further consideration. Amendment put and passed.

Read report Board of Control recommending that City officials be prohibited from taking part in civic elections.

OFFICIALS TAKING PART IN CIVIC ELECTIONS.

City Hall, September 26th, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Control beg to report that at the meeting of Council held on June 19th last the Board submitted a recommendation requiring City officials to refrain from taking part in civic elections. The report was referred back to the Board to enlarge the scope of their recommendation.

At a meeting of the Board held this day the following resolution was adopted, His Worship the Mayor and Controllers O'Connor and Hoben voting for it, and Controllers Harris and Scanlan against it:—

Resolved, that the Board of Control do recommend to the Council the establishment of the following regulation governing civic officials and employees—

All officials and employees of the City of Halifax, of every class and condition, are prohibited from combining, one with another or others, for the purpose of compassing or in any manner assisting towards the election or defeat of any candidate for the office of Mayor, Controller or Alderman of the City.

Further Resolved, that the various Boards and Commissions, which, under authority of Statute or otherwise, are empowered to expend moneys in whole or in part derived from revenues of the City of Halifax, be, and they are hereby requested to establish, as respects their officials and employees, this or a similar regulation.

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

Moved by Controller O'Connor, seconded by Controller Hoben that said report be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Murphy, seconded by Alderman Powell that said report be referred back to the Board of Control with the recommendation that it be filed.

The amendment being put is passed, 10 voting for the same and 6 against it, as follows—

For the Amendment—

Controllers Harris and Scanlan, and Aldermen Powell, Smith, Cox, Gastonguay, Hines, Murphy, Hubley, Parker.—10.

Against it—

Controllers Hoben and O'Connor, and Aldermen Brown, Covert, Harris, Riordon.—6.

QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS.

Alderman Gastonguay asked when the Revised City Charter would be ready for distribution.

His Worship the Mayor stated he had been informed by the City Solicitor that the revision of the Ordinances was not yet complete.

Alderman Powell suggested that His Worship the Mayor take steps to expedite the revision and distribution of the City Charter.

His Worship the Mayor said he would do so.

Alderman Cox asked if the Senator Dennis fund for repairs to streets in Ward 3 had all been expended.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

Moved by Controller Scanlan, seconded by Alderman Powell that the order of business be suspended and that the Order of the Day be now taken up. Motion passed unanimously.

Read No. 1 on Order of the Day, viz., Report Board of Control recommending civic grant of \$1000.00 towards expenses of Firemen's Tournament in August, 1914. September 4th, 1913. Page 189.

Moved by Controller O'Connor, seconded by Alderman Powell that the report be adopted. Motion passed unanimously, the following members of Council being present and voting for the same—Controllers Harris, Hoben, O'Connor and Scanlan, and Aldermen Covert, Powell, Smith, Cox, Gastonguay, Hines, Murphy, Harris, Riordon, Hubley, and Parker.—15.

Read No. 2 on Order of the Day, viz., Report Board of Control re City contributing \$1000.00 towards cost of survey, etc., in connection with Child Welfare. September 4th, 1913. Page 190.

Moved by Controller Harris, seconded by Controller Hoben that the report be adopted.

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

For the Motion—

Controllers Harris, Hoben, O'Connor and Scanlan, and Aldermen Covert, Powell, Smith, Cox, Gastonguay, Hines, Murphy, Riordon, Parker.—13.

Against it—

Alderman Hubley.—1.

Read No. 4 on Order of the Day, viz., Report Board of Control re Connaught Avenue boulevard through Edgewood property. September 25th, 1913. Page 209.

CONNAUGHT AVENUE BOULEVARD.

City Hall, September 5th, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—At a meeting of the Board of Control held on the 5th inst. the following resolution was adopted, Controller Hoben dissenting:—

That the report of this Board upon the matter of Connaught Avenue boulevard through the Carrick division of Edgewood and the proposed contract in connection therewith referred back to this Board at the meeting of the City Council held last evening be again recommended to the Council, precisely as before recommended, this Board being satisfied that the arrangements proposed are in the best interests of the City and the best that can be made.

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

Moved by Controller O'Connor, seconded by Controller Scanlan that the report be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Murphy, seconded by Alderman Covert that this matter be referred back to the Board of Control with the recommendation that the Board endeavor to make an agreement with Carrick, Limited, for the extension of Connaught Avenue boulevard through the Edgewood property on terms similar to those upon which said Avenue was extended through the Rosebank property.

The vote being taken there appeared—

For the Amendment—

Controller Hoben and Aldermen Brown, Smith, Covert, Cox, Gastonguay, Hines, Murphy, Hubley, Parker.—10.

Against it—

Controllers O'Connor and Scanlan, and Aldermen Harris, Riordon.—4.

Controller Harris excused from voting on the grounds of interest.

His Worship the Mayor declared the amendment lost under Section 109 of the City Charter, 1913, not having received a two-thirds vote of the Council.

The vote being taken on the original motion there appeared—

For the Motion—

Controllers O'Connor and Scanlan, and Aldermen Harris and Riordon.—4.

Against it—

Controller Hoben, and Aldermen Covert, Smith, Cox, Gastonguay, Hines, Murphy, Hubley, Parker.—9.

Controller Harris excused from voting on the ground of interest.

Controller O'Connor asked for a ruling of the chair on the effect of the vote.

His Worship the Mayor ruled that the recommendation of the Board of Control under the provisions of Section 109 of the City Charter, 1913, now takes effect and is deemed to be approved, and that in effect the motion for the adoption of the report is carried.

Moved by Alderman Harris, seconded by Controller Scanlan that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 12.15 o'clock.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor.*

L. FRED. MONAGHAN, *City Clerk.*

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

Council Chamber, City Hall, November 7th, 1913.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Harris, Hoben and O'Connor, and Aldermen Gastonguay, Powell, Smith, Hubley, Harris, Hines and Cox.

Moved by Alderman Powell, seconded by Alderman Gastonguay 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 Controller Scanlan and Aldermen Brown, Covert, Riordon and Parker.

The Council was summoned to proceed with general business.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS.

His Worship the Mayor submits reports (19) Board of Control, as follows:

- Tenders for fodder.
- City Prison rules.
- City Charter.
- Beechville watershed.
- Various matters.
- City Prison.
- Salter Street and Sackville Street sidewalks.
- Land Tower Road School.
- Placing of new streets Edgewood property on Official City Plan.
- Assistance City Collector's Office.
- Accounts.
- Fire Department.
- Street sprinkling by Tramway Company.
- Water extensions Jubilee Road, Merkel Street and Creighton Street.
- Senator Dennis fund streets Ward 3.
- Street lights.
- Duke Street sidewalks.
- Water Street sidewalk.
- Straightening East and West Young Streets.

CONSIDERATION OF PAPERS SUBMITTED.

Read report Board of Control covering accounts for payment.

ACCOUNTS.

City Hall, November 7th, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Control beg to recommend for payment the following named accounts, chargeable to the various departments:—

City Home

Wentzells, Ltd., groceries and pork, \$334.55; Gunn & Company, Ltd., flour, \$195.00; W. A. Maling & Co., meats, \$320.82; J. A. Leaman & Co., pork, \$8.40; Smith & Proctor, butter, \$125.49; C. F. Holland, milk, \$97.76; A. Wilson & Son, fresh fish, \$26.14; Arthur Fordham & Co., leather, \$20.56; J. & M. Murphy, Ltd., dry goods, \$88.16; H. D. MacKenzie Co., Ltd., coal, \$352.47; Halifax Electric Tramway Co., Ltd., light, \$34.60; Chronicle Publishing Co., advertising, \$15.06; Blackadar Bros., advertising, \$11.70; The Fleischmann Co., yeast, \$3.90; F. W. Fraser, forage, \$42.88; Willis Bros., repairs to waggon, \$9.40; E. W. Crease & Son, potatoes, \$32.18; Farquhar Bros., electric lamps, \$2.43; Baldwin & Co., crockeryware, \$1.75; Nickerson Ltd., potatoes, \$19.50; William Grant, rope, \$30.00; George S. Yates & Son, boots, \$27.00; W. J. O'Connell, horseshoeing, \$4.11; B. J. Mulcahy, cash expended, \$70.46; Salaries, October, \$852.24; Nova Scotia Hospital, maintenance insane, \$1618.10. Total, \$4344.66.

General

T. C. Allen & Co., stationery and printing, City Clerk, \$69.71, City Treasurer, \$15.40, City Collector, \$2.40, total, \$87.51; St. Patrick's Home, keep of Boys 3 months to October 31, 1913, Truants, \$226.66, Offenders \$235.17, total, \$461.83; Halifax Industrial School, keep of Boys 3 months to October 31, 1913, Truants, \$132.60, offenders \$159.40, total, \$292.00; Royal Canadian Regiment Band, transport to and from Parade, \$76.00; Blackadar Bros., advertising, \$29.55; British American Bank Note Co., bonds, \$592.50; J. Bernstein, interpreter's fees, Police Court, \$2.00. Total, \$1541.39.

Fire Department

William Clemens, erecting poles, \$4.00; John Davison & Son, lumber, \$1.10; Patrick Dowd, carriage work, \$4.15; James Donohue, repairs skylights, \$17.49; James Dempster, Ltd., lumber, \$2.90; Farquhar Bros., Ltd., electric supplies, etc., \$24.16; Imperial Oil Company, gasoline, \$16.25; Imperial Oil Company, gasoline tank, \$135.00; Macdonald & Co., Ltd., casting, \$1.70; Maritime Paint Co., chamois, \$12.00; W. & A. Moir, machine work, \$7.60; E. P. Meagher, express charges, \$4.26; David Roche, painting, \$62.21; F. A. Shaw, fodder, \$510.71; J. Starr, Son & Co., Ltd., electric supplies, \$7.75; Jas. Simmonds, Ltd., hardware, \$22.12; G. A. Wootten & Co., zinc, \$1.62; Wentzells, Ltd., brooms, \$3.00; J. A. Dunn, Ltd., plating, \$.50. Total, \$831.52.

Police Department

T. C. Allen & Co., stationery, \$9.15; Maritime Telegraph & Telephone Co., Ltd., phones, \$11.67; J. Wonnacott, lock repairing, \$.35; Frank Reardon, lettering, \$.75; Colwell Bros., helmets, etc., \$26.33; Recorder, advertising, \$18.60; R. L. Archibald, cycle supplies, \$16.10; Imperial Oil Company, oil, \$1.00; M. S. Brown & Co., watches, \$35.00; Clayton & Son, reefer, \$12.75; Chief of Police, registering cycle, \$3.56; Kelly's Ltd., belts, \$1.50. Total, \$136.76.

Works Department

Public Baths, \$40.00; Insurance, \$29.50; Electric Wiring Inspection, \$.75; City Hall Lighting, \$70.79; Telephones, \$35.69; Permanent Sidewalks, \$78.25; Fuel, \$1120.21; City Property, \$108.00; Sewerage, \$1423.66; Street Lighting, \$1885.39; Streets, \$328.08; Internal Health, \$154.07; Teams and Stables, \$137.89; Water Maintenance, \$423.87; Water Construction, \$432.05
Total, \$6268.20.

City Prison

Moirs, Ltd., bread, \$21.87; Wentzells, Ltd., groceries, \$80.80; W. A. Maling & Co., oxheads, \$21.50; Stairs, Son & Morrow, Ltd., hardware, \$7.00; Robert Taylor Co., Ltd., boots, \$27.90; Clayton & Sons, uniforms, \$158.50; Patrick Dowd, repairs van, \$2.40; J. F. Topp, repairs, \$1.00; Stroud & Eveleigh, repairs to cart, \$2.50; Cashen & Sons, feed, etc., \$28.85; Maritime Telegraph & Telephone Co., Ltd., rental, \$4.50; Halifax Electric Tramway Co., Ltd., light, \$3.30; Irwin & Sons, drugs, \$2.25; David Roche, glass, \$2.00; Police Officer, meals, \$6.75. Total, \$371.12.

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

Moved by Controller O'Connor, seconded by Controller Hoben that the report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

Read report Board of Control re Fire Department.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

City Hall, November 7th, 1913.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Control beg to report and recommend as follows respecting the Fire Department:—

1. That Thomas Healey, Callman, reported sick, has not yet reported for duty.
2. That Duncan Jones, Callman, has resigned.
3. That No. 1. Waggon met with an accident by turning over while responding to an alarm of fire from Box 43 on October 28th. The Driver and horses were not injured. The Waggon was damaged and will cost about \$20.00 for repairs.
4. That Lewis Johnson, Supernumerary, be appointed to the Call Force, vice Arthur Sheehan, appointed to the Permanent Force.
5. That William Bassett, Joseph Power, Supernumeraries, be appointed to the Call Force, vice Walter Oakley and Duncan Jones, resigned.
6. That James Lane be appointed a Supernumerary.

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

Moved by Controller Harris, seconded by Controller Hoben that said report be adopted. Motion passed.