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Moved by Controller Harris, seconded by Controller Hoben that said Ordinance be now adopted, and forwarded to the Lieutenant Governor in Council for approval. Motion passed.

**FLEMING PARK APPROACHES.**

Alderman Smith called the attention of the Council to the condition of the road leading to Fleming Park. Referred to the Board of Control.

Moved by Alderman Powell, seconded by Controller Hoben that Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 11.05 o'clock.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor.*

L. FRED. MONAGHAN, *City Clerk.*

## EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

*Council Chamber, City Hall, July 22nd, 1914.*

A special meeting of the City Council was called for this evening, to consider financial resolutions, to proceed with business standing over, and the transaction of other business.

At the above named hour, Controller O'Connor was the only member present.

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

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor.*

L. FRED. MONAGHAN, *City Clerk.*

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## SCIENTIFIC ASSESSMENT.

Subsequently to the above, Controller Hoben and Aldermen Hubley, Murphy, Cox and Harris appeared, when those present were addressed on the subject of scientific assessment by W. W. Pollock, of Cleveland, Ohio, representing the Manufacturer's Appraisal Company, on the Somers Unit System of Realty Valuation.

## EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

*Council Chamber, City Hall, August 13th, 1914.*

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Controller Hoben, and Aldermen Hines, Hubley, Powell, Murphy, Parker, Brown and Smith.

Moved by Alderman Hines, seconded by Alderman Hubley 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 Harris and Alderman Cox.

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

### PRESENTATION OF PAPERS.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following named papers:—

Reports (42) Board of Control, viz.:

- Annual Civic Reports.
- City Home.
- Leave of absence, Controller O'Connor.
- Loans.
- Maintenance of Families of Militiamen.
- Scientific Assessment.
- Green Street widening, S. M. Brookfield property.
- Kane Street Sewer.
- Robie Street Water Extension.
- Convention Nova Scotia Municipalities.
- Traffic Ordinance.
- Fern Lane Water Extension.
- Charles Street Sewer and Water Extension.
- Davison Street Sewer and Water.
- City Prison Investigation.
- Drinking Fountain, North Park Street
- Spring Garden and Coburg Roads Paving.
- Cornwallis Street Sidewalk.
- Agricola Street Sidewalk.
- Parker Street Sidewalk.
- Welsford Street Sidewalk.
- Lower Water Street Sidewalk.
- Hollis Street Sidewalk.
- Pleasant Street Sidewalk.

Quinpool Road Sidewalk.  
 Jubilee Road Light.  
 Agricola Street Light.  
 Street Lights.  
 North Park and Young Streets Lights.  
 Auctioneers' Licenses.  
 Accounts.  
 Binding Annual Civic Reports.  
 Regulations City Prison Library.  
 Water Lot, John Glassey.  
 Ordinance Relating to Swine.  
 Ordinance re Horses stepping on sodded sidewalks.  
 Ordinance to amend "Streets" Ordinance.  
 Ordinance re Street Noises.  
 Oakland Road Boat Landing.  
 Sub-division of Westmount.  
 Septic Tank, foot of Coburg Road.  
 Interest due by Nova Scotia Car Works.

#### CONSIDERATION OF PAPERS SUBMITTED.

##### ANNUAL REPORTS—1913-14.

Read report Board of Control covering annual reports 1913-14, as follows:—City Home, City Assessor, Clerk of Works, Liquor License Inspector, City Auditor, and Citizens' Free Library.

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##### JUBILEE ROAD LIGHT.

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re electric light, Jubilee Road, west of Oxford Street.

*City Hall, July 17th, 1914.*

*The City Council:*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer re electric light, Jubilee Road.

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

*City Engineer's Office, July 17th, 1914.*

*His Worship the Mayor.*

*Sir:*—I beg to report on the accompanying letter from Mr. John W. Regan respecting an additional light on Jubilee Road.

A light was installed last year at Summer Street on condition that the property owners should pay for it until the City appropriation was available.

I would recommend that a light be installed on Jubilee Road west of Oxford Street, provided the property owners interested will sign an agreement to pay for the light until the City appropriation for such light is available and the installation of the light has been reached in its regular turn.

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

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

#### AGRICOLA STREET ELECTRIC LIGHT.

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re electric light Agricola Street, at the head of Harris Street.

*City Hall, July 29th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control beg to recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer re Agricola Street electric light.

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

*City Engineer's Office, July 27th, 1914.*

*His Worship the Mayor.*

*Sir:*—I beg to report on the request of Controller O'Connor respecting the placing of an electric light on Agricola Street at the head of Harris Street.

An additional light is desirable in this locality, as it is a tramway street, and neither the light on Sarah Street or the lights north and south on Agricola Street are sufficient to light this corner properly. I would recommend that a light be installed when the appropriation is available.

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

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

#### STREET LIGHTS.

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re street lights, Atlantic Street at Brussels Street, and South Street at Seymour Street.

*City Hall, July 29th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control beg to recommend for approval by the City Council the accompanying report of the City Engineer re street lights, Atlantic Street at Brussels and South Street at Seymour Street.

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

*City Engineer's Office, July 22nd, 1914.*

*His Worship the Mayor.*

*Sir:*—I beg to report on requests for street lights, as follows—

Atlantic Street at Brussels. There is no light at the south end of Brussels Street and only one light on Atlantic Street, at Bland Street.

South Street at Seymour. Another light is needed at this point as the trees on South Street throw a deep shadow, and there is no light at the south end of Seymour Street.

I would recommend that both these lights be installed when the appropriation is available.

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

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

#### NORTH PARK STREET AND YOUNG STREET LIGHTS.

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re street lights, North Park Street, between Cogswell and Cornwallis Streets, and Young Street, between Kempt Road and Windsor Street.

*City Hall, July 24th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control beg to recommend for approval the accompanying report of the City Engineer re Street Lights North Park Street and Young Street.

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

*City Engineer's Office, July 24th, 1914.*

*His Worship the Mayor.*

*Sir:*—I beg to report on requests for street lights as follows—

*North Park Street* between Cogswell and Cornwallis Streets. There is a light at the corner of Cogswell Street and one at the head of Cornwallis Street. These lights are as close together as it is usual to locate them. The light at the corner of Cogswell Street is placed so that the trees throw a dense shadow along the sidewalk, and I would recommend that the position of this light be altered. It can be suspended over the middle of the roadway, so that the light will be thrown under the trees and the lighting of the block much improved.

*Young Street.* The long block of Young Street between Kempt Road and Windsor Street has no light, and I would recommend that a light be installed there when the appropriation is available.

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

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

#### AUCTIONEERS' LICENSES.

Read report Board of Control re applications of David S. Mandleson and H. Jackson for auctioneers licenses.

*City Hall, August 12th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control beg to recommend that the application of David S. Mandelson for an Auctioneer's license be granted and that the application of H. Jackson for an Auctioneer's license for one month at a reduced rate be refused.

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

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

**ACCOUNTS.**

Read report Board of Control covering for payment accounts chargeable to various City services.

*City Hall, August 12th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control recommends for payment accounts chargeable to the various services, as follows:—

**City Health Board.**

Maritime Tel. Co., phones, \$14.76; Halifax Electric Tram Co, light for hospital, \$5.36; Lawrence Hardware Co, doors, \$12.77; Blackadar Bros., advertising, \$3.10; W. R. Nicholson, drugs, \$7.75; T. C. Allen, stationery, \$5.00; J. F. Dempster, board of patients, \$82.68; M. L. Buskins, sweeping chimneys \$5.00. Total \$129.42.

**Public Gardens.**

Walsh Bros, \$145.00; Wm. Robertson & Son, \$36.43; John McInnes & Son, Ltd., \$24.09; Austen Bros. Ltd., \$18.24; Halifax Seed Co., \$5.25; Stroud & Eveleigh, \$6.30; David Roche, \$28.00; Robinson's Ltd., \$10.25; M. F. Burns, \$154.40; Bentley Fleming & Co., \$14.35; Forsyth, Sutcliffe & Co., \$28.00. Total \$470.31.

**Works Department.**

Sewerage, \$4283.04; Flemming Park, \$27.71; City Hall Lighting, \$71.64; Permanent Pavement, \$7.35; Permanent Sidewalks, \$696.74; Street Lighting, \$1983.32; Telephones, \$33.52; Internal Health, \$466.93; Streets, \$1140.23; City Property, \$163.77; Teams & Stables, \$369.96; Fuel, \$151.72; Water Maintenance, \$567.82; Water Construction, \$604.88. Total \$10,768.63.

**City Prison.**

Moirs Ltd., bread, \$20.79; Wentzells Ltd., groceries, \$41.93; W. A. Maling & Co., oxheads, \$18.25; Stairs, Son & Morrow, hardware, \$4.59; F. A. Shaw, oats, \$46.80; Neil Fox, harness supplies, \$6.50; P. Dowd, repairs painting driving waggon \$18.19; Wm. Gough, V. S., professional services, \$3.00; A. L. Melvin, appliances, \$4.55; Maritime Tel. Co., rental, \$4.55; Halifax Elec. Tram Co., current, \$70; Stairs, Son & Morrow, hardware, \$2.72; P. Dowd, repairs to prison van, \$3.25; P. Dowd, repairs to prison carts, \$5.50; West Disinfecting Co., St. John, N. B., \$45.25; Freight, George Grant, \$78. Total \$227.35.

**City Home.**

Dillon Bros., flour, \$151.20; E. W. Crease & Son, groceries, \$394.85; J. A. Leaman & Co., meat \$369.65; Smith & Proctor, butter, \$122.51; C. F. Holland, milk, \$84.48; A. Wilson & Son, fish, \$27.50; The Fleishman Co., yeast, \$3.90; Gunn & Co., Ltd., forage, \$11.49; F. A. Shaw, forage, \$28.95; J. & M. Murphy Ltd., dry goods, \$63.03; H. D. MacKenzie Co., Ltd., coal, \$278.64; Arthur Fordham & Co., leather, \$17.76; Halifax Tram Co., Ltd., light, \$14.40; Maritime Tel. & Telp. Co., Ltd., telephone, \$11.25; Howard McFatrige, veterinary services \$4.00; Howard McFatrige, horse shoeing, \$2.03; W. J. O'Connell, horse shoeing, \$3.43; T. C. Allen & Co., stationery, \$1.80; Cagg Bros. Co., Ltd sund-ies \$1.20; The Lawrence Hardware Co., Ltd., hardware, \$1.90; F. V. Woodbury, M. D., Lunacy Certificate, \$5.00; Black & Flinn, \$24.00; A. E. Boutlier, cutting grass, \$6.25; Dr. W. B. Almon, lunacy certificate, \$5.00; John McInnes & Son, lumber, \$3.70; Brookfield Bros., Lumber, \$17.64; Salaries, July 1914, \$851.39; B. J. Mulcahy, cash expended, \$76.38; N. S. Hospital, maintenance insane, \$2165.79. Total \$4749.12.

**Police Accounts.**

The Imperial Oil Co., Ltd., \$1.00; T. H. & W. T. Francis, oilcloth patrol wagon, \$1.00; Chief of Police, freight on sanitary machines, \$1.19; John Starr & Son, \$2.25; Colwell Bros, gloves, \$1.40; Telephone Co., \$14.67; R. L. Archibald, (motor cycle repairs, etc., \$20.50; Colwell Bros., rain coat O'Leary, \$12.50 Kelleys Limited, motor gloves, \$6.00; Halifax Herald, adv. Police, \$6.27; T. C. Allen & Co., stationery, \$24.80; H. F. Debt., forage and gasoline, \$64.20; John J. Carnell, patrol wagon painting etc., \$49.70. Total \$205.48.

**Library Account.**

The Publishers Assn. of Canada, Subscription \$99.00.

**Fire Department.**

Halifax Tram Co., light and power \$24.90; Walsh Bros., painting, \$91.00; Dawson's Transfer, truckage, \$6.00; J. M. Collins, painting, \$33.00; Carter & O'Brien, whitewashing, \$8.00; Labor, electric wiring, \$17.10; Brander Morris & Co., furnishings, \$30.08; Dempster Ltd., lumber, \$17.94; Burns & Kelleher, brass, \$2.60; F. A. Shaw, fodder, \$173.39; Gunn & Co., fodder, \$50.39; S. C. Thompson, fodder, \$250.43; E. P. Meagher, caps, etc., \$145.03; Herald, Advertising, \$9.41; J. R. Guant & Son, buttons, \$36.50; P. Dowd, work, \$28.28; Chronicle, Advertising, \$1.88; Geo. E. Smith & Co., paint, \$7.00; Wm. Robertson & Son, flags, \$26.00; Grether Fire Equipment Co, nozzles, etc., \$60.00; Hillis & Sons, heater, \$20.00; Can. Rubber Co., hose, \$29.95 Farquhar Bros., lamp, \$6.00; David Roche, painting, \$19.59; Ungar's Laundry, work, \$7.00; Geo. E. Boak & Son, coal, \$15.60; Hx. Steam Laundry, work, \$17.53; Telephone Co. phones, \$26.75; Maxwells Ltd., clothing, \$652.50; James Donohue, repairs, \$9.25; Dr. H. McFatrige, horse shoeing, \$1.15; Kelleys Ltd., saddlery, \$54.86; Imperial Oil Co., gasoline, etc., \$70.26; Lawrence Hardware Co., supplies, \$11.36; J. Starr & Co., battery, \$1.25; Starr Mfg. Co., nickel plating, \$35.10; Burns & Kelleher, foundry work, \$8.40; W. & A. Moir, foundry work, \$107.28; Stroud & Eveleigh, carriage work, \$304.80. Total \$2399.56.

**General Accounts.**

A. & W. MacKinley, Ltd., books, etc., City Treasurer, \$4.25, City Collector \$13.10; City Clerk, \$6.00, \$23.35; T. C. Allen & Co., stationery, etc., City Collector, \$10.00, City Treasurer, \$10.25, City Stipendiary Magistrate, \$6.10, City Clerk, \$103.20. Total \$129.35. Halifax Herald, Advertising \$8.36, \$10.05, \$6.27. Total \$24.68. Blackadar Bros., Advertising, \$29.45; London Rubber



Stamp Co., Rep. Stamp, \$2.25, \$.75. Total \$3.00; Chas. A. Barnstead, sponge, \$1.10; United Typewriter Co., repairs, \$.50; Canada Law Book Co., Vol. 23 C. C., \$6.50; E. H. Blois, Expense Apprehension, A. Bartholomen \$3.00; Dr. Finn Medical Examiner, certificates of death of John Ferguson, \$4.00; Thomas Fawcet, \$4.00, Clarence E. Bowser, \$4.00, John C. Dawes, \$4.00, Jas. M. Whalen \$4.00. Total \$20.00. Brotherhood Locomotive Engineers, Advertising Halifax in souvenir 1 page, \$100.00. Total \$340.93.

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

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that said report be adopted, and the accounts therein recommended paid. Motion passed.

#### BINDING ANNUAL CIVIC REPORTS.

Read report Board of Control re tenders for binding Annual Civic Reports.

*City Hall, July 27th, 1914*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control beg to report that they have received tenders from A. & W. MacKinlay and T. C. Allen & Co., for binding annual City reports, and beg to recommend the acceptance of the tender of T. C. Allen & Co., it being the lowest.

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

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

#### REGULATIONS CITY PRISON LIBRARY.

Read report Board of Control covering rules and regulations governing the prisoners' library at the City Prison.

*City Hall, July 24th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control submits herewith for approval of the City Council Rules and Regulations governing City Prison Library.

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

I. The use of the Library is a privilege accorded only during good behaviour, and any prisoner who incurs punishment forfeits the use of the Library until the Governor sees fit to restore the privilege.

II. Prisoners entitled to the use of the Library may exchange books once each week.

III. Prisoners will not be allowed to exchange books with one another.

IV. When a prisoner receives a book from the Library, his or her name and number of cell will be entered in the Library Register, and he or she will be held responsible for the return of the book to the Governor or an officer of the prison in as good condition as when received.

V. Writing, marking on the books, covers or blank leaves, with ink, pencil, or other means, cutting or tearing out portions of the blank leaves, printed matter, or pictures, or in any manner injuring the books unnecessarily is strictly forbidden.

VI. And any prisoner who wilfully or wantonly destroys or injures a book belonging to the Prison Library, in the above manner, will be punished by solitary confinement, as the Governor or Board of Control may direct.

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

#### WATER LOT, JOHN GLASSEY, HALIFAX HARBOR.

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer application to the Marine and Fisheries Department by John Glassey for a water lot in Halifax Harbor, north of Hanover Street.

*City Hall, July 31st, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Department of Marine and Fisheries having inquired as to whether there are any objections to the granting of an application by John Glassey for a water lot in Halifax Harbor, north of Hanover Street and the City Engineer having reported that so far as he knows there is no objection from the City standpoint, the Board of Control beg to recommend that the Marine and Fisheries Department be informed that the City of Halifax has no objection to the granting of the application.

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

*Dept. of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa, July 14th, 1914.*

*The City Clerk.*

*Sir:*—I forward herewith plan of a certain water lot in Halifax Harbor, N. S. applied for on behalf of Mr. John Glassey and I would ask you to report to the Department whether there are any objections so far as you are aware to the application being granted. Kindly return the plan with your reply.

A. SCRAWL, *Deputy Minister.*

*City Engineer's Office, July 30th, 1914.*

*His Worship the Mayor.*

*Sir:*—I beg to report that I know of no objection from a City standpoint, to the granting of the water lot applied for by John Glassey north of Hanover Street, as shown on the attached plan.

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

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

#### DRINKING FOUNTAIN HEAD OF COGSWELL STREET.

Read report Board of Control, covering report of City Engineer and opinion of Acting City Solicitor, re drinking Fountain, North Park Street, at the head of Cogswell Street.

*City Hall, July 17th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control beg to recommend that the drinking fountain on the edge of the centre Common at the head of Cogswell Street, be properly drained, and pavement be laid around the same, cost to be defrayed out of Water Department.

Reports from the Acting City Solicitor and the City Engineer are attached hereto for approval.

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

*City Engineer's Office, June 8th, 1914.*

*His Worship the Mayor.*

*Sir:*—I beg to report on resolution of the Board of Control respecting paving North Park Street.

The watering of horses at the drinking fountain at the head of Cogswell Street causes an unsatisfactory condition of the street at that point, and I would recommend that pavement be laid around the fountain, graded so that it can be drained to the fountain drain, so that the street will be dry, instead of as at present, slippery at times. The estimated cost is \$225.00

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

*City Solicitor's Office, July 17th, 1914.*

*L. Fred. Monaghan, Esq., City Clerk.*

*Dear Sir:*—In reply to your verbal request for an opinion for the Board of Control as to whether the City Council can, under the provision of Sec. 627 of the City Charter, do the work necessary to remedy bad conditions stated to exist at fountain on the Common at the head of Cogswell Street, I have to report as follows—

The section of the Charter in question empowers the Council on the recommendation of the Board of Control, to erect drinking fountains, that is, to do all work necessary and incidental to the proper erection of fountains, including drains, the carrying away of overflow of water, and the proper paving or other necessary work around the base of the fountain to prevent muddy or other unsightly conditions arising. The fact that the fountain proper has already been erected, does not in my opinion prevent any additional work properly incidental to the fountain from still being performed, and the cost being defrayed as in City Charter Sec. 627 provided.

R. T. MacILREITH, *Acting City Solicitor.*

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

#### COBURG AND SPRING GARDEN ROADS PAVING.

Read report Board of Control and reports (2) City Engineer, re paving Spring Garden Road from Tower Road to Robie Street, and Coburg from Robie Street to Oxford Street.

*City Hall, July 29th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control beg to recommend that Spring Garden Road from Tower Road to Robie Street and Coburg Road from Robie to Oxford Street be paved with bitulithic or sheet asphalt when funds are available.

Reports from the City Engineer attached hereto are recommended for adoption in so far as they are not inconsistent with this report.

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

*City Engineer's Office, June 17th, 1914.*

*His Worship the Mayor.*

*Sir:*—I have been waiting for a petition which I understood was being circulated, asking for the paving of Spring Garden Road from Tower Road to Robie Street, before reporting on the petition for the paving of Coburg Road.

As the season is getting on, we cannot afford to wait longer, as we must take tenders without delay for the paving of Argyle Street.

The petitioners ask for the paving of Coburg Road from Robie Street to Oxford Street, and while it is desirable that the paving should be continuous, it is by no means an absolute necessity. Coburg road is a most desirable residential district, parts of which cannot be kept in good condition owing to the flat grade. It is ready for paving and work could be undertaken at once.

I would recommend that Coburg Road be paved from Robie to Oxford Street with bitulithic or sheet asphalt. The estimated cost for the work to be done by the City is \$29,710.00.

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

*City Engineer's Office, July 2nd, 1914.*

*His Worship the Mayor.*

*Sir:*—I beg to report in compliance with the resolution of the Board in reference to the cost of paving Brunswick Street from Duke to Sackville Streets and Spring Garden Road from Tower Road to Robie Street.

On Brunswick Street, curb and gutter will be required on the west side, and the estimated cost of paving with bitulithic or sheet asphalt, with granite at the street junctions, is \$28,900.00.

The estimated cost of paving Spring Garden Road from Tower Road to Robie Street with bitulithic or sheet asphalt is \$21,800.00.

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.

#### CORNWALLIS STREET SIDEWALK.

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re concrete sidewalk south side of Cornwallis Street between Creighton and Gottingen Streets.

*City Hall, July 27th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer re concrete sidewalk, south side Cornwallis Street, between Creighton and Gottingen Streets.

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

*City Engineer's Office, July 17th, 1914.*

*His Worship the Mayor.*

*Sir:*—I beg to report on the request for the construction of a concrete sidewalk on the south side of Cornwallis Street between Creighton and Gottingen Streets.

The construction of this sidewalk should be ordered by the City Council in order that the lien may be operative and the assessment be made legal. I would recommend, therefore, that a concrete sidewalk with granite curb and gutter be constructed on the south side of Cornwallis Street between Creighton Street and Gottingen Street under the permanent sidewalk Act 1906.

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

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

#### AGRICOLA STREET SIDEWALK.

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re concrete sidewalk on the east side of Agricola Street from West Street to North Street.

*City Hall, July 17th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer re concrete sidewalk on the east side of Agricola Street, from West Street to North Street.

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

*City Engineer's Office, July 14th, 1914.*

*His Worship the Mayor.*

*Sir:*—I beg to report on the petition attached hereto asking for the construction of a concrete sidewalk on the east side of Agricola Street from West Street to North Street. A sidewalk has just been laid on the east side of Agricola Street from Cunard Street to West Street and the work asked for, would be in continuation of that sidewalk.

The estimated cost is \$7100.00. I would recommend that the work be done under the Permanent Sidewalk Act 1906.

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

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

#### PARKER STREET SIDEWALK.

Read report Board of Control re concrete sidewalk on the east side of Parker Street, from the F. J. Kelly property to Welsford Street.

*City Hall, July 22nd, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—A concrete sidewalk on the east side of Parker Street being under construction by resolution of the City Council to the north side of the property of Frank J. Kelly, residents on the street between the Kelly property and Welsford Street have expressed a desire that the whole block should be paved. The Board of Control therefore recommended that the sidewalk ordered to be constructed on the east side of Parker Street to the property of Frank J. Kelly be continued to Welsford Street.

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

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

#### WELSFORD STREET SIDEWALK.

Read report Board of Control re concrete sidewalk Welsford Street, south side, between Parker Street and Robie Street.

*City Hall, August 12th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—Aggreably to the petition attached the Board of Control recommend that a concrete sidewalk be constructed on the south side of Welsford Street, between Parker Street and Robie Street while the construction of the Parker Street sidewalk is in progress.

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

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

#### LOWER WATER STREET SIDEWALK.

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re concrete sidewalk on the west side of Lower Water Street, between Sackville Street and Prince Street.

*City Hall, July 27th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer re concrete sidewalk on the west side of Lower Water Street, between Sackville Street and Prince Street.

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

*City Engineer's Office, July 22nd, 1914.*

*His Worship the Mayor.*

*Sir:*—I beg to report on the attached petition for concrete sidewalk on the west side of Lower Water Street between Sackville and Prince Streets.

The greater part of the old sidewalk is asphalt or tar concrete and is no longer serviceable. I would recommend that a concrete sidewalk be constructed on the west side of Lower Water Street between Sackville and Prince Streets under the Permanent Sidewalk Act 1906. The estimated cost is \$942.00.

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

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

#### HOLLIS STREET SIDEWALK.

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re concrete sidewalk on the east side of Hollis Street between Bishop Street and Morris Street.

*City Hall, July 27th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control beg to recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer re concrete sidewalk on the east side of Hollis Street, between Bishop Street and Morris Street.

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

*City Engineer's Office, July 17th, 1914.*

*His Worship the Mayor.*

*Sir:*—In compliance with request of Controller Harris, I beg to report that the asphalt sidewalk on the east side of Hollis Street between Bishop and Morris Streets is badly worn and should be replaced by a concrete sidewalk.

The estimated cost is \$1442.00 and I would recommend that a concrete sidewalk be laid on the east side of Hollis Street between Bishop Street and Morris Street under the Permanent Sidewalk Act 1906.

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

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

#### PLEASANT STREET SIDEWALK.

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re concrete sidewalk on the west side of Pleasant Street, between South Street and Morris Street.

*City Hall, July 27th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control beg to recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer re concrete sidewalk on the west side of Pleasant Street, between South Street and Morris Street.

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

*City Engineer's Office, July 17th, 1914.*

*His Worship the Mayor,*

*Sir:*—In compliance with request of Controller Harris, I beg to report that the old asphalt sidewalk on the west side of Pleasant Street between South Street and Morris Street is badly worn. It should be replaced by a concrete sidewalk. The estimated cost is \$1756.00.

I would recommend that a concrete sidewalk be laid on the west side of Pleasant Street between South Street and Morris Street under the Permanent Sidewalk Act 1906.

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

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

#### QUINPOOL ROAD SIDEWALK.

Read report Board of Control re concrete sidewalk south side of Quinpool Road, at property of A. Forrester Mackintosh.



*City Hall, July 17th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—Since the ordering by the City Council of a concrete sidewalk on the south side of Quinpool Road to the west line of M. E. Keefe's property, A. Forrester Mackintosh has petitioned that the sidewalk be continued further west past his property. The Board of Control therefore recommend that the concrete sidewalk ordered on the south side of Quinpool Road be continued 62 feet or thereabouts to the western boundary line of Mr. Mackintosh's property.

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

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

#### CITY HOME—MAINTENANCE OF INSANE.

Read report Board of Control covering report of City Home re cost of maintenance of insane at the Nova Scotia Hospital, and on other matters.

*City Hall, August 7th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control submit for the information of the City Council the attached report relating to the City Home.

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

*Halifax, N. S., August 6th, 1914.*

*His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Board of Control.*

*Gentlemen:*—I beg to submit the following report of Charters Department for month of July, 1914.

The Superintendent's report shows that during the month there were 31 persons admitted into the City Home, 1 born, 28 discharged, and 2 died. Of the number admitted 7 were chargeable to the Province and 24 to the City. The total number of inmates July 31st was 277, made up of 162 men, 114 women and 1 child. On the same date last year there were 149 men, 122 women, and 5 children, a total of 276. There were four patients admitted into the Nova Scotia Hospital during the month, whose maintenance is chargeable to the City and 1 patient died.

I would specially call your attention to the bill before you today for maintenance of the insane at Nova Scotia Hospital, amounting to \$2165.79, for quarter ending June 30th, 1914, which means an expenditure for this service for the year of about \$8700.00. The amount estimated to cover this service was \$7200.00, being based on previous annual expenditure. This increase is due to the number maintained at the Nova Scotia Hospital. The daily average supported in that institution being 41.3 for the year 1913-14 while at the present time there are 56 patients being maintained.

M. SCANLAN, JR. *Controller.*

Filed.

**CONTROLLER O'CONNOR.—LEAVE OF ABSENCE.**

Read report Board of Control, recommending that Controller O'Connor be given leave of absence, not exceeding three months, covering telegram from Controller O'Connor from Ottawa.

*City Hall, August 12th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—In consequence of a telegram received from Ottawa from Controller O'Connor which is attached hereto, the Board of Control recommend that Controller O'Connor be given leave of absence not exceeding three months.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor and Chairman*

*Ottawa, August 10th, 1914.*

*The Mayor of Halifax.*

*Sir:*—Please report to Council that I was summoned here by Minister of Justice and will be detained several weeks upon at present confidential but very important public services connected with the present situation of national affairs. While regretting observer must remain away and unless Council grants leave of absence must resign from Board of Control, believe that will return within one month; but stay is dependent on duration of pending session of Parliament. Advise after Thursday evening's meeting of Council.

W. F. O'CONNOR.

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Alderman Powell that the report be adopted, and Controller O'Connor given leave of absence not exceeding three months. Motion passed.

**LOANS FOR VARIOUS PURPOSES.**

Read report Board of Control, covering offer from the Trustees of the Sinking Fund, to loan the City the sum of \$18,700 for various purposes, covering draft of formal resolution.

*City Hall, July 15th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control beg to report that they have received from the Trustees of the Sinking Fund an offer to loan the City the sum of \$18,700.00, for various purposes, according to the terms of their offer which is attached hereto, and recommended for the approval of their Council. A formal resolution for adoption by the Council is also submitted herewith.

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

## Office of the City Treasurer, July 15th, 1914.

His Worship the Mayor and Members Board of Control.

Gentlemen:—On behalf of the Trustees of the Sinking Fund I am authorized to offer to loan the City the sum of Thirteen Thousand Dollars for purposes as below:

To purchase land from Charles Brister for widening Lower Water Street.....	\$ 5000.00	
For the acquisition of land for the improvement of Mumford Road.....	1000.00	
For the improvement of the Public Gardens:.....	1000.00	
For the improvement of the City Prison.....	2500.00	
Under authority of an Act of the Legislature of Nova Scotia, passed on the 10th day of June, 1914.....	-----	\$ 9500.00
and also		
For the purchase of land for the widening and extension of young Street the sum of.....	\$ 3500.00	
Under authority of chapter 71 of the Acts of 1907 and Chapter 74, Sec. 26 of the Acts of 1914.....	-----	3500.00
The above to be secured on Consolidated Fund Stock 1905; the same to be repayable on the first day of July 1945, at the rate of 95 per cent of par and accrued interest and to bear interest at the rate of 4½ per cent per annum.....		
Also the following sums:—		
For the purchase of hose for the Fire Department.....	\$ 2000.00	
For the purchase of two hose waggons and sleigh runners for the Fire Department.....	2000.00	
For the purchase of books for the Citizens' Free Library.....	1000.00	
	<u>\$5000 00</u>	<u>5000.00</u>
Making in all the sum of.....		\$18000.00
Under authority of an Act of the Legislature of Nova Scotia passed on the 10th day of June 1914. The said loan to be repayable in five equal annual instalments and to bear interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum.		

W. L. BROWN, City Treasurer.

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

Controller Hoben submits the following resolution:—

*Whereas* The Trustees of the Sinking Fund have offered to purchase City Stock to an amount sufficient to produce the sum of Thirteen Thousand Dollars at a price equal to 95 per cent of the par value of such stock, together with interest at the rate of 4½ per cent per annum, from the first day of July, 1914;

*And Whereas* the Board of Control have recommended to the City Council the acceptance of said offer of the Trustees of the Sinking Fund, which recommendation has been by resolution adopted by the City Council;

*Now Therefore be it Resolved* that the said sum of Thirteen Thousand Dollars be borrowed, for the purposes in the said resolution recited, and that the said offer of the Trustees of the Sinking Fund be accepted; and that Stock

of the City of Halifax, to the par value of \$13,700 be issued, and delivered to the Trustees of the Sinking Fund for the said loan, and that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized to issue such stock of the City of Halifax of the said par value of \$13,700 and to deliver the same to the Trustees of the Sinking Fund; the said stock to be dated 1st of July, 1914, and to be repayable on the 1st day of July, 1945, and to bear interest at the rate of 4½ per cent per annum;

*And also* that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized to issue to the Trustees of the Sinking Fund, Debentures of the City of Halifax to the amount of Five Thousand Dollars, for the purposes contained in the letter from the Board of Control, the said Debentures to be repayable in five equal installments, and to bear interest at the rate of 5 per cent per annum.

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

#### MAINTENANCE OF FAMILIES OF MILITIAMEN.

Read report Board of Control, recommending that the attention of the Dominion Government be directed to the necessity for provision being made for the families of those called out for active service.

*City Hall, August 12th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—At a meeting of the Board of Control held this day, present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Hoben, Harris and Scanlan, it was unanimously decided to forward to the City Council with a recommendation for favorable consideration the following resolution:

“This Board would direct the attention of the Dominion Government to the necessity for provision being made for the families of those called out for active service in order that want and embarrassment may be avoided.”

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

Moved by Controller Harris that said report be adopted.

Controller Scanlan here arrives and takes his seat in the Council.

Controller Harris's motion is seconded by Controller Scanlan.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Powell, seconded by Controller Hoben that the report be referred back to the Board of Control for further consideration.

The original motion is put and passed.

Moved by Alderman Murphy, seconded by Controller Hoben, that the Board of Control confer with the Local Military Authorities with a view to ascertaining what they propose to do towards providing maintenance for dependent families of militiamen who are on active service. Motion passed.

#### SCIENTIFIC ASSESSMENT.

Read report Board of Control re Scientific Assessment, covering draft form of agreement with Walter W. Pollock of Cleveland, Ohio, representing the Manufacturers Appraisal Company, for the adoption of the Somers Unit System of Realty Valuation.

*City Hall, July 22nd, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control beg to report that they have given very careful consideration to the matter of devising a more modern and more equitable system of assessing real estate, than now in vogue in Halifax, and have come to the conclusion that it would be to the interests of the City to adopt the so-called Somers System.

The Board has had the advantage recently of a number of interviews with Walter W. Pollock, of Cleveland, Ohio, representing the Manufacturers' Appraisal Company, on the Somers Unit System of Realty Valuation. In order that the matter might be presented to the Council in a concrete form, Mr. Pollock, at the request of the Board, submitted a draft form of agreement, which is submitted herewith for the approval of the Council.

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

#### DRAFT OF AGREEMENT RE SCIENTIFIC ASSESSMENT.

*Cleveland, Ohio, July 22nd, 1914.*

*To Controllers O'Connor and Hoben,*

*Halifax, Nova Scotia.*

*Gentlemen:*—As requested, I am pleased to submit herewith for the consideration of the Board of Control of the City of Halifax a proposal for the performance of certain services by way of assistance to the Assessors. This proposal is in the form of an agreement to be entered into between the City of Halifax and myself; and upon the acceptance and adoption of its terms and conditions by the proper authorities of the City of Halifax I shall be pleased to undertake the performance of the services described without delay:

This agreement, made and entered into by and between Walter W. Pollock, of Cleveland, Ohio, of the one part, and City of Halifax, a municipal corporation, of the other part, witnesseth that said parties, for in consideration of the reciprocal promises and undertakings hereinafter expressed, have agreed to and with each other as follows:

First—That said Pollock agrees to furnish the services of one land valuation expert who will advise the Assessors of said City of Halifax concerning the means of expression of judgment of site value by the Somers Unit System of Realty Valuation, and who will, after such site value has been judged by said Assessors in accordance with the Somers methods, compute the relative values of all taxable lots or parcels of land in the City of Halifax, based upon the values of block and street units determined by said Assessors, and will report such relative values to said Assessors.

Second—Said Pollock agrees to furnish the services of one building valuation expert, who will measure and describe all improvements upon all of the taxable real estate in the City of Halifax, and will give expert advice and assistance to said Assessors in the valuation of such improvements, so as to show present costs of reproduction, with depreciation in accordance with the present condition, and will report such values to said Assessors in permanent record form.

Third—Said Pollock agrees that all of the services above mentioned shall be performed and fully completed within four months from the date of this agreement. For the services so to be rendered, the said City of Halifax shall pay to the said Pollock in Halifax the sum of Six Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$6,500.00), said sum to be paid as follows:—One month after the starting of the work One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00); Two months after the starting of the work Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00); Three months after the starting of the work Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00); and the balance upon the completion of the services before mentioned.

Fourth—For similar services to be performed with reference to property exempt from taxation, within the City limits, the said City of Halifax shall pay to said Pollock an additional fee of Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00), to be paid in the same proportionate instalments as described in paragraph third.

Fifth—Said Pollock agrees to prepare a map showing the outlines of all blocks within the Halifax City limits, upon which shall be drawn the final judgment of the Assessors as to unit-foot values upon all blocks within the City. He will also prepare block and lot maps, showing dimensions of all lots, parcels, or tracts, as accurately as may be obtained from existing records and by field investigation, with unit-foot values shown thereon, and the computed values of land and improvements for each lot, parcel or tract. From such maps the Assessors may transcribe the assessment rolls. For the services described in this paragraph the City of Halifax shall pay to said Pollock the sum of Eighteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,800.00), in proportionate instalments as described in paragraph third. For the services of employees of the City Engineer's office, if such services shall be required, in making investigations, said Pollock shall credit the City of Halifax the amount of salary paid by the City to such employees for the time spent in making such investigations. Said Pollock agrees to deliver to the City of Halifax three complete sets of such maps blueprinted upon linen with leather binders.

Sixth—If the City of Halifax shall prefer to have the maps described in paragraph fifth prepared under the direction of the City Engineer, said Pollock agrees, if desired, to furnish a competent and experienced draughtsman to make the drawings, charging for his services a fee of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) per day, payable at the regular times of payment of salaries of City Employees.

Seventh—The said City of Halifax shall have the right at any date for making payments on account, to terminate this agreement, provided that said City shall at least ten days prior to such date, give notice of its intention to said Pollock by mailing to him by registered mail a written notice, signed by the Chief Assessor, addressed to said Pollock at 408 Commercial Bank Building, Cleveland, Ohio. Said Pollock shall have the right to terminate this agreement if for any reason the payments hereby agreed to be made by said City of Halifax shall not be made when the same are payable under the terms hereof.

Eighth—Said Pollock shall not, under this agreement, be under obligation to compile statistics of the assessed valuations, nor does this agreement require that he shall make transcripts of the assessment rolls.

Ninth—It is understood that the fees quoted herein are not to be regarded as establishing a precedent for future Canadian engagements for Somers System services, as they are approximately twenty-five per cent below the fees paid by some other cities; but said Pollock agrees to accept the prices quoted herein, provided this agreement is entered into at this time, in consideration of the advertising value of securing the first Canadian engagement for Somers System services from the City of Halifax.

WALTER W. POLLOCK.

Moved by Alderman Parker, seconded by Alderman Hubley that further consideration of this matter be deferred until the next meeting of Council. Motion passed.

By unanimous consent of Council Controller Hoben is permitted to submit a motion.

Moved by Controller Harris, seconded by Controller Hoben, that when this meeting adjourns, that it be adjourned until 8 o'clock p. m. on Thursday, the 20th instant. Motion passed.

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

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

*For Adjournment.*

Aldermen Hines, Cox and Controller Scanlan,—3.

*Against Adjournment.*

Aldermen Parker, Hubley, Murphy, Smith and Powell, and Controllers Hoben and Harris,—7.

**WIDENING GREEN STREET,—S. M. BROOKFIELD PROPERTY.**

Read report Board of Control, recommending the payment to S. M. Brookfield, when funds are available, of the sum of \$1268.75, the majority award of appraisers appointed to value the land taken from Mr. Brookfield for the widening of Green Street.

*City Hall, July 29th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—At a meeting of the City Council held April 22nd, 1914 (see printed minutes p. 497) it was decided to offer Mr. S. M. Brookfield for land taken from him for widening Green Street the sum of \$1268.75 the majority award of appraisers appointed in that behalf, upon the securing of legislation authorizing the same.

The act authorizing the borrowing of the necessary amount having been passed the Board of Control recommends that Mr. Brookfield be paid for his property as soon as the funds are available.

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

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

**KANE STREET SEWER.**

Read reports Board of Control and Assistant City Engineer re sewer Kane Street, from Agricola Street to Gottingen Street.

*City Hall, August 7th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control beg to recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the Assistant City Engineer re sewer Kane Steeet, from Agricola Street to Gottingen Street.

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

*City Engineer's Office, August 7, 1914.*

*His Worship the Mayor.*

*Sir:*—I beg to report on the accompanying petition for a sewer in Kane Street from Agricola St. to Gottingen St. presented by Alderman Parker. The petition is signed by nearly all the property owners on the street. The sewer is needed in the street, and I would recommend that it be ordered to be done in its turn.

The estimated cost is \$3,375.00; Estimated sewerage rates \$2000.00.

H. W. JOHNSTON, *Asst. City Engineer.*



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

#### WATER EXTENSION ROBIE STREET.

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re water extension, Robie Street to premises of S. S. Wetmore.

*City Hall, July 29th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control recommends for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer re water extension, Robie Street to premises of S. S. Wetmore.

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

*City Engineer's Office, July 25th, 1914.*

*His Worship the Mayor.*

*Sir:*—Mr. Stuart Wetmore asks for the extension of the water pipe along Robie Street to his premises, and states that he is prepared to sign a bond for payment of a special rate.

The estimated cost is \$933.00, interest on which at 5% is \$46.55. I would recommend that the extension be made, provided Mr. Wetmore signs the bond.

There are two other properties, one belonging to Mr. Jost, the other the Pavilion of the Golf Club. If the owners of these properties join with Mr. Wetmore, the special rate will be considerably reduced.

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

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

#### CONVENTION UNION NOVA SCOTIA MUNICIPALITIES.

Read report Board of Control, covering letter Secretary Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities, re Annual Convention to be held at Amherst, August 26th, 27th and 28th, and requesting that the City appoint delegates thereto.

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

#### STREET TRAFFIC ORDINANCE.

Read report Board of Control covering Ordinance to regulate street traffic.

City Hall, July 22nd, 1914

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control beg to recommend to the City Council for approval the accompanying Ordinance, entitled an Ordinance to regulate Street Traffic.

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

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

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

Read a first time an Ordinance entitled An Ordinance to Regulate Street Traffic.

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

Read a second time an Ordinance entitled An Ordinance to Regulate Street Traffic.

Moved by Controller Harris, seconded by Controller Scanlan that said Ordinance be printed. Motion passed.

#### Ordinance No.

#### AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE STREET TRAFFIC.

Copies of this ordinance can be obtained from the City Clerk or the Chief of Police.

All drivers of vehicles are required to comply with these rules in order to facilitate traffic, prevent blockades, avoid accidents and loss of life and diminish the loss of time and money due to the lack of observance of rules for the regulation of street traffic.

#### THE POLICE FORCE WILL STRICTLY ENFORCE THE FOLLOWING RULES.

Be it ordained by the Mayor, Controllers and Aldermen of the City of Halifax in Council assembled as follows:—

1. The absolute control of vehicular and pedestrian traffic in the streets shall be under the management of the Chief of Police through the constables and officers who shall have the duty of enforcing the provisions of this Ordinance,

2. *Definitions.* (a) The word "vehicle" includes equestrians, horses hitched to vehicles, led horses, bicycles, motor vehicles of all kinds, and everything on wheels or runners except street cars, and baby carriages.

(b) The word "horse" includes all domestic animals.

(c) The word "driver" includes the rider or driver of a horse, the rider of wheels and the operator of a motor vehicle or street car.

(d) The word "street" includes any public road, avenue, boulevard, street, lane, alley, path, square or place or other means of communication used by or laid out for the use of vehicles.

(e) The words "one way street" mean any street designated by a white arrow sign as one upon which all traffic shall proceed in only one direction.

(f) The word "curb" means the lateral limits of that portion of any street used or intended to be used by vehicles whether marked by curbing stones or not so marked.

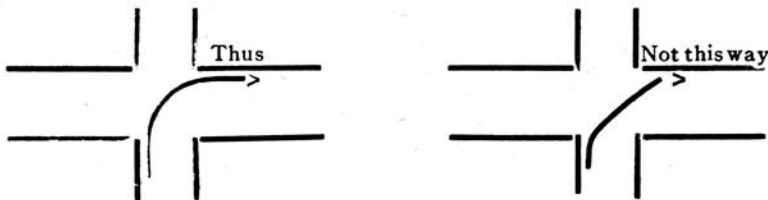
3. *Vehicles in Motion.* A vehicle except when passing a vehicle ahead, shall keep to the left and as near to the left curb as possible.

4. A vehicle meeting another vehicle shall pass on the left.

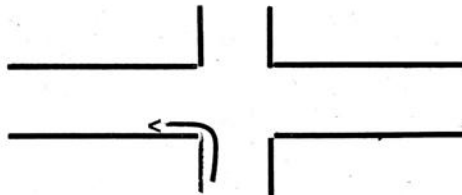
5. A vehicle overtaking another vehicle shall, in passing keep to the right.

6. On a street divided longitudinally by a parkway, reserved space for Street Railway Cars, viaduct, walk, sunken way or subway structure, vehicles shall keep to the left of such divisions.

7. A vehicle in turning to the right into another street, shall pass to the left of and beyond the centre of the intersecting street before turning.



8. A vehicle in turning to the left, into another street shall, when its width will permit, keep as near to the left curb as possible.



9. A vehicle crossing from one side of the street to the other, shall do so by turning to the right, so as to head in the general direction of traffic on that side of the street.



10. Slow moving vehicles shall keep as close as possible to the curb on the left so as to allow faster moving vehicles free passage on the right.

11. No person having charge of a vehicle shall allow the same to come within ten feet of any vehicle in front of him when approaching and passing over a crossing where a pedestrian is about to pass.

12. The driver of every vehicle, including a motor vehicle, coming up with or overtaking any tramcar, and intending to pass on the left side shall, if the tramcar is at a standstill, or about to come to a standstill or stop, bring his vehicle to a standstill in the rear of the said tramcar until after the tramcar is again in motion.

13. No person shall drive, guide or have the care of two or more horses harnessed respectively to different vehicles.

14. No vehicle shall be driven on any one way street except in the direction indicated by a white arrow.

15. No vehicle shall be driven, during crowded traffic hours, on any street, where there are street car tracks, except for such distance as may be reasonably necessary to reach the building to which it is going.

16. No person shall drive any horse, or drive, wheel, or draw any vehicle except hand-carriages conveying children only and drawn by hand, upon any footpath or sidewalk of any street or square, unless for the purpose of going directly across any such footpath or sidewalk into a yard.

17. No one shall drive a vehicle that is so covered in or constructed as to prevent the driver thereof from having a sufficient view of the traffic following and at the sides of such vehicles.

18. No one shall drive or conduct any vehicle in such condition, so constructed, or so loaded as to be likely to cause delay in traffic or accident or injury to man, beast or property.

19. Every driver of a vehicle shall, in slowing up or stopping give a signal to those behind, by raising a whip or hand vertically.

20. In turning while in motion or in starting to turn from a standstill, a signal shall be given by the driver of the vehicle about to be turned by raising a whip or hand, indicating the direction in which the turn is to be made.

21. Before backing, ample warning shall be given by voice or uplifted hand, and while backing, unceasing vigilance must be exercised by the driver not to injure those behind.

22. Vehicles must stop so as not to interfere with or prevent the passage of pedestrians at crossings, and at all times drivers of vehicles must stop the same on signal from a police officer.

23. Where police officers are stationed at street intersections for the control of traffic, one blast of police whistle indicates that north and south traffic shall stop and that east and west traffic may proceed. Two blasts that east and west traffic must stop and that north and south traffic may proceed. Vehicles and street cars must stop so as not to interfere with the passage of pedestrians at the crossings. Three or more blasts is a signal of alarm and indicates the approach of a fire engine or some other danger.

24. No vehicle shall be used on any street or highway unless provided with lights and sound signals as prescribed by law.

25. For the purpose of warning or otherwise, no owner or driver, of any motor vehicle shall make use of any siren, or other similar contrivance or device emitting or producing any sound resembling or likely to be confused with the siren, or other contrivance or device used for such purposes on apparatus or vehicles used by the Fire Department.

26. Every driver of any vehicle shall, on seeing danger of collision with any vehicle, animal or person, or on receiving any warning, signal, or command from any person, or the driver of any vehicle, requiring him to stop on account of any danger to any person or vehicle, stop immediately and not proceed again until all danger has passed, and in every instance the driver of any vehicle shall immediately stop when required by any police officer and place his vehicle in such position as he directs.

27. *Right of Way.* Police, Fire Department, Ambulance and His Majesty's Mail vehicles shall have the right of way in any street or through any procession.

28. Subject to the foregoing section, street cars shall have the right of way between cross streets over all other vehicles, and the driver of any vehicle proceeding on the track in front of a car shall immediately turn out, on a signal by the motorman or conductor of the car.

29. A vehicle waiting at the curb shall promptly give place to a vehicle about to take on or let off passengers.

30. The driver of a vehicle on the approach of a fire engine or any other fire apparatus, shall immediately draw up said vehicle as near as practicable to the right-hand curb and parallel thereto and bring it to a standstill

31. The driver of a street car shall immediately stop said car and keep it stationary upon the approach of a fire engine or other fire apparatus.

32. On any alarm of fire the driver of every vehicle on the street traversed or to be traversed by any fire engine or other fire apparatus shall immediately draw or turn to the nearest side or curb so as to leave a clear path for the passage of said apparatus through the street.

33. Subject to the foregoing provisions of this Ordinance all vehicles and street cars going in a northerly or southerly direction shall have the right of way over all vehicles and street cars going in an easterly or westerly direction.

34. *Speed of Vehicles.* No vehicle shall proceed at a rate of speed greater than the law allows, and at no time shall a vehicle be driven with a reckless or negligent disregard of the conditions then obtaining and the rights of others.

35. No person having charge of a truck, dray, cart or sloop, with an animal attached thereto shall drive the same at a greater pace than four miles an hour except in passing another team.

36. No person having charge of a hackney carriage with an animal attached thereto shall drive the same faster than a rate of six miles an hour.

37. No person having charge of a delivery or express waggon, with an animal attached thereto shall drive the same faster than a rate of six miles an hour

38. On approaching a crossing of intersecting streets, also in traversing a crossing or an intersection of streets, and in going around a corner or curve in a highway, a vehicle shall not be driven at a rate of speed other than what is reasonable and proper having regard to traffic at the time and the place, and the use of the way and the safety of the public, and in going around corners, the speed of the vehicle shall not exceed six miles an hour.

39. No vehicle shall stop with its left side to the curb except on established cab, hack and truck stands, and in one way streets.

40. No vehicle shall remain backed up to the curb except when actually loading or unloading, and then for not more than ten minutes at any one time; but in no event shall such teams or vehicles block street cars for a longer period than five minutes at any one time.

41. Unless in an emergency or to allow another vehicle or pedestrian to cross its way, no vehicle shall stop in any street except close to the curb.

42. No vehicle or street car shall stop in such a way as to obstruct any street or crossing for the purpose of taking on or setting down a passenger or for loading or unloading freight, or for any other purpose except in case of accident, or when directed to do so by a police officer.

43. No vehicle shall stop or stand within the intersection of any street, nor within ten feet of a street corner.

44. A person having charge of a vehicle shall not stop the same abreast of another vehicle lengthwise of a street in any street except in case of accident or emergency.

45. No person having charge of a vehicle shall place the same in any street so as to prevent or obstruct the passing of other vehicles or street cars, unless for a reasonable time not exceeding five minutes.

46. When a horse drawn vehicle is backed up to the curb, the horse or horses shall be turned so as to stand parallel with the sidewalk and headed in the general direction of the travel for the side of the street on which the vehicle is standing, but this section only applies to vehicles without under or platform gears.

47. No person having charge of a vehicle in a street shall refuse or neglect to stop the same or place the same, as directed by a police officer, any of these rules to the contrary notwithstanding.

48. No horse shall be left unattended for a longer period than five minutes in any street or highway unless he is securely fastened by being tied to a post or weight, or unless the wheels of the vehicle to which he is harnessed are securely tied, fastened or chained, and the vehicle is of sufficient weight to prevent its being dragged at a dangerous speed with the wheels so secured, and no vehicle shall be left standing in a street for more than thirty minutes, but no person shall be deemed to have violated the thirty minute section of this rule who shall satisfy the Court that he is a physician visiting the sick at the place he is stopping.

49. No horse or vehicle shall be driven, backed, led or allowed to stand on any sidewalk, unless by special permission of a Police officer.

50. No vehicle shall back to make a turn in any street, if so by doing it interferes with other vehicles, but shall go around the block or to a street sufficiently wide to turn in without backing.

CARE IN DRIVING—CONDITION AND TREATMENT OF HORSES  
—STEALING RIDES.

51. No person shall drive or conduct any vehicle and in such condition or so constructed or so loaded as to be likely to cause delay in traffic or accident or injury to man, beast or property.

52. No person shall drive or convey through any public street, any vehicle the width of which, with its load, exceeds ten feet, except in accordance with a permit from the Chief of Police.

53. No person shall in any street or way use any truck or dray the length whereof from the end of the shaft to the extreme end of the side shall be greater than twenty-five feet, or motor vehicles of a greater length than twenty-six feet, except in accordance with a permit from the Chief of Police.

54. No person shall carry or cause to be carried on any vehicle a load the weight of which exceeds six tons unless such load consists of an article which can not be divided, except in accordance with a permit from the Chief of Police.

55. No person when driving a vehicle with a horse or horses attached thereto shall cease from holding the reins in his hands to guide and restrain the same, nor, when not riding, cease from walking by the head of the shaft or wheel horse, either holding or keeping within reach of the bridle or halter thereof.

56. No one shall so load a vehicle with iron or other material that may strike together without properly deadening it so that it will cause no unnecessary noise.

57. No one shall drive a public, numbered, licensed or business vehicle who is less than sixteen years of age.

58. No one shall drive a horse not in every respect fit for use and capable for the work on which it is employed and free from lameness or any vice or disease likely to cause delay in traffic or accident or injury to persons or property.

59. No one shall crack or so use a whip as to annoy, interfere with or endanger any person or excite any horse other than which he is using.

60. No horse shall be unbitted in any street or highway unless secured by a halter.

61. No one shall remove a wheel pole, shaft, whiffle-tree, splinter-bar or any other part of a vehicle or any part of a harness, likely to cause accident if the horse or horses start, without first unhitching the horse or horses attached to said vehicle.

62. No one shall steal a ride upon any vehicle or street car and no one shall ride upon the rear of any vehicle without the consent of the person in charge thereof.

**FERN LANE WATER EXTENSION.**

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re water extension, Fern Lane.

*City Hall, August 12th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer re water extension, Fern Lane.

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

*City Engineer's Office, August 12th, 1914.*

*His Worship the Mayor.*

*Sir:*—Mr. James Smith has made application for a service pipe to his house on Fern Lane.

The main pipe stops within 66 ft. of his house. The district is high service; size of pipe 3", estimated cost \$100.04.

I would recommend that the extension be made.

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

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

**CHARLES STREET SEWER AND WATER EXTENSION.**

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re sewer and water extension, Charles Street, between Gottingen and Creighton Streets.

*City Hall, July 27th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer re sewer and water extension Charles Street, between Gottingen Street and Creighton Street.

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

*City Engineer's Office, July 22nd, 1914.*

*His Worship the Mayor.*

*Sir:*—I beg to report on the accompanying extract from Minutes of a meeting of your Board in reference to extension of sewer and water in Charles Street between Gottingen and Creighton.

I would recommend that the sewer and water be extended together; that the sewer be laid far enough to drain the houses and that the water pipe be connected right through.



The estimated cost of laying water pipe is about \$700, but as only part of the length will be necessary to supply those desiring it, I would recommend that the sewer be put in the order book to be constructed and that the water pipe be laid in the same trench as far as the sewer goes and then connected through to Creighton Street. Under the circumstances, it would not be fair to charge the property owners any special rate.

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

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

#### DAVISON STREET SEWER AND WATER EXTENSION.

Read report Board of Control re sewer and water extension, Davison Street. (See printed minutes of Council, June 9th, 1914, page 58).

*City Hall, July 10th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control beg to refer back again to the City Council without change or amendment, their report dated May 20th, 1914, re sewer and water extension, Davison Street, covering report City Engineer, dated May 19th, 1914.

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

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

#### CITY PRISON INVESTIGATION.

Read report Board of Control, covering report re City Prison Investigation, together with supplementary report from Controller Harris thereon.

Alderman Riordon arrives, and takes his seat in Council.

Moved by Controller Harris, seconded by Controller Hoben, that clause 19, sub-section 10, with its various sub-sections, (a) to (o), be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read clause 19, sub-section 10.

Moved by Controller Harris, seconded by Alderman Riordon, that clause 19, sub-section 10, with its various sub-sections (a) to (o). (See printed minutes of City Council, June 11th, 1914, p. 85 and 86) be now adopted. Motion passed.

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Moved by Controller Harris, seconded by Controller Scanlan that the balance of said report, together with Controller Harris's supplementary report, be referred back to the Board of Control. Motion passed.

Moved by Controller Scanlan, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the Council do now adjourn until Thursday evening, next, at 8 o'clock. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 10.20 o'clock.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor*.

L. FRED. MONAGHAN, *City Clerk*.

## EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

Adjourned Session.

*Council Chamber, City Hall, August 20th, 1914.*

The City Council met this evening pursuant to adjournment of the 13th instant. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, and Aldermen Brown, Hubley, Gastonguay, Hines, Cox, Smith and Parker.

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

8.35 o'clock. Roll called. Present the above named, together with Controllers Harris and Hoben, and Aldermen Powell, Murphy and Riordon.

### PRESENTATION OF PAPERS.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following named papers:—

- Reports (19) Board of Control, viz.—
- City vs. Nova Scotia Car Works, Ltd.
- Stranded Royal Navy Reservists from Toronto.
- War prices of foodstuffs, etc.
- Library Accounts.
- Fire Department.
- Water lot, North West Arm,—R. A. Corbett.
- Loans for various services,—\$55,000.
- Welsford and Parker Streets Sidewalks.
- Mumford Road and Dutch Village Road Light.
- Gottingen Street Sidewalk.
- Tramway Extension, Vernon and Louisburg Streets.
- Roome and Albert Streets Light.
- Enroachment 61 Sackville Street, W. J. Hames.
- Cunard Street Sidewalk.
- Morris and Robie Streets Sidewalks.
- Auctioneer's License.
- Lawrence Street Light.
- City Home Fence Tenders.
- Acting City Medical Officer's Account.

### CONSIDERATION OF PAPERS SUBMITTED AT THIS AND PREVIOUS MEETINGS.

#### SCIENTIFIC ASSESSMENT:

Read report Board of Control re Scientific Assessment.

City Hall, July 22nd, 1914.

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control beg to report that they have given very careful consideration to the matter of devising a more modern and more equitable system of assessing real estate, than now in vogue in Halifax, and have come to the conclusion that it would be to the interests of the City to adopt the so-called Somers System.

The Board has had the advantage recently of a number of interviews with Walter W. Pollock, of Cleveland, Ohio, representing the Manufacturers' Appraisal Company, on the Somers Unit System of Realty Valuation. In order that the matter might be presented to the Council in a concrete form, Mr. Pollock at the request of the Board, submitted a draft form of agreement, which is submitted herewith for the approval of the Council.

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

**DRAFT OF AGREEMENT RE SCIENTIFIC ASSESSMENT.**

Cleveland, Ohio, July 22nd, 1914.

*To Controllers O'Connor and Hoben,*

*Halifax, Nova Scotia.*

*Gentlemen:*—As requested, I am pleased to submit herewith for the consideration of the Board of Control of the City of Halifax a proposal for the performance of certain services by way of assistance to the Assessors. This proposal is in the form of an agreement to be entered into between the City of Halifax and myself; and upon the acceptance and adoption of its terms and conditions by the proper authorities of the City of Halifax I shall be pleased to undertake the performance of the services described without delay:

This agreement, made and entered into by and between Walter W. Pollock, of Cleveland, Ohio, of the one part, and City of Halifax, a municipal corporation, of the other part, witnesseth that said parties, for in consideration of the reciprocal promises and undertakings hereinafter expressed, have agreed to and with each other as follows:

First—That said Pollock agrees to furnish the services of one land valuation expert who will advise the Assessors of said City of Halifax concerning the means of expression of judgment of site value by the Somers Unit System of Realty Valuation, and who will, after such site value has been judged by said Assessors in accordance with the Somers methods, compute the relative values of all taxable lots or parcels of land in the City of Halifax, based upon the values of block and street units determined by said Assessors, and will report such relative values to said Assessors.

Second—Said Pollock agrees to furnish the services of one building valuation expert, who will measure and describe all improvements upon all of the taxable real estate in the City of Halifax, and will give expert advice and assistance to said Assessors in the valuation of such improvements, so as to show present costs of reproduction, with depreciation in accordance with the present condition, and will report such values to said Assessors in permanent record form

Third—Said Pollock agrees that all of the services above mentioned shall be performed and fully completed within four months from the date of this agreement. For the services so to be rendered, the said City of Halifax shall pay to the said Pollock in Halifax the sum of Six Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$6,500.00), said sum to be paid as follows:—One month after the starting of the work One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00); Two months after the starting of the work Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00); Three months after the starting of the work Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00); and the balance upon the completion of the services before mentioned.

Fourth—For similar services to be performed with reference to property exempt from taxation, within the City limits, the said City of Halifax shall pay to said Pollock an additional fee of Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00), to be paid in the same proportionate instalments as described in paragraph third.

Fifth—Said Pollock agrees to prepare a map showing the outlines of all blocks within the Halifax City limits, upon which shall be drawn the final judgment of the Assessors as to unit-foot values upon all blocks within the City. He will also prepare block and lot maps, showing dimensions of all lots, parcels, or tracts, as accurately as may be obtained from existing records and by field investigation, with unit-foot values shown thereon, and the computed values of land and improvements for each lot, parcel or tract. From such maps the Assessors may transcribe the assessment rolls. For the services described in this paragraph the City of Halifax shall pay to said Pollock the sum of Eighteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,800.00), in proportionate instalments as described in paragraph third. For the services of employees of the City Engineer's office, if such services shall be required, in making investigations, said Pollock shall credit the City of Halifax the amount of salary paid by the City to such employees for the time spent in making such investigations. Said Pollock agrees to deliver to the City of Halifax three complete sets of such maps blueprinted upon linen with leather binders.

Sixth—If the City of Halifax shall prefer to have the maps described in paragraph fifth prepared under the direction of the City Engineer, said Pollock agrees, if desired, to furnish a competent and experienced draughtsman to make the drawings, charging for his services a fee of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) per day, payable at the regular times of payment of salaries of City Employees.

Seventh—The said City of Halifax shall have the right at any date for making payments on account, to terminate this agreement, provided that said City shall at least ten days prior to such date, give notice of its intention to said Pollock by mailing to him by registered mail a written notice, signed by the Chief Assessor, addressed to said Pollock at 408 Commercial Bank Building, Cleveland, Ohio. Said Pollock shall have the right to terminate this agreement if for any reason the payments hereby agreed to be made by said City of Halifax shall not be made when the same are payable under the terms hereof.

Eighth—Said Pollock shall not, under this agreement, be under obligation to compile statistics of the assessed valuations, nor does this agreement require that he shall make transcripts of the assessment rolls.

Ninth—It is understood that the fees quoted herein are not to be regarded as establishing a precedent for future Canadian engagements for Somers System services, as they are approximately twenty-five per cent below the fees paid by some other cities; but said Pollock agrees to accept the prices quoted herein, provided this agreement is entered into at this time, in consideration of the advertising value of securing the first Canadian engagement for Somers System services from the City of Halifax.

WALTER W. POLLOCK.

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Alderman Smith, that said report be referred back to the Board of Control. Motion passed.

#### SUBDIVISION OF WESTMOUNT.

Read reports Board of Control, City Engineer (2), and Assistant City Engineer, re subdivision of Westmount, covering plan.

*City Hall, July 29th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control beg to recommend for approval the accompanying report of the City Engineer, July 28th, 1914, covering plan of sub-division of Westmount.

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

*City Engineer's Office, July 24th, 1914.*

*His Worship the Mayor.*

*Sir:*—I beg to report on the proposed sub-division of the property on the south side of Chebucto Road, opposite Mumford Road, which the owners call Westmount.

The plan as submitted, is unsatisfactory for two reasons, one, that some of the streets do not end at proposed streets; two, that Sherwood Street is laid out only 100 feet from Philip Street, which would mean conditions in the future similar to those on the east side of Belle Air Terrace between that street and Maynard Street.

Mr. Johnston has prepared a tentative plan for sub-division of the property between the railway and Quinn Street, which gives the most satisfactory location for streets that we can work out under the difficult conditions. There would be a great advantage to the City in the location shown, as the main water pipes would be in a street. Mr. Johnston's report is attached.

The plan has been discussed with the owners of Westmount, and they have decided to use the extra depth which the changed location of streets gives, to provide alleys. If the plan submitted meets with the approval of the Board, the owners of Westmount will submit a new plan of sub-division for approval.

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

*City Engineer's Office, July 23rd, 1914.*

*F. W. W. Doane, Esq., City Engineer.*

*Sir:*—I beg to report on the accompanying plan of the division of Westmount as follows:—

This property is a portion of the block between Chebucto Road and Quinpool Road lying to the westward of Quinn Street. As the property lying in the whole of this block is cut up by the 15-inch and 24-inch water mains and also by the new Ocean Terminals right of way, I have made the accompanying plan No. 2703 of the whole block, showing suggested streets.

I propose a street to be laid down along the eastern side of the railway; also another street following the line of the water mains. We have a right of way sixteen feet wide, eight feet on each side of the centre line of the pipes. I think it would also be advisable to lay down Flinn Street. This street was laid out a good many years ago, and is referred to in the deeds of the Flinn property and the property now belonging to the Archbishop.

McDonald Street is already laid down on the City Plan from Quinpool Road to Chebucto Road. Philip Street is also laid down on the plan from Chebucto Road about 720 feet southwardly.

The plans submitted by the Westmount owners show a proposed street which is less than 100 feet from Philip Street. This would give rise to much the same condition as is obtained between Maynard Street and Belle Aire Terrace, the houses on one side of the street overlooking the backyards of the other. I would propose the division shown on the accompanying plan for the Westmount property, also for the rest of the block.

The names in the Westmount division were submitted by the owners; the names of the other streets shown, are put on to identify the streets and there is no reason except in the case of Philip Street, which has already been adopted, why they should not be changed if thought advisable.

The following list gives the streets proposed to be laid down on the plan:—

Armdale Road—From Chebucto Road to Quinpool Road, at the corner of McDonald St.

Watermain Road—From Armdale Road to McDonald Street.

Joseph Street—From Chebucto Road to Watermain Road.

Philip Street—To be extended from the south end of the street as laid down at present on the Official City Plan, to Watermain Road.

Sherwood Street—From Chebucto Road to Patricia Street.

Westmount Street—From Chebucto Road to Flinn Street.

Patricia Street—From Watermain Road to McDonald St.

Flinn St.—From Quinpool Road to Westmount St.

In connection with Flinn Street, I do not know whether it would be advisable to show it extending from Armdale Road to Quinpool Road under the track. It might be better, as the railway people own the property between the Archbishop's property and the Tremaine property between the right of way and Quinpool Road, and as they are at present running a temporary diversion of Quinpool Road through this piece of property to show a short street connecting the Armdale Road and Quinpool Road at this point, instead of extending Flinn Street under the tracks. I think there should be some crossing of the railroad either at the last mentioned location or at Flinn Street, as the distance is nearly half a mile.

H. W. JOHNSTON, *Asst. City Engineer.*

*City Engineer's Office, July 28th, 1914.*

*His Worship the Mayor.*

*Sir:*—I beg to report on the accompanying plan of sub-division of the property called Westmount on the east side of Chebucto Road opposite Mumford Road.

The streets as shown on the plan, conform to the requirements of the law, and are in other respects satisfactory.

I would recommend that the location of the proposed streets as shown, be approved, and that the City Engineer be authorized and instructed to place upon the official City Plan, Sherwood Street, Westmount Street, Flinn Street and Patricia Street as shown on the plan submitted. McDonald Street is already shown on the official plan.

Messrs. R. A. Breton & Company, the owners of the property, have offered to give the City a strip of land on the south side of Chebucto Road which will be required by the City to widen the street to the official line, providing the City will undertake to give them a sidewalk properly graded this fall, depositing any surplus material which has to be removed, at their proposed streets. The offer is one which I consider as advantageous to the City as it may be to the property owners, and I would recommend that it be accepted.

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.

#### OAKLAND ROAD BOAT LANDING.

Read report Board of Control re privileges of Joseph Boutilier and David Dixon at Oakland Road Boat Landing, covering blue-print.

*City Hall, July 24th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—Agreeably to the resolution of City Council, the Board of Control has defined the privileges of each party in connection with boat landing at Oakland Road as between Joseph Boutilier and David Dixon, and submits herewith for approval blue print of plan of the portion of City property to be used by Mr. Dixon.

It is recommended that the usual lease for a period of ten years be entered into with Mr. Dixon. The steps leading down to the building to be erected by the City.

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

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris, that said report and plan be approved. Motion passed.

#### SEPTIC TANK,—FOOT OF COBURG ROAD.

Read report Board of Control, covering report of City Engineer re septic tank at the foot of Coburg Road.



*City Hall, July 29th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control submit for the information of the City Council, the attached report of the City Engineer re septic tank at the foot of Coburg Road.

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

*City Engineer's Office, July 27th, 1914.*

*His Worship the Mayor.*

*Sir:*—I beg to report on the attached article published in the Daily Echo, respecting the septic tank at the foot of Coburg Road.

The statements contained in the article are largely an exaggeration of facts. The outer end of the outlet pipe has become filled up with the sand deposited by the Waegwoltic Club for bathing purposes, and for a short time the pipe could not discharge the effluent. As soon as attention was called to it, the Superintendent of Sewers had the pipe flushed out, and it has been working alright since that time. I have inquired a number of times from the boatmen at the foot of Coburg Road, but have been unable to find any offensive conditions there.

The statement that the City Engineer staked his reputation upon this tank is not correct. I presume I must abide by any recommendation that I make, but the statement referred to, that I staked my reputation on any construction in connection with the North West Arm Sewer System, was made by a then Alderman for me in discussing the matter in the City Council. It is within the knowledge of the members of the Board of Control and City Council that I recommended the construction of the septic tank at the foot of Coburg Road, as a temporary arrangement only until the intercepting sewer should be built, and the writer of the article refers to that recommendation. It cannot be expected that a temporary construction such as this is, would be permanently efficient, and I think that the structure has demonstrated that it will do all that was claimed for it. I have instructed the foreman to watch it to see that the accidental obstruction of the outlet is not repeated. If the structure had been installed permanently, the outlet pipe would have been carried to deep water.

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

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#### CITY VS. NOVA SCOTIA CAR WORKS.

Read report Board of Control, covering opinion of Acting City Solicitor, in re taxed costs in the suit the City of Halifax vs. the Nova Scotia Car Works, Limited.

*City Hall, August 19th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—At a meeting of the Board of Control held today, His Worship the Mayor submitted an account from E. P. Allison, \$659.43, taxed costs in the litigation between the City of Halifax and the Nova Scotia Car Works,

Limited, insofar as concerns trials of the cause in Canada, together with an opinion from the Acting City Solicitor that immediate payment of the same by the City can be enforced by execution.

His Worship the Mayor, under the circumstances, having authorized the payment of the account, his action is recommended for concurrence by the Council. The papers are attached hereto.

The matter of interest on the taxed Canadian costs and the question of costs on appeal to the Privy Council in England are left in abeyance until the return of City Solicitor Bell to Halifax.

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

*Office of City Solicitor, August 18th, 1914.*

*W. W. Foster, City Auditor.*

*Sir:*—The Solicitor of the above company Mr. Allison taxed the following costs in the above action, viz., \$174.84 March 4th, 1913 and \$484.59, March 13th, 1913, in all \$659.43 and is entitled to immediate payment of the same, which payment he could enforce by execution. You are therefore justified in paying this sum to Mr. Allison out of any City moneys in your hands.

The question of interest on these costs is to stand until the return of Mr. Bell.

R. T. MacILREITH, *Acting City Solicitor.*

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

#### STRANDED ROYAL NAVY RESERVISTS.

Read report Board of Control covering accounts, \$268.90, for lodgings and meals supplied to a party of about 70 Royal Navy Reservists from Toronto, stranded in Halifax.

*City Hall, August 19th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—At a meeting of the Board of Control held on the 14th instant, a delegation of three Royal Navy Reserve men, claiming to represent about 70 others, appeared before the Board, stating that on the undertaking of Mr. Amelius Jarvis, they had left Toronto for Halifax for the purpose of enlisting in the Canadian navy to take part in the present war. At Toronto they had been informed that they would receive ample pay to maintain themselves and to maintain the families of the married men. The actual pay was not told them. When they presented themselves on board the H. M. C. S. "Niobe" to sign on, they were told that the rate of pay would be only 70c per day. They refused to sign for so small a wage, and were then in Halifax altogether without means.

Under the circumstances, and while negotiations were pending between the Canadian Naval Authorities, at Ottawa, both by His Worship the Mayor and the Local Naval Authorities, the Chief of Police was instructed to see that

these men were looked after, and furnished with meals and lodgings. Subsequently, the majority of the men joined the "Niobe."

It is recommended that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to pay out of Contingent Account the accounts contracted by the Chief of Police, which amount to \$268.90, and that the City Clerk be instructed to forward said accounts to the Naval Department, Ottawa, with the request that the City be reimbursed for the expenditure, under the terms of the proclamation issued by the Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia on the 10th instant.

The accounts are attached hereto.

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

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

#### WAR PRICES FOR FOODSTUFFS, ETC.

Read report Board of Control covering resolution Halifax District Trades and Labor Council, re prices of foodstuffs, etc. during the present state of war.

*City Hall, August 17th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—At a meeting of the Board of Control held today, they had before them the attached resolution of the Halifax District Trades and Labor Council re prices of foodstuffs, etc. during the present state of war and beg to recommend that said resolution be endorsed by the City Council and forwarded with such endorsement to Sir Robert Borden, Premier of Canada, and Honorable A. K. McLean, K. C.

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

*Halifax, N. S. August 15th 1914*

*L. Fred Monaghan, Esq., City Clerk.*

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

*Gentlemen:*—At a meeting of the above body held on Wednesday evening, August 12th, the following resolution was adopted:

*Whereas:*—A state of war prevails in which Canada is taking an important part as a component unit of the British Empire and

*Whereas:*—The stress and urgency of war conditions can be taken advantage of by unscrupulous and disloyal speculators to demand unreasonably high prices for foodstuff and other commodities essential to the physical well being of the people, and,

*Whereas,* actions of this character especially in time of national urgency are highly detrimental to Canada, and have a tendency to create much unnecessary physical suffering and unrest at a time when the resources of the country are strained to the utmost to meet the demands of a national crisis, and,

Whereas, we believe that regulatory and repressive measures are necessary on the part of the Government in order to protect the people of Canada from the machinations of unpatriotic merchants who may desire to derive personal profit from the exigencies of the Empire,

*Be it therefore Resolved:*—That the Trades and Labor Council of Halifax earnestly request that the Government of Canada take immediate action to prevent any unnecessary burden being placed on the people through an unwarranted increase in the prices of foodstuffs and other staple commodities,

*And be it further Resolved:*—That copies of this resolution be sent to Premier Borden, Hon. A. K. McLean, and the City Council of Halifax.

On behalf of the Council.

THOMAS H. SHINNER, *Asst. Secretary.*

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

#### TENDERS FOR FENCE, CITY HOME.

Read report Board of Control covering tenders for fence on the City Home property.

*City Hall, August 19th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control beg to report that they have received tenders for the erection of a fence on the City Home property, as follows:—

John Dahl.....	32c per foot.
Raine & Naugle.....	26c " "
gates, \$28.00, or \$25.00.	
N. H. Gough.....	44c " "
John McInnes & Son, Ltd.....	total, \$425.00.
Theo. Lowe.....	42½c " "
Burgoyne & Boutilier.....	40c " "
J. W. Kedy.....	42½c " "

It is recommended that the tender of Raine and Naugle, \$383.20 being the lowest, be accepted.

The tenders are attached hereto.

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

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

#### LIBRARY ACCOUNTS.

Read report Board of Control covering accounts, \$38.50, chargeable to Citizens' Free Library.

*The City Council.*

*City Hall, August 19th, 1914.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control recommend payment of the following named accounts chargeable to the Citizens' Free Library:

Library Bureau	Subscription Public Libraries	\$ 2.25
Geo. H. Doran Co.	“ Constructive Quarterly	2.50
T. C. Allen & Co.	Supplies	23.00
Annual Review Pub. Co.	Canadian Annual Review	\$4.00
	Postage	.25
H. H. Marshall	Subscription to Herald	6.00
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		\$38.50

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

Moved by Controller Harris, seconded by Controller Hoben that the said report be adopted and accounts paid. Motion passed.

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Read report Board of Control re Fire Department.

*The City Council.*

*City Hall, August 14th, 1914.*

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

1. A horse was recently purchased for \$290.00 and one sold at auction for \$145.80.

2. Wm. Ryan, Alex. Jennicks, Edward Murphy, Wm. Stone, Fred. Cochran and Wm. Matthew McDonald were reported for absence from third a.m. of Fire, from Box 4, August 4th.

The men appeared before the Board. After a hearing Cochran was excused for reasons given.

Ed. Murphy, Alex. Jennicks and Wm. Stone were each fined \$3.00.

Wm. Matthew McDonald was also charged with being under the influence of liquor in uniform Aug. 8th and with incompetency. The Board decided to recommend the dismissal from the Department of Wm. Ryan and Wm. Matthew McDonald.

3. Wm. Knapman Jr., driver of No. 1 Engine and Michael Murphy operator No. 1 Chemical reported for insubordination, and Murphy also for being late in responding to an alarm of Fire, Box 38, Aug. 8th were reprimanded.

The action of the Board in the foregoing matters is recommended to the Council for concurrence.

4. It is recommended that John J. Coppinger, Wm. Keating, Eugene Woodworth, Peter Pace, Benjamin Manitt, and John Dorcett be appointed supernumeraries.

L. FRED. MONAGHAN, *City Clerk.*

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

**WATER LOT NORTH WEST ARM— R. A. CORBETT,**

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re application of R. A. Corbett to the Marine and Fisheries Department for the granting of a water lot on the western side of the North West Arm.

*City Hall, August 19th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control beg to recommend that the Marine and Fisheries Department be notified that the City has no objection to the granting to R. A. Corbett of the water lot applied for by him on the western side of the North West Arm.

A report from the City Engineer is attached hereto.

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

*City Engineer's Office, August 18th, 1914.*

*His Worship the Mayor.*

*Sir:*—I beg to report on the attached communication from the Deputy Minister of Marine and Fisheries in reference to the application of Mr. R. A. Corbett for the granting of water lot on the western side of the North West Arm.

Water lots have been granted abutting on the north side of the lot for which Mr. Corbett has applied, and for the same distance out, and apparently there is no objection to the granting of the lot to Mr. Corbett.

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

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

**WELSFORD AND PARKER STREETS SIDEWALKS.**

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re concrete sidewalks Parker and Welsford Streets.

*City Hall, August 19th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control beg to recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer re Parker Street and Welsford Street sidewalks.

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

*City Engineer's Office, Aug. 13th, 1914.*

*His Worship the Mayor.*

*Sir:*—I beg to report on the decision of the Board of Control to extend the sidewalk on Parker Street and construct a sidewalk on the south side of Welsford Street.

The Parker Street sidewalk does not need any recommendation from me. There may be some question, however, in reference to the Welsford Street sidewalk, and to remove any doubt, I would recommend that the south sidewalk of Welsford Street between Parker and Robie Streets be placed in the sidewalk schedule and that a concrete sidewalk be constructed there.

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

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

#### MUMFORD ROAD AND DUTCH VILLAGE ROAD LIGHT.

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re electric light at the intersection of Mumford Road and Dutch Village Road.

*City Hall, August 19th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control submit for the information of the City Council, the accompanying report of the City Engineer re electric light at the intersection of Mumford Road and Dutch Village Road, with the recommendation that the same be filed.

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

*City Engineer's Office, Aug. 18th, 1914.*

*His Worship the Mayor.*

*Sir:*—I beg to report on the proposal to place an electric light at the intersection of Mumford Road and Dutch Village Road.

The Halifax Electric Tramway Company under their contract do not erect lights more than five hundred feet from existing lights. A light could not therefore be installed during the term of the contract.

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

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

#### GOTTINGEN STREET SIDEWALK.

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re concrete sidewalk on the west side of Gottingen Street from Gerrish Street to North Street.

*The City Council.*

*City Hall, August 19th, 1914.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control beg to recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer re concrete sidewalk on the west side of Gottingen Street from Gerrish Street to North Street.

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

*His Worship the Mayor.*

*City Engineer's Office, Aug. 18th, 1914.*

*Sir:*—We shall be ready in a day or two to begin the construction of a concrete sidewalk on the west side of Gottingen Street from Gerrish to North Street, in continuation of the sidewalks already laid on the south end of that Street.

The conditions for good grading are very unsatisfactory in this block. Gottingen Street, as your Board are aware, is the main business street of the north end, and there seems to be no question that the business properties will extend northwardly to North Street. The curb should be laid at the same grade as the curb on the east side, so that when the pavement is extended to North Street the conditions will not be similar to those at the corner of Granville and George Street, as it would be if the curb were laid at the present grade.

If the whole sidewalk were cut down now, it would expose the foundations of houses and leave steps in the air, some of them eighteen inches at least.

Mr. Johnston has gone thoroughly into the problem and made plans which indicate that his suggestion is the best way out of the difficulty, namely, that the curb be laid at the grade of the east side curb, and that five feet only of the concrete sidewalk be constructed now, the remaining five feet to be constructed at some time in the future after new houses have been erected in place of the old ones, and possibly stores constructed. I would recommend that your Board approve of this method of construction.

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

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

#### TRAMWAY EXTENSION VERNON AND LOUISBURG STREETS.

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re tramway extension through Vernon and Louisburg Streets, connecting with the lines at Coburg Roae and Quinpool Road.

*City Hall, August 19th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control submit for the information of the Council a report from the City Engineer re tramway extension through Vernon and Louisburg Streets, connecting with the lines at Coburg Road and Quinpool Road, and recommend that the same be filed.

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



*City Engineer's Office, Aug. 18th, 1914.*

*His Worship the Mayor.*

*Sir:*—I beg to report on the attached petition asking the Council to have the electric cars running through Vernon and Louisburg Streets, connectign with the lines on Coburg Road and Quinpool Road.

In the first place, the City has no power, within itself to compel the Company to construct such lines, and if the Company refuse, the result is merely that they lose the exclusive privilege on these two streets for two years, after which they lose the exclusive privilege on all streets.

In consequence of the narrow width of Coburg Road at Vernon Street, I do not think the location proposed by the petitioners is a good one for such a line. It would be impossible to make double track connections and the double track at present on Coburg Road would have to be taken up, and single track laid at the junction of Vernon Street and Coburg Road. It would reduce the efficiency of the service on Coburg Road, and therefore I do not feel justified in recommending it. As to the necessity for such a line, there may well be a great difference of opinion, but your Board are in a position to judge of the necessity, as well as I.

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.

#### ROOME AND ALBERT STREETS LIGHT.

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re street light at the intersection of Roome and Albert Streets.

*City Hall, August 19th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer re street light at the intersection of Roome and Albert Streets.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor and Chairman*

*City Engineer's Office, Aug. 19th, 1914.*

*His Worship the Mayor.*

*Sir:*—I beg to report on the request for a street arc light at the intersection of Roome and Albert Streets. There is no light on Roome Street between Gottingen Street and Campbell Road and as it is a steep hill and a long distance, another light is needed, and I would recommend that it be installed when the appropriation is available.

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

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

**ENROACHMENT 61 SACKVILLE STREET,—W. J. HAMES.**

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re step removed from in front of premises of W. J. Hames, 61 Sackville Street.

*City Hall, August 19th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control beg to recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer re step removed from in front of the premises of W. J. Hames, 61 Sackville Street, and that the City Engineer be instructed to carry out the recommendations contained therein.

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

*City Engineer's Office, Aug. 17th, 1914.*

*His Worship the Mayor.*

*Sir:*—I beg to report on the attached letter from Mr. W. J. Hames respecting step removed from the front of his premises when the concrete sidewalk was laid.

The step was an enroachment on the street, and before it can be replaced, Mr. Hames should obtain a lease of the enroachment for which permission can be granted by the Board of Control. I would recommend that such permission be granted on the usual terms.

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

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

**CUNARD STREET SIDEWALK.**

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re concrete sidewalk on the north side of Cunard Street, from Gottingen Street to Agricola Street.

*City Hall, August 19th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control beg to recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer re concrete sidewalk on the north side of Cunard Street from Gottingen Street to Agricola Street, the work to be done when funds are available.

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

*City Engineer's Office, Aug. 18th, 1914.*

*His Worship the Mayor,*

*Sir:*—I beg to report on the advisability of laying a concrete sidewalk on the north side of Cunard Street from Gottingen Street to Agricola Street.

The widening of Cunard Street should have the effect of making Cunard Street a main business street connecting the Gottingen Street business district with Agricola Street, which is also developing rapidly as a business street. The north sidewalk is unimproved since the widening, simple grading only having been done. The estimated cost of constructing a concrete sidewalk and laying curb and gutter is \$5759.00.

I would recommend that a curb and gutter and concrete sidewalk be laid on the north side of Cunard Street between Gottingen Street and Agricola Street.

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

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

#### MORRIS AND ROBIE STREETS SIDEWALKS.

Read reports Board of Control and City Engineer re concrete sidewalk on the south side of Morris Street, from South Park Street to Robie Street, and on Robie Street in front of the Morris Street Fire Station.

*City Hall, August 19th, 1914.*

*The City Council.*

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Control beg to recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer re concrete sidewalk on the south side of Morris Street, from South Park Street to Robie Street, and on Robie Street in front of the Morris Street Fire Station, the work to be done when funds are available.

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

*City Engineer's Office, Aug. 18th, 1914.*

*His Worship the Mayor.*

*Sir:*—I beg to report on the proposal to lay a concrete sidewalk on the south side of Morris Street from South Park to Robie Street and on Robie Street in front of the Morris Street Fire Station.

Morris Boulevard is designed to connect with Robie Boulevard and to be constructed in a similar manner. It will also be the main approach to Dalhousie University grounds. As fast as the City can afford it, the street should be developed. The construction of a sidewalk with curb and gutter, on the south side of Morris Street from Park Street to Robie Street and on the east side of Robie Street in front of the City Fire Station, would be the first step in the permanent construction of the street. The estimated cost is \$6350.00, and I would recommend that the work be ordered.

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