

EVENING SESSION,

8.10 o'clock,

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

February 23rd, 1920

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening at the above named hour : Present His Worship Mayor Parker and Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Finlay, Regan, Kelly, Douglas, Murphy, Buckley, Butler, Ritchie, Godwin, Hubley and Thompson.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS.

The following named papers are submitted :-

Report Finance Committee re Salaries of Officials, Grants, Loans, Deficits by Alderman Whitman, Chairman.

Photograph of Council, letter Great War Veterans Association.

Report City Clerk re Aviation Committee.

Other Headlines.

Salaries of Officials.

SALARIES OF OFFICIALS.

Alderman Ritchie addresses the Council on the amendment moved at the last meeting by him, to Alderman Finlay's motion that the salaries of the City Auditor, City Collector and City Treasurer be \$4000.00 each and asks permission to change his amendment to an increase of \$600.00 instead of \$500.00.

SALARIES OF OFFICIALS, GRANTS, LOANS, DEFICITS.

Read report Finance Committee re Salaries of Officials, Grants, Loans, Deficits.

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Committee Room, City Hall  
February 12th, 1920

To His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day there being present Aldermen Whitman, Chairman Bissett and Thompson. It was decided to recommend that the City Council seek legislation that the following schedule be added to and included in the Civic Estimates for the Civic year ending April 30th, 1921 as passed at a meeting of the City Council on 22nd. December 1919, and be rated and assessed along therewith.

-Schedule-

Anti Tuberculosis League		1500.00
Sir Arthur Currie's Reception		750.00
Prince of Wales Reception		4000.00
Printing Annual City Report 1917-18		354.50
Printing & Stationery Account 1917-18		517.37
N.S. Tramway & Power Co. Street Lighting		
	1918-19	3646.73
Police Court Alterations City Hall		750.00
Oiling Streets 1919-20		3000.00
F.C. Craig's Salary due Halifax Relief Commission.		800.00
Salvation Army Rescue Home	400.00	
Good Shepherd Reformatory	400.00	
	<u>800.00</u>	
	Less <u>110.25</u>	689.75

Fire Department Accounts 1918-19

Northern Electric Co.	875.81	
Works Committee	16.00	
H. McFatridge	290.00	
W. H. Isnor & Son	<u>108.00</u>	1289.81
Canadian General Electric Co.		263.97

Public Gardens	Iron Benches	462.50
City Home	Cottage Repairs	1000.00
City Home	Extra for Insane Patients	2000.00
Printing Voters Lists		500.00
Gordon & Keith	Furniture	180.00
Camp Hill Cemetery		500.00
Committee on Works Acct. 1918-19		441.68

Salaries.

City Treasurer	1400.00
City Collector	1100.00

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City Auditor	1100.00
4 Sub-Collectors 350.00 each	1400.00
Wm. Connell, City Home	280.00
Miss Condon, Clerk Fire Department	100.00
Registrar of Property Transfers	300.00
City Assessor	650.00
Deputy Assessor	200.00
Sir Sanford Fleming Park	600.00
E.S. Tracey, from Fines and Fees 1919-20 Acct.	1000.00
Asst. Building Inspector	200.00
Superintendent Public Gardens	200.00
Plumbing Inspector	300.00

A. Whitman,  
Chairman.

The report is considered item by item - Salaries being first considered as per resolution of Council February 20th, 1920.

City Treasurer \$1400.00 Increase.

On motion the item of the City Treasurer's salary was first taken up.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Buckley that this item pass.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Whitman that the total salary be fixed at \$3100.00

The amendment was put and the vote resulted in a tie seven voting for the same and seven against it as follows :-

For the Amendment:-Aldermen Whitman, Ackhurst, Kelly, Butler, Ritchie, Godwin, Hubley -7

Against it :-Aldermen Colwell, Finlay, Regan, Douglas, Murphy, Buckley, Thompson -7

His Worship the Mayor gives his casting vote against the amendment and declares it lost.

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Moved in amendment by Alderman Douglas seconded by Alderman Regan that the salary of the City Treasurer be \$3250.00

Amendment put and lost, five voting for the same and nine against it as follows :-

For the Amendment :-Aldermen Regan, Douglas, Butler, Ritchie, Hubley -5

Against it :- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Finlay, Kelly, Murphy, Buckley, Godwin, Thompson -9

Moved in amendment by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman Ritchie that the City treasurer's salary be \$3000.00 Amendment put and lost, seven voting for the same and seven against it as follows :-

For the Amendment:-Aldermen Whitman, Ackhurst, Kelly, Douglas, Ritchie, Godwin, Hubley -7

Against it :-Aldermen Colwell, Finlay, Regan, Murphy, Buckley, Butler, Thompson-7

The Mayor gives his casting vote against the amendment and declares it lost.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Kelly that the City Treasurer's salary be placed at \$3150.00

Amendment put and passed, nine voting for the same and five against it as follows :-

For the Amendment:-Aldermen Whitman, Ackhurst, Regan, Kelly, Douglas, Butler, Ritchie, Godwin, Hubley-9

Against it :-Aldermen Colwell, Finlay, Murphy, Buckley, Thompson -5

*Solicitor  
Auditor  
Treasurer*

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City Collector \$1100.00 Increase.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Ackhurst that the item "City Collector's Salary" in salaries appropriation be placed at \$3150.00 Motion passed, Alderman Murphy dissenting.

City Auditor \$1100.00 Increase.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Ritchie that the item City Auditor's salary be placed at \$3150.00 Motion passed, Alderman Murphy dissenting.

Sub-Collectors four, Increase \$350.00 each \$1400.00

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Buckley that the salaries of the four sub-collectors be placed at \$1300.00 each. Motion passed.

Wm. Connell - City Home \$280.00 superannuation.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Colwell that this item pass. Motion passed.

City Assessor \$650.00 Increase.

Moved by Alderman Douglas seconded by Alderman Ritchie that the salary of the City Assessor be fixed at \$3150.00 Motion passed, Aldermen Whitman and Murphy dissenting.

City Solicitor

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Godwin that the salary of the City Solicitor be placed at \$3150.00

Moved in amendment by Alderman Regan seconded by Alderman Douglas that the question of the City Solicitor giving his whole time to the City be

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓  
Collector ✓

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓  
Collector ✓

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓  
sup City Home ✓

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓  
Assessor ✓

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Solicitor ✓  
as Power ✓  
and by clerk ✓

referred to the Laws and Privileges Committee to report back to this Council with a recommendation as to suitable salary. Amendment passed.

Clerk of Fire Department \$100.00 Increase.

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓  
Chief Fire Dept ✓

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Colwell that this item pass. Motion passed.

Registrar of Property Transfers \$300.00

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Thompson that this item pass. Motion passed.

Sir Sandford Fleming Park \$600.00 Increase

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓  
Engineer ✓  
Club & works ✓

Moved by Alderman Douglas seconded by Alderman Kelly that this item pass. Motion passed.

E.S. Tracey from Fines and Fees Account 1919-20 \$1000.00

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓  
E.S. Tracey ✓

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Ackhurst that this item pass. Motion passed.

Assistant Building Inspector \$200.00 Increase.

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓  
Engineer ✓  
W.R. Regan ✓

Moved by Alderman Buckley seconded by Alderman Ritchie that this item be increased to \$400.00 making the Assistant Building Inspector's salary \$2200.00 Motion passed.

Superintendent Public Gardens \$200.00 Increase.

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓  
R.L. Power ✓

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Kelly that this item pass. Motion passed.

Plumbing Inspector.

Moved by Alderman Regan seconded by Alderman Fanlay that legislation be obtained to increase the salary of the Plumbing Inspector to \$2000.00

Motion put and passed seven voting for the same and

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seven against it as follows :-

For the Motion :- Aldermen Finlay, Regan, Douglas, Murphy, Buckley, Ritchie, Hubley -7

Against it :- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Kelly, Butler, Godwin, Thompson -7

His Worship the Mayor gives his casting vote for the motion and declares it carried.

Alderman Ackhurst gives notice of reconsideration.

Anti-Tuberculosis League \$1500.00

Moved by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Whitman that this item pass. Motion passed.

Sir Arthur Currie's Reception \$750.00

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Ackhurst that this item pass. Motion passed.

Prince of Wales' Reception \$4000.00

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Colwell that this item pass. Motion passed.

Printing Annual Report 1917-18 \$354.50

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Colwell that this item pass. Motion passed.

Printing and Stationery Account 1917-18 \$517.37

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Colwell that this item pass. Motion passed.

Nova Scotia Tramways and Power Company  
Street lighting 1918-19 \$3646.73

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Colwell that this item pass. Motion passed.

Police Court Alterations, City Hall \$750.00

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓  
J & Burns ✓  
Council ✓

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓  
as Colwell ✓

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓  
Engineer ✓  
Clerk of Works ✓



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Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓  
Engineer ✓

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Colwell that this item pass. Motion passed.

Oiling Streets 1919-20 \$3000.00

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓  
Engineer ✓  
Clerk & Work ✓

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Colwell that this item pass. Motion passed.

F.O. Craig Salary due Halifax Relief Commission \$800.00

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Murphy that this item pass. Motion passed.

Fire Department 1918-19 accounts not paid -\$1289.81

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓  
Chief Fire Dept ✓

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Colwell that this item pass. Motion passed.

Canada General Electric Company \$263.97

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓  
Chief Fire Dept ✓  
Electrician ✓

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Colwell that this item pass. Motion passed.

Public Gardnes Iron Benches \$462.50

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓  
Rl Power ✓

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Colwell that this item pass. Motion pass.

City Home Cottage Repairs \$1000.00

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓  
Sup City Home ✓

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Colwell that this item pass. Motion passed.

City Home Increased Cost maintenance Insane Patients \$2000.00

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓  
Sup City Home ✓

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Colwell that this item pass. Motion passed.

Printing and etc Voter's Lists -\$500.00

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Colwell that this item pass. Motion passed.

Gordon and Keith Furniture City Hall, \$180.00

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓  
Engineer ✓  
Clerk & Work ✓

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman



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Colwell that this item pass. Motion passed.

Camp Hill Cemetery \$500.00 Deficit 1919-20

The following resolution is submitted :-

"That the Governor-in-Council be requested to ratify the borrowing of \$500.00 from a bank in order to place Camp Hill Cemetery in funds to bury the dead until April 30th, 1920 and that the same be regularly passed at the next meeting of the legislature."

Moved by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman Buckley. Motion put and passed.

Alderman Whitman gives notice of reconsideration.

Works Department Accounts -\$441.68

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman

Colwell that this item pass. Motion passed.

Assistant City Assessor's Salary.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Buckley that the salary of the Assistant City Assessor be increased by an additional \$200.00

Alderman Whitman asks for a ruling as to whether the resolution is in order.

The Chair decides that the motion is in order.

Alderman Whitman appeals from the ruling of the Chair.

The Assistant City Clerk puts the question to the Council "Shall the ruling of the Chair be sustained?"

The vote being taken there appeared : to sustain the ruling of the chair seven, against it four as follows :-

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓  
Council ✓

Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓  
Engineer ✓  
Clerk of Works ✓

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For sustaining the Ruling of the Chair :-

Aldermen Colwell, Finlay, Regan, Murphy, Buckley,  
Butler, Thompson -7

Against :- Aldermen Whitman, Ackhurst,  
Ritchie, Hubley -4

The Assistant City Clerk declares the ruling  
of the Chair sustained.

Alderman Finlay's motion is put and passed six  
voting for the same and five against it as follows :-

For the Motion :- Aldermen Colwell, Finlay,  
Regan, Murphy, Buckley, Butler -6

Against it :- Aldermen Whitman, Ackhurst, Ritchie,  
Hubley, Thompson -5

Salvation Army Rescue Home }  
Home of the Good Shepherd } \$689.75

Moved by Alderman Regan seconded by Alderman  
Finlay that this item be added to the Schedule.

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

Amendment put and lost two voting for the same  
and ten against it as follows :-

For the Amendment :- Aldermen Whitman, Ackhurst -2

Against it :- Aldermen Colwell, Finlay, Regan,  
Kelly, Murphy, Buckley, Butler, Ritchie, Hubley,  
Thompson -10

The original motion is put and passed.

Deputy Stipendiary Magistrate's Salary.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman

*Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓  
Ass. City Assessor ✓*

*Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓*

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Buckley that legislation be obtained to pay the Deputy Stipendiary Magistrate a salary of \$1000.00 per annum beginning May 1st, 1920. After discussion the motion was withdrawn.

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

Moved by Alderman Whitman Seconded by Alderman Ackhurst that the Council do now adjourn. Motion lost.

PHOTOGRAPHIC GROUP CITY COUNCIL FOR GREAT  
WAR VETERAN'S ASSOCIATION.

Read letter from the Great War Veterans Association Halifax Branch, asking the City Council to have a group photograph taken.

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To His Worship the Mayor.  
Dear Sir:-

*Capt M. S. Hunt*  
We have undertaken the publication of a book called "Nova Scotia's Part in The Great War" to include the work done by Military units also work done by the various patriotic societies throughout the Province.

We would appreciate it very much if you could prevail on the City Council to have a group photo taken adapted to Sheet 7x10.

Thanking you in anticipation.

M.S. Hunt, Capt.  
c/o G.W.V.A. Halifax, Branch.

Filed.

AVIATION.

Read report City Clerk re Aviation Committee.

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Halifax, N.S., January 23rd, 1919  
City Hall.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a public meeting of the Citizens held in the City Council Chamber on December 2nd, 1919 at which a large number of Citizens were in attendance it was decided to appoint a Committee to be composed of three members of the City Council, three members of the Board of Trade and three Citizens to enquire into and make recommendations in respect to propositions looking to the establishing of an Aviation Station in the City of Halifax.

The following named were then appointed as members of the Committee :-

City Council Section -Aldermen Murphy,  
Ackhurst,  
Ritchie.

Citizens Section -Cyril W.Stairs.

Board of Trade Section-  
R.W.Hendry  
W.H.Dennis.

Subsequently H.R.Silver was appointed by the Board of Trade as the third representative of that body.

The other two Citizen members have not yet been appointed.

The Committee now begs to recommend in order that the Committee may be more formally constituted that the City Council appoint a special Committee on Aviation with authority to enquire into the several propositions which have already been presented and any further schemes which may come forward and report to the Council.

L.Fred Monaghan,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Ritchie that the matter be referred to His Worship the Mayor to appoint a Committee. Motion passed.

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

Council adjourns 11.25 p.m.

*L. Fred Monaghan*  
L.Fred Monaghan,  
CITY CLERK.

J.S.Parker,  
MAYOR

EVENING SESSION,

8.10 o'clock,

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

March 4th, 1920

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present Aldermen Kelly, Whitman, Hoyt, Regan, Murphy, Butler, Ritchie and Finlay.

On motion the time for meeting was extended until 8.30 o'clock ; at that hour there were present the above named Aldermen and Aldermen Colwell, Guildford, Godwin, Hublely and Thompson.

In the absence of the Mayor, Deputy Mayor Kelly takes the Chair.

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 Gardens Committee re Accounts by Alderman Kelly, Chairman.  
Report City Prison Committee ~~by~~ Alderman Ritchie Chairman.  
Report Library Commission re Accounts by Alderman Kelly, Chairman.  
Report Police Committee re Accounts.  
Reports (3) Finance Committee by Alderman Whitman Chairman, viz:-  
Accounts.  
Debenture Interest.  
Technical College Grant.  
Reports (5) Works Committee, viz:-  
Works Department Accounts.  
Street Sprinklers.  
Sewer Contract Account.  
Plumbing in Dwelling Houses.  
Water Pipe Account.  
Letter City Collector re Appointment of Sub-Collector.

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Report Charities Committee by Alderman Colwell,  
Chairman.  
Report Committee of Fire Wards by Alderman  
Hoyt Chairman.  
Letter City Assessor re Civic Estimates 1920-21  
Trades and Labor Council re Taxation Committee.  
Letter Trades and Labor Council re Age of  
Drivers of Vehicles.

Other Headlines.

Mayor Arrives.  
Alderman Buckley Arrives.  
Plumbing Inspector's Salary, reconsideration.  
Camp Hill Cemetery borrowing reconsideration.  
Water Extension Westmount.  
Chairman (2)  
Mayor Addresses Council.  
Tuberculosis Hospital.

PLUMBING INSPECTOR'S SALARY - RECONSIDERATION.

In the absence of Alderman Ackhurst it was moved by Alderman Godwin seconded by Alderman Ritchie that the resolution passed at the meeting of the City Council held on the 23rd of February that "Legislation be obtained to increase the salary of the Plumbing Inspector to \$2,000" be now reconsidered.

Alderman Regan asks for the opinion of the City Solicitor whether the Council can deal with salaries of the Board of Health.

The City Solicitor gives his opinion that if an official is appointed by the Board of Health, the Council cannot deal with his salary. On the vote being taken six voted for reconsideration and six against, as follows :-

For reconsideration :-Aldermen Colwell, Whitman,  
Hoyt, Ritchie, Godwin, Hubley -6

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Against it :- Aldermen Finlay, Regan, Murphy,  
Butler, Guildford, Thompson -6

The Deputy Mayor gave his casting vote for the  
reconsideration and declares the motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Regan seconded by Alderman  
Finlay that Legislation be obtained to increase the  
Plumbing Inspector's salary to \$2000.00

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hoyt seconded  
by Alderman Guildford that this matter be referred  
to the Board of Health for consideration.

Amendment put and passed, Alderman Whitman  
dissenting.

CAMP HILL CEMETERY COMMITTEE DEFICIT \$500.00  
NOTICE OF RECONSIDERATION.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman  
Murphy that the resolution passed on the 23rd of  
February with reference to borrowing \$500.00 from  
a Bank for Camp Hill Cemetery be now reconsidered.

Motion put and passed, Alderman Finlay dissenting.

Alderman Buckley.

Alderman Buckley arrives and takes his seat.

Read extract Minutes of City Council meeting  
February 23rd, 1920 as follows :-

The following resolution is submitted :-

"That the Governor -in-Council be requested  
to ratify the borrowing of \$500.00 from a Bank in  
order to place Camp Hill Cemetery in funds to bury  
the dead until April 30th, 1920 and that the same  
be regularly passed at the next meeting of the  
Legislature."

Moved by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman  
Buckley. Motion put and passed.

Alderman Whitman gives notice of reconsideration."

*City Health Board  
Auditor ✓  
Salvator ✓*



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Moved by Alderman Buckley seconded by Alderman Finlay that this motion pass.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Whitman that the original recommendation of the Finance Committee in their report dated February 12th, 1920 do now pass. The amendment is not seconded .

The Deputy Mayor rules Alderman Buckley's resolution out of order.

Moved by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Finlay that \$500.00 be borrowed for Camp Hill Cemetery. Motion put and passed unanimously.

WATER EXTENSION WEST END.

Aldermen Murphy and Buckley address the Council on water extension in the Westmount District.

Moved by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Buckley that this Council authorize the Mayor to seek authority from the Governor-in-Council to borrow \$25,000.00 for water construction .

After discussion the mover with the consent of the seconder withdrew the original motion and moved the following: "That the matter of water supply and fireprotection to the Westmount District be referred to the Committee on Works. Motion passed.

GARDENS ACCOUNTS.

Read report Commissioners of Halifax Common recommending payment of accounts amounting to \$159.82.

*Auditor ✓  
Solicitor ✓  
as Bisset ✓*

*Engineer ✓  
Clerk of Works ✓  
Auditor ✓*

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To His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Commissioners of Halifax Common beg  
to recommend for payment the following named accounts  
amounting to \$159.82 viz:-

Gough's Food Emporium	Hay	47.43
S.C. Thompson	Feed	29.47
		17.15
		16.55
		49.22
		<u>112.39</u>
		\$159.82

J.S. Parker,  
Mayor and Chairman.

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

CITY PRISON.

Read report City Prison Committee for the  
month of February.

Committee Room, City Hall  
March 3rd, 1920

To His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The City Prison Committee beg to report  
that at a meeting held this day there being present  
Aldermen Ritchie, Chairman, Colwell, Hoyt, Murphy,  
and Hubley the Assistant City Engineer reported on  
tenders received for plumbing at the City Prison  
as follows and submitted the attached specification  
for the work to be done.

C.B. Naylor	\$635.00
M. Day	831.00
Morrissey and Purcell	700.00
B.B. Kinsman	824.00

It is recommended that the specification  
submitted by the Assistant City Engineer be adopted  
and the tender of C.B. Naylor being the lowest be  
accepted.

*Engineer -  
Governor  
City Prison  
cleaning works*

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The Governor reported that H.W.Hensley underkeeper who had permission to go overseas on Military Duty had returned to duty at the Prison and that he was entitled to receive the difference between his Military pay and the pay he was entitled to receive as an underkeeper which amounted to \$676.25 less his superannuation deductions.

Your Committee recommend that this matter be referred to the Finance Committee for report.

The report of the Governor for the month showing a total of forty three prisoners in custody and recommendations as to internal management was submitted and filed.

The following accounts amounting to \$1174.32 were examined found correct and recommended for payment.

Lynchs Ltd.	Bread	124.04
R.N.McDonald	Groceries	184.22
Wentzells Ltd.	Groceries	239.04
J.A.Leaman & Co.	Meat	125.95
S.C.Thompson	Feed	46.00
J.&M.Murphy	Dry goods	69.33
A.L.Melvin	Hardware	8.26
Irwin & Sons	Drugs	3.70
Neil Fox	Harness sup.	9.70
Soldiers C.R.	Mens boots	68.75
Maple Leaf Hal	Services	25.00
Maritime Tel.Co.	Rental	8.58
N.S.Tram Co.	Light	62.50
E.Eveleigh	Repairs to	
	Sleigh	48.15
Chas. Zwerling	Trousers cloth	129.60
Hillis & Sons Ltd.	Stove fittings	17.10
J.F.Topp	Horseshoeing	4.40
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		\$ 174.32

George E.Ritchie,  
Chairman.

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

MAYOR ARRIVES.

His Worship the Mayor now arrives and takes the Chair.

CITIZENS FREE LIBRARY ACCOUNTS.

Read report Library Commission recommending

Auditor  
Governor  
Prison  
as witness  
and Clerk.

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accounts for payment.

Citizens Free Libaray,  
March 4th, 1920

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen:-

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

T.C.Allen & Co.	Books etc.	16.90
A.W.H.Eaton	Books	9.00
		<u>\$ 25.90</u>

L. Barnaby,  
Librarian.

Moved by Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman Godwin that the report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

POLICE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS.

Read report Police Commission re accounts.

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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 \$172.45 were examined, found correct and recommended for payment.

Mar. Tel. & Tel. Co.	Service	29.41
F.W.Fraser	Feed	16.98
Kelly's Ltd.	Leather goods	2.50
Colwell Bros.	Oil coat	9.75
Chronicle Pub. Co.	Advertising	6.30
Chief of Police	Cash expended	7.74
Nova Motor Co. Ltd.	Auto supplies	28.95
Hfx. Vul. Co.	Recharging	
	Batteries	5.50
Amherst Boot & Shoe Co.	Rubber Boots	15.00
Crowell Bros.	Oil Coat	6.97
J. Wonnacott	Keys	1.60
T.C.Allen & Co.	Office supplies	8.50
Frank Reardon	Windshield	4.50
National Drug Co.	Drugs	1.50
Robert Taylor	Rubber Boots	27.25
		<u>\$ 172.45</u>

J.S. Parker,  
Mayor and Chairman.

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Moved by Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman Regan that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

GENERAL ACCOUNTS.

Read report Finance Committee recommending payment of accounts amounting to \$5,475.66

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

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the following named accounts amounting to \$5475.66 were examined found correct and recommended for payment :-

United Typewriter Co.	Ribbon	1.00
Soulis "	Parts	1.00
London Rubber Stamp Co.	Ink	.45
T.C.Allen & Co.	Stationery etc.	
	City Clerk	10.75
	" Auditor	8.45
	"Collector	6.90
	"Assessor	3.00
	V.G.H.Account	11.00
		<hr/> 40.10
A.&W.MacKinlay Ltd.	Books	
	City Clerk	6.35
	"Assessor	269.10
	"Collector	18.25
	V.H.G.Acct.	11.05
		<hr/> 304.75
School for Deaf	Maintenance of pupils 1919	612.50
Hazlewood Cottage Hosp.	Maintenance of patients chargeable to City for Mayolst, 1919	2429.86
Victoria General Hospital	Maintenance of patients chargeable to City for the months of Dec. 1919 and Nov. and Jan and Feb. 1920.	
	Nov.	1130.00
	Dec.	1267.00
	Jan.	814.00
	Feb.	873.00
		<hr/> 4084.00
		<hr/> \$5475.66

Alfred Whitman,  
Chairman.

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Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Colwell that the report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

WORKS DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS.

Read report Works Committee recommending payment of accounts amounting to \$3,895.63

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

His Worship the Mayor.  
Sir:-

Attached hereto are accounts for the month of February, amounting to the sum of \$3,895.63 chargeable to the following services :---

Sewerage		\$ 986.97
Permanent Pavement		106.86
Electric Wiring Inspection		13.50
City Hall Lighting		37.80
Street Lighting		475.45
Internal Health		255.43
City Property		53.10
Permanent-Sidewalks Streets		111.51
Market Revenue		77.70
Permanent Sidewalks		17.60
City Hall Fire Loss		431.00
Teams and Stables		34.05
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		\$2600.97
Water Construction	134.18	
Water Maintenance	30.54	164.72
Fuel City Hall	<del>403.00</del>	403.00
Water Maintenance		726.94
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		\$3895.63

The Works Committee recommend the same to Council for payment.

A.F.Messervey,  
Clerk of Works.

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

March 4th, 1920

CITY HOME.

Read report Charities Committee recommending  
payment of accounts amounting to \$3,884.00

Halifax, N.S., March 3rd, 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  
The Chairman, Aldermen Hoyt, Regan, Murphy, Ritchie  
and Hubley.

The Superintendent's Report shows that  
during the month of February 1920 there were 27  
persons admitted into the City Home, 6 born, 1  
still born, 16 discharged and 3 died. Of the  
number admitted 13 were chargeable to the Province  
and 14 to the City. The total number of inmates  
February 29th, was 305, made up of 169 men, 130  
women and 6 children., ~~1-still-born,-16~~ On Feb-  
ruary 28th 1919 there were 162 men, 124 women and  
3 children, a total of 289.

The following accounts are recommended  
for payment.

Wentzells Ltd.	Groceries	1121.10
J.A.Leaman & Co.	Meats	454.15
Davis & Fraser	Mess Pork	89.70
Leonard Fisheries Ltd.	Fresh Fish	78.00
Smith & Proctor	Butter	272.16
H.D.Grant	Milk	186.70
T.J.Whalen & Co.	Dry goods	173.38
The Fleischmann Co.	Yeast	4.20
S.C.Thompson	Forage	78.28
Mar. Tel. & Tel.Co.	Exchange Service	14.00
N.S.Tram & Power Co.	Light & Power	60.60
H.McFatrige	Horseshoeing(2)	6.95
John Lawrence	Leather	29.57
T.C.Allen & Co.	Stationery	1.90
Cragg Bros. Co.Ltd.	Ext.Bit	3.75
William McFatrige	Rope	25.40
Baldwin & Co.	Crockeryware	10.71
Dr.R.F.O'Brien	Prof.Attendance	5.00
Nat. Drug & Chem Co.	Rat Doom	4.35
Brookfield Bros.	Lumber	39.58
Dr.Weatherbe,	Lunacy Cert.	5.00
Dr. McIntosh	Prof.Attendance	15.00
Jas. Simmonds Ltd.	Hardware	5.46
J.H.Buchanan	Cash Expended	175.42
February Pay Sheet		1025.64
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		\$ 3884.00

H.S.Colwell, Chairman.



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Moved by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Hubley that the report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Read report Board of Fire Wards for the month of February.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
March 4th, 1920

To His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Gentlemen :-

At a meeting of the Board of Fire Wards held this day there being present; Aldermen Hoyt, Chairman, Whitman, Murphy, Ritchie and Godwin.

1. The attached report of the Chief of the Fire Department in re converting horse-drawn chemicals into motor drawn vehicles was read.

Office of Chief Fire Department,  
March 4, 1920

Board of Fire Wards.

Gentlemen:-

I beg to report on the cost of equipping the two horsedrawn chemical engines into motor driven apparatus as follows ;

Two Ford chassis could be purchased and fitted out complete by the La France or some other company who manufacture fire apparatus for about \$4000.00 this would include painting, siren horn, side and rear steps, fenders etc., practically the same as new pieces of apparatus leaving their factory, then there are other trucks such as the Reo, Grant, and Defiance which could be fitted up in the same manner as the Ford for the sum of \$4100.00 each. The Federal, Stewart or trucks of that class would cost in the vicinity of \$5500.00 each. The White truck which is largely used in fire departments today would run up in the vicinity of \$7500.00 each, complete as stated in the instance of the Ford and others.

I am not particularly impressed with the services the Ford car might give us for fire department purposes. Any of the other trucks might, I think be suitable, all of which are largely used for commercial purposes and have stood up satisfactorily.

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In conclusion I would recommend that legislation be sought for \$10,000.00 for the purpose of fitting up two chassis as stated above. This, I think would fully cover and would give us an opportunity of having a larger field of standard trucks to select from.

J.W. Churchill,  
Chief H.F.D.

Your Committee recommend that permissive Legislation be obtained at the present session of the Legislature to borrow a sum not exceeding \$5,000.00 for the purpose of converting the two Chemical Fire Engines now in the Department from Horse-drawn to Motor Driven Vehicles.

2. Your Committee also has under consideration, the matter of installing alarm strikers in the Engine Houses and it was resolved to recommend that the resolution of Council passed on the 13th of February, 1920 deciding not to borrow the sum of \$4800.00 for the purchase of Four Fire Station Tower Bell striking machines, be now reversed and that the original recommendation of this Committee passed by the City Council January 15th, 1920 be now re-affirmed.

3. Your Committee further reports and recommends that Section 740 of the City Charter 1914, be amended as follows -

Section 740 of the City Charter 1914, is hereby repealed, and the following Section substituted therefor.

"740 - The officer in charge at any fire may direct any building to be pulled down if in his judgment doing so will tend to prevent the further spread of the Fire."

4. The following accounts amounting to \$2,038.48 were examined found correct and recommended for payment.

Fire Alarm Service.

Canadian general Electric	Elec. Supplies	5.88
Northern Electric	"	.44
E.S. Cottingham	Auto supplies	25.18
N.S. Storage Battery works	Supplies	6.50
N.S. Tram. Co.	Light	31.55
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		\$ 69.55

General Accounts.

Jas. Simmonds Ltd.	Hardware	14.50
Chas. Brister	Motor supplies	6.75
E.B. Eddy Co. Ltd.	Stores	8.33

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Halifax Broom Factory	Stores	11.00
Baldwin & Co.	Stores	1.75
Victoria General Hosp.	X-Ray Services	5.00
J.L. Wilson & Co.	Stores	18.00
Wm. J. Regan	Supplies	6.00
Howard McPatridge	Vet. Services	300.00
Gutta Percha & Rubber Co.	Supplies	3.35
Martin & Moore Ltd.	Glazing	4.20
Frederick Horner	Horseshoeing	12.00
N.S. Tramway Co.	Lighting	65.12
Ungar's Laundry	Laundry	21.11
Halifax Vulcanizing Co.	vulcanizing	86.00
Austen Bros.	Supplies	15.50
Mitchell & McKae	Plumbing	14.75
Jas. Simmonds	Hardware	141.63
Imperial Oil Ltd.	Gasoline	46.96
American LaFrance		
Fire Engine Co.	Supplies	6.70
O.C. Marriott	Horseshoeing	11.90
S. Cunard & Co.	Coal	85.00
S.C. Thompson	Feed	722.28
H. D. McKenzie	Coal	327.44
Wm. Collings & Son	Repairs to Engine	38.66
		<u>\$ 2038.48</u>

W.W. Hoyt,  
Chairman.

On motion the report was taken up clause by clause.

Moved by Alderman Hoyt seconded by Alderman

Ritchie that clause 1 of the report recommending that Legislation be obtained to borrow a sum not exceeding \$5,000.00 for the purpose of converting two chemical fire engines from horse-drawn to motor-driven vehicles be adopted. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman

Godwin that clause 2 of the report re fire alarm tower strikers be adopted.

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

*Solicitor  
Auditor  
Chief Fire Dept*

*Solicitor  
Auditor  
Chief Fire Dept*

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For the Motion :- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Finlay, Regan, Guildford, Murphy, Buckley, Butler, Godwin, Hubley, Thompson -11

Against it :- Aldermen Hoyt, Kelly, Ritchie -3

Moved by Alderman Hoyt seconded by Alderman

*Solicitor ✓  
Chief Fire Dept* Ritchie that clause 3 of the report recommending that, Section 740 of the City Charter be amended to read "The officer in charge at any fire may direct any building to be pulled down if in his judgment the doing so will tend to prevent the further spread of the Fire" be adopted. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Hoyt seconded by Alderman Murphy that clause 4 recommending payment of accounts amounting to \$2,038.48 be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

DEBENTURE INTEREST.

Read report of Finance Committee with reference to paying debenture interest in American funds.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
March 3rd, 1920

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

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the City Treasurer submitted an account of the Royal Bank \$517.00 for Exchange and the question being raised as to the City's liability for Exchange on a certain loan dated July 29th, 1913 the coupons of which are payable in Boston or Halifax in Dominion Currency and the Bonds being payable in Boston or Halifax in lawful money of Canada.

The City Solicitor has submitted an opinion on the subject as follows :-

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Office of City Solicitor,  
City Hall, Halifax, N. S.,  
February 26th, 1920

J. J. Hopewell, Esq.,  
Treasurer.  
City of Halifax.

Sir:-

Re Debenture Interest.

As I understand the point on which you wish my opinion, it is as follows:

The holders of certain City debentures issued in 1913, are asking that the interest payable to them shall, in addition to the amounts called for by the coupons, included the amount required to pay the difference on exchange between Canada and the United States.

The answer to this depends of course entirely on what the City's contract is. That contract is contained in the debentures and the coupons. I have not seen the debentures but am informed that they are in the form of the Schedule to the City Consolidated Fund Act 1905, which obligates the City to pay in "lawful money of Canada" and the coupons, (which I have seen), express the same obligation by calling for payment of the specified amount "in Dominion Currency".

It is true that by arrangement at the time the debentures were issued, the interest is made payable either in Halifax or in Boston and I am willing to assume, without prejudice, that the right to select the place of payment belongs to the creditor, but I cannot see that this makes any difference in the extent of the obligation. If the creditor elected to take his money in Halifax, the City would clearly have the right to tender Dominion Currency in discharge of the debt. If Canadian Currency were at a premium instead of a discount, there is no doubt that the creditor would elect to receive his interest in that currency and to make a profit by transmitting it to the United States. It seems to me that the converse must equally be true, and that the City has the right to transfer Canadian Currency to Boston and tender it there in discharge of its obligations. What the debenture holders are asking is practically that the City shall purchase American Currency ~~either~~ in Boston and pay its debt with that in place of the currency called for by the debenture and coupons. This, it appears to me, is not what the City has contracted to do and consequently the request of the debenture holders is not justified.

F. H. Bell,  
City Solicitor.

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Your Committee recommend that the opinion of the City Solicitor be approved of and concurred in by the City Council.

Your Committee further recommend that the question of the City's liability to the Royal Bank for the sum of \$517.00 exchange charged up to the City's account be referred to the City Solicitor for his opinion.

Alfred Whitman,  
Chairman.

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

Moved in amendment by Alderman Regan seconded by Alderman Buckley that the report be referred to the Finance Committee for them to obtain a copy of the bond and submit the same to the Council with a report.

After discussion the amendment was withdrawn and the original motion put and passed, Alderman Finlay dissenting.

STREET SPRINKLERS.

Read report Committee on Works and City Engineer with reference to Motor Street Sprinklers.

Office of Clerk of Works,  
March 4th., 1920

To the City Council.  
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Department held this day the City Engineer submitted the attached report on street sprinklers, and on motion report was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

A;F. Messervey,  
Clerk of Works.

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*Solicitor ✓  
Auditor ✓  
Treasurer ✓  
Royal Bank &  
Canada ✓  
City Treasurer ✓*

March 4th, 1920

City Engineer's Office,  
March 4th, 1920

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir,

The estimate for street sprinklers submitted to the Council was \$25,000. At the time the quotation was received from the makers, exchange was at about 5%. I have received a more recent quotation which at present rates raises the cost to \$28,023. The quotation, however, is subject to the rate of exchange on the day payment is made.

Under the circumstances I would recommend that the amount as placed in the Act shall be not exceeding \$29,000, and that the Works Committee be authorized to order three motor sprinklers to ensure as early delivery as possible. If the order is not placed until the Act has been passed, delivery will be made after the high winds in April and May are over, while if the order is placed at once, the dealers expect that delivery can be made in April.

F.W.W. Doane,  
City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Hoyt that the reports be adopted with a proviso that before the Works Committee order the Sprinklers tenders be taken and reported to the Council. Motion passed Chairman.

The Deputy Mayor takes the Chair,

SUB COLLECTOR APPOINTMENT.

Read letter City Collector recommending that John M. Joyce be appointed a sub-collector to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late Robert Clancey.

Office of City Collector,  
March 4th, 1920

His, Worship the Mayor  
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen:-

A vacancy having occurred in the staff of the

*Salvador  
Engineer  
auditor  
City works.*



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Sub-Collectors through the death of the late Robert Clancy, who for forty years was a faithful servant of the City, I beg to recommend John M. Joyce, as his successor and would ask you to kindly ratify this appointment and arrange for his being sworn into office.

R. Theakston,  
City Collector.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Whitman that John M. Joyce be appointed a sub-collector in the office of the City Collector.  
Motion passed.

Chairman

The Mayor resumes the Chair.

CIVIC ESTIMATES 1920-21

Read letter from the City Assessor asking for instructions as to striking the rate of Civic Taxation for 1920-21, also report City Solicitor on same.

Office of Chief Assessor,  
March 1, 1920

His Worship the Mayor  
C i t y.

Dear Mr. Mayor :-

On the 31st of December last I received an official communication from the City Clerk containing a copy of the Estimates passed by the City Council together with the resolution on same instructing me to strike the rate of taxation for the Civic Year 1920-1921 on the Estimates so furnished.

So far as I know the resolution and Estimates are in order according to the City Charter.

I am informed that at the last meeting of the City Council a resolution was passed that certain amounts as set forth in schedule attached were to be added to this year's estimate and that Legislation was to be obtained to do so.

If the passing of this Resolution is adhered to, it means a tie up in our Office for six

*City Collector ✓  
Auditor ✓  
Letter John M. Joyce.*

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weeks or more and we will be unable to get through in the time set out in the City Charter.

However, the point that I desire to make is this - What resolution am I to act on ?

P. J. McManus,  
City Assessor.

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Office of City Solicitor,  
Mar. 3, 1920

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:- Re Assessment 192-0-21

I am in receipt of a copy of letter of Assessor in the above, and your request for a report on the same.

The Charter Sec. 358 requires the estimates to be made up by the Council and delivered to the Assessor on or before the 31st day of December. This was done by resolution of the Council passed on 22nd. December 1919. Section 369 requires the rate to be struck and the books containing the annual rating and taxation to be made up and delivered to the Collector before the first day of April. Section 418 requires the Assessor to make out and deliver the tax bills to the Collector on or before the 1st of May. The duty of the Assessor is clear, namely to strike the rate, make up the books and deliver the bills before the specified dates.

The resolution of the Council referred to by the Assessor does not in express terms direct the Assessor not to carry out the law by not striking the rate, making up the books and delivering the bills to the Collector on the appointed dates. It would be clearly illegal if it did so. In terms the resolution only directs that legislation be sought to add certain items to the estimates. As there is no prospect of any such legislation being obtained before the 1st of April and little more of it being procured by the 1st of May, the only way in which the resolution could literally be complied with would be for the Assessor to strike the rate and make up the books and bills, only to discard them and do the work over again in the event of a direction to that effect being obtained from the legislature. As that would be both an absurdity and a practical impossibility, the only way in which the Assessor could deal with the resolution is to consider it as directing him to disregard the Charter and refrain from striking ~~the~~ a rate. Such a resolution in express terms the Council has no legal right to pass, nor would the Assessor be justified in obeying it if it were passed. Consequently in my opinion the only course open to the Assessor is to follow the directions of the Charter, and await what action the legislature may take.

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There is no difficulty in obtaining legislative sanction for the payment by the City of the items set out in the resolution of the Council. Up to 1917 the regular practice of the City had been to obtain authority from the legislature to borrow from a bank or any fund available the amounts required and include them in the next year's estimate. It has been suggested that since that year a different practice has prevailed, which furnishes precedents for the resolution under discussion. An examination, however, of the legislation shows that in each case there were special circumstances which made the course pursued necessary.

In 1917 authority was desired to include in the estimates \$30,000.00 part of the total amount received from the Dominion Government in respect to the City's claims arising out of the Ocean Terminals, and also various items not authorized by law. The estimates were made up complete on this basis and all that was asked of the legislature was to ratify them, not to alter them. In 1918 the estimates were not submitted to the Council until the 25th of February, and again included a number of unauthorized items, and consequently required ratification. In 1919 there was no City Council and the estimates prepared by the Board of Control required to be legalized. In all these cases the situation was abnormal. In all of them I may add the postponing of the striking of the rate badly disarranged the City's business.

At present the situation has become normal. The estimates have been prepared in proper time, and the rate can be struck at the regular date. If the intervention of the legislature is required this year there seems no reason why it should not be similarly asked in any year to nullify the provisions of the Charter.

My opinion therefore is that the Assessor should follow the resolution of 22nd December and the provisions of the Charter.

F.H. Bell,  
City Solicitor.

Moved by Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman Colwell that this Council accept the opinion of the City Solicitor and that the City Assessor be instructed to strike the rate for the Civic Year 1920-21 on the Estimates as passed by this Council on the 22nd of December 1919.

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MAYOR ADDRESSES COUNCIL.

The Mayor leaves the Chair to address the Council on the motion.

His Worship the Mayor resumes the Chair..

*City Engineer*  
Alderman Buckley in addressing the Council is called to order by the Mayor and after refusing to obey repeated requests of the Mayor to take his seat the Mayor orders the Policeman on duty to remove the Alderman from the Meeting. Alderman Buckley retires from the Meeting with the Police Officer.

Alderman Kelly's motion is put and passed, Aldermen Regan and Murphy dissenting.

NORTH STREET SEWER TRENCHING.

Read report Committee on Works and City Engineer re payment to Cook and Dunbrack of the sum of \$915.99 on account on their contract for trenching on North Street.

Office of Clerk of Works.  
March 4th, 1920

To the City Council.  
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Department held this day payment to Messrs. Cook and Dunbrack of the sum of \$915.99 on their contract for sewer trench North Street was approved and recommended to Council.

A. F. Messervey,  
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,  
Feb. 20, 1920

His Worship the Mayor,  
Sir:-

Certificate #6

I beg to recommend payment to Messrs. Cook and Dunbrack of the sum of Nine hundred fifteen dollars and ninety-nine cents (\$915.99) on account, on their contract for trenching North Street.

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Value of Works done	\$6,106.60
Less 5% retained	<u>305.33</u>
	5,801.27
Paid on certificates 1 to 5	<u>4,885.28</u>
	\$ 915.99

H.W. Johnston,  
Asst. City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Hubley that the report be adopted and the account paid. Motion passed.

PLUMBING IN DWELLING HOUSES.

Read reports Committee on Works and Assistant City Engineer recommending payment to Morrissey and Purcell of the sum of \$64.00 balance in full on their contract for plumbing work at #80 Preston St.  
Office of Clerk of Works, March 4/20

To the City Council.  
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the works Department held this day final payment to Morrissey and Purcell of the sum of sixty four dollars (\$64.00) for plumbing at #80 Preston St. was approved and recommended to Council.

A.F. Messervey,  
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's office,  
Feb. 25, 1920

His Worship the Mayor.  
Sir:-Certificate #2 (final)

I beg to recommend payment to Morrissey and Purcell of the sum of sixty-four dollars \$64.00 being the balance in full on their contract for plumbing work at #80 Preston St.

Amt of Contract	\$304.00
Paid on Cert. #1	<u>240.00</u>
	64.00

H.W. Johnston,  
Asst. City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Hubley that the report be adopted and the account paid. Motion passed.

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WATER PIPE ACCOUNT.

Read report Committee on Works and City Engineer recommending payment to the Canada Iron Foundry Company of the sum of \$186.26 the balance in full on their contract for supplying cast iron pipe.

Office of Clerk of Works,  
March 4th, 1920

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Department held on the 18th ult. payment to Canada Iron Foundries Ltd., of the sum of \$186.26, balance due them on contract for cast iron pipe, was approved and recommended to Council.

A.F. Messervey,  
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,  
Feb. 16, 1920

His Worship the Mayor,  
Sir,

I beg to recommend payment to the Canada Iron Foundries Company of the sum of one hundred and eighty-six dollars and twenty-six cents (\$186.26) This is a balance due them on their contract for cast iron pipe, being the adjusted value of five lengths of pipe which were defective at one end. We have cut the defective part off, and the balance of the pipes are in good condition and suitable to our use. I have charged the cost of our work against the original value of the pipe, and beg to recommend payment of the balance as above.

H.W. Johnston,  
Asst. City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Ritchie that the report be adopted and the account paid. Motion passed.

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TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL.

Moved by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Ritchie that a Committee be appointed by the Mayor to report on the construction of a proper building on a suitable site to be used as a Hospital for Tubercular Patients. Motion passed, nine voting for the same and two against it as follows :-

For the Motion :- Aldermen Colwell, Regan, Kelly, Murphy, Butler, Ritchie, Buildford, Hubley, Thompson -9

Against it :- Aldermen Whitman, Finlay -2

The Mayor nominates the following as such Committee : Aldermen Douglas, Thompson, Guildford, Power and Regan. The nominations are approved.

TAXATION COMMITTEE.

Read letter from the Executive of the Halifax Trades and Labor Council stating that Patrick Healey, Thomas W. Martin and John P. Hire had been appointed by that body as members of the Taxation Committee of the City of Halifax.

Halifax, N.S., February 23rd, 1920

To His Worship Mayor Parker,  
Dear Sir:-

At a meeting of the Executive of the Halifax Trades and Labour Council held on Saturday, February 21st, the following were appointed as members of the Taxation Committee of the City of Halifax, as per your request.

Patrick J. Healey,  
Thomas W. Martin,  
John P. Hire

T.W. Martin,  
Secty Halifax Trades & Labour  
Council.

*Members  
Committee*



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*asked to be  
John W. Martin* ✓  
Moved by Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman  
Finlay that the above mentioned persons be members  
of the Committee on Taxation. Motion passed.

AGE OF DRIVERS OF VEHICLES.

Read letter from the Halifax District Trades  
and Labor Council referring to the age limit of  
persons driving horse-drawn vehicles and the licensing  
of drivers.

Halifax, N.S. Feb. 28th, 1920

His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Sirs:--

We beg to submit the following resolution passed  
at our last meeting for your consideration viz -

Resolved that we request His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council to amend the By-Law governing the age  
limit of persons driving horse drawn vehicles in order  
that no person under 18 years of age shall be qualified  
to drive same within the City Limits.

It was further resolved that :-

*asked Power  
and by clerk  
James Rudge* ✓  
All drivers of horse drawn vehicles be required  
to hold a license issued by the City and each Driver  
be supplied with a badge which he shall be required to  
wear on his person while operating any horse drawn  
conveyance.

Trusting to receive your earnest consideration.  
and early action in this matter, we remain.

Halifax District Trades and Labor  
Council.

James Rudge,  
Chairman Municipal Committee.

Moved by Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman  
Finlay that said letter be referred to the Laws and  
Privileges Committee for report. Motion passed.

TECHNICAL EDUCATION, BRANT.

Read report Finance Committee respecting the  
borrowing of \$1,000.00 to meet a deficiency in the  
appropriation for Technical Education for 1919-20

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Committee Room, City Hall,  
March 3rd, 1920

His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.  
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the attached letter of Professor Sexton addressed to the Chairman of the Board of School Commissioners asking for an increased grant for technical education to meet the deficiency in the appropriation for 1919-20 together with a resolution passed at a meeting of the School Board held on the 5th ult. recommending that the City seek legislation to borrow the sum of \$1000.00 to make up this deficiency was read.

Your Committee decided to report the matter up to the City Council for its consideration.

Alfred Whitman,  
Chairman.

The following motion is moved by Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman Ritchie.

"Whereas, the amount in the Estimates for 1919-1920 at the disposal of the Board of School Commissioners and in favor of Technical Evening Classes is two, thousand, two hundred and eighty-five (\$2,285.00) dollars, and the Director of Technical Evening Classes has notified the Board of School Commissioners that the amount required to carry on the season's work will be three thousand, two hundred and seventy 50/100 Dollars (\$3,270.50) and that the students of Technical Evening Classes have petitioned said Board not to curtail the length of session,

Therefore Resolved, that the City Council be requested to seek Legislation to borrow the amount of One Thousand (\$1,000) to make up the deficit, and that the Chairman of the Finance Committee confer with the Local Government to see if it will refund the amount to the City out of funds at its disposal for Technical Education purposes."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Regan that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee to see if the Local Government will pay the deficit. Amendment put and lost.

The original motion is put and passed.

Scholar ✓  
Auditor ✓  
A. W. Whitman

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Moved by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Kelly that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns at 11.50 o'clock.



H.S. Rhind,  
Asst. City Clerk.

J.S. Parker,  
Mayor.