

A F T E R N O O N    S E S S I O N.

4.10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

March 4th, 1918.

A special meeting of the City Council was held this afternoon at the above named hour ; present His Worship the Mayor, Controllers Finlay, Hines, Murphy and Aldermen Macnab, H. S. Colwell, Gillis, Kelly, Foley, Hart, Day, Guildford, Godwin and Parker.

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

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS.

The following named papers are submitted:-

Report Board of Control re Taxation in City of Halifax.  
Report Board of Control re Infectious Diseases Hospital.  
Protest 3 Members City Health Board against reconstruction of Infectious Diseases Hospital at Rock head.

CONSIDERATION OF PAPERS SUBMITTED.

TAXATION IN THE CITY OF HALIFAX.

Read report Board of Control covering proposed amendments to Chapter 39 of the Acts of 1916 entitled " An Act to amend the law Relating to Taxation in the City of Halifax."

Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded by Controller Murphy that the report and the amendments as read be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman H. S. Colwell, seconded by Alderman Kelly that consideration of the report be deferred until Thursday's meeting of the City Council and that in the meantime the members of Council be furnished with copies.

Amendment put and passed unanimously.

*All sent out ✓*

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INFECTIOUS DISEASES HOSPITAL.

Read report Board of Control recommending the reconstruction of the Infectious Diseases Hospital at Rockhead.

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Finlay that the report be adopted.

Read protest from Chairman and two other members of the City Health Board against the reconstruction of the Infectious Diseases Hospital at Rockhead.

By unanimous leave of Council a delegation from the Halifax Medical Society is permitted to address the meeting.

The Council is addressed in opposition to the reconstruction of the Infectious Diseases Hospital at Rockhead by Dr. A. C. Hawkins, Dr. N. E. McKay, Chairman of the City Health Board, Dr. A. I. Mader and Capt. A. G. Nicholls, M. D., Bacteriologist Victoria General Hospital and by ex-Controller John McKeen.

M. S. Clarke on behalf of the Real Estate Owners objected to the construction of an isolation hospital on the South Street side of the City Home property and suggested that there would be no objection to its erection on the north side of that property on the Morris Street front.

Dr. Mader advised that in any case the hospital should be termed an Isolation Hospital instead of an Infectious Diseases Hospital.

Moved by Alderman Kelly, seconded by Alderman Gillis that the matter be referred back to the Board of Control with the recommendation that the Board engage a competent architect to prepare plans for a permanent isolation hospital on the City Home property, Morris Street.

At 5.20 p. m. it is moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Alderman H. S. Colwell that this Council do now

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adjourn for fifteen minutes or less in order to enable the Board of Control to meet and further consider the matter now before the Council. Motion passed.

At 5.30 o'clock the Council resumes its session pursuant to adjournment.

The Board of Control verbally reports unanimously recommending that the City proceed with the construction of a temporary Isolation Hospital on the City Home property.

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Hines that the verbal report of the Board of Control be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Hines that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 6.02 o'clock.

MAYOR.

  
CITY CLERK.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

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A meeting of the City Council was held this evening at the above named hour; present His Worship the Mayor, Controllers Finlay, Hines, Murphy and Taylor, Aldermen Macnab, H. S. Colwell, Gillis, R. B. Colwell, Kelly, Foley, Hart, Day, Guildford, Godwin and Parker.

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

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS.

The following named papers are submitted.-

Reports (36) Board of Control as follows:-

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Isolation Hospital.  
Relief Expenditure Loan.  
Tracey Liquor Enquiry.  
City Engineer Doane - Recall of.  
Fire Department, Loan of \$20,000.00.  
Head Tax on Newcomers.  
Tuberculosis Hospital  
Superannuation Chief of Police John A. Rudland.  
Assessment Plan.  
City Fuel Yard.  
Fire Protection North End of City.  
Fire Insurance Public Gardens.  
Poles in Streets.  
City Home Improvement.  
Policewoman.  
Fire Department Superannuation Fund.  
Votes for Incorporated Companies.  
Water Meters.  
Electric Lighting Contract - Halifax Power Co.  
Gratuity to Daughter of John Spruin.  
Oiling of Streets.  
Bell's Lane, Narrowing of Thoroughfare.  
Superintendent of City Home.  
Town Planning Scheme.  
Police Appointments.  
Building Laws.  
Fire Department Loan of \$6,000.00/  
Laundries Special Tax.  
Superannuation of Firemen.  
City Property and Market Defecit.  
City Home report for February.  
Deputy Assessor McDonald - Superannuation Assessments.  
Plumbing Under Health Rules.  
City Home Tenders for Ice.  
Fire Department Report for February.  
Accounts.

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His Worship the Mayor submits report re Tracey  
Liquor Inquiry.

Other Headlines.

Special License Fees.  
Superannuation of Policemen.  
Taxation in the City of Halifax.  
Street Traffic Ordinance.  
Fire Insurance on City Property.  
Taxation of Dominion Government Property.  
Residential Area, Willow Park.  
CONSIDERATION OF PAPERS SUBMITTED.

ACCOUNTS.

Read report Board of Control recommending for pay-  
ment accounts chargeable to various services.

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

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT FOR FEBRUARY.

Read report Board of Control covering report Chief  
of the Fire Department for the month of February.

Filed.

CITY HOME, TENDERS FOR ICE.

Read report Board of Control re tenders for ice  
for the City Home.

Moved by Controller Hines, seconded by Controller  
Taylor that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

PLUMBING UNDER HEALTH RULES.

Read reports Board of Control and Clerk of Works  
covering schedule of accounts for work done in dwelling  
houses under City Health Board regulations to be col-  
lected in instalments by the City Collector.

Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded by Controller  
Murphy that the same be approved and filed with the City  
Collector. Motion passed.

SUPERANNUATION ASSESSMENTS DEPUTY ASSESSOR McDONALD.

Read reports Board of Control and City Treasurer re  
refund of superannuation assessments late Deputy Assessor

✓ Chief in Dept.

✓ Yes @ Barton ✓  
✓ re City Home

✓ City Collector ✓  
✓ Treasurer ✓

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George A. McDonald.

Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded by Controller Murphy that the same be approved. Motion passed.

CITY HOME REPORT FOR FEBRUARY.

Read report Board of Control covering report City Home for the Month of February. Filed.

CITY PROPERTY AND MARKET DEFICIT.

Read reports Board of Control and City Auditor re City Property and Market Maintenance deficit.

Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded by Controller Murphy that the same be approved. Motion passed.

SUPERANNUATION OF FIREMEN.

Read report Board of Control recommending that legislation be obtained for the superannuation at \$500.00 each of the following Fire Department Drivers,-

Patrick Monaghan, John Hennessey, Joseph Johnston.

Moved by Controller Hines, seconded by Controller Taylor that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

LAUNDRIES, SPECIAL TAX.

Read report Board of Control recommending that legislation be obtained to authorize the imposition of a special tax of \$100.00 each on laundries.

Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded by Controller Taylor that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

NORTH END FIRE PROTECTION.

Read report Board of Control recommending fireprotection north end of the City.

Moved by Controller Hines, seconded by Controller Taylor that the report be adopted. Motion passed, Alderman Godwin dissenting.

SPECIAL LICENSE FEES.

At suggestion of members of Council the Board of Control is requested to take into consideration the advisability of licensing restuarants, shoe shine parlors,

✓ City Treasurer ✓

✓ Josephson ✓  
City Home ✓

✓ Auditor ✓  
Solicitor ✓

✓ Chief Fire Dept ✓  
Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓

✓ Solicitor ✓  
Censor ✓

✓ Chief Fire Dept ✓  
Cont. Hines ✓  
Ralph P. Bell ✓  
Secy ✓  
An La France ✓  
Fire Engine Co ✓  
Normo. ✓

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and increasing the license fees for public Billiard and Pool Rooms, Bowling Alleys and Bill Boards.

FIRE DEPARTMENT LOAN OF \$6,000.00 FOR EQUIPMENT .

Read report Board of Control recommending the borrowing of \$6,000.00 for additional fire department equipment.

Moved by Controller Hines, seconded by Controller Taylor that the report be adopted. Motion passed, Alderman Godwin dissenting.

BUILDING LAWS.

Read report Board of Control recommending that legislation be applied for authorizing the City to revise the Building Laws and put the same into operation when so revised.

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Hines that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

RELIEF EXPENDITURE \$16,347.98.

Read report Board of Control covering schedule of accounts , recommending that the Relief Commission be requested to loan the City \$16,347.98 for Relief work following the explosion.

Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded by Controller Murphy that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

POLICE APPOINTMENTS.

Read report Board of Control re police appointments recommending that no change be made in the Law as it stands at present.

Moved by Controller Taylor, seconded by Controller Murphy that the report be adopted.

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

✓ Board of Control ✓

✓ Solicitor ✓  
✓ Auditor ✓  
✓ Chief Fire Dept ✓

✓ Solicitor ✓  
✓ Engineer ✓

Letter  
Ralph P. Bell ✓  
Sally ✓

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Amendment put and passed 11 voting for the same and 3 against it, as follows:-

For the Amendment.

Against it.

Controller Finlay  
Aldermen H. S. Colwell  
Gillis  
R. B. Colwell  
Kelly  
Foley  
Hart  
Day  
Guildford  
Godwin  
Parker - 11

Controllers Hines  
Murphy  
Taylor-3.

✓ Board of Control ✓

TOWN PLANNING SCHEME.

Read report Board of Control covering notice from the Town Planning Board of their intention to apply to the Commissioner of Works and Mines for authority to prepare a Town Planning Scheme for the City of Halifax.

Filed.

RESIDENTIAL AREA, WILLOW PARK.

Moved by Alderman Kelly, seconded by Alderman Parker that the Board of Control be authorized to prepare legislation defining a residential area for Willow Park. Motion passed.

✓ Solicitor ✓  
✓ Engineer ✓  
✓ R.M. Hather ✓  
✓ Com. Works ✓  
✓ Mines ✓

SUPERINTENDENT CITY HOME.

Read report Board of Control recommending the appointment of John H. Buchanan as Superintendent of the City Home from May 1st, 1918.

Moved by Controller Hines, seconded by Controller Murphy that the report be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Macnab, seconded by Alderman R. B. Colwell that the report be referred back to the Board of Control for further consideration.

Amendment put and passed 8 voting for the same and 7 against it, as follows:-

For the Amendment.

Against it.

Controller Taylor  
Aldermen Macnab  
H. S. Colwell

Controllers Finlay  
Hines  
Murphy

✓ Board of Control ✓  
✓ Engineer ✓  
✓ Solicitor ✓



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Aldermen Gillis  
R. B. Colwell  
Hart  
Guildford  
Parker - 8.

Aldermen Kelly  
Foley  
Day  
Godwin - 7.

✓ Board of Control ✓

BELL'S LANE NARROWING OF THOROUGHFARE.

Read report Board of Control re narrowing of thoroughfare Bell's Lane.

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Hines that the report be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman R. B. Colwell, seconded by Alderman H. S. Colwell that the report be referred back to the Board of Control for further consideration.

✓ Solicitor ✓  
John W. Regan ✓

Amendment put and lost 2 voting for the same and 13 against it, as follows:-

For the Amendment

Aldermen H. S. Colwell  
R. B. Colwell - 2.

Against it.

Controllers Finlay  
Hines  
Murphy  
Taylor  
Aldermen Macnab  
Gillis  
Kelly  
Foley  
Hart  
Day  
Guildford  
Godwin  
Parker-13

The original motion is put and passed.

OILING OF STREETS.

Read report Board of Control recommending that legislation be sought providing that abutting property owners shall be required to pay 50% of the cost of oiling of streets, the balance to be paid by the City.

✓ Engineer ✓  
Solicitor ✓

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Finlay that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

SUPERANNUATION JOHN A. RUDLAND, CHIEF OF POLICE.

Read reports Board of Control and City Treasurer re superannuation of John A. Rudland, Chief of Police.

✓ Solicitor ✓  
auditor ✓  
Chief of Police ✓  
John A. Rudland ✓  
City Treasurer ✓

Moved by Controller Taylor, seconded by Controller Hines that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

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SUPERANNUATION OF POLICEMEN.

Alderman H. S. Colwell asked that the Board of Control take into consideration the advisability of amending the law in respect to the age limit for the superannuation of members of the police force.

GRATUITY TO DAUGHTER OF JOHN SPRUIN.

Read report Board of Control recommending the payment of a gratuity to Florence, the daughter of John Spruin, a veteran fireman, killed in the explosion of December 6th.

Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded by Controller Hines that the report be adopted. Motion passed, Alderman R. B. Colwell dissenting.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING CONTRACT - HALIFAX POWER CO.

Read report Board of Control covering letter from the Halifax Power Company asking for the holding of a plebiscite in respect to an agreement between the City and the Halifax Power Company relating to electric lighting contract.

Moved by Alderman Kelly, seconded by Alderman Macnab that a vote of the electors of the City be taken under the provisions of Chapter 88 of the Acts of 1917, on the last Wednesday in April 1918; that the hours for opening and closing of the Polls, the places in each ward for taking the votes of the voters and the Officials appointed to receive and conduct the vote for the ordinary annual election on that day be and are hereby fixed and appointed as the date, the hours, the places and the Officials for taking the vote under said Chapter 88 of the Acts of 1917.

Moved in amendment by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Taylor that the last Wednesday in April be not fixed as the date for holding of a plebiscite under the

✓ Board of Control.  
✓ acting chief of Police

✓ solicitor  
✓ auditor  
✓ Sgt. Spruin

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provisions of Chapter 88 of the Acts of 1917, but that a Committee of this Council be appointed to confer with the Halifax Power Company and report to this Council as to the condition of the Company.

The amendment is put and lost 6 voting for the same and 9 against it, as follows:-

For the Amendment.

Against it.

Controllers Hines  
Murphy  
Taylor  
Aldermen R. B. Colwell  
Guildford  
Godwin - 6

Controller Finlay  
Aldermen Macnab  
H.S. Colwell  
Gillis  
Kelly  
Foley  
Hart  
Day  
Parker - 9.

The original motion is put and passed.

WATER METERS.

Read report Board of Control recommending legislation to define the word "occupant" in the Water Meters Act.

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Finlay that the report be adopted. Motion passed, Alderman Godwin dissenting.

VOTES FOR INCORPORATED COMPANIES.

Read report Board of Control recommending that legislation be obtained extending the Civic Franchise to accredited representatives of Incorporated Companies.

Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded by Controller Murphy that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

FIRE DEPARTMENT SUPERANNUATION FUND.

Read report Board of Control recommending amendments to the Fire Department Superannuation Fund.

Moved by Controller Hines, seconded by Controller Taylor that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

POLICEWOMAN.

Read report Board of Control recommending the appointment of Mrs. Mary Vittue as a policewoman and that authority for the appointment be sought by legislation.

*City clerk ✓  
City Solicitor ✓  
Mr. Bowditch ✓*

*Solicitor ✓  
Engineer ✓*

*Solicitor ✓  
Assessor ✓  
City collector ✓*

*Solicitor ✓  
Chief Fire Dept ✓  
Treasurer ✓*

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Moved by Controller Taylor, seconded by Controller Hines that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

CITY HOME IMPROVEMENT.

Read reports Board of Control and Controller Hines recommending the borrowing of \$6,000.00 for improvements at the City Home.

Moved by Controller Hines, seconded by Controller Taylor that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

HEAD TAX ON NEWCOMERS INTO THE CITY.

Read report Board of Control recommending the securing of legislation to authorize the imposition and collection of a head tax of five dollars per year on newcomers into the City, covering report from Alderman Foley.

Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded by Controller Hines that the report be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman R. B. Colwell, seconded by Alderman Kelly that the report be referred back to the Board of Control for further report.

Amendment is put and lost 3 voting for the same and 11 against it, as follows:-

For the Amendment.

Alderman Macnab  
R. B. Colwell  
Kelly - 3.

Against it.

Controllers Finlay  
Hines  
Taylor  
Murphy  
Aldermen Gillis  
Foley  
Hart  
Day  
Guildford  
Godwin  
Parker -11

h7 m The original motion is put on board. Alderman  
cc R B Colwell dissenting

POLES IN STREETS.

Read report Board of Control re Poles in Streets.

Moved by Alderman Kelly, seconded by Alderman Parker that the report be referred back to the Board of Control for further consideration and report. Motion passed.

Solicitor ✓  
act'g chief of Police ✓

Solicitor ✓  
auditor ✓  
cont. Hines ✓  
Jas. A. Brown ✓  
recy. ✓

Solicitor ✓  
assessor ✓  
collector ✓

Board of Control ✓

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FIRE INSURANCE PUBLIC GARDENS.

Read report Board of Control re tenders for fire insurance Public Gardens.

Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded by Controller Murphy that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

LOAN FOR ASSESSMENT PLANS.

Read report Board of Control recommending the borrowing of \$2,500.00 for the purpose of completing work in connection with the City assessment plans.

Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded by Controller Murphy that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

CITY FUEL YARD .

Read report Board of Control covering report Acting City Engineer, covering schedules, re the operation of the City Fuel Yard during the past season.

Moved by Controller Taylor, seconded by Controller Hines that the report be approved. Motion passed.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL.

Read report Board of Control covering report Controllers Finlay and Hines and letter from the Provincial Health Officer re Tuberculosis Hospital.

Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded by Controller Hines that the same be adopted. Motion passed.

LOAN \$20,000.00 FROM RELIEF COMMISSION FOR FIRE

DEPARTMENT.

Read report Board of Control recommending the seeking of a temporary loan of \$20,000.00 from the Relief Commission for the purpose of replacing Fire Department property destroyed by the explosion.

Moved by Controller Hines, seconded by Controller Murphy that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

The following resolution is submitted:-

Whereas the Fire Department suffered a heavy loss through the late disaster to its equipment for fighting fires, and for the protection of the property of the

Supl Public  
Gardens ✓  
Auditor ✓  
Acadia Fire  
Ins Co. ✓

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓  
Assessor ✓

Engineer ✓  
City Works ✓  
Auditor ✓

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓  
Engineer ✓

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citizens it is necessary to replace this as soon as possible;

And Whereas the value of the damage done was considerably over twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000);

Therefore Resolved that the Halifax Relief Commission be asked to loan the City an amount not exceeding twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) for purposes of replacing equipment damaged and destroyed by the late explosion.

Moved by Controller Hines, seconded by Controller Murphy and passed.

CITY ENGINEER DOANE - RECALL OF.

Read report Board of Control recommending that the City Council request the Military Authorities to permit Major F. W. W. Doane, City Engineer, to return to his civic duties.

Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded by Controller Hines that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

ISOLATION HOSPITAL.

Read report Board of Control covering letter from the Halifax Relief Commission re Isolation Hospital.

Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded by Controller Murphy that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

TRACEY LIQUOR ENQUIRY.

Read report His Worship the Mayor on investigation asked for by the Council upon the charges of drunkenness on the part of members of the Council and Officials and of theft of liquor from Liquor Inspector Tracey's Office, made by the Halifax Herald.

Read report Board of Control covering letters (2) from the Social Service Council on the foregoing subject.

Alderman Macnab submits the following resolution:-

Whereas at the time of the calamity which overtook the Citizens of Halifax through the explosion which occurred in our Harbour on December 6th, 1917, when our citizens were all more or less afflicted and could not attend to the pressing needs of the moment and sought advice and relief at our City Hall, and of our City Officials;

And Whereas the City Officials and elected representatives from the Mayor down to the humblest official

RP Bell ✓  
clerk in Dept ✓  
cont. Hines ✓  
Auditor ✓  
Treasurer ✓

Letter ✓  
Office Memorandum ✓  
Municipal District ✓  
no 6. ✓  
acting City Engineer ✓

RP Bell ✓  
Engineer ✓  
Auditor ✓  
Jas. W. Brown ✓  
Dr. H. E. Mackay ✓  
Chas. C. Hall, Mayor ✓

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without solicitation, but with wholehearted sympathy, grasped the situation and have been working day and night with almost no cessation since the disaster in helping the distressed,

And Whereas a cruel unwarranted attack was made in the columns of the Evening Mail and Halifax Herald in the issues of January 9 and 10, on the Civic Officials and elected representatives of theft of liquor and other ungentlemanly conduct and the same have gone broadcast over the whole Continent to be published in other newspapers and

Whereas the Mayor of Halifax City at an investigation held at the City Hall on with witnesses under oath has reported that the investigation has proven that the accusations were groundless and such a state of affairs as the Evening Mail pictured did not exist and that the charges are a slander on the good name of the City and its officials and elected representatives,

Therefore Resolved that we as a City Council hereby protest against the unfair statement made by the Evening Mail and call on the management of the Herald Co., Ltd., to publish a complete denial of the charges made and that the same be given the same publicity as the aforesaid charge, within 48 hours of the receipt of this resolution, failing to do so will render them liable to a charge in the Courts for slander.

Moved by Alderman Macnab, seconded by Alderman Kelly.

The resolution is put and lost 4 voting for the same and 11 against it, as follows:-

For the Motion.

Aldermen Macnab  
Kelly  
Hart  
Day - 4.

Against it.

Controllers Finlay  
Hines  
Taylor  
Murphy  
Aldermen H. S. Colwell  
Gillis  
R. B. Colwell  
Foley  
Guildford  
Godwin  
Parker - 11

TAXATION IN CITY OF HALIFAX.

Read report Board of Control re taxation in the City of Halifax covering amendments/<sup>as</sup>proposed by the Board of Trade.

Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded by Controller Hines that the report together with the amendments submitted therewith be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

STREET TRAFFIC ORDINANCE.

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller

*Letter Res ✓  
F & Barrett*

*Solicitor ✓  
Assessor ✓  
Collector ✓  
E. Saunders ✓*

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Finlay that the Council do now consider the Ordinance read a first and second time on February 7th, 1918 entitled "An Ordinance to Regulate Traffic on Streets". Motion passed.

Read an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to Regulate Traffic on Streets".

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Finlay that the said Ordinance be now read a third time. Motion passed.

Read a third time an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to Regulate Traffic on Streets".

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Finlay that said Ordinance having been duly read a third time in Council be now finally adopted and forwarded to the Governor in Council for approval. Motion passed.

FIRE INSURANCE ON CITY PROPERTY.

Alderman R. B. Colwell asked for an early report from Controller Finlay as to insurance on City Property.

TAXATION ON DOMINION GOVERNMENT PROPERTY.

Alderman Kelly submits the following resolution:-

Whereas the Federal Government owns in addition to the millions of untaxed Military, Naval, Railway and other governmental properties, the following residences valued for assessment as follows:- Pleasant St. \$255,000.00; South Atlantic Street, \$20,000.00; Young Avenue, \$20,000.00; total value \$295,000.00, which are rented to private citizens in competition with local tax payers,

And Whereas Halifax is already carrying a much greater burden in the form of government exempted properties than any other city in Canada, if not in the British Empire,

And Whereas the matter referred to in this resolution causes a gross injustice to this heavily taxed and suffering community,

And Whereas there can be no question as to the injustice, unfairness and inequitableness of government property used for private purposes not paying local taxes,

It is therefore Resolved that this Council petition the Federal Government requesting a remedy for this injustice by agreeing to pay taxes to the City on government property while being used for private purposes,

Further Resolved that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Sir Robert Borden, Hon. A. K. McLean and Hon. D. Reid, Minister of Railways, through which department

*Letter Provincial Secy ✓*

*Cont. Finlay ✓*

*Letter Sir R. Borden ✓  
Hon. A. K. McLean ✓  
Hon. D. Reid ✓  
His Worship ✓  
The Mayor ✓*



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these properties are rented.

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

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Finlay that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 11.25 o'clock.

MAYOR.

  
CITY CLERK.

A F T E R N O O N S E S S I O N .

4 o'clock,

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL.

April 3rd, 1918.

A special meeting of the City Council was held this afternoon at the above named hour; present Deputy Mayor H. S. Colwell, Chairman, Controllers Finlay, Murphy, Taylor and Aldermen McNab, Gillis R. B. Colwell, Furness, Kelly Day, Fuildford, Godwin and Parker.

HALIFAX RELIEF COMMISSION CHARTER.

The Council was summoned by the following notice:-

Office of City Clerk  
Halifax, N. S. April 2nd, 1918.

Sir:-

You are respectfully requested to attend a special meeting of the City Council tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock when the Halifax Relief Commission will explain the provisions of House of Assembly Bill No. 81 entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Halifax Relief Commission."

L. Fred Monaghan,

City Clerk.

The Acting Mayor explained to the City Council the purpose of the meeting.

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Alderman Parker that the Council permit any citizens present to express their views in regard to the Bill now before the meeting. Motion passed.

Acting Mayor Colwell called upon T. S. Rogers, Chairman of the Halifax Relief Commission to explain the provisions of the Bill.

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The Council is addressed by Mr. Rogers and by J. J. Power K. O. Rod McDonald, S. J. Harivel, Douglas MacGillivray, Charles E. Johnson, Wm. Murphy and others

Moved by Alderman Godwin seconded by Controller Finlay that the Honorable the Premier of Nova Scotia be notified that it is the wish of this Council that Bill No. 82, entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Halifax Relief Commission" be withdrawn from the Legislature in its entirety.

Motion put and passed 8 voting for the same and 1 against it, as follows:-

For the Motion.

Controller Murphy  
Finlay  
Taylor  
Alderman Foley  
Day  
Guildford  
Godwin  
Parker-8

Against it.

Alderman McNab - 1

VICTORIA GENERAL HOSPITAL-MAINTENANCE  
OF PATIENTS.

Controller Murphy calls attention of the Council to House of Assembly Bill No. 92 entitled "An Act to Amend Chapter 8, Acts of 1917 An Act in respect to the Victoria General Hospital." pointing out that the proposed bill imposes upon the City liability for the care and maintenance in the Victoria General Hospital of all persons sojourning in the City for thirty days and that the Act is to be read and construed as though it had been enacted originally in Chapter 8, Acts of 1917 thus making the City liable for

Non Geo H  
Murray

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Members ✓  
Committee  
all patients admitted to the Hospital since  
1 st of October, 1917 who claim a residence  
in the City of thirty days.

Referred to the Special Committee on  
Legislation.

Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded  
by Controller Murphy that the Council do now  
adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 6.35 o'clock.

DEPUTY MAYOR.

*L. J. O'Connell*  
CITY CLERK.

EVENING SESSION

8.10 o'clock,

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL.

April 4th, 1918.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening at the above named hour; present Deputy Mayor H. S. Wolwell, Chairman, Controllers Finlay, Murphy and Taylor and Aldermen McNab, Gillis, Furness, Kelly, Foley, Hart, Day, Godwin and Parker.

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

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

The following named papers are submitted:-

Reports (29) Board of Control, as follows:-

Temporary Military Huts on North Common.  
Tuberculosis Hospital.  
Hack Ordinance.  
Abattoir Loan \$10,000.00  
Union Engine Company and Veteran Firemens Association, Assistance at Fires.  
Insurance on Motor Fire Apparatus.  
Military Gardening on Camp Hill.  
Oiling of Streets.  
Colin Mc Gillivray - Superannuation.  
Chief of Police - Frank Hanrahan.  
Cash Statements, City Treasurer.  
City Home Report for March Accounts.  
Fire Insurance on City's Properties.  
Electric Lighting Contract - Halifax Power Company - Plebiscite.  
Presiding Officers.  
Rate of Interest on City Bonds.  
Fire Alarm Signal Boxes.  
City Home Deficit \$9,294.03  
Assistant City Clerk - Salary.  
Police Appointments.  
Bill Boards License Fee.  
Shoe Shine Parlors License Fee.  
Billiard Tables and Bowling Alleys.  
Restaurants License Fee and Inspection.  
Victoria General Hospital Accounts for Patients.  
Superintendent City Home.  
Fire Prevention and Inspection of Buildings.  
John D. McAskill's Superannuation Assessments.

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Other Headlines.

War Risk Insurance.  
City Engineer Doane-Recall of.  
Fire Escapes.  
City Architect.  
King Edward Hotel Fire.  
Halifax Relief Commission.

HALIFAX RELIEF COMMISSION.

*R. E. Finn*

The City Clerk read and submitted a letter  
the  
from R. E. Finn, M. P. P re a public hearing before  
the House of Assembly Committee on Law Amendments  
on the bill now before the Legislature, entitled  
"An Act to Incorporate the Halifax Relief Com-  
mission", and informed the Council that he had  
been notified by Mr. Finn that the said Committee  
would hear the members of the City Council at  
a meeting to be held tomorrow morning at 11  
o'clock, that later an opportunity would be  
given to the Trades and Labor Council to be  
heard and following that a general public  
meeting.

CONSIDERATION OF PAPERS SUBMITTED.

CASH STATEMENTS CITY TREASURER-FEBRUARY  
AND MARCH?

Read report Board of Control covering  
Cash Statements City Treasurer for the months  
of February and March. Filed.

ACCOUNTS.

Read report Board of Control recommending  
for payment accounts chargeable to various  
departments.

Moved by Controller Finlay seconded by  
Controller Murphy that the report be adopted.  
Motion passed.

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MILITARY GARDENING ON CAMP HILL.

Read report Board of Control recommending compliance with the request from the Military Authorities that the Military Hospitals Commission be granted permission to use a portion of Camp Hill property for the purpose of raising crops.

*Prob 7 H  
Septon*

Moved by Controller Taylor seconded by Controller Murphy that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

CITY HOME REPORT FOR MARCH.

Read report Board of Control covering report city Home for the month of March.

*for Wagon*

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Finlay that the same be adopted. Motion passed.

PRESIDING OFFICERS.

Read report Board of Control recommending that Presiding Officers to conduct an Election for Mayor on the 24th inst., and the Plebiscite under the provisions of Chapter 88 of the Acts of 1917 "The Halifax Power Company Act" be appointed, as follows:-

Ward One.	James H. Dow J. C. O'Mullin.
Ward Two.	Controller Taylor Joseph R. Thompson.
Ward Three.	Roy R. Power. W. A. Monaghan.
Ward Four.	A. G. Cummings. J. T. McDonald
Ward Five.	C. I. McCullough W. E. Messervey.

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Ward Six. H. C. Powell  
Harry Burgess.

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by  
Controller Finlay that the report be adopted.  
Motion passed.

HACK ORDINANCE.

Read report Board of Control covering an  
Ordinance to amend Section 6 of Ordinances No. 14  
"Of Hacks".

Moved by Controller Taylor seconded by Con-  
troller Murphy that the report be adopted. Motion  
passed.

Moved by Controller Taylor, seconded by  
Controller Murphy that the said Ordinance be  
now read a first time. Motion passed.

Read an Ordinance, entitled "Of Hacks".

Moved by Controller Taylor, seconded by  
Controller Murphy that the said report be now  
read a second time. Motion passed.

Read a second time an Ordinance entitled  
"Of Hacks."

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL.

Read report Board of Control re site for  
a permanent Tuberculosis Hospital near Point  
Pleasant Park.

Moved by Controller Finlay seconded by  
Controller Murphy that said report be adopted.  
Motion passed.

CHIEF OF POLICE-FRANK HANRAHAN.

Read report Board of Control recommending  
that Frank Hanrahan be appointed Chief of Police  
to assume office April 15th, 1918, upon the

*all notified ✓*

*Order of the  
Day.*

*Solicitor ✓*

*F Hanrahan ✓*



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retirement of John A. Rudland.

Moved by Controller Taylor, seconded by  
Controller Finlay that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

COLIN MACGILLIVRAY-SUPERANNUATION.

Read report Board of Control recommending  
the superannuation of Colin MacGillivray a fore-  
man in the City Works Department.

Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded by  
Controller Murphy that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

FIRE INSURANCE ON CITY'S PROPERTIES.

Read reports Board of Control and Controller  
Finlay re amount of Fire Insurance carried on  
City's Properties. Filed.

WAR RISK INSURANCE.

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by  
Controller Finlay that the Board of Control  
be requested to consider the advisability of  
insuring City Properties against War Risk and  
that if deemed to be advisable to instruct the  
City Solicitor to prepare and submit legislation  
authorizing the City to take out such insurance.

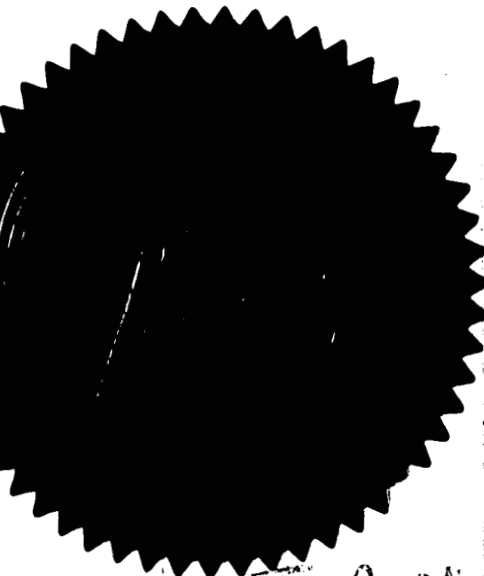
OILING OF STREETS.

Read report Board of Control and Acting  
City Engineer re Oiling of Streets.

Moved by Controller Finlay seconded by  
Controller Murphy that the same be adopted. Motion  
passed.

INSURANCE ON MOTOR FIRE APPARATUS.

Read report Board of Control re Insurance  
of Motor Fire Apparatus. Filed.



*Deputy Mayor*  
*L. J. McLaughlin*  
*City Clerk*  
*Solicitor*

*Solicitor*  
*D/C*

*Solicitor*  
*Engineer*

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UNION ENGINE COMPANY AND VETERAN FIREMENS  
ASSOCIATION-ASSISTANCE AT FIRES.

Read report Board of Control covering a letter from the Union Engine Company and Veteran Firemens Association, offering the services of members of said organization to the Fire Department in case of necessity.

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Finlay that the report be adopted and the City Clerk instructed to write a suitable acknowledgment conveying the thanks of the City. Motion passed.

ABATTOIR LOAN \$10,000.00

Read report Board of Control recommending that \$10,000.00 be borrowed for completion of the Public Abattoir.

Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded by Controller Murphy that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

VICTORIA GENERAL HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS FOR PATIENTS.

Read report Board of Control re accounts for care and treatment of patients in the Victoria General Hospital and recommending that the City protest against House of Assembly Bill No.92 entitled "An Act to Amend Chapter 9, Acts of 1917 An Act in respect to the Victoria General Hospital" which act makes the City liable for all patients admitted into the Hospital who have resided in the City for thirty days.

Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded by

*Letter  
recd.  
VFA ✓*

*Solicitor  
Auditor  
Engineer ✓*

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Controller Murphy that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

JOHN D. McASKILL'S SUPERANNUATION ASSESSMENTS.

Read report Board of Control re Superannuation Assessments John D. McAskill.

Moved by Controller Finlay seconded by Controller Murphy that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

FIRE PREVENTION AND INSPECTION OF BUILDINGS.

Read report Board of Control re Fire Prevention and Inspection of buildings.

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Finlay that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

SUPERINTENDENT CITY HOME.

Read report Board of Control re the appointment of a Superintendent of the City Home.

Moved by Controller Finlay seconded by Controller Murphy that the report be adopted. Motion passed unanimously.

RESTAURANTS-LICENSE FEES AND INSPECTION.

Read report Board of Control recommending that legislation be secured to impose a license fee on Restaurants and authorize the City Health Board to pass By-Laws for the inspection and regulations of Restaurants.

Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded by Alderman Kelly that the report be adopted. Motion passed. Controller Murphy dissenting.

*City Treasurer ✓*

*Solicitor ✓  
Sally Board ✓  
of Trade ✓*

*Letter ✓  
John H ✓  
Buchanan ✓  
Gas & Bryant ✓*

*Suburban ✓*

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BILLIARD TABLES AND BOWLING ALLEYS.

*Solicitor ✓*  
Read report Board of Control recommending amendments to the Ordinance relating to Billiard Tables and Bowling Alleys, increasing the licence fees.

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Finlay that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

SHOE SHINE PARLORS-LICENSE FEES.

*Solicitor ✓*  
Read report Board of Control recommending that legislation be sought imposing a license fee on Shoe Shine Parlors.

Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded by Controller Murphy that the report be adopted. Motion passed, Alderman Godwin dissenting.

BILL BOARDS LICENSE FEES.

Read report Board of Control re Bill Boards license fees.

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Finlay that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

TEMPORARY HUTS ON NORTH COMMON.

Read report Board of Control recommending that permission be granted the Military Authorities to erect temporary building<sup>s</sup> for troops on the North Common.

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Finlay that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

Alderman Kelly suggested that a clause be added to the agreement to be made with the Military Authorities respecting the erection of

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temporary huts on the Common, providing that the Military Authorities grade the land after removing the temporary structures.

Referred to the Board of Control.

CITY ENGINEER DOANE-RECALL OF.

The Deputy Mayor asked if it is the wish of the Council that he cable to England to City Engineer F. W. W. Doane requesting him to obtain leave to return to his duties as City Engineer.

The Council acquiesces.

POLICE APPOINTMENTS.

Read report Board of Control recommending concurrence in the City Councils' request that legislation be sought restoring to the City Council authority to appoint and dismiss Policemen.

Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded by Alderman Kelly that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

ASSISTANT CITY CLERK-SALARY.

Read report Board of Control recommending payment to Assistant City Clerk H. S. Rhind of \$100.00 for extra services in connection with liquor prosecutions.

Moved by Controller Finlay seconded by Controller Murphy that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

CITY HOME DEFICIT. \$9,294.03

Read report Board of Control recommending that legislation be sought authorizing the City to pay a deficit of \$9,294.03 in City Home appropriation.

*Col. Thompson  
Engineer  
B/C*

*Cablegram to  
F. W. W. Doane*

*Resolution*

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*Solicitor ✓*  
Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded by Controller Murphy that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM.

*Solicitor ✓  
auditor ✓  
electrician ✓*  
Read report Board of Control recommending the borrowing of \$ 6,000.00 for the purpose of improving the Fire Alarm System.

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Finlay that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

RATE OF INTEREST ON CITY BONDS.

*Solicitor ✓  
Cont. Finlay ✓  
Treasurer ✓  
auditor ✓*  
Read Report Board of Control and Controller Finlay that legislation be sought fixing the rate of interest on City Bonds, not to exceed 6 per cent.

Moved by Controller Finlay seconded by Controller Murphy that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING CONTRACT-HALIFAX POWER COMPANY-PLEBISCITE.

Read report Board of Control recommending that Wednesday, April 24th, 1918 be fixed as the date for the taking of a plebiscite under the provisions of Chapter 88 of the Acts of 1917. "The Halifax Power Company Act".

Moved by ~~Controller~~ Finlay-Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman Parker that the Deputy Mayor nominate a committee of four members of the City Council to act with the Board of Control for the purpose of taking steps to inform the rate payers as to the views of the

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City Council in respect to the agreement between the City and the Halifax Power Company. Motion passed.

The Deputy Mayor nominated <sup>as</sup> a-special Committee :-

Aldermen, Kelly, R. B. Colwell, Furness and Godwin.

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Alderman Gillis that the nomination be approved. Concurred in. Motion passed.

FIRE ESCAPES.

Alderman Parker called attention of the Council to the narrow escape a number of inmates of the King Edward hotel had on the occasion of the recent fire in that Hotel and asked what steps are being taken in regard to fire escapes. Alderman Parker is informed that the City now has a bill before the Legislature for the reorganization of the board of Fire Escapes.

CITY ARCHITECT.

Moved by Alderman Kelly, seconded by Alderman Parker that the City Solicitor be instructed to draft and submit legislation empowering the City to appoint an architect. Motion passed.

KING EDWARD HOTEL. Fire

Moved by Alderman Hart seconded by Alderman Kelly that the City Clerk be instructed to write a letter of appreciation of the services rendered by visiting Men of War Sailors at the

*Members  
Committee ✓*

*Solicitor ✓*

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recent fire at the King Edward Hotel. Motion  
passed.

Moved by Alderman Godwin seconded by  
Alderman Hart that the Council do now adjourn.

Motion passed.

The Council adjourns 10.55 o'clock.

DEPUTY MAYOR.

*L. J. McManaghan*  
CITY CLERK.

*Latter ✓  
Admission  
to  
GC  
HMS niche*



EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock,

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

April 12th, 1918.

A special meeting of the City Council was held this evening at the above named hour, there were present Deputy Mayor H. S. Colwell, Chairman, Controllers Finlay and Hines and Aldermen R. B. Colwell, Kelly, Day, Guildford, Furness and McNab.

Moved by Controller Finlay seconded by Controller Hines that the time for meeting be extended until a quorum was present or until 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8.25 o'clock

Roll Call

Present the above named together with Controller Murphy and Aldermen Foley, Hart and Parker.

The Council was summoned for the purpose of considering <sup>proposed</sup> ~~passing~~ of an act to abolish the Board of Control.

PLEBISCITE AS TO FORM OF CIVIC GOVERNMENT.

Read House of Assembly Bill No. 97 entitled "An Act to enable a plebiscite to be taken in the City of Halifax as to form of Civic Government".

Moved by Alderman McNab, seconded by Alderman Guildford that this Council endorse Bill No. 97, entitled "An Act to enable a plebiscite to be taken in the City of Halifax as to the form of Civic Governemtn". Motion put, and lost,

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3 voting for same and 9 against it, as follows:-

For the Motion.

Controllers Finlay  
Hines.  
Alderman Guildford.-3

Against it.

Controller Murphy  
Aldermen Macnab.  
R. B. Colwell  
Furness  
Kelly  
Foley  
Hart  
D Day  
Parke-9

Alderman R. B. Colwell submits the following resolution:-

WHEREAS by reason of the extraordinary conditions existing in Halifax created by the great disaster of December Sixth last, and the immensity of the civic problem arising thereout,

AND WHEREAS in all cities visited by disaster, it has been found wise for a time to entrust an appointive Commission with the executive functions of Government in the restoration of the cities and the solution of the civic problem incident to the disaster,

AND WHEREAS. there exist special and extraordinary reasons why it is vital to the future welfare of the city of Halifax that an extra efficient administration of civic affairs should now be had,

AND WHEREAS this can best be obtained by the abolition of the offices of Mayor and the members of the Board of Control and the appointment of a Commission by a thoroughly independent authority.

THEREFORE RESOLVED. that Legislature of Nova Scotia be respectfully requested at its present Session to immediately pass Legislation to become effective on the 30th day of April, 1918---

- (a) To abolish the office of Mayor  
To determine the term of all  
Controllers, and to substitute  
therefor a Commission of three  
members to be appointed by  
the Chief Justice of the  
Supreme Court of Nova Scotia

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one of the said members to be named Chairman of said Commission, the said Chairman to perform and exercise all the functions heretofore performed and exercised by the Mayor of Halifax and the said Chairman and the other members to perform and exercise all the functions heretofore performed by the Board of Control.

- (c) Said Commission to hold office for a term not exceeding five (5) years.
- (d) Each said Commissioner to be paid out of the civic funds an annual salary not exceeding \$3000.00
- (e) The said legislation to be subject to all the provisions of the initiative referendum and recall.

Moved by Alderman R. B. Colwell seconded by Alderman Kelly. The resolution is put and lost 5 voting for same and 7 against it, as follows:-

FOR the motion.

Alderman Macnab  
R. B. Colwell  
Furness  
Kelly  
Hart-5

Against it.

Controllers Finlay  
Murphy  
Hines  
Alderman Foley  
Day  
Guildford  
Parker-7

Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded by Controller Murphy that the Council do now adjourn.  
Motion passed.

The Council adjourns 10.05 o'clock.

DEPUTY MAYOR

*L. J. McLaughlin*  
CITY CLERK.

EVENING SESSION

8. 10 o'clock

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

April 25th, 1918.

A special meeting of the City Council was held this evening at the above named hour; present His Worship the Mayor, and Controllers Finlay, Murphy and Taylor and Alderman H. S. Colwell, R. B. Colwell, Kelly, Foley, Hart, Guildford and Parker.

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

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS.

City Clerk's returns of the Election for Mayor.  
City Clerk's returns of Plebiscite of Halifax  
Power Company - Hydro-Electric Power Act.

Reports (5) Board of Control, viz;-

Clean-up Week.  
Police Uniform Clothing.  
Water Bill-Canada Atlantic Steamship Company.  
Water Department-Estimates.  
Loan \$20,000.00 to pay Relief Bills.

CONSIDERATION OF PAPERS SUBMITTED.

ELECTION FOR MAYOR.

Read returns City Clerk covering the nomination papers of James Halliday, Arthur C. Hawkins, and Norman E. Mackay for the office of Mayor for the City of Halifax, together with the Poll Boxes containing the returns of the Presiding Officers at the several polling places in the City at the Election held April 24th, 1918,

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said returns showing James Halliday to have received 635 votes, Arthur C. Hawkins 1493 votes and Norman E. Mackay 641 votes.

The City Clerk declares Arthur C. Hawkins duly elected Mayor of the City of Halifax for the Civic Year 1918-19.

The following Resolution was submitted:-

RESOLVED That the City Clerk be and he is hereby directed to notify the Honorable the Provincial Secretary of the election of Arthur C. Hawkins M. D., to the office of Mayor of the City of Halifax, and to request that His Honor the Lieutenant Governor may be pleased to administer the Oaths of Office to the Mayor elect.

The Resolution is moved by Alderman Parker seconded by Alderman Foley and passed unanimously.

PLEBISCITE-HALIFAX POWER COMPANY-HYDRO-ELECTRIC POWER .

Read return of City Clerk on the poll of the Voters taken along with the election for Mayor <sup>had</sup> on the 24th day of April, 1918 under authority of Chapter 88 of the Acts of 1917 entitled "An Act to authorize the City of Halifax to hold shares in the Halifax Power Company Limited and to Lend Money to said Company."

The voting being on the following question as prescribed by said Act:

BALLOT PAPER.

	YES	NO
Are you in favor of the City of Halifax loaning to the Halifax Power Company when it has completed its developments to the satisfaction of the City \$400,000 in exchange for a mortgage of \$400,000 and 51 percent of the stock of the Company: and the Company undertaking to light the City for \$30,000 a year for 25 years?		

*Arthur C. Hawkins*  
*Letter*  
*Provincial Secretary*

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The returns showed the number of Voters on the Civic list of Voters to be 7662 and the number of ballots cast for Mayor 2769 and the number of ballots cast on the question submitted 2600;

~~The~~ total number voting in the affirmative 2116 ;

~~The~~ total number voting in the negative 484.

Filed.

WATER BILL-CANADA ATLANTIC STEAMSHIP CO.

Read reports Board of Control and Acting City Engineer re Water Bill Canada Atlantic Steamship Company.

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Taylor that the same be adopted. Motion passed.

POLICE UNIFORM CLOTHING.

Read report Board of Control re tenders for Police Uniform Clothing.

Moved by Controller Taylor seconded by Controller Murphy that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

LOAN \$20,000.00 TO PAY RELIEF BILLS.

Read report Board of Control recommending that the City Treasurer be authorized to negotiate a loan of \$20,000.00 from the Relief Commission for the purpose of paying Relief Accounts.

The following Resolution is submitted:-

WHEREAS the City of Halifax has incurred expenditures for the purpose of defraying losses or replacements occasioned to City property by the explosion of December 6th 1917 and it is necessary that amounts so incurred be paid.

*Cy Collector ✓  
Clerk B W orlando ✓  
Cy Engineer ✓  
Col H S Chipman ✓  
Plant Service ✓*

*Chief of Police ✓  
Magistrate ✓*

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AND WHEREAS by an Act of the Legislature of Nova Scotia passed during the present session of 1918 the City is authorized to borrow from time to time and in such amounts as are required for that purpose a sum not exceeding \$500,000.00

*City Treasurer  
Relief Commission*

THEREFORE RESOLVED That the City Treasurer be authorized to negotiate with the Halifax Relief Commission for a loan not to exceed \$20,000.00 for the payment of accounts now outstanding, the said loan to be secured by bonds of the Halifax City Consolidated Fund Act 1905.

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Finlay and passed.

CLEAN UP WEEK.

Read report Board of control recommending that the City Works Department lend assistance to the Civic Improvement League in the work of so called "Clean up Week" May 6th to 11th.

*Engineer*

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Finlay that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

WATER DEPARTMENT ESTIMATES-1918-19

Read report Board of control covering reports (2) Controller Murphy re Water Department Estimates 1918-19. The reports are laid upon the table and copies ordered to be forwarded to each member of the Council.

*Council*

ADDRESS BY HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR.

His Worship the Mayor addresses the Council, thanking the members for their attention to City affairs and for their assistance to him during his term of office, and complimenting the City Officials for their attention to duty.

Deputy Mayor Alderman H. S. Colwell and Alderman R. B. Colwell replied on behalf of the

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members of the Council, City Solicitor Bell  
replied on behalf of the City Officials,  
Controller Murphy replied on behalf of the  
Board of Control.

Moved by Alderman Ra B. Colwell seconded  
by Controller Murphy that the Council do now  
adjourn. Motion passed.

The Council adjourns 8.40 o'clock.

MAYOR

  
CITY CLERK.



EVENING SESSION

8.10 o'clock,

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

April 29th, 1918.

A special meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present Deputy Mayor H. S. Colwell, Chairman, Controllers Murphy, Taylor and Finlay and Aldermen Gillis and Day.

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Finlay that the time for meeting be extended until a quorum was present or until 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8.25 o'clock Roll Call; present the above named together with Aldermen Macnab, R. B. Colwell, Kelly, Hart, Guildford and Parker.

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

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS.

The following papers are submitted:-

Reports (18) Board of Control as follows:-  
Water Agreement Canadian Government Railways.  
Water Meters.  
Motor Fire Engine Loan \$14,000.00  
Annual Civic Report.  
Tenders for Plumbing City Home.  
Rareman of Street's Automobile.  
Fire Department Appropriation.  
Police Department Appropriation.  
City Prison Underkeepers.  
Hillis & Sons, Ltd. Concessions from City.  
Bill Boards.  
Victoria General Hospital Patients.  
Assessment Plan.  
Water Rates-Jubilee Road-T. L. E. Piers.

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Foreman of Street's Salary.  
Tenders for Broken Stone.  
Tenders for Works Department Supplies.  
Water Department Estimates.

Other Headlines.

Water Supply Military Huts on North Common.

CONSIDERATION OF PAPERS SUBMITTED.

FIRE DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATION.

Read report Board of Control authorizing the Fire Department to purchase appliances and equipment to the limits of the current appropriation.

Moved by Controller Taylor, seconded by Controller Murphy that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

POLICE DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATION.

Read report Board of Control authorizing the Police Department to make necessary expenditures provided current expenditure is not exceeded.

Moved by Controller Taylor, seconded by Controller Murphy that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

WATER AGREEMENT CANADIAN GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

Read report Board of Control recommending for approval draft of agreement between the City and the Department of Railways for supply of water for Canadian Government Railways purposes.

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Finlay that the report be adopted and the draft agreement submitted therewith, duly executed. Motion passed.

FOREMAN OF STREETS -AUTOMOBILE.

Read reports Board of Control and Acting

*Auditor ✓  
Chief Fire ✓  
Dept.*

*Auditor ✓  
Chief Police ✓*

*Engineer ✓*

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City Engineer re purchase of an automobile for the Foreman of Streets.

*Engineer ✓  
auditor ✓*

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Finlay that the Report of the Board of Control and the report of the Acting City Engineer dated April 29th, 1918 be approved. Motion passed.

HILLIS & SONS LIMITED - CONCESSIONS FROM CITY.

Read report Board of Control covering application from Hillis & Sons Limited for certain concessions from the City in connection with the reestablishment of their Iron Foundry business in the City.

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Alderman Parker that a Committee be appointed to act with the Board of Control to enquire into the subject of the application and to report to this Council. Motion passed.

The Deputy Mayor nominates as such Committee to act with the Board of Control, Alderman Kelly, Macnab, and Guildford.

*as Kelly ✓  
as Macnab ✓  
as Guildford ✓  
members Board of Control ✓  
Board of Control ✓*

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Alderman Parker that the nominations of the Deputy Mayor be approved. Motion passed.

WATER RATES-T. L. E. PIERS-JUBILEE ROAD.

Read reports Board of Control and Acting City Engineer re Water Rates, T. L. E. Piers Jubilee Road.

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Finlay that the same be adopted. Motion passed.

*Engineer ✓  
T. L. E. Piers ✓  
City collector ✓*

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CITY PRISON UNDERKEEPERS.

Read report Board of Control re the appointment of Underkeepers for the City Prison.

Moved by Controller Taylor seconded by Controller Finlay that the same be adopted.

Motion passed.

BILL BOARDS.

Read reports Board of Control and Acting City Engineer re Bill Boards.

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Taylor that the same be adopted.

Motion passed.

MOTOR FIRE ENGINE \$14,000.00

Read report Board of Control recommending that Legislation be sought authorizing the City to borrow \$14,000.00 for the purchase of a Motor Fire Engine.

Moved by Controller Finlay seconded by Controller Taylor that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

TENDERS FOR PLUMBING CITY HOME.

Read report Board of Control re Tenders for Plumbing at the City Home .

Moved by Controller Taylor seconded by Controller Finlay that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

ANNUAL CIVIC REPORT.

Read reports Board of Control and Controller Murphy re the publication of the Annual Civic Report.

*Garner Grant ✓*

*Erwin ✓  
E. H. Huddy ✓*

*Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓*

*Joe Bryan ✓*

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Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Taylor that the same be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman R. B. Colwell seconded by Alderman Hart that Alderman Kelly be a Committee of one to confer with the Board of Control in the matter of the compiling and printing of the Annual Civic Report and that he be requested to obtain and submit a copy of the Annual Report of the City of Saskatoon. Amendment <sup>is</sup> put and passed.

VICTORIA GENERAL HOSPITAL PATIENTS.

Read reports Board of Control and Controller Murphy re accounts against the City for the maintenance of patients in the Victoria General Hospital .

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Taylor that the same be adopted. Motion passed.

WORKS DEPARTMENT SUPPLIES.

Read reports Board of Control and the Acting City Engineer re Tenders for Supplies for the City Works Department.

Alderman Kelly asked that a report be presented to the City Council as to what advantage is taken by the City of discounts allowed by dealers for prompt cash payments.

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Taylor that the report of the Board of Control be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Controller Murphy

*Auditor ✓  
as Kelly ✓*

*Auditor ✓*

*Auditor ✓  
Engineer ✓*

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seconded by Controller Finlay that the report of the Board of Control be adopted, with the amendment that the clause of the Acting City Engineer relating to Tenders for Lumber be referred back to the Board of Control to be accepted.

The amendment is put and passed and the report as so amended is adopted.

TENDERS FOR BROKEN STONE.

Read reports Board of Control and Acting City Engineer re Tenders for Broken Stone.

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Taylor that the same be adopted. Motion passed.

FOREMAN OF STREETS SALARY.

Read report Board of Control re salary of the Foreman of Streets.

Moved by Controller Finlay seconded by Controller Murphy that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

ASSESSMENT PLAN.

Read reports Board of Control and Acting City Engineer re Assessment Plan.

Moved by Controller Taylor seconded by Controller Finlay that the same be adopted. Motion passed.

WATER METERS.

Read reports Board of Control and Acting City Engineer re purchase of Water Meters.

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Finlay that the same be adopted.

*Engineer ✓  
Clerk of works ✓*

*Engineer ✓*

*Auditor ✓  
Engineer ✓  
Clerk of works ✓*

*Engineer ✓*

*Engineer ✓*

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Motion passed.

WATER DEPARTMENT ESTIMATES 1918-19

Read report Board of Control covering  
Estimates of the Water Department for the  
Civic Year 1918-19 and reports (2) Controller  
Murphy.

Moved by Alderman R. B. Colwell seconded  
by Alderman Kelly that the City Clerk forward  
copies of Controller Murphy's reports to  
each member of the City Council and that  
further consideration of the Estimates be  
deferred to <sup>an</sup> adjourned meeting of the Council .

Motion passed.

WATER SUPPLY MILITARY HUTS ON NORTH COMMON.

Moved by Alderman Parker seconded by  
Alderman Kelly that the City Engineer be  
instructed not to furnish water from the  
High Service to the Military Huts on the  
North Common and to notify the Military  
Authorities accordingly. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Parker seconded by  
Alderman Kelly that the Council do now ad-  
journ until Monday evening, May 6th prox. at  
8 o'clock. Motion passed.

The Council adjourns at 10.55 o'clock.

DEPUTY MAYOR

*L. J. McLaughlin*  
CITY CLERK.