

EVENING SESSION,

8.10 o'clock,

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

January 29th, 1920

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening at the above named hour, present Deputy Mayor Kelly, presiding and Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Bissett, Douglas, Murphy, Buckley, Butler, Ritchie, Power, Guildford, Godwin and Hubley.

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

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS.

The following named papers are submitted :-

Report City Home covering draft Ordinance by Alderman Colwell, Chairman.

Report, Camp Hill Cemetery Commission by Alderman Bissett, Chairman.

Reports (2) Finance Committee by Alderman Whitman, Chairman, viz:-

Account American LaFrance Fire Engine Company.

Public Gardens and Point Pleasant Park Appropriation.

The Deputy Mayor submits the following named papers :-

Schools, acquisition of properties for school purposes.

Report Committee on Works re Plumbing 128 Cedar St.

Other Headlines.

High Service Water Supply.
City Home Ordinance.

HIGH SERVICE WATER SUPPLY.

Moved by Alderman Buckley seconded by Alderman Colwell that the order of business be suspended to

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permit a large delegation of citizens of the North End now in attendance before the Council to address the meeting relating to the shortage of water supply in the North End of the City. Motion passed.

The Council is addressed by Charles Blackie, Walter Taylor, E.E. Bishop, Walter Perrie and E.A. Saunders requesting the Council to take immediate steps to provide water for the residents of the higher parts of the high service system. The Council is also addressed by the City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Ritchie that in view of the verbal report made by the City Engineer of undue waste of water the Engineer be authorized to notify all property owners where waste is detected that the water will be turned off within 24 hours if waste is not stopped. Motion ~~passed~~ *passed*.

Moved by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman Hoyt that the low service water supply be metered and when meters are installed a pumping station be installed to pump water to the reservoir on Shaffroth's Hill and that legislation be obtained to carry this resolution into effect.

Alderman Ackhurst with the consent of the seconder and of Council withdraws his motion.

Moved by Alderman Hubley seconded by Alderman Ritchie that the order of business be suspended to permit Alderman Douglas to submit a report from the City Engineer on low service water system. Motion passed.

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Alderman Douglas submits said report.

The report is read as follows :-

City Engineer's Office,
Dec. 16th, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the attached communication from the Secretary of the Board of Trade respecting the condition of the low service, water system.

To any person who is familiar with the history of the Water system in the City, it would not be difficult to predict such conditions as exist at present. Thirty years ago, similar conditions existed, and the remedy applied then was to bring in a second main supply pipe. The capacity of the two mains, which is over eleven million gallons per day; is sufficient to exhaust the total quantity of water that can be provided by the low service system in a dry year, and it would be the height of folly to bring any more mains or any larger main from the Long Lake watershed. The only way in which the supply can be increased, is by going to a new source, which would cost, probably from \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000. No business organization would solve the problem in that way.

When the City increases sufficiently in population, it will be necessary to bring in an additional supply, but for the needs of the present and the near future, the present source and supply mains are ample.

Since 1908 when the meters were installed in the high service, about 2000 new service pipes have been put in; yet the high service system is giving a better service today than it did before the meters were installed. The effect of the additional new service pipes in the low system, however, has been to gradually reduce the pressure so that today it will not supply high buildings like St. Paul's Hall, the Dennis Building, Infirmary, Carleton House and others of that elevation. The condition of the service must continue to grow worse as more buildings are constructed in the district.

The provision of larger distribution mains on the streets improves circulation and increases the capacity for fire service, but does not increase the pressure. The only way to increase the pressure with the present system is to reduce the amount of water

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drawn from the pipes, and the only way that I and all the other engineers who have ever reported on the system, know, to decrease the amount of water drawn from the pipes, is by the installation of meters. I have recommended it before, as the Council are aware, and I urge it again as the best and most prompt solution of the problem for present needs.

I would recommend that the Works Committee be authorized to obtain tenders for the supply of four thousand meters and that a meter be placed on every unmetered pipe in the City.

F.W.W Doane,
City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Douglas seconded by Alderman Ritchie that the report of the City Engineer be adopted and that a pumping station be installed at once for pumping water to the reservoir at Shaffroth's Hill.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Buckley that the consideration of the report of the City Engineer be deferred until the City Engineer makes a report on the result of the metering of the low service system covering a period of six years. The amendment is put and lost.

Aldermen Murphy and Buckley desire to be recorded as voting for the amendment.

The original motion is put and passed 13 voting for the same and 2 against it as follows :-

For the Motion :- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Bissett, Douglas, Butler, Ritchie, Power, Gualdford, Godwin, Hublely -13

Against it :- Aldermen Murphy, Buckley -2

CAMP HILL CEMETERY DEFICIT.

Read report Commissioners of Camp Hill Cemetery re deficit of \$500.00

*Engineer ✓
E. J. Fahner
25307W*

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City Hall, Halifax, NS.,
January 24th, 1920

His Worship the Mayor
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of Camp Hill Cemetery Commission held on the 23rd. inst. it was decided to recommend, for the sanction of the Council, that an overdraft on Camp Hill Cemetery 1919-1920 Account to the amount of \$500.00 be authorized, and that legislation be sought, legalizing same.

F.W. Bissett,
Chairman,
Camp Hill Cemetery Commission.

Alderman Bissett submits the following resolution :-

RESOLVED that Camp Hill Cemetery Commission is hereby authorized to borrow the sum of \$500.00 from a bank for three months, repayable with interest from the appropriation for 1920-21 and that legislation be obtained to legalise this loan at the next session of the Legislature.

Moved by Alderman Bissett seconded by Alderman Finlay.

The resolution is put and passed Alderman Whitman dissenting.

SCHOOLS ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY.

Read letter Board of School Commissioners re the acquisition of properties for school purposes on Brunswick Street and on Maitland Street.

Board of School Commissioners,
Halifax, N.S. January 23, 1920

L. Fred Monaghan, Esq.,
City Clerk.

Dear Sir:-

Will you kindly submit the following to the City Council at its next sitting.

At a meeting of the Board of School Commission-

*as Bissett ✓
Solicitor ✓
Auditor ✓
Treasurer ✓*

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ers held this date, it was unanimously resolved that the approval of the Governor in Council be requested to the purchase of the property on Brunswick Street known as St. John's Church property and immediately adjoining St. Patrick's Girls' School, and to the property immediately in the rear on Maitland Street, known as the Adams property.

S.J. Wilson,
Secretary.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Power that this Council authorize the City Treasurer to provide the sum of \$5400.00 for the purchase of the St. John's Church property on Brunswick Street \$4500.00 and the Adams property on Maitland Street at \$900.00 for school purposes.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hoyt seconded by Alderman Whitman that this matter be referred to the Finance Committee for report.

The amendment is put and lost 2 voting for the same and 13 against it as follows :-

For the Amendment :- Aldermen Whitman, Hoyt, -2

Against it :- Aldermen Colwell, Ackhurst, Finlay, Bissett, Douglas, Murphy, Buckley, Butler, Ritchie, Power, Gualdford, Godwin, Hubbley -13

The original motion is put and passed 13 voting for the same and 2 against it as follows :-

For the Motion:- Aldermen Colwell, Ackhurst, Finlay, Bissett, Douglas, Murphy, Buckley, Butler, Ritchie, Power, Gualdford, Godwin, Hubbley -13

Against it :- Aldermen Whitman, Hoyt -2

*Secretary School Board
Auditor ✓
Treasurer ✓*

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CITY HOME.

Read report City Home on various matters.

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His Worship the Mayor
and Members of the City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The Charities Committee met this day and beg
to submit the following report.

Members present: the Chairman, Aldermen Regan,
Murphy and Ritchie.

The following resolutions were on motion
adopted and ordered to be sent to your Council for
approval.

1. That Section 16 of Ordinance No. 10 of
the City Ordinance be struck out and the following
substituted therefor :

"16. He shall notify the Assistant
"Superintendent or the General Assistant when he
"is leaving the City Home to remain until his
"return; all of them shall not be away from the
"City Home at the same time under any circumstances."

2. "That the City Council be requested to
"provide the sum of One thousand (\$1000.00) dollars
"for the purpose of making alterations and repairs
"to the building on the City Home Grounds known as
"the Cottage to enable the Committee to provide
"a temporary residence for the Superintendent."

3. "That as the Nova Scotia Hospital has
"increased the rate for the maintenance of insane
"chargeable to the Municipalities from \$4.50 to
"\$6.00 per week from January 1st, 1920 and as this
"increase was not provided for in the estimates for
"1920-21, would ask your Council to provide a sum
"of from \$1500.00 to \$2000.00 to provide for the
"increase in this service."

H.S. Colwell.
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman
Finlay that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

CITY HOME ORDINANCE.

Read ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 10

"The City Home."

Ordinance No.

An Ordinance to Amend Ordinance No. 10 "The City Home"

Be it enacted by the Mayor and Council of the

*Asst. City Clerk ✓
Asst. Auditor ✓
Solicitor ✓
Auditor ✓
Supt. City Home ✓*

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City of Halifax as follows :-

Section 16 of Ordinance number 10 "The City Home" is hereby repealed and the following Section substituted.

16. He shall notify the Secretary or other of his Assistants when he is leaving the home to remain until his return, and either he himself, or one of his Assistants shall bein the Home at all times.

Moved by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Finlay that said Ordinance be now read a first time. Motion passed.

Read a first time an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 10 "The City Home."

Moved by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Finlay that said Ordinance be now read a second time. Motion passed.

Read a second time an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 10 "The City Home."

Moved by Alderman Douglas seconded by Alderman Bissett that the Charities Committee be authorized to engage an assistant to the Superintendent at once and to pay his salary out of the collections of Victoria General Hospital Accounts. Motion passed.

EXPLOSION - ACCOUNT FOR HIRE OF STEAM FIRE ENGINE.

Read report Finance Committee recommending the payment out of explosion account the account \$714.00 of the American LaFrance Fire Engine Company for hire of steam fire engine following the destruction of the motor engine "Patricia" in the explosion.

*Suppt. City Home
Audited
all Colwell.*

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Committee Room, City Hall,
January 27th, 1920

His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the attached account of the American La France Fire Engine Company Limited \$714.00 for rent of Clapp and Jones Relief Steamer for 130 days referred to this Committee on recommendation of the Board of Fire Wards for report was read.

Your Committee recommend that the account be paid and if necessary legislation be obtained to provide the funds.

Alfred Whitman,
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Power that the report be adopted and the account paid.
Motion passed.

PUBLIC GARDENS AND POINT PLEASANT PARK APPROPRIATION

Read report Finance Committee recommending that annual appropriations legislation be sought to increase the amount of Point Pleasant Park and Public Gardens.

Committee Room, City Hall,
January 27th, 1920

His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day requests were received and read from the Commissioners of Point Pleasant Park and Commissioners of Halifax Common for supplementary grants to meet increased expenditures.

Your Committee recommend that Legislation be obtained at the next session of the Legislature to increase the said appropriations as follows :-

Point Pleasant Park	\$1,000.00
(from \$3000.00 to \$4000.00)	
Commissioners Halifax Commons	4,500.00
(from \$7500. to \$12000.00)	

Alfred Whitman,
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman

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Butler that the report be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hoyt seconded by Alderman Finlay that the salary of the Superintendent of the Public Gardens be increased to \$2000.00

Amendment put and passed 10 voting for the same and 4 against it as follows :-

For the Amendment :- Aldermen Colwell, Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Murphy, Buckley, Butler, Power, Guildford, Hubley -10

Against it:- Aldermen Whitman, Bissett, Douglas, Ritchie -4

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Butler that the report of the Finance Committee as amended be adopted. Motion passed.

10.55 o'clock.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Finlay that the Council do now adjourn until Tuesday evening 3rd. inst. at 8 o'clock. The motion is withdrawn.

PLUMBING 128 CEDAR STREET.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer recommending payment on contract for plumbing in dwelling 128 Cedar Street.

Office of Clerk of Works,
January 29th, 1920

His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Department held on the 28th, inst final payment of twenty-six dollars

*RF Power ✓
Auditor ✓
Solicitor ✓
Hector Mc James ✓*

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(\$26.00) balance due D.A. Cummings & Co. for plumbing installed in 128 Cedar Street was approved and recommended to Council for payment.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,
Jan. 26, 1920

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

Certificate #2

I beg to recommend payment to D.A. Cummings & Co of the sum of twenty-six dollars (\$26.00) being the balance in full on their contract for plumbing work at #128 Cedar Street -

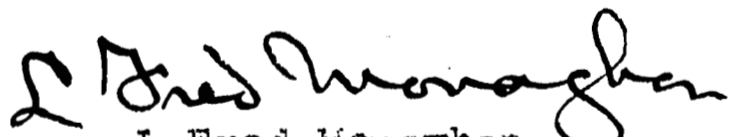
Amt. of contract	\$176.00
Paid on certificate #1	150.00
Bal. in full	<u>\$ 26.00</u>

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Fanlay seconded by Alderman Douglas that the reports be adopted and the account paid. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman Fanlay that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 11 o'clock.


L. Fred Monaghan,
City Clerk.

E. J. Kelly,
Deputy Mayor.

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COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

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

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS.

The following named papers are submitted :-

Report City Prison Committee by Alderman Ritchie,
Chairman.
Report Charities Committee by Alderman Colwell,
Chairman.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following
named papers:-

Report Library Commission re Accounts.
Report Commissioners of Halifax Commons re Accounts.
Alderman Buckley's Leave of Absence.
Blois vs City of Halifax, report City Solicitor.
Police Department Clothing.
Canadian Reconstruction Association, resolution
re Canadian Productions.
Taxation etc., letter Board of Trade.
Police Department Accounts.
Works Department Accounts.
Camp Hill property lease to Department of Militia
North West Arm Sewer Outlets report Committee
on Works.
Reports (b) Finance Committee by Alderman Whitman,
Chairman, viz:-
Victoria General Hospital Accounts.
Chicken Cook Church Brunswick Street,
Maintenance.
War-Pay of Fireman C.J. Leahy.
Psychiatric Clinic.
Robert Clancey Superannuation.
Canadian Patriotic Fund.

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Other Headlines.

Fire Escapes.
Fire Westmount Street.
Police Department Salaries.
Salaries of Officials.

FIRE ESCAPES.

Alderman Hoyt asked permission to address the Council in regard to the matter of fire escapes in public buildings. Permission is granted.

Alderman Hoyt addresses the Council referring to the difficulty the Committee of Fire Escapes have in enforcing the construction of fire escapes on public buildings particularly theatres and advises that the City Solicitor make stronger efforts to have the act carried out and violations of the law prosecuted. He referred especially to a hanging chimney in the Strand Theatre which is a violation of the law.

Moved by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Bissett that Alderman Hoyt submit in writing any report he may have to make in connection with the carrying out of the law in regard to fire escapes. Motion passed.

FIRE WESTMOUNT STREET.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Buckley that an investigation be held by the Committee of Fire Wards into the fire which occurred this morning at the residence of W.B. Putnam ^{Westmount Street} in which a three year old child lost its life.

*Engineer
Solicitor
and Hoyt*

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The following amendment is submitted :-

That an investigation be held on the fire at Westmount, February 5th and the responsibility in connection therewith of the members of the Board of Works and Firewards and that Alderman Buckley be summoned to prove his charge that the members of the Board of Works were responsible for the unfortunate death of the young boy at the fire.

Moved by Alderman Douglas seconded by Alderman Hoyt.

The amendment is withdrawn.

The original motion is put and lost on voting for the same and 10 against it as follows :-

For the Motion :- Aldermen Whitman, Finlay, Murphy, Buckley, Guildford, Thompson -6

Against it :- Aldermen Colwell, Ackhurst, Hoyt, Bissett, Douglas, Butler, Ritchie, Power, Godwin, Hubley -10

POLICE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS.

Read report Police Committee recommending accounts for payment.

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To His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Police Commission held this day, the following named accounts amounting to \$274.68 were examined found correct and recommended for payment.

City Taxi Service.	Taxi Service	5.00
Chief of Police	Scrubbing & Sundries	7.50
J.C.Foster	Police clothing	66.00
Cragg Bros.	Hardware	1.25
Clayton & Sons	Police Ulsters	124.00
W.T.Francois & Co.	Furniture	9.00
T.C.Allen & Co	Office supplies	10.80
E.S.Cottingham	exhaust horn	3.50
Halifax Herald	Advertising	6.30
A.P.Torrens	2 Lamps	1.40

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Ross Print	Printing	7.25
Joh Starr Son & Co.	Batteries	.80
F.W.Fraser	Feed patrol horse	25.88
Robert Taylor	Boots	6.00
		<u>\$ 274.68</u>

E. J. Kelly,
Deputy Mayor and Vice Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman Finlay that the report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

POLICE DEPARTMENT UNIFORM CLOTHING.

Read report Police Committee re summer uniform clothing for the Police Department.

City Hall, Feby 5th, 1920

The City Council,
Gentlemen:-

The Police Commission require to furnish the Police Force with a complete new issue of Summer clothing May 1st, and ask the Council for authority to arrange the purchase of same at once. Cloth suitable is very scarce and high in price. From information we have it is most important that the order be placed at once, otherwise the cost will greatly exceed our estimates.

Chief of Police

E. J. Kelly,
Vice Chairman
Halifax Police Commission.

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

CITY PRISON

Read report City Prison Committee for the month of January.

Committee Room City Hall,
February 4th, 1920

The City Council,
Gentlemen:-

The Committee on City Prison beg to report and

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recommend as follows :-

Water Supply.

The City Water Service at the Prison during the month was very poor and water had to be obtained from a running brook on Kempt Road.

Groceries.

Tenders for groceries for the period ending April 30th, 1920 were received from Payzant and King totalling \$114.41 Wentzells Ltd, \$133.32 and R.N. McDonald \$127.67

It is recommended that the tender of Payzant and King for groceries at their schedule prices be accepted with the exception of sugar and that the tender of R.N. McDonald for sugar be accepted.

Accounts.

The following named accounts are recommended for payments:-

Lynchs Ltd.	bread	144.50
J.A. Leaman & Co.	beef	170.35
G.C. Hartlen	suet	3.00
S.C. Thompson	feed	34.50
Neil Fox	Harness supplies	22.80
Soldiers Civic re- establishment	Boots	24.00
Robt. Taylor Co. Ltd.	Beather	14.30
Irwin & Sons	Drugs	6.15
Maritime Telephone Co.	Phone	10.10
J.F. Topp	horseshoeing	6.25
Evans & Co.	enamelware	10.05
Hugh D. McKenzie	Coal	310.00
Walsh & Egan	elec. fittings	112.00
		<u>\$868.00</u>

The monthly report of the Governor of the Prison and the tenders for groceries are attached.

George E. Ritchie,
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Hoyt that the report be adopted and the accounts paid.
Motion passed.

BLOIS VERSUS CITY OF HALIFAX.

Read report City Solicitor re suit at law Blois versus The City of Halifax.

*Governor
City Prison*

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Office of City Solicitor,
Halifax, N.S. Feb. 5, 1920

The City Clerk.
Dear Sir:-

I should like instructions in the above action, and would ask the Council to refer the matter to the Laws and Privileges Committee where I can discuss the question of whether or not to appeal from the judgment of Chief Justice Harris.

The action was brought for some \$920.00 which I have succeeded in reducing at the trial to \$371.00 I think the judgment is not correct, and there is a reasonable chance of reversing it on appeal; but the question is whether or not it is worth while. In the event of an appeal the plaintiff would undoubtedly give notice of contra appeal to increase the judgment by the \$400.00 which has been struck off his claim. The cost of printing the appeal alone would be nearly \$100.00 which would probably have to be paid by the City itself; and there are other facts in connection with it which indicate that the plaintiff is not without some grounds for relief, which I would prefer to discuss with the Committee.

The point about which I am most concerned is the extent to which the judgment may serve as a precedent to fasten liability on the City in connection with similar claims in the future. I have asked the City Collector to consider this matter carefully, and if we arrive at the conclusion that the judgment will not prejudice the City in the future it may not be worth while to run the risk of further costs and an adverse judgment on a cross-appeal. I would like the matter considered and disposed of as soon as the Committee can manage to deal with it.

F.H.Bell,
City Solicitor.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Murphy that the report be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges for report.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Buckley that the judgment filed by Chief Justice Harris be accepted by the City.

Amendment put and lost 7 voting for the same and 9 against it as follows :-

For the Amendment :- Aldermen Colwell, Ackhurst, Finlay, Bissett, Buckley, Ritchie, Guildford -7

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ad Power
Against it :- Aldermen Whitman, Hoyt, Douglas,
Murphy, Butler, Power, Godwin, Hubble, Thompson -9

The original motion is put and passed, Aldermen
Finlay and Buckley dissenting.

WORKS DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS.

Read report Committee on Works recommending
accounts for payment.

Halifax, N.S., Feb. 4, 1920

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Attached hereto are accounts for the
City Works Department amounting to the sum of
\$12,747.93, recommended by the Works Committee
for payment, chargeable to the following services :-

City Hall Fire loss		35.95
Street Lighting		2878.51
City Property		137.51
Cleaning paved streets		10.32
Street Widening		6.30
Permanent Pavement		2.11
City Hall Lighting		84.05
Sewerage		1286.89
Streets		566.29
Internal Health		352.81
Permanent Sidewalks		165.38
Fuel		393.50
Internal Health (special)		151.32
Streets (special)		661.77
Teams & Stables		2423.73
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Water Maintenance		23.25
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Water Construction	776.01	
Water Maintenance	2782.23	
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		\$12747.93

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman
Douglas that the report be adopted and the accounts
paid. Motion passed.

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TAXATION COMMITTEE ETC.

Read letter Board of Trade requesting the Council to appoint a committee to confer with a similar committee from the Board of Trade on the question of taxation and also asking for report on water conditions construction, fire hazards, etc., of the City.

Board of Trade, Halifax N.S.,
February 4th, 1920

To His, Worship the Mayor
and Members of the City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of Council of this Board yesterday afternoon, I was desired by resolution to ask your honourable body to appoint a committee of three to confer with a similar committee appointed by this Board, on the present system of taxation.

I was further instructed to say that no drastic change is contemplated, but it was felt that one or two points could be discussed to the benefit of all concerned. It is desirable that the committee in this respect be named by you at your meeting on Thursday of this week, so that an early conference may be had.

I have also been desired to thank your honourable body for its prompt action with reference to the report of this Council on water conditions, fire hazard, etc., of the City.

E.A.Saunders,
Secretary.

Moved by Alderman Douglas seconded by Alderman Power that a committee of three consisting of Aldermen Whitman, Regan and Ritchie be appointed as a special Committee on Taxation in compliance with the request of the Board of Trade. Motion passed.

CITY HOME.

Read report Charities Committee for the month of January.

*Letters
E.A. Saunders ✓
and Whitman ✓
and Regan ✓
and Ritchie ✓*

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Halifax, N.S., February 4th, 1920

His Worship the Mayor
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Charities Committee met this day and beg to submit the following report, members present, Aldermen Hoyt, Ritchie and Murphy. In the absence of the Chairman, Alderman Murphy was called to the Chair.

The Superintendent's report shows that during the month of January 1920 there were 22 persons admitted into the City Home, 5 born, 16 discharged and 4 died. Of the number admitted 5 were chargeable to the Province and 17 to the City. The total number of inmates January 31st was 293 made up of 164 men, 126 women and 2 children a total of 283.

Upon the arrival of the Chairman Alderman Murphy vacated the Chair.

The following resolution was moved by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Hoyt.

"That after going ~~ear~~ very carefully into the question of accounts of the V.G. Hospital, this Committee feel that the responsibilities are such as to make it impossible for the officials of the City Home to carry on this work, as it would require so much of their time to properly look after the same the work of the institution would have to suffer, and under the circumstances, we beg to recommend to Council that the question of the collection of these accounts in conjunction with the collection of other revenues coming to the City by way of rentals, etc., be placed in the hands of a qualified collector who would properly follow the matter up."

On motion this resolution was carried unanimously.

The following accounts are recommended for payment, viz:-

Wentzells Ltd.	groceries	1167.20
J.A. Leaman & Co.	beef	513.11
Davis & Fraser	pork	117.19
Smith & Proctor	Butter	294.00
H.D. Grant	Milk	199.57
S.C. Thompson	Feed	85.34
T.J. Whalen & Co.	clothing	471.25
H.D. McKenzie Co. Ltd.	Coal	436.20
The Fleischmann Co.	yeast	4.55
Leonard Fisheries Ltd.	fish	78.00
N.S. Tram & Power Co.	light (3)	86.08
Maritime Tel & Tel Co. Ltd.	phone	15.88

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Dorey Electrics Limited	Elec. fittings	13 15
Halifax Herald	Advertising	.70
Chronicle Pub. Co.	do	.70
Blackadar Bros.	do	.70
Baldwin & Co.	crookeryware	6.48
William McFatridge	Rope	16.00
C.E. Putner	dispensing	50.00
W.N. Brown	Waggon repairs	13.75
Fletcher Mfg. Co.	Dough trough etc	693.00
J.H. Buchanan	Cash expended	34.34
Salaries	For January	1202.14
N.S. Hospital	Maintenance of Patients	2733.45
		<u>\$ 8232.78</u>

H. S. Colwell,
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Murphy that the report be considered clause by clause. Motion passed.

Read clause one re number of inmates for the month. Filed.

Read clause two re Victoria General Accounts recommending the appointment of a collector.

Moved by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Finlay that said clause be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Murphy that the clause be referred to the Finance Committee for report.

Amendment put and passed.

Read clause three re accounts.

Moved by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Hoyt that said clause be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Hoyt that the report as amended be adopted as a whole and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

*as Whitman
and by clerk
supplied name*

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WAR- CANADIAN RECONSTRUCTION.

Read letter Canadian Reconstruction Association, Toronto covering resolution passed by said organization endorsing the principle of the purchase of public supplies in Canada.

Canadian Reconstruction Association,
Toronto, January 29th, 1920

Mr. L.F. Monaghan,
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Sir:-

The heavy discount on Canadian exchange is a symptom of an unhealthy national condition. Apparently the only permanently effective remedies are an increase in production in the Dominion, development of export trade, curtailment of unnecessary imports, and substitution, to the largest possible extent, of Canadian products for imported commodities. In the national interest Canada must attain a larger measure of economic independence. It can do so by developing the home market. A pronounced demand for Made in Canada goods would constitute a guarantee of sales which would encourage factory expansion. By such expansion, new wealth would be created through increased production, and steady and profitable employment would be provided for new industrial populations. Any substantial increase in industrial workers would create bigger and better markets for all kinds of farm produce. New factories, expansion of old factories, greater production, more workers, and better agricultural markets mean national progress.

During the first seven months of the current fiscal year, 79.2 per cent. of all imports into Canada for consumption came from the United States. On such imports we now have to pay a premium of from 8 to 10 per cent on account of exchange, an additional cost to the Canadian people of more than \$60,000,000 a year. Further we are giving employment to foreign workers instead of to Canadian labor and buying from American companies which neither pay taxes in this country nor provide any appreciable market for other Canadian productions.

There is another serious side of the problem which cannot be overlooked. The world exchange situation threatens still further to curtail orders from overseas, especially for manufactures, and if the slack is to be taken up, it must be by increased support from the home market.

The situation now confronting the Dominion demands national co-operation. The Canadian Reconstruction Association believes that as there is an obligation upon Canadian manufacturers to meet home market demands and to provide products that compare favorably with

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Imported goods, so individual purchasers, retailers, wholesalers, and public and business bodies and organizations in the Dominion should promote national prosperity by buying Canadian goods.

This Association is asking consideration by municipal councils throughout Canada of the following resolution :-

"Resolved that this Council endorses the principle that public supplies can be purchased in Canada whenever they can be secured from Canadian factories at reasonable prices.

And further, that all municipal officers, in making purchases, shall be and hereby are, requested to consider the possibility of securing Canadian products."

Please be good enough to advise this Association of any action which you may take with reference to the above resolution.

J.S. Willison,
President.

Referred to the Finance Committee for report.

CHICKEN COCK CHURCH BRUNSWICK STREET.

Read report Finance Committee re application of the Rector of St. George's Parish asking for assistance to defray the cost of maintenance of the Chicken Cock Church and Cemetery at the North-east corner of Gerrish and Brunswick Streets.

Committee Room, City Hall,
January 27th, 1920

His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the attached letter of Reverend F.W. Cunningham, Rector of St. George's Parish asking for assistance to defray the cost of repairs and etc., to Little Dutch Church and Grounds, corner Brunswick and Gerrish Streets was read.

Your Committee are unable to recommend a grant in this case.

Alderman Power dissenting.

Alfred Whitman,

Chairman.

*as Willison
ans. by clerk.*

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St. George's Rectory,
Halifax, N.S. Jan. 21, 1920

Mr. Mayor Parker,
Dear Sir:-

As a citizen of Halifax and in charge of the Corporation owning the Dutch Church property it gives me much satisfaction to report that we have had the oldstone walls enclosing the property well and truly repaired with a thick topping of concrete and jagged stone. The building itself will soon be finished, the Chicken Cook has been gilded and placed in position. The grounds have been cleaned up and tombstones straightened.

The Relief Commission has given us \$283.00 wherewith to repair damages due to the explosion, but I do not think that this amount will cover all the wood-work expenses.

Messrs. S. Marshall and Son have rendered a bill for repairing the walls \$250.00 the total expense will be somewhere in the region of \$700.00 or the amount the Relief Commission votes \$283.00 on the bal. the N.S. Historical has subscribed \$75.00 This leaved us about \$350.00 to collect. I think the Historical Society will give more largely as only a comparative few have so far contributed. I submit these facts to your Worship, knowing that the Municipal authorities of our $\frac{3}{4}$ City are interested in the preservation of our historical buildings. The corporation of St. Georges has spent considerable money on repairs during the past 20 years. It may be that the present financial situation in that connection can be relieved by a grant from City funds properly applicable to such purpose.

F.W.Cunningham,
Rector, St. George's Parish.

*As W. Whitman
Asst. City Clerk*

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Douglas that the report be referred back to the Committee for further report.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Power that the prayer of the petition be granted

The amendment is withdrawn.

The original motion is put and passed.

NORTH WEST ARM SEWER OUTLETS.

Read report Committee on Works and reports (2)
Assistant City Engineer re payment on contract
for construction of North West Arm sewer outlets.

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Office of Clerk of Works,
Jan. 29th, 1920

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir,

At a meeting of the Works Department held on the 23rd inst on motion final payment to Standard Construction Company, amounting to \$1160.20 in settlement of contract for sewer outlet Coburg Road was approved and recommended to Council for payment. Final Payment to the same firm amounting to the sum of \$948.80 in settlement of contract for sewer outlet Point Pleasant Park was also approved and recommended to the Council for payment.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,
Jan. 21, 1920

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

Certificate #3 (final)

I beg to recommend payment to the Standard Construction Company of the sum of One thousand one hundred sixty dollars and twenty cents (\$1,160.20) being balance in full on their contract for the construction of the sewer outlet at Coburg Road.

Contract price	\$11,602.00
Paid on certificates 1 and 2	10,441.80
Bal. recommended in full	<u>\$ 1,160.20</u>

H.W. Johnston
Asst. City Engineer.

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City Engineer's Office,
Jan. 21, 1920

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

Certificate #3 (final)

I beg to recommend payment to the Standard Construction Company of the sum of Nine hundred forty-eight dollars and eighty cents (\$948.80) being balance in full on their contract for the construction of the sewer outlet at Point Pleasant.

Contract price	\$ 9,488.00
Paid on certificates 1 and 2	8,539.20
Bal. recommended in full.	<u>\$ 948.80</u>

H.W. Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman

Douglas that the reports be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

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PSYCHIATRIC CLINIC (HOME FOR FEEBLE MINDED)

Read report Finance Committee recommending against a civic grant towards the maintenance of a Psychiatric Clinic.

Committee Room, City Hall,
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His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the attached letter of Local Council of Women of Halifax asking for a City grant towards starting a Psychiatric Clinic in Halifax was read.

Your Committee are unable to recommend a grant for this object.

Alfred Whitman,
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Power that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

PUBLIC GARDENS ACCOUNTS.

Read report Commissioners of Halifax Commons recommending payment of accounts chargeable to Public Gardens.

Committee Room, City Hall,
January 27th, 1920

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The Commissioners of Halifax Common beg to recommend for payment the following named accounts.

Halifax Herald	Advertising	9.80
Hillis & Sons Ltd.	Lawn Seats	1387.50
Richmond Paper, Co.	Posters	3.25
Martin & Moore	Painting	89.45
		\$ 1490.00

As to the above accounts \$925.00 of Hillis & Sons bill is chargeable to explosion damages and also Martin & Moore's bill \$89.45. The balance of the account of Hillis & Sons \$462.50 will require to be provided for by Legislation.

E.J. Kelly,
Acting Chairman.

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*Solicitor
Auditor
Supt. Public
Gardens.*

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Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Ackhurst that the report be adopted and the accounts paid.

Engineer

Alderman Buckley reported a waste of water at the Public Gardens.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Whitman that the report be referred to the Finance Committee for report.

The amendment is withdrawn.

The original motion is put and passed.

CITIZENS FREE LIBRARY ACCOUNTS.

Read report Citizen's Free Library Commission recommending accounts for payment.

Citizen's Free Library,
Feb. 5th, 1920

His Worship the Mayor
and Members of the City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The Library Commission beg to recommend the following bills for payment.

T.C. Allen & Co.	Books	6.79
Canadian Finance	Subscription	2.00
Geo. H. Doran Co.	do	2.50
Heaton's Agency	Book	2.27
H. H. Marshall	Herald Sub.	9.00
		<u>\$ 22.56</u>

L. Barnaby,
Librarian.

Moved by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman Finlay that the report be adopted and the accounts paid.
Motion passed.

ROBERT CLANCEY SUPERANNUATION.

Read report Finance Committee recommending the superannuation of Robert Clancey a sub-collector in the office of the City Collector and recommending that legislation be sought authorizing a contribution

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by the City towards said superannuation.

Committee Room, City Hall,
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His worship the Mayor
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the attached application of Mr. Robert Clancey a sub-collector in the City Collector's office for superannuation was read.

Your Committee recommend that the prayer of the petition be granted that Mr. Clancey be paid a superannuation allowance of \$900.00 per annum, that legislation be obtained authorizing the City to pay the difference between \$640.00 the amount Mr. Clancey is entitled to receive under the Superannuation Act and the said sum of \$900.00

Alfred Whitman,
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Power that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

VICTORIA GENERAL HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS.

Read report Finance Committee re accounts
Victoria General Hospital for maintenance of patients
charged to the City of Halifax as recommended by
Arbitrators \$292.24

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His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The Finance Committee at a meeting held this day decided to again recommend for payment the attached account of Victoria General Hospital as fixed by Arbitration at \$292.24 and that legislation be obtained to provide the necessary funds required.

Alfred Whitman,
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Thompson that the report be adopted and the account paid.

After discussion it was moved in amendment by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Power that the

*Robt Clancey
Auditor
Subcollector*

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*asw w h l i n g
asst. city clerk*

report be referred back to the Committee for further consideration and report. The amendment is put and passed.

**PROPERTY.
CAMP HILL CEMETERY.**

Read report Committee on Works recommending against leasing to the Department of Militia and Defence for the period of five years the portion of Camp Hill owned by the City.

Office of Clerk of Works,
January 15th, 1920

His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Department held on the 14th inst a letter was read from Officer Commanding Military District No. 6 asking if City would be agreeable to grant a lease for five years of that portion of Camp Hill owned by the City, and the terms and conditions that would be required. It was desired to obtain it for the purpose of providing temporary quarters for the Royal Canadian Regiment. On motion it was decided to recommend to Council that the City do not feel at liberty to lease said property. The letter referred to and blue print plan accompanying same, are attached hereto.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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Militia and Defence,
Halifax, N.S., 12th, January 1920

To His Worship the Mayor,
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Sir:-

With reference to the marginally noted subject, I desire to ascertain if the City of Halifax would be willing to lease the land, the property of the City of Halifax and which has been outlined in yellow on the attached plan (blue print) lying adjacent to the War Office property, at Camp Hill, in the City of Halifax, for a period of five years, the land to be used for the temporary provision of accommodation for the Royal Canadian Regiment.

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If the City would be willing to enter into an agreement for the above stated period, kindly state the amount of consideration that would be required yearly.

It is pointed out that the Department of Militia and Defence would wish to reserve the right to cancel said proposed lease at any time during the above proposed period.

It is of course understood that, if it is necessary the City would obtain legislation to permit of the placing of improvements on the land such as are usually provided for the accommodation of troops.

H.C. Thacker, Brigadier-General,
Commanding Mil. Dist. No. 6

Moved by Alderman Douglas seconded by Alderman Finlay that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

WAR - PAY OF FIREMAN C.J. LEAHY.

Read report finance Committee re legislation to authorize payment to C.J. Leahy of the difference between his Military pay and his salary as a fireman.

Committee Room, City Hall,
January 27th. 1920

His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the attached report of the City Auditor re War pay of fireman C.J. Leahy on military duty was read. Your Committee recommend that report of City Auditor be adopted and that Legislation be obtained to provide the sum of \$614.30 the balance required to settle the balance due.

Alfred Whitman,
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Hoyt that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

CANADIAN PATRIOTIC FUND - CITY GRANT .

Read report Finance Committee re City's contribution of \$25,000.00 to the Canadian Patriotic Fund.

*Engineer
Brig. General
Thacker.*

*Auditor
Solicitor
Chief Financial*

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Committee Room, $\frac{1}{4}$ City Hall,
January 27th, 1920

To His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the attached letter of H.A. Flemming, Esquire asking for payment of the City's contribution of \$25,000.00 to the Canadian Patriotic Fund ~~was~~ passed by the Board of Control September 19th, 1918 was read.

Your Committee recommend that the City borrow on short term debentures the sum of \$25,000.00 and pay same over to the Treasurer of the Canadian Patriotic Fund in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Control, Sept. 19th, 1918 and thus relieving the City of this obligation.

Alfred Whitman,
Chairman.

Canadian Patriotic $\frac{1}{4}$ Fund,
August 27th, 1919

The City Treasurer,
City Hall.
Dear Sir:-

I shall be glad if you will kindly let the Canadian Patriotic Fund have a cheque for the amount of the last subscription of the city to that Fund, viz- \$25,000. We are endeavoring to have these amounts closed up at the earliest possible convenience.

H.A. Flemming,
Treasurer,
Per B.D.

Office of City Treasurer,
Sept 3rd, 1919

Alderman Whitman,
Chairman Public Accounts Committee.
Sir:-

As far as I can learn the Dominion Government are only pledged to make up any deficit in the accounts of the Canadian Patriotic Fund after the 31st, March 1919 and no more pledges were to be solicited after that date ~~March 31st, 1919 - are - open -~~ but all pledges made prior to that date March 31st, 1919 are expected to be complied with. The contribution of the City of Halifax was authorized by Bill ~~112~~ as a short term loan of which \$5000.00 and interest has been assessed in the Estimates 1919-20. The loan of the \$25,000 has not been provided for as yet.

James J. Hopewell,
City Treasurer.

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Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Douglas that the report be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Thompson that the matter be referred back to the Finance Committee to confer with the Trustees of the Fund at Ottawa to ascertain if it ^{is} now necessary for the City to make this contribution to the Fund.

Amendment put and lost 5 voting for the same and 10 against it as follows :-

For the Amendment :- Aldermen Whitman, Bissett, Murphy, Guildford, Thompson -5

Against it :- Aldermen Colwell, Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Douglas, Buckley, Butler, Ritchie, Power, Hubley -10

The original motion is put and passed 12 voting for the same and 3 against it as follows :-

For the motion :- Aldermen Whitman, Colwell, Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Douglas, Buckley, Butler, Ritchie, Power, Guildford, Hubley -12

Against it :- Aldermen Bissett, Murphy, Thompson -3

POLICE DEPARTMENT SALARIES.

Read report Police Committee recommending increases in salaries to the members of the Police Department.

Halifax, N.S., Feb. 1920

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The Police Commission report their Estimates for pay of the Department for year 1920-21.

		<u>Increase.</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
Chief	2500.00	200.00	
Deputy Chief	1800.00	200.00	
Chief Inspector	1800.00	300.00	
2 Detc. Inspectors @ 1500.	3000.00	400.00	
4 Inspectors @ 1400.	5600.00	4300.00	
7 Serg'ts @ 1300.	9100.00	350.00	
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*Auditor
Treasurer*

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City Marshall	1200.00	100.00
56 Men @ 1200.00	67200.00	3136.00
1 Police Clerk	1200.00	
2 Police Women @ 900.	1800.00	200.00
	<u>95000.00</u>	<u>9186.00</u>
An amount not ex- ceeding.....	1500.00	1500.00
to cover cost in- suring the mem- bers of the Dep- artment for the benefit of their Heirs.	\$96,500.00	\$10,686.00

J.S.Parker,
Mayor and Chairman.

Various members of Council requested that the consideration of this matter be deferred until a future session of the Council.

Moved by Alderman Hoyt seconded by Alderman Colwell that this matter be now dealt with.

The following resolution is submitted :-

Resolved that the Police Department Salaries be adopted and that City Solicitor is hereby instructed to prepare the necessary Legislation.

Moved by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman Finlay.

The resolution is not put the members of the Council agreeing to defer consideration of the matter.

SALARIES OF OFFICIALS.

Alderman Finlay gives notice that he will that move at a special meeting of the City Council to be held Friday, 13th. February next for the express purpose of dealing with salaries and other matters requiring legislative action.

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ALDERMAN BUCKLEY LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Read letter His Worship the Mayor re application of Alderman Buckley for leave of absence.

Mayor's Office, Halifax, N.S.,
January 22nd, 1920

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

Alderman Buckley has applied to me for leave of absence from his civic duties for two months I have written Alderman Buckley that it is only in case of absence from the City for over three months without special leave of the City Council that an Alderman forfeits his seat. I would ask the Council to agree to Alderman Buckley's request in case he should not return to his duties at the time he anticipates.

Ald Buckley

J.S.Parker,
MAYOR.

Moved by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Douglas that Alderman Buskley's request be granted.
Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Whitman that the Council do now adjourn and that the Council deal with Legislation at its next session.
Motion passed.

Council adjourns 11 o'clock.

L. Fred Monaghan
L. Fred Monaghan,

City Clerk.

E. J. Kelly,
Deputy Mayor.