

EVENING SESSION

8.05 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

November 10th, 1920.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening at the above named hour; present His Worship Mayor Parker and Aldermen Ackhurst, Colwell, Whitman, Bissett, Finlay, Hoyt, Cameron, Regan, Kelly, Scanlon, Buckley, Mason, Ritchie, Gough, Godwin and Hubley.

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

LIST OF HEADLINES.

(For the purpose of ready reference the list of papers submitted and the list of other headlines are all incorporated in one schedule at the end of the meeting.)

ONE WAY STREET TRAFFIC.

Alderman Ackhurst asked permission of Council to submit a notice of motion. Permission is granted.

Moved by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman Colwell that this Council declare that Blowers Street from Barrington Street to ^{Argyle} ~~Barrington~~ Street shall be a one way street for vehicular traffic and that all unnecessary noises, blowing of horns, ringing of bells & etc. be prohibited on said block of Blowers Street and on the block of Barrington Street passing the Halifax Infirmary.

Also that all south bound vehicular traffic be restricted to the east of the Coffin Building and all north bound vehicular traffic to the west of said building.

And that the City Solicitor draft and submit the necessary Ordinances.

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Alderman Whitman objects to creating a one way traffic area around the Coffin Building.

Being asked his opinion the City Solicitor states that the Council has no jurisdiction to pass an Ordinance respecting street noises in a particular area; also that Alderman Ackhurst's motion being objected to is out of order at the present stage of the meeting.

The motion is ruled out of order.

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM HEADQUARTERS CITY HALL.

In conformity with notice of motion given by him at meeting November 4th., Alderman Colwell moves the following resolution:-

RESOLVED that the resolution passed by the City Council at meeting October 28th, 1920, to install the recently purchased Fire Alarm Telegraph Equipment in the City Hall on the top floor be and is hereby rescinded.

The resolution is moved by Alderman Colwell and seconded by Alderman Kelly.

Read protests from the Nova Scotia Board of Fire Underwriters and from the Board of Trade against installing the Fire Alarm System Headquarters in the City Hall (see minutes of Council November 4th, 1920).

Alderman Colwell's resolution is put and lost 4 voting for the same and 12 against it as follows:-

For the Motion:- Aldermen Colwell, Finlay, Kelly, Cameron - 4.

Against:- Aldermen Whitman, Ackhurst, Hoyt, Bissett, Regan, Buckley, Scanlon, Ritchie, Mason, Godwin, Hubley, Cough - 12.

*Ald Ackhurst ✓
Chief of Police ✓
City Solicitor ✓*

*City Engineer ✓
Mayor ✓*

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CITY HEALTH OFFICER AND CITY MEDICAL OFFICER.

In conformity with notice of motion given by him at meeting October 8th, 1920, Alderman Colwell moves the following resolution.

RESOLVED that the resolution of Council passed August 20th, 1920 appointing Dr. Edgar Douglas City Health Officer and City Medical Officer be now rescinded.

The resolution is moved by Alderman Colwell and seconded by Alderman Finlay.

Alderman Regan called for a ruling by the chair as to whether the resolution is in order at the present stage of the meeting under the Rule of Council "Order of Business".

His Worship the Mayor acting upon the advice of the City Solicitor rules that the matter cannot be brought up at this stage of the meeting without the unanimous consent of the Council.

Alderman Regan objects to the matter being now brought up.

His Worship the Mayor rules the resolution out of order.

POLICE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNT.

Read report Police Committee recommending account for payment:-

City Hall, November 10th-1920.

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

At a meeting of the Police Commission held this date the following named account amounting to \$248.40 was examined, found correct and recommended for payment.

W.H. Paul. Overcoats for Police Inspectors....\$248.40

J.S. Parker,
Mayor and Chairman.

*City Solicitor
C.F. Burchell*

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Moved by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman Colwell that the report be adopted and the account paid. Motion passed.

FIRE DEPARTMENT MOTOR AERIAL LADDER.

Read report Committee of Firewards re Motor Aerial Ladder damaged August 6th, 1920.

City Hall, November 10th, 1920.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee of Firewards met this evening at 7 o'clock; present, Aldermen Hoyt, Chairman, Colwell, Hubley and Cameron; also His Worship the Mayor and Chief of Fire Department Churchill.

The Committee met in compliance with the request of the City Council at its last meeting that the Chief of the Fire Department submit a report on the recent damage to the American La France Fire Engine Co. motor 75 ft. Aerial Ladder.

Read report of Chief Churchill as follows:-

Office of Chief Fire Department
Halifax, N.S. November 10-1920

To His Worship the Mayor,
and Board of Firewards.

Gentlemen:-

I beg to report that this afternoon I received official notice requesting that I should prepare a report for to-night's meeting on the damage to the aerial ladder on August 6th. which resulted in the breaking of one rail of the standing ladder seven feet from the butt end and disarranging the whole standing ladder.

I am not familiar with the circumstances under which this damage occurred, being absent from the City at that time and the information that I have received in connection with the damage must be considered as hearsay, however, I do know that the ladder is broken and furthermore that the working of the ladder is not reliable. This I made known, verbally, to your Board on at least two previous occasions.

After the breaking of the ladder it was thought wise at the time to have iron plates placed over the break as a precautionary measure and so that this ladder might be used in emergency. I don't think at the time that the repairs were made that it was ever intended to be of a permanent character. The plate on the outer side of the ladder could be applied successfully as a temporary reinforcement but the inner side of the standing ladder could be only partly applied as the fly ladder travels between the inner rails of the standing ladder and any metal or other fixture

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that would be applied to the inner side would interfere with the working of the fly ladder.

After my first examination of the ladder I arrived at the conclusion that a new standing ladder would have to be built as the nature of the break was such, that in my opinion could not be successfully repaired, for, as knowing the great strain on this ladder when in action, either as a water tower or life saving device. My opinion has further been strengthened by two representatives of the American LaFrance Fire Engine Co. Mr. Geo. E. Thomas, who is considered an expert on this particular kind of equipment and Mr. Latter who is at present in our City overhauling our LaFrance equipment.

I have also consulted with the firm of S.M. Brookfield on the advisability of making substantial repairs or constructing a new standing ladder and they have advised me of the fact that should it be even possible to build a new ladder in Halifax, that in their opinion the particular kind of wood cannot be procured and as he stated, "we may get a dozen pieces of wood and perhaps not get one suited for this purpose" and his intimation to me was, that we have a new ladder built by the manufacturer of this ladder and in the meantime we could make the best of the ladder in its present condition. They promised to write me to that effect which up to the present I have not received.

I have interviewed Mr. A.H. Lamphier and after examining the ladder he arrived at the same conclusion as did S.M. Brookfield's representative.

I might say for the information of Your Board that the stock required for the rails of this ladder would require to be riff sawed. It would have to be a very choice piece of wood, properly seasoned and thoroughly bled, either of Oregon or Georgian pine. It would have to be 6 1/2 inches by 2 inches dressed and 40 feet long, clear of all saps, shakes, gum and knots which would require an extraordinary stick to get at least one rail out of.

In conclusion and after a very careful study and survey of this apparatus I can only arrive at one conclusion and that is that a new standing ladder be built by the American LaFrance Fire Engine Co. and I would further recommend the acceptance of their offer to do the same, finding all the material and workmanship, as submitted in their letter at the last meeting of your Board.

J.W. Churchill,
Chief Halifax Fire Department.

It is recommended that the report of the Chief be approved by the Council and the Manufacturer's offer to install a new standing ladder at \$900.00 be accepted, Alderman Hubley dissenting.

W.W. Hoyt,
CHAIRMAN.

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Moved by Alderman Hoyt seconded by Alderman Cameron that the report be adopted. Motion passed 11 voting for the same and 4 against it as follows:-

For the Motion:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Kelly, Cameron, Buckley, Scanlon, Ritchie, Gough - 11.

Against it:- Aldermen Regan, Mason, Godwin, Hubley - 4.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL.

Read report Finance Committee recommending for payment accounts chargeable to construction of Tuberculosis Hospital on the City Home Grounds.

Committee Room, City Hall,
November 9th, 1920.

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

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day it was decided to recommend a progress payment of the sum of Eighteen Thousand Dollars (\$18,000.00) to Rhodes Curry Co. Ltd., on account of their contract for the new Tuberculosis Hospital and also the sum of \$700.00 to H.E. Gates Architect, being 2 1/2 per cent on progress payments to the amount of \$28,000.00 on said Hospital.

Alfred Whitman,
CHAIRMAN.

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

OVERDRAFTS FROM BANK--PROMISSORY NOTES--STREETS
AND SIDEWALKS LOANS.

Read reports Finance Committee and City Treasurer recommending that in future promissory notes be given the Royal Bank of Canada for advances on account of abutters' share of cost of paving streets and sidewalks instead of said loans being effected by way of overdraft as in the past.

Alw Hoyt
Chief Finance Dept

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Committee Room, City Hall,
November 9th, 1920.

To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the attached letter of the City Treasurer in re sums to be borrowed from the Royal Bank viz: \$19,121.92 on Permanent Sidewalk abutter's account and \$75,000.00 on Permanent Pavement abutter's account for which promissory notes have been given was read, and it was decided to recommend the adoption of the attached resolution dealing with and authorizing the issue of promissory notes for the various overdrafts now or hereafter due to the said Bank to cover a period of twelve months from the date thereof.

Alfred Whitman,
CHAIRMAN.

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Office of City Treasurer,
Halifax, N.S. November 9th, 1920.

Alderman Whitman, Chairman
and Members Finance Committee.

Gentlemen:-

It has become necessary to borrow from the Royal Bank of Canada the sum of \$19,121.92 on Permanent Sidewalk abutter's account and \$75,000 on Permanent Pavement abutter's account for which promissory notes due in 12 months have been given in accordance with the report of the City Solicitor under date September 8th, 1920.

The resolution of that date having been passed to cover the overdrafts at that date, should be amended to cover the above and succeeding loans which may hereafter become necessary and with this object in view the attached amended resolution is respectfully submitted.

James J. Hopewell,
City Treasurer.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Hubley that said reports be adopted. Motion passed.

The following resolution is submitted:-

WHEREAS it is found for various reasons more satisfactory both to the Royal Bank of Canada and to the City of Halifax that the amounts borrowed from time to time by the City from the Bank under the authority of Section 140 of the City Charter should be covered by promissory notes in place of being an overdraft.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Treasurer be and are hereby authorized for and on

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Mayor ✓
Treasurer ✓
Royal Bank
of Canada. ✓

behalf of the City of Halifax to sign promissory notes for the various overdrafts now or hereafter due the Royal Bank of Canada to cover a period of twelve (12) months from the date thereof.

The resolution is moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Hubley and passed unanimously.

NOVA SCOTIA CHAP. BOOKS BY PROFESSOR ARCHIBALD
MACMECHAN

Read report Finance Committee re civic assistance in the publication of a series of "Nova Scotia Chap Books" written by Professor Archibald MacMechan.

Committee Room, City Hall,
November 9th, 1920.

To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.

Gentlemen:- At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the attached letter Prof. A. MacMechan was read re offering to publish a series of Chap. Books one of which is entitled The Memorial Tower & etc., for the sum of twenty dollars per hundred which would be a very useful souvenir for distribution to Tourists and others.

Your Committee are unable to make any recommendations in the matter, there being no funds available.

Alfred Whitman,
CHAIRMAN.

72 Victoria Road,
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

In accordance with our conversation this morning, I am enclosing a specimen "Nova Scotia Chap-book", as already published. If you consult the prospectus on the back, you will see that No. 4 is entitled "The Memorial Tower". It would be produced in precisely the same format, but would deal with the significance of the Tower and give the most important facts. The idea is to make the sort of souvenir, an intelligent tourist would like to buy and take home with him, or sent to his friends.

As to the business side of the matter, I can supply them to the City at twenty dollars per hundred. You may be interested in knowing that the C.P.R. Publicity Department has taken 1000 copies of

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No. 5 "The Orchards of Ultima Thule".

The step I am taking looks like a "job" on "an axe to grind". But I am sure you will understand. I am too poor to print these chap-books at my own expense; but I believe it is in the interest of the City and the Province that they should be published. The local papers have been enthusiastic in their praise of the two which have already appeared; they are convinced the "Chap-books" are worth printing, and I believe they would endorse some official encouragement of my plan.

A. MacMechan.

Mayor's Office, Halifax, N.S.
September 30th, 1920.

Prof. Archibald MacMechan,
72 Victoria Road.
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Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 20th inst., re the publication of "Nova Scotia Chap-Books". The specimen which you enclosed - "The Orchards of Ultima Thule" - I read with very great pleasure, as I also did upon its being issued, the comments made by the press.

In order to ascertain the sense of the City Council as to what encouragement might be offered towards assisting in the publication of these booklets, I have referred your letter to the Committee on Finance for report.

I am in hearty sympathy with the idea of promoting all suitable means for attracting attention to the Province of Nova Scotia and this its Capital City and am quite sure that there are few channels through which this may be as gracefully and effectively done as through its foremost literature.

J.S. Parker,
Mayor.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay that the report be adopted and the City Clerk instructed to inform Prof. MacMechan of the action of the Council. Motion passed.

WATER SUPPLY CHLORINATION.

Read report Finance Committee September 22nd, 1920 re continuous chlorination of the City's water supply (see minutes City Council August 13th, 1920.)

*Letter Prof
MacMechan ✓*

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Committee Room, City Hall,
September 22nd, 1920.

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the attached minute of a meeting of the City Council held on the 13th August 1920 with reference to the Chlorination of the City's water supply was read and laid on the table for further consideration.

Alfred Whitman,
CHAIRMAN.

The report is filed.

Also read report Finance Committee November 3rd, 1920 on same subject.

Committee Room, City Hall,
November 3rd, 1920.

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

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the attached minute of meeting of the City Council of August 13th last referring to this Committee the report City Health Board on the continuous chlorination of the water supply was read and referred to the City Engineer for report back to the Finance Committee.

Alfred Whitman,
CHAIRMAN.

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

MUNICIPAL JOURNAL ACCOUNT FOR SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Read report Finance Committee re account Canadian Municipal Journal for subscriptions to that publication.

Committee Room, City Hall,
September 22nd, 1920.

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the attached minute of a meeting of the City Council of May 27th last referring back to this Committee its report on the account of Canadian Municipal Journal \$84.00 was read and it was decided to again

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Engineer*

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submit said report to the City Council without alteration or amendment.

Alfred Whitman,
CHAIRMAN.

(See minutes City Council May 27th, 1920.)

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

Moved in amendment by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman Hoyt that the report be referred back to the Committee with the recommendation that the Committee write the Municipal Journal and ascertain what the account is for. Amendment put and passed.

ROBERT CLANCEY'S WIDOW, CITY GRANT.

Read report Finance Committee recommending a City grant of \$641.93 to widow of Robert Clancey late Collector in the City Collector's Department.

Committee Room, City Hall,
November 3rd, 1920.

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

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the attached minute of meeting of City Council of 7th Oct. last referring back to this Committee a request of the Widow of late Robert Clancey a Sub. Collector in the City Collector's Office for a special grant from the City was read.

Your Committee recommend that Legislation be obtained at the next session of the Legislature to enable the City to pay to the Widow of late Robert Clancey a sum equal to the difference in the amount she has received from the Officials Superannuation Fund and the sum of \$1,000.00 viz: \$621.93.

Alderman Whitman dissenting.

Alfred Whitman,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Mason that the report be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Ackhurst seconded

*As Whitman
and City Clerk.*

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by Alderman Colwell that the report be referred back to the Finance Committee for further report. Amendment put and passed.

CHARLES STREET SIDEWALK.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re concrete sidewalk Charles Street between Clifton and Gladstone Streets.

Office of Clerk of Works,
Halifax, N.S. July 13th, 1920.

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Department held this day the attached report of the City Engineer in re Concrete Sidewalk of North side of Charles Street between Clifton and Gladstone Streets, was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. July 9th, 1920

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the attached petition from owners of property on the north side of Charles Street.

I would recommend that the sidewalks on Charles Street be placed in the Sidewalk Schedule and a concrete sidewalk with concrete curb and gutter be constructed on the north side of Charles Street between Clifton and Gladstone Streets under the Permanent Sidewalk Act. Estimated cost \$3135.00.

Engineer

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Godwin that the same be adopted. Motion passed.

ACADIA STREET EXTENSION.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re Acadia Street extension at property of J.W. Hamilton.

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Office of Clerk of Works,
Halifax, N.S. July 2nd, 1920.

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Department held on the 26th day of November 1919, the City Engineer submitted the attached report on letter from J.W. Hamilton in reference to certain lands owned by him on Duffus & Rector Streets, on motion the report was approved except the last clause of same, providing that two-thirds of block of land must be used for building purposes before payment would be made. It is recommended to Council that said lands be purchased for the sum named \$355.00 to be in full of all claim; payment to be made when funds are available.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. Nov. 26th, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

I beg to report on the attached communication from Mr. J.W. Hamilton respecting the location of Acadia Street between Duffus and Rector Streets.

When the official plan was made, Acadia Street was open only from Kenny Street to Duffus Street. There was an extension projected on the sub-division plan in the same line with Acadia Street northwardly from Duffus to Rector Street. Such an extension would leave a jog of about 50 feet at Rector Street between the end of Acadia Street and the nearest street running north.

In making the official plan, Acadia Street was laid down running slightly diagonally to connect these two streets and eliminate the jog. The new line starts at nothing near Duffus Street and cuts off about 49 feet at Rector Street - an area of approximately 7100 square feet. If the City were to take this jib of land from Mr. Hamilton it would be paid for at its value in 1908 which was about 5¢ a square foot or \$355. At that time it had no sewer and water convenience and there was practically no sale for building lots in this block of land.

Under the circumstances, Mr. Hamilton should be paid at some time for the damage, if any, done to his property. The damage is not felt until the owner begins to dispose of the land or the street is opened. Neither of these conditions have arisen. In my opinion the payment should not be made until the property owner has disposed of at least two-thirds of his land.

In considering the damage to the property, the improvement which will be made in the street should

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be taken into consideration and the fact that it is probable that the property can still be sub-divided advantageously and without serious loss to the owner.

I would recommend that Mr. Hamilton be paid for the jib of land taken from him, provided the City and Mr. Hamilton can agree on a price, such price not to be paid until two-thirds of his land in this block is being used for building purposes.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Godwin seconded by Alderman Ritchie that the report of the Committee on Works be adopted. Motion passed.

FERN STREET--NUMBERING OF BUILDINGS.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer recommending that Fern Avenue and Fern Lane be re-named Fern Street throughout and that the whole street be renumbered.

Office of Clerk of Works,
Halifax, N.S. July 2nd, 1920.

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Department held on the 30th June, the City Engineer submitted the attached report on petition for renumbering Fern Lane and Avenue, recommending that it be called Fern Street throughout, and renumbered from the south end of same. On motion report was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. June 25, 1920

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the attached petition from residents of Fern Street respecting numbering.

The old part of the street is from May Street to the south end. The newer part of the street is north of May Street. The new part of the street is numbered from #1 up, beginning at May Street and continuing north, which makes a very unsatisfactory mix-up.

Engineer
Solicitor
Auditor
Clerk of Works

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I would recommend that this street be called Fern Street from one end to the other, and that it be re-numbered from the south end to the north end, to correspond with the system of numbering used on other streets.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Godwin that said reports be adopted. Motion passed.

LONDON STREET WATER EXTENSION.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re water extension London Street.

Office of Clerk of Works,
Halifax, N.S. Nov. 10th, 1920.

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Department held this day the attached report of the City Engineer was read re extension of water service on London St. from Windsor Street west. Said report was ordered forwarded to City Council with a recommendation that the same be adopted.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. Nov. 6th, 1920.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the attached petition asking for the extension of the water service on London Street from Windsor Street west.

The district is high service - size of pipe required, 6-inch - estimated cost to reach the two lots owned by the petitioners, \$1721.55 - Interest on the estimated outlay at 6% \$103.29.

I would recommend that the extension be made on a special rate of \$51.65.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Godwin that the same be adopted. Motion passed.

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GRATUITY TO WIDOW OF CORNELIUS A. RIORDAN.

Read report Committee on Works re gratuity to widow of Cornelius A. Riordan late storekeeper of the City Works Department recommending that no grant be made -

Office of Clerk of Works,
Halifax, N.S. Nov. 10th, 1920.

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Department held on the 10th inst., the attached minute of Council was read and on motion it was decided that the Works Committee could not recommend the payment of a gratuity to the widow of Cornelius A. Riordan.

A. F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Godwin that the report be concurred in. Motion passed 12 voting for the same and 4 against it as follows:-

For the Motion:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Hoyt, Bissett, Kelly, Cameron, Ritchie, Mason, Godwin, Hubley, Gough - 12/

Against it:- Aldermen Finlay, Regan, Buckley, Scanlon - 4.

CHAIRMAN.

At request of His Worship the Mayor Deputy Mayor Regan takes the Chair.

AUCTIONEER'S LICENSE J. S. HARRIS.

Read letter J. S. Harris requesting the Council to reconsider their decision not to grant him an Auctioneer's license to sell out his jewellery business known as the Excelsior Jewelry Company 519 Barrington Street.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Finlay that this matter be now considered again by

*Mrs Catherine
140 Curlew St*

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the Council.

Alderman Whitman rises to a point of order taking exception to the matter being reconsidered without prior notice to rescind the motion passed at last meeting.

The motion is ruled out of order.

Alderman Mason gives notice that at a future meeting of Council he will move the following resolution.

RESOLVED that the report of the Committee on Laws and Privileges dated November 3rd, 1920 recommending the granting of an Auctioneer's License to J.S. Harris submitted to City Council at meeting November 4th, 1920 be now adopted by this Council.

FURTHER RESOLVED that if any vote of the City Council taken at said meeting of November 4th, 1920 is taken to be a bar to Mr. Harris' receiving such license that said vote be now rescinded.

Moved by Alderman Mason seconded by Alderman Ritchie that Mr. Harris' letter be referred in the meantime to the Committee on Laws and Privileges for further report. Motion passed.

GRANVILLE AND UPPER WATER STREETS ONE WAY TRAFFIC

Read report Police Committee re one way traffic Granville Street and Upper Water Street at Coffin Building/

City Hall, November 10th, 1920

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The Police Committee recommend the City Council proclaim Upper Water Street at the junction of Granville Street a one way Street all traffic going north proceed on the west side of the Coffin Building, traffic going south proceed on the east side of the Coffin Building.

J.S. Parker,
Mayor and Chairman.

Council
and Power
and City Clerk.

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

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

CHAIRMAN:

His Worship the Mayor resumes the Chair.

The vote being taken on the amendment there appeared.

For the Amendment:- Aldermen Whitman, Hoyt, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Scanlon, Hubley, Gough - 8.

Against it:- Aldermen Colwell, Ackhurst, Finlay, Bissett, Buckley, Ritchie, Mason, Godwin - 8.

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

Alderman Regan gives notice of reconsideration.

Ruled out of order the matter not having been decided in the affirmative.

The original motion for the adoption of the report is put and passed 9 voting for the same and 7 against it as follows:-

For the motion:- Aldermen Colwell, Ackhurst, Finlay, Bissett, Buckley, Ritchie, Godwin, Hubley, Gough - 9.

Against it:- Aldermen Whitman, Hoyt, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Scanlon, Mason - 7.

Alderman Regan gives notice of reconsideration.

ACADIA, GOTTINGEN AND DUFFUS STREETS AND OTHER STREET WIDENING CLAIMS.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re street widening claims.

Solicitor
Council.

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Office of Clerk of Works,
November 10th, 1920.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Department held this day, the attached report of the City Engineer re Street Widening Claims was read and ordered forwarded to the City Council for its information.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. Nov. 6th, 1920

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

At a meeting of the City Council held on the ^{27th} ~~10th~~ of ~~June~~ 1920, a resolution was passed, providing that further payments on Street Widening account should not be made until the Council were given a statement of outstanding claims. The only claims which were under consideration at that date were those of J.R. Hamilton on Acadia Street \$355.00 and R. Merson on Gottingen and Duffus Streets \$467.20.

There are, of course, many other cases where the laying down of the official street line has made it necessary to make adjustment with the property owner, but in all such cases no settlement will be made until actual loss or damage has been caused to the property owner or the City considers the acquiring of the property urgent.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Godwin that the same be adopted. Motion passed.

CITY TREASURER ASSISTANCE IN OFFICE STAFF.

Moved by Alderman Gough seconded by Alderman Hubley that Harry C. Powell be appointed as a temporary assistant in the office of the City Treasurer under the terms of the resolution passed at the last meeting of the Council.

His Worship the Mayor on the advice of the City Solicitor rules the motion out of order.

Engineer ✓
Auditor ✓
Clerk of Works ✓

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HOUSING COMMISSION LOAN \$300,000.00.

Read letter Housing Commission of the City of Halifax recommending a further loan of \$300,000.00 for the purpose of carrying on the work of the Commission.

Housing Commission of the City of Halifax, November 3rd, 1920.

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

On August 20th, 1920, you passed a resolution authorizing the borrowing of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars from the Province of Nova Scotia, for the purpose of Part Two of the Nova Scotia Housing Act.

I beg to inform you that this amount has been allotted as follows:

Thirty loans to individuals under Section 21, sub. sect. "b" of the Act.	\$110,400.00
Purchase of Land At Richmond.	9,250.00
Contract for the erection of twenty houses.	80,000.00
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	\$199,650.00

I beg to point out that it is the opinion of this Commission that the City is well secured in all of the loans to individuals. In each case special consideration has been given to the character of the applicant also his ability to make payment, together with the value of his land and the prospective value of his house.

The houses under construction at Richmond have not yet been allotted; but the Commission has enough applications to fill seventy-five such houses if it had them.

Altogether the Commission has, or will have, fifty houses under construction. This is a very small number, when the Housing needs of Halifax is considered.

I am enclosing a draft of a resolution, similar to the one passed on Aug. 20th, for the borrowing of an additional Three Hundred Thousand Dollars. May I ask that this be given favourable consideration?

Samuel M. Brookfield,
CHAIRMAN HOUSING COMMISSION
of the City of Halifax.

Also read letter Halifax Branch Great War Veterans Association on the subject as follows:-

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The Great War Veterans Association
of Canada, Halifax, N/S.
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His Worship the Mayor and Alderman
in and for the City of Halifax.

Dear Sirs:-

On behalf of the Men who have seen service during the Great War, I ask your Worship and Alderman who are deeply interested in the well fare of our City, to give deep and earnest thought with regard to a further grant to your Housing Commission.

It is an undisputed fact that the amount already allotted to said Commission has not been sufficient to enable more than ten per cent of those who wish to take advantage of said Loan to do so.

Wilfred L. Forbes,
Secretary-Treasurer.
Halifax Branch G.W.V.A.

The following resolution is submitted:-

WHEREAS the City Council of the City of Halifax on the 2nd day of July 1920, passed under the Nova Scotia Housing Act, 1919, a by-law declaring, under Section 12 of the said Act, that the said Act shall apply to the said City and appointing, under Section 18 of the said Act, a Commission to be known as the Housing Commission of the City of Halifax for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of Part Two of the said Act.

AND WHEREAS the said City Council, on the 20th day of August, 1920, passed a by-law authorizing the borrowing of the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00) for the purpose of Part Two of the said Act.

AND WHEREAS the said City, for the purpose of Part Two of the said Act is desirous of borrowing from the Province of Nova Scotia an additional sum of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00)

THEREFORE, this Council hereby enacts, resolved and declares as a by-law:

That for the purpose of Part Two of the said Act, and under the said Act the City of Halifax do borrow from the Province of Nova Scotia, the sum of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00) to be repaid as provided by the said Act and within a period of twenty years from the date of the loan, and to bear interest at the rate of five per centum per annum, payable half yearly.

That as collateral security for payment of the said loan, the said City do issue under and in accordance with the said Act, thirty debentures of the City of Halifax, for Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) each, with interest coupons attached, in the form prescribed by the Municipal Debentures Act, 1914 as amended or to the like effect.

That the said debentures be numbered twenty-one to fifty inclusive; be dated the first day of January, 1921 : be payable in twenty years from the

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date thereof at the office of the City Treasurer, in the City of Halifax, bearing interest at the rate of five per centum per annum payable half yearly at the said office.

That the Mayor, City Treasurer, and City Clerk do sign the said debentures that they do seal the same with the corporate seal of the said City and that the Mayor and City Treasurer do sign the interest coupons attached, or if the same are lithographed, either sign the same or have them impressed with a facsimile signature of theirs. That the said debentures be deposited with the Provincial Treasurer of Nova Scotia, under the Nova Scotia Housing Act, 1919.

The resolution is put and lost 7 voting for the same and 8 against it as follows:-

For the Resolution:- Aldermen Finlay, Bissett, Regan, Kelly, Buckley, Scanlon, Mason - 7.

Against it:- Aldermen Whitman, Ackhurst, Hoyt, Cameron, Ritchie, Godwin, Hubley, Gough - 8.

Alderman Buckley gives notice of reconsideration.

His Worship the Mayor acting on the advice of the City Solicitor rules the notice of reconsideration out of order the matter not having been decided in the affirmative.

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

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*Does Mr. Hayes
S.M. Brockland*

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Council adjourns 11.35 o'clock.

L. Fred Monaghan
L. Fred Monaghan,

CITY CLERK.

J.S. Parker,

MAYOR.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

November 17th, 1920.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening at the above named hour; present His Worship Mayor Parker and Aldermen Ackhurst, Whitman, Bissett, Hoyt, Cameron, Regan, Kelly, Scanlon, Buckley, Mason, Ritchie, Gough, Godwin and Hubley.

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

LIST OF HEADLINES

(For the purpose of ready reference the list of papers submitted and the list of other headlines are all incorporated in one schedule at the end of the meeting.)

ONE WAY TRAFFIC AT PENTAGON BUILDING--UPPER WATER STREET.

Read Alderman Regan's notice of motion for re-consideration of the matter of one way traffic Upper Water Street, east of the Pentagon Building.

Moved by Alderman Regan seconded by Alderman Whitman that said matter be now reconsidered.

Motion put and passed 3 voting for reconsideration and 4 against as follows:-

For reconsideration:- Aldermen Whitman, Hoyt, Bissett, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Mason, Godwin - 3.

Against:- Aldermen Ackhurst, Buckley, Ritchie, Gough - 4.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Regan that this matter be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges for report. Motion passed.

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and by clerk ✓*

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COAL WEIGHERS MONTHLY REPORTS.

Read monthly reports Coal Weighers showing each man to have received \$71.09 for August and \$93.88 for September. Filed.

ALEXANDRA SCHOOL AND RICHMOND SCHOOL LOANS.

Read letter Deputy Provincial Secretary covering copy of order in Council directing the City to issue debentures to raise funds for the acquisition of properties for Alexandra School and Richmond School.

Office of Provincial Secretary,
Halifax, 15th November, 1920.

His Worship the Mayor,
Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Sir:-

I beg to enclose herewith certified copy of Order in Council, dated the 10th instant, directing the City of Halifax to issue debentures or stock to the amount of Seventeen Thousand Dollars, for school purposes as set forth therein.

I also beg to direct your attention to the fact that in accordance with the letter of the City Clerk to the School Board, and my telephone conversation with him, an amount of Five Hundred Dollars has been added to the requirements of the School Board to cover the necessary costs and expenses in connection with the expropriation of the land for the Alexandra School playgrounds. It is understood that only the amount of the actual expenses will be paid from this additional amount of Five Hundred Dollars.

Arthur S. Barnstead,
Deputy Provincial Secretary.

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Certified copy of an Order of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia in Council, dated the 10th day of November, A.D. 1920.

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Whereas the Board of School Commissioners for the City of Halifax, require the sum of Eleven Thousand and Dollars for the improvement of the Alexandra School playgrounds the same being of an unusual or extraordinary character, and the sum of Six Thousand Dollars for the purchase of a site for the new

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Richmond School, the said sums amounting in the whole to Seventeen Thousand Dollars;

And whereas the said Board has applied to the Governor in Council for an Order directing the City of Halifax to issue its debentures or stock to the amount so required;

And whereas the Governor in Council appointed Tuesday the 9th day of November, A.D. 1920, at eleven thirty o'clock a.m., in the Executive Council Room, Province Building, City of Halifax, as the time and place at which the matter of said application should be heard;

And whereas due notice of the amount so required and the purpose for which the same is required and of the time and place so appointed were given to the Mayor of the said City;

And whereas the matter of said application was heard at such time and place;

Now therefore the Lieutenant Governor by and with the advice of the Executive Council of Nova Scotia and under and by virtue of Section 901 of the Halifax City Charter, is pleased to order and direct and hereby orders and directs the City of Halifax to issue debentures or stock to raise the amount so required.

Arthur S. Barnstead,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Kelly that the same be referred to the Committee on Finance for report. Motion passed.

G.E. PUBLICOVER CLAIM AS POLICE CLERK.

Read report City Solicitor re claim of G.E. Publicover for compensation as Clerk of the Police Department.

Office of City Solicitor,
Halifax, N.S. Nov. 10th, 1920.

His Worship the Mayor.

Dear Sir:- Re Publicover's Claim.

The facts in this matter as I understand them are, that in September, 1919 Mr. Publicover was appointed Police Clerk by the Police Board at a salary of \$1200.00 a year, and was notified by Alderman Ackhurst on behalf of the Board to that effect. A difficulty arose as to whether the appointment could be made by the Police Commission without reference to the Council, or whether a ratification by

*Ord Whitman
Ald City Clerk*

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the Council was required. The matter was sent up to the Council, who declined to ratify, if ratification was required, and appointed another man to do the work. Mr. Publicover was never sworn into office and did not apply to be sworn in; but merely called upon the Chief of Police who informed him that there was nothing for him to do.

Whether the appointment was to be made by the Police Commission or the Council is to my mind immaterial because in either case Mr. Publicover required to be sworn into office, and if he intended to stand upon any legal right he should have tendered himself to the Mayor requesting to be sworn in, and in my opinion this would be a prerequisite to any claim for breach of contract by the City.

There is also this difficulty in Mr. Publicover's way. His claim, if any, against the City is for a breach of contract, and his cause of action was complete whenever that breach occurred. Assuming that the statement by the Chief of Police that there was nothing for him to do constituted such a breach, it occurred upwards of a year ago, and consequently the six months' limitation of time within which an action must be brought against the City has long since elapsed.

For the above reasons, I am of opinion that Mr. Publicover has not a legal claim against the City.

F.H. Bell,
City Solicitor.

Moved by Alderman Bissett seconded by Alderman Mason that the report of the City Solicitor be approved and adopted by this Council.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Buckley seconded by Alderman Gough that Mr. Publicover be paid one month's salary in settlement of his claim.

Alderman Ackhurst asked for a ruling by the Chair as to whether the amendment is in order.

On the advice of the City Solicitor His Worship the Mayor rules that the amendment is in order.

Being urged for a further decision His Worship the Mayor rules the amendment out of order on the ground that there are no funds available.

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The motion for the adoption of the City Solicitor's report is put and passed 9 voting for the same and 5 against it as follows:-

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For the motion:- Aldermen Whitman, Ackhurst, Hoyt, Bissett, Kelly, Cameron, Scanlon, Ritchie, Godwin - 9.

Against it:- Aldermen Regan, Buckley, Mason, Hubley, Gough - 5.

GARDENS ACCOUNTS.

Read report Commissioners of Halifax Common recommending for payment accounts chargeable to the Public Gardens.

Halifax, N.S. November 10, 1920

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The Commissioners of Halifax Common met this day and recommended the following named accounts to the City Council for payment.

S. C. Thompson	2 months feed	\$38.49
A. H. Lamphier	waggon repairs	23.00
J. P. Brodie	Carpenter	119.00
J. Connor Co.	Plants	38.75
Mahars Expressage	Toronto	4.96
A. E. Wilson	Dahlias	25.90
J. A. Simmers	Bulbs	104.75
J. F. Purcell	Repairs	35.50
S. Cunard & Co.	Coal	135.00
MacKenzie Coal Co.	Coal	500.00
	Total.....	\$1025.35
Commercial Photo Co.		90.00
		<u>\$1115.35</u>

J. S. Parker,
Chairman.

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

CITY HOME ANNUAL REPORT 1919-20.

Read Annual Report, City Home for the year 1919-20. Filed.

Auditor

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ANNUAL REPORT CITY CLERK 1919-20.

Read Annual Report City Clerk for the civic year 1919-20/ Filed.

TRAINED ANIMALS.

Read protest National Council of Women against the exhibiting of trained animals.

The National Council of Women
of Canada,
119 Lawton Boulevard,
Toronto, 1920.

To His Worship the Mayor,
Dear Sir:-

Permit me to draw your attention to the following resolutions which were passed by the National Council of Women of Canada in Annual Meeting assembled at St. John, N.B. 1920.

(1) RESOLVED that steps be taken to prevent the exhibition of trained animals in any theatre or place of amusement, owing to the cruelty necessary to training.

(2) RESOLVED that the exhibiting of deformed or freak children be prohibited.

(3) RESOLVED that the National Council of Women shall use its influence against the caging of wild animals.

(4) RESOLVED that copies of these resolutions be forwarded to the Mayor or Chief Magistrate of each City in Canada.

These questions all received most careful consideration and the decision arrived at was purely in the best interest of the best type of Canadian citizenship.

Trusting that you will submit these to your Council for their approval.

Lydia M. Parsons.
Corresponding Secretary.

Filed.

CITY HOME, TENDERS FOR PRODUCE.

Read report City Home re tenders for supply of potatoes and turnips.

Halifax, N.S. Nov. 11th, 1920.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Charities Committee met this day and

Auditor ✓

Lydia M. Parsons ✓

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beg to submit the following report.

Members present, The Chairman, Alderman Hoyt and Alderman Cameron.

Tenders for supplying the City Home with 800 bushels of Potatoes and 75 bushels of Turnips were received from the Moser Bollong Co. Ltd., R.J. Whitten & Co. Black & Flinn and Nickerson & Crease.

The tender of Nickerson & Crease being the lowest is recommended for acceptance.

W.W. Hoyt,
Acting Chairman.

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

BLOIS VS. CITY OF HALIFAX.

Read report City Solicitor re appeal in the suit H.H. Blois vs. City of Halifax, an action respecting sale of property for taxes.

Office of City Solicitor,
Halifax, N.S. Nov. 16th, 1920.

His Worship the Mayor.

Dear Sir:- Blois vs. the City of Halifax.

I wish to report on the present position of this suit.

At the trial, as I have previously reported to the City, I succeeded in reducing the plaintiff's claim to one-half of the amount claimed, for which amount the plaintiff recovered judgment by the judgment of the Chief Justice. Pending the determination of the Council, I gave a notice of appeal, and the plaintiff gave me a notice of cross-appeal to increase the amount of the judgment to the full amount of his claim.

When the Council decided not to go on with the appeal I notified the plaintiff to that effect, and that I would abandon the appeal. The plaintiff, however, informed me that he intended to persist in his appeal, which he has done, and has printed the case and entered it on the docket for appeal. Under the circumstances I considered it right that I should go on with my appeal, as there is a fair chance of defeating the claim altogether, and even if unsuccessful in so doing the additional costs of a cross-appeal would be very small.

The case on appeal will likely come on for argument in the course of a few days.

F.H. Bell,
City Solicitor.

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Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Ritchie that the report be adopted and the City Solicitor authorized to proceed with the appeal. Motion passed.

Solicitor ✓

PURITY OF WATER SUPPLY--PROPERTIES A.W. PURCELL
ALEX MARRIOTT AND PETER MARRIOTT ET AL.

Read report Committee on Works re the acquisition of properties of A.W. Purcell, Alexander Marriott, Peter Marriott and Chas. Jackson on the watershed of Long Lake for the preservation of the purity of the City's water supply.

Office of Clerk of Works,
Halifax, N.S. Nov. 17th, 1920

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Department held this day it was on motion decided to recommend to Council that whereas said City Council on July 25th, 1919, passed a resolution directing the expropriation of certain lands on the Watershed of Long Lake, and ordered the sum of (\$4600.00) Four thousand six hundred dollars paid into court, and which order was duly carried out; an agreement having been arrived at whereby the undermentioned reputed owners of said land will accept the following amounts in full of all claims viz:

*Prothonotary ✓
Auditor ✓
Treasurer ✓
Engineer ✓
Clerk of Works ✓
City Clerk 2 ✓*

A.W. Purcell	\$4,000.00
Alexander Marriott	1,600.00
Peter Marriott	1,200.00
Chas. Jackson	100.00
Total.....	<u>\$6,900.00</u>

And whereas the following amounts have already been paid out of court viz:-

A.W. Purcell (on account)	\$2,000.00
Charles Jackson (in full)	100.00

that a further sum of (\$2300.00) two thousand three hundred dollars be paid into court to complete the purchase of said land.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Godwin that the report be adopted and the City Clerk instructed to pay into court the additional sum of \$2300.00 as recommended. Motion passed.

STAIRS STREET WATER EXTENSION.

Read report Committee on Works and City Engineer re water extension Stairs Street.

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Office of Clerk of Works,
Halifax, N.S. Nov. 17th, 1920.

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Department held this day the attached report of the City Engineer recommending the extension of the water service on Stairs Street was approved and recommended to the Council for adoption.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. Nov. 12th, 1920.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the attached communications from the Union Coal & Securities Co. Ltd. asking for the extension of the water service on Stairs Street.

The district is high service; size of pipe required, 6-inches; length 108 feet; estimated cost \$798.00; interest on the estimated outlay at 6% \$47.88.

I would recommend that the extension be made on a special rate of \$47.88.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Godwin that the reports be adopted. Motion passed.

CHAIRMAN.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, Deputy Mayor Regan takes the Chair.

PREMIER LLOYD GEORGE VISIT TO HALIFAX.

Read letter Board of Trade re proposed visit of Lloyd George Premier of the United Kingdom to Canada and the United States in 1921.

Board of Trade, Halifax, N.S.
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His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of the City Council.
Your Worship:

It is reported in the Press that the Rt. Hon. David Lloyd George will visit Canada in July next-

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will probably make the Ocean voyage in one of His Majesty's Warships, and I have been desired by the President and Members of the Council of this Board to ask your honourable body to take the initiative in having him land, if possible, at Halifax - the oldest British City in Canada.

It was suggested that the matter should be taken up immediately and aggressively, and anyway in which this Board can assist in the matter, will be pleased to do so.

E.A. Saunders,
Secretary.

His Worship the Mayor reads and submits copy of a letter on the same subject forwarded by him to Lloyd George.

Mayor's Office, City Hall,
Halifax, N.S. November 15th, 1920.

The Right Honorable
David Lloyd-George P.C.
Prime Minister of Great Britain.

Sir,

I understand from public reports, that you are considering a visit to the United States and Canada at some time in the coming year. In such case I take the liberty of suggesting to you that you make your landing on this side of the Atlantic, in the port of Halifax. This City has always been most intimately associated with Great Britain; it is the oldest of Canadian Cities founded by English speaking people; it was for years the headquarters in Canada of the Imperial Army and Navy, and it played a most prominent part in the recent war. It is the Atlantic terminus of the great system of the Canadian National Railways extending from Ocean to Ocean. I feel that it would be in every way fitting and appropriate that you should begin your visit from this place, and I can assure you if you should honor us, of the warmest welcome.

J.S. Parker,
MAYOR OF HALIFAX.

His Worship the Mayor resumes the Chair.

EA Saunders

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Cameron that the City Clerk acknowledge receipt of the letter of the Board of Trade and inform that body that His Worship the Mayor had already extended an invitation to Lloyd George to make his landing on this side of the Atlantic at the City of Halifax. Motion passed.

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STREET PAVING.

Read reports Committee on Works and Assistant City Engineer re Street Paving.

Office of Clerk of Works,
Halifax, N.S. Nov. 17th, 1920.

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Department held this day the attached report of the City Engineer on Canadian Bituminous Paving Corporation's contract for paving, also paving schedule for 1921, were read, and on motion both reports were unanimously approved and ordered to Council for its information, with the recommendation that legislation be obtained authorizing the borrowing of monies necessary to carry out proposed schedule, as stated in said report; and that as soon as said legislation is enacted the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with the Canadian Bituminous Paving Corporation, Limited, for said work.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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

Dear Sir:-

In regard to the matter of street paving next year we regret the impossibility of definitely promoting at this time that our portion of the program can be carried out. Of late there has been some improvement in our earnings, but the situation is still such that without further and material improvement the necessary funds cannot be secured. We are most anxious to complete our part of the program and if funds become available every effort will be made to push the work as rapidly as possible starting first with those streets which the Board of Works designate as the most important.

W.L. Weston,
MANAGER.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S.
November 16th, 1920.

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

Sir:-

I beg to report on the paving situation as regards

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the Canadian Bituminous Paving Corporation, that a contract was signed with this Company on the second day of August, 1919 for paving certain streets as set out in a schedule attached to the contract, amounting in the whole, to approximately 153,000 sq. yards, 61,000 of which was for paving on streets on which tramway tracks were laid.

The Tramway Company paved Spring Garden Road and a portion of Agricola Street and Quinpool Road, which allowed the Paving Company to lay about 12,200 sq. yds of paving, leaving a deficiency of 49,800 yards on tramway streets.

In addition the north end of Brunswick Street from Uniacke to North Streets could not be got ready owing to sewer and water construction. The area of this portion of the street is 3,400 sq. yds., making a total of 53,200 sq. yds of paving contracted for which the Paving Company could not do.

On July 29, 1920, an additional 19,400 yards on certain streets was substituted for some of the Tramway Streets. On Sept. 9th, a further amount was ordered which was subsequently reduced at a meeting of the 13th of September to 5600 yards.

The Paving Company laid 127,436 sq. yds., of paving leaving a difference of about 25,500 yards short of the quantity of work set out in the contract. Last year 28,000 sq. yds., were laid and had the streets been ready and available there is little doubt but the whole contract could have been completed by the first of November.

Work was carried on in 1919 from the 26th of August to the 5th of December and in 1920 from the 16th of April until the first of November. Deducting Sundays, holidays wet days and days unfit for laying asphalt pavement, the number of working days during the periods mentioned is estimated at one hundred and eighty-four.

The Company writes under date of Oct. 8th, "that owing to various causes set forth, it was subjected to loss and damage on their contract which may reach fully \$70,000, this statement is made not as a formal claim, but as giving an indication of what is felt to be the loss sustained and to see if some practical solution of the difficulty can be arrived at.

Two propositions are advanced for the City's consideration, (1) An extension of contract to cover next year's paving and (2) the taking over of the Company's plant and materials by the City.

Taking up the latter first, in the present unsettled condition of the labor and material markets it is not considered advisable for the City to invest in a Paving Plant and do paving work by day's labor. At the expiration of the guarantee period of the pavements just laid and when a fair proportion of the streets are paved and conditions have become more stable, it might be good policy for the City to own its own Plant and do the work itself. But with prices of machinery as they are at present the City would not be justified in spending \$80,000 to \$95,000 on a second-hand plant.

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With regard to the first proposition there is no doubt that more paving should be laid in Halifax. The yardage laid during the past two years was practically the only permanent pavement laid since 1908, and added to the amount laid up to that time still leaves us far behind a large number of Cities in the mileage of paved Streets.

The Paving Company state that if the City will give them a contract for 75,000 sq. yards of paving to be laid during 1921 they will carry out their present contract. The price named in their letter is altogether too high. A close analysis has been made of the cost of the work done during the past two seasons and of what the cost would be, based on present prices, and it is estimated that a price of \$6.98 per sq. yd., would allow a margin of about 23% for contingencies, profit, and any loss under the old contract. After going into this matter thoroughly with the representatives of the Company, they state they will enter into a contract at this price.

As the merits of the claim of the Company, it is suggested that the City Solicitor would probably be in a better position to advise the Committee.

If there is a probability of damages being awarded against the City for breach of the contract, it becomes a matter of policy whether it would not be better to spend this money on the streets and obtain some benefit from it rather than pay it out without any return.

Every mile of pavement laid in the City tends to enhance the health, comfort and well being of the community, making for more economical and comfortable travel on the streets for the owners of vehicles as well as reducing the dust nuisance to the benefit of the pedestrain and householder.

H.W. Johnston,
ASSISTANT CITY ENGINEER

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. Nov. 17th, 1920

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

Sir:-

In accordance with the request of the Committee on Works, the following report on a paving schedule for 1921, covering an area of 75,000 sq. yds. is submitted. A plan is submitted herewith, showing existing pavements, pavements ordered and streets on which pavements are recommended to be laid when funds are available. A schedule is also attached with a list of streets ordered and recommended and the approximate yardage in each.

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A letter has been received from the Manager of the Nova Scotia Tramways & Power Co. a copy of which is attached, from which it would appear that it is extremely doubtful if conditions will change materially from this year with regard to this Company being able to carry out their share of any contemplated paving work, and in making up a schedule of proposed work for next year, a very limited amount of track work can be anticipated being done.

The streets on which car tracks are laid in last year's contract for paving, are all important, and a necessary part of any comprehensive paving program, and attention is drawn to the fact that these streets are still considered of the utmost importance. But in view of the fact that it is practically certain that no track work of any magnitude will be done next year by the Tram Company, other streets must be considered.

There are four streets traversed by the tracks of the Tram Company where a certain amount of paving can be done between the Track allowance and gutter, even though the tracks be not paved, and thus help to remedy the conditions now obtaining on them.

Brunswick Street-- from Buckingham to Jacob where pavement may be laid from the east curb to the track allowance.

Gottingen Street-- from the west curb to the track allowance.

Quinpool Road ---- where pavement can be laid on both sides from Windsor St. to Oxford Street and on the north and east sides of the track allowance from Oxford Street to the Arm Bridge.

South Park Street-- where pavement can be laid on the east side of the track allowance from Morris to South Street and on both sides from South Street to Inglis Street.

The first three streets were in the original contract for paving and the last one in the list of streets proposed to be paved. While the paving of streets in this manner cannot generally be approved of, and there are several objections to it, still, under the circumstances owing to the necessity of having at least a part of these main thoroughfares improved, some justification may be found for doing so.

The area involved in these four streets is about 33,000 square yards.

It is recommended that the schedule be as follows:-

Quinpool Road	both sides Windsor to Oxford - N & E side Oxford to Arm Bridge.
Gottingen	west side - Gerrish to Kaye Street.
Brunswick	east side Buckingham to Jacob.
South Park	both sides, Inglis to South St. E. side South to Morris.
Brunswick	Uniacke to North Street.
Bell Street	Barrington to Argyle.
Grafton	Sackville to Buckingham.

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Hurd	Water to Brunswick.
Proctor	Water to Brunswick.
George	Argyle to Brunswick.
Prince	Argyle to Brunswick.
Queen	Morris to Sackville.
Robie	Kempt Road to Young.
North Park	Cunard to Cogswell.
Cornwallis	Gottingen to North Park.
Gerrish	Gottingen to Maynard
Maynard	Gerrish to West
West	Maynard to Robie.

This schedule amounts to approximately 69,000 sq. yds. It is recommended that the remaining 6000 sq. yards be not set down on any streets at present, but held to cover any streets that the Tram Co. may possible do work on, and failing any work being done by them, other streets may be ordered later.

H.W. Johnston,
ASSISTANT CITY ENGINEER.

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PERMANENT PAVEMENT PROPOSED
1921.

<u>Streets with car tracks</u>		Asph-	Granite
<u>In original contract.</u>		alt	Block
Agricola	- Cunard to Almon (partly done)	2600	
Brunswick	- Buckingham to Jacob	1000	
Buckingham	- Barrington to Brunswick		800
Coburg Road	- Edward to Oxford	6000	
Cunard	- Gottingen to Agricola	2200	
Gottingen	- Gerrish to Kaye	10000	
Hollis	- Morris to South		1500
Jacob	- Grafton to Brunswick		700
Morris	- Water to Hollis		400
Quinpool Rd.	- Windsor St. to Arm Bridge	24900	
Windsor	- Quinpool Rd. to Chebucto	2900	
Total paving on streets in original contract		52000	3500
<u>Streets with Car Tracks ordered but not in</u>			
<u>Contract.</u>			
Cogswell	- Gottingen to Robie	4400	
Inglis	- Barrington to Mitchell		560
Total paving on streets ordered		4400	560
<u>Proposed</u>			
Almon	- Agricola to Clifton	1900	
Barrington	- North to Russell	4600	
Inglis	- Mitchell to South Park	2200	
Oxford	- Coburg to Quinpool	6000	
South Park	- Inglis to Morris	5000	
Windsor	- Chebucto to North	1500	
Total paving on streets proposed		21200	

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PERMANENT PAVEMENT PROPOSED 1921

Streets without Car Tracks
In Original Contract.

		<u>Asphalt</u>	<u>Block</u>
Brunswick	- Uniacke to North St.	<u>3400</u>	
<u>Ordered.</u>			
Chebucto Rd.	- Windsor to Oxford	5750	1000
Hurd St.	- Water to Brunswick	6000	800
Grafton	- Sackville to Jacob	4000	
North	- Robie to Windsor	2800	
North Park	- Cunard to Cogswell		1300
Proctor	- Water to Brunswick	6200	
Queen	- Morris to Sackville	5500	
Robie	- South to Coburg Rd.	<u>30250</u>	<u>3100</u>
Total yardage in streets ordered.			

<u>Proposed.</u>			
Bishop	- Water to Barrington		1310
Blowers	- Grafton to Market		460
Bell	- Barrington to Argyle		240
Cornwallis	- Gottingen to North Park	3300	
George	- Argyle to Brunswick		1870
Gerrish	- Gottingen to Maynard	1600	
Market	- Blowers to Jacob	6500	300
Maynard	- Gerrish to West	400	
North	- Windsor to Oxford	5800	
North Park	- Bell Rd. to Cogswell	4800	
Oxford	- Quinpool Rd. to North	5200	
Prince	- Argyle to Brunswick		1750
Robie	- Kempt Rd. to Young	2200	
Robie	- Jubilee Rd. to Coburg Rd.	4800	
West	- Maynard to Robie	4400	
Total yardage in streets proposed.		<u>39000</u>	<u>5930</u>

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Godwin that the reports be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman Bissett that consideration of the matter be deferred until next meeting and that in the meantime copies be furnished to each member of the City Council. Amendment put and passed.

ISOLATION HOSPITAL--TRACHOMA HOSPITAL.

Read report City Health Board covering reports Building Inspector and Plumbing Inspector re the Isolation Hospital and the Trachoma Hospital at Rockhead.

*Sent all ✓
members
City Council*

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Office of City Health Board,
Halifax, N/S. November 17th, 1920.

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

I am directed to ask that the City Health Board be authorized to take over the Government Detention Hospital at Rockhead by lease or purchase.

The need for larger hospital accomodation is urgent, owing to the number of cases of Infectious Diseases which are being reported and the fact that the present Hospital is use at Rockhead, nor properly heated is unsuited for the treatment of cases. The hospital is at present taxed to capacity and should diseases other than Diphtheria or Scarlet Fever be reported, for hospital treatment, no accomodation could be provided for them by the City.

The condition of the building from a structural and plumbing and heating standpoint is reported upon by the assistant building Inspector and tje plumbing Inspector respectively, copies of their reports being attached for your information.

John A. Watters,
Secretary C.H.B.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. Nov. 11th, 1920

Mr. H.W. Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer.
Dear Sir:-

As requested by you I have inspected the plumbing and heating of the Trachoma Hospital, and beg leave to report the following:

The plumbing of the old building needs considerable repairs, the boiler for heating domestic water has been frozen and broken, some of the W.C. tanks and seats will have to be renewed, and the urinals, which have been taken out, will need to be replaced.

The plumbing of the new building is in fair condition. The heating apparatus seems to be in fair shape but will need a general overhauling and painting.

I would estimate the cost of putting this work in good condition to be \$2,500.

Unless the fires are started, or the water removed from pipes immediately, the whole system is in danger of freezing and bursting.

John E. Burns,
Plumbing Inspector.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. Nov. 12th, 1920.

H.W. Johnston, Esq.,
Asst. City Engineer, City.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to report that I have examined the Trachoma Hospital buildings and find that the new addition is in good condition.

In the old section of the building the wood-work and walls are badly in need of paint and that portion of the building is in a very dirty condition. As for an estimate it would altogether depend how much the Board wished to do.

W.R. Fegan,
Asst. Building Inspector.

At request of His Worship the Mayor Deputy Mayor Regan takes the Chair.

Moved by Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman Ackhurst that the report of the City Health Board be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman Bissett that His Worship the Mayor telegraph the authorities at Ottawa to ascertain if they will hand over the Trachoma Hospital to assume responsibility for the upkeep of the buildings.

The vote being taken there appeared:

For the Amendment:- Aldermen Ackhurst, Bissett, Kelly, Cameron, Scanlon, Mason - 6.

Against it:- Aldermen Whitman, Hoyt, Ritchie, Godwin, Hubley, Gough - 6.

The Deputy Mayor gives his casting vote for the amendment and declares it carried.

TRAFFIC ON BLOWERS AND UPPER WATER STREETS--
STREET NOISES.

Read draft Ordinance re one way traffic on Blowers Street between Barrington and Argyle Streets; one way traffic Upper Water Street to the eastward of the

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Telegram sent
by Mayor
to Hon F B
McCurdy
(by J. A. Waters
Nov 21)

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Pentagon Building and re street noises on Barrington and Blowers Streets.

No.....
STREET TRAFFIC.

Be it enacted by the Council of the City of Halifax as follows:-

Ordinance #4 of the City of Halifax is amended as follows:-

1. By adding thereto the following Sections to immediately follow section 56 (e).

Blowers Street.

56 (f) No vehicle except a hearse or other vehicle in attendance on a funeral or fire apparatus shall traverse Blowers Street in an easterly direction between Barrington Street and Argyle Street.

Pentagon Building.

56 (g) At the junction of Upper Water Street and Buckingham Street no vehicle going north shall pass to the east of the Pentagon Building so called.

Street Noises Barrington and Blowers Streets.

56 (h) On Barrington Street between Blowers Street and Salter Street, and on Blowers Street between Barrington Street and Argyle Street, all unnecessary blowing of horns or other unnecessary noises are prohibited.

*Ord Power ✓
Ass. City Clerk*

Moved by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman Whitman that said draft ordinance be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges for report. Motion passed.

CAMP HILL CEMETERY SALE OF LOTS.

Read report Camp Hill Cemetery Commission re sale of burial lots in the Cemetery.

Halifax, N.S. July 21st, 1920.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of the City Council.
Gentlemen:- Re Unused Lots, Camp Hill Cemetery.

At a meeting of Camp Hill Cemetery Commission held this day, the following resolution, passed un-animously, was ordered forwarded to Council:-

RESOLVED

"That the Chairman and Caretaker be hereby authorized to have the angle of land, bounded by the south-western quadrant of the circle, and on the west and south sides by roads at

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right angles, containing about forty (40) lots, (with the exception of the Kelly lot), surveyed and sold."

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

Moved by Alderman Bissett seconded by Alderman Mason that the report be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Hubley that consideration of the report be deferred until a plan of the lots proposed to be sold is submitted to this Council.

10.25 o'clock.

Alderman Power arrives and takes his seat in Council.

The amendment is put and passed.

CAMP HILL CEMETERY RULES AND REGULATIONS.

Read report Camp Hill Cemetery Commission re rules and regulations for Camp Hill Cemetery.

Halifax, N/S. Jan. 24th, 1920.

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

Herewith are submitted for your ratification, "Rules and Regulations, Camp Hill Cemetery", as amended and finally passed at a meeting of the Camp Hill Cemetery Commission, held on Friday last 23rd inst.

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

Moved by Alderman Bissett seconded by Alderman Mason that the report be adopted and the Ordinance approved.

Read the Ordinance referred to in the report of the Commission, as follows:-

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Ordinance No....
CAMP HILL CEMETERY.

An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 13 "Camp Hill Cemetery".

Be it ordained by the City Council as follows:-
Ordinance No. 13 of the City of Halifax "Of Camp Hill Cemetery" is amended by adding thereto immediately following clause No. 22 the following clauses:

- A. The keeper shall be appointed by the Commission and shall be paid a fixed salary and no fees.
- B. Laborers shall be hired by the Keeper at a weekly wage and no fees; but all men hired and the rate of wage paid shall be subject to the approval of the Commission.
- C. Lot owners can have their lots kept in order during the season, in perpetuity, by making a deposit of \$100.00 per lot (9' by 9') with the City Treasurer; or by paying annually to the City Treasurer, the sum of at least \$6.00 per lot.
- D. No person, except an employee of the Commission, will be permitted to do work of any kind in the Cemetery, without the consent in writing of the Keeper.
- E. The Keeper must render a monthly account of all moneys received; a statement of burials made, with the name or names of the undertakers. Also a monthly list of lots which have been put in order. Such statement and list to be filed with the City Treasurer.
- F. All fees for burials must be paid to the City Treasurer at the City Hall;
Burial Fees shall be as follows:-
Adults \$8.00
Under 12 years and
over 5 years..... 5.00
Under 5 years..... 3.00

The Ordinance is considered clause by clause.
Read clause A re Keepers Pay.

Moved by Alderman Bissett seconded by Alderman

Mason that the clause be approved.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Power that the Ordinance be referred to the City Solicitor for his opinion in writing as to whether the Council can pass the Ordinance.

The amendment is put and lost 5 voting for the same and 7 against it as follows:-

For the Amendment:- Aldermen Whitman, Ackhurst,
Kelly, Power, Godwin - 5.

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Against it:- Aldermen Bissett, Cameron, Scanlon, Ritchie, Mason, Hubley, Gough - 7.

The motion for the approval of the clause is put and passed.

Read clause B re hiring of laborers.

Moved by Alderman Bissett seconded by Alderman Mason that the clause be approved. Motion passed.

Read clause C re permanent upkeep of lots.

Moved by Alderman Bissett seconded by Alderman Mason that said clause be approved. Motion passed.

Read clause D prohibiting lot owners from taking care of their lots without permission in writing.

Moved by Alderman Bissett seconded by Alderman Mason that the clause be approved.

Motion put and lost.

Read Clause E. re monthly returns.

Moved by Alderman Bissett seconded by Alderman Hubley that the clause be approved. Motion passed.

Read clause F. re Burial Fees.

Moved by Alderman Bissett seconded by Alderman Mason that said clause be approved. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Bissett seconded by Alderman Mason that the Ordinance as amended be approved. Motion passed.

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

Read a first time an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 12 'Camp Hill Cemetery'".

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

Read a second time an Ordinance entitled "An
Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 13 'Camp Hill Cemetery'"

HOUSING PROBLEM.

Alderman Kelly gives notice that at a future
meeting of the Council he will move a resolution in
respect to the Nova Scotia Housing Act.

STREET REPAIRS.

Alderman Mason asked for street repairs Russell
Street between Agricola Street and Kempt Road.

Also on Clifton Street between Cunard and North
Streets.

Referred to the Committee on Works.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

Alderman Mason asked for the installation of an
Electric light on Russell Street between Agricola
Street and Kempt Road.

Also for an electric light on Clifton Street
between Cunard Street and North Street.

Referred to the Committee on Works.

VICTORIA GENERAL HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS.

Read report Finance Committee re/collecion of
accounts for maintenance of patients at the Victoria
General Hospital.

Committee Room, City Hall,
September 2nd, 1920.

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held
this day the attached minute of Council of August 13th

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1920, in re collector of accounts of Victoria General Hospital for maintenance of patients chargeable to the City of Halifax was read.

Your committee recommend that the resolution of Council of 18th December 1919 appointing the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent of the City Home Collectors of the Victoria General Hospital accounts against the City be rescinded and that the resolution of Council of August 5th, 1920 appointing John A. Beed and Joseph R. Thomson Collectors of the Victoria General Hospital accounts be amended by striking out the words "under the supervision of the Superintendent of the City Home" and in place thereof the following be substituted "under the supervision of the City Collector" and that the said John A. Beed and the said Joseph R. Thomson be instructed to pay over to the City Collector all monies collected for the maintenance of patients less the commission of 15% for collection.

J. A. Buchanan
Auditor
Collector

Alfred Whitman,
CHAIRMAN.

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

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

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Council adjourns 11.05 o'clock.


L. Fred Monaghan,

CITY CLERK.

J.S. Parker,

MAYOR.

EVENING SESSION

8.10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

November 25th, 1920.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening at the above named hour; present, His Worship Mayor Parker and Aldermen Ackhurst, Whitman, Bissett, Finlay, Hoyt, Cameron, Regan, Kelly, Scanlon, Buckley, Mason, Ritchie, Power, Gough, Godwin and Hubley.

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

LIST OF HEADLINES.

(For the purpose of ready reference the list of papers submitted and the list of other headlines are all incorporated in one schedule at the end of the meeting.)

SEWER CONSTRUCTION BY DAYS WORK IN WINTER.

By unanimous consent of Council Alderman Gough is permitted to submit a motion.

Moved by Alderman Gough seconded by Alderman Hoyt that the Committee on Works take into consideration and report as to the advisability and feasibility of constructing sewers and other City work during the coming winter and doing the same by the employment of city labor instead of by contract.

Referred to the Committee on Works for report.

WATER DEPARTMENT LOANS IN ANTICIPATION OF COLLECTION OF RATES.

Read letter Deputy Provincial Secretary covering promise of the Provincial Government to use their good offices in support of legislation to be asked for by the City authorizing the making of loans in

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anticipation of the collection of accounts due the
Water Department.

Office of Provincial Secretary,
Halifax, N.S. 16th November, 1920.

The City Clerk,
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Sir:-

I am directed by the Premier and Provincial Secretary to acknowledge your letter of the 11th of November enclosing extract from the minutes of a meeting of the City Council held on the 4th instant.

I am instructed to say that in accordance with the request of the City Council the Government will use their good offices to secure the passage of Legislation at the next Session of the Legislature so that the Water Department may anticipate the collection of rates due said Department; and, further, may borrow from a Bank or Banks such money as may, from time to time, be required to cover necessary expenditures. Also the Government agrees to use their good offices to legalize any over-drafts that may be made for the current civic year in anticipation of the Legislation requested.

Arthur S. Barnstead,
Deputy Provincial Secretary.

Referred to the City Solicitor and City Treasurer
for attention.

LOANS FOR VARIOUS PURPOSES--EXTENSION OF TIME.

Read report Finance Committee re extension of
time to Bond Brokers for purchase of City Bonds for
loans for various purposes.

Committee Room, City Hall,
November 24th, 1920.

To His Worship Mayor Parker,
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Finance held this day it was unanimously resolved to recommend to Council that the sale of the \$500,000 School Bonds due Jan. 1st, 1953 bearing interest at 5 1/2% and the \$500,000 School and Pavement combined \$200,000 Schools, \$300,000 Pavement, due July 1st, 1930 bearing interest at 6% be extended until January 7th, 1921, and that the bond brokers be notified accordingly.

Alfred Whitman,
CHAIRMAN.

Auditor ✓
Solicitor ✓
Treasurer ✓
Engineer ✓

November 25th, 1920.

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

ALEXANDRA SCHOOL AND RICHMOND SCHOOL PROPERTIES.

Read report Finance Committee re order in Council
directing the City to issue bonds to raise amounts
required to acquisition of properties for Alexandra
School and Richmond School, recommending only that
funds be raised at the present time for the property
for Alexandra School (see Minutes City Council Nov-
ember 17th, 1920).

Committee Room, City Hall,
November 24th, 1920.

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

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held
this day the attached minute of Council of the 17th
inst., referring to this Committee copy of order in
Council directing the City to issue debentures to
raise funds for the acquisition of properties for
Alexandra School and Richmond Schools was read.

Your Committee recommend that the sum of
Eleven thousand dollars (\$11,000.00) for the acqui-
sition of properties for Alexandra School and a sum
not to exceed Five hundred dollars (\$500.00) to pay
costs and expenses of expropriation of Hills property
(part of same property) be borrowed from the Sinking
Fund.

Alfred Whitman,
CHAIRMAN.

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

LOANS FOR VARIOUS PURPOSES FROM SINKING FUNDS.

Read offer of Trustees of the Sinking Funds to
loan the City long term bonds the sum of \$46,500.00
for various purposes.

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His Worship Mayor Parker,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Trustees of the Sinking

November 25th, 1920.

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

ALEXANDRA SCHOOL AND RICHMOND SCHOOL PROPERTIES.

Read report Finance Committee re order in Council directing the City to issue bonds to raise amounts required to acquisition of properties for Alexandra School and Richmond School, recommending only that funds be raised at the present time for the property for Alexandra School (see Minutes City Council November 17th, 1920).

Committee Room, City Hall,
November 24th, 1920.

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

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the attached minute of Council of the 17th inst., referring to this Committee copy of order in Council directing the City to issue debentures to raise funds for the acquisition of properties for Alexandra School and Richmond Schools was read.

Your Committee recommend that the sum of Eleven thousand dollars (\$11,000.00) for the acquisition of properties for Alexandra School and a sum not to exceed Five hundred dollars (\$500.00) to pay costs and expenses of expropriation of Hills property (part of same property) be borrowed from the Sinking Fund.

Alfred Whitman,
CHAIRMAN.

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

LOANS FOR VARIOUS PURPOSES FROM SINKING FUNDS.

Read offer of Trustees of the Sinking Funds to loan the City long term bonds the sum of \$46,500.00 for various purposes.

Halifax, N.S. Nov. 25th, 1920

His Worship Mayor Parker,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Trustees of the Sinking

Auditor ✓
Treasurer ✓

Auditor ✓
Treasurer ✓
Engineer ✓
Solicitor ✓

November 25th, 1920.

Funds held this day it was unanimously resolved to offer to loan the City of Halifax an amount sufficient to produce the sum of \$46,500.00 required for the following purposes.

To pay for the Moreash property under Chap.77 Acts 1914	\$10,000
" " " School Furniture under Sec.893 C.C.	25,000
" " " " Land Sons of Temperance Hall 893 C.C.	3,500
" " " " Hills Property " " "	7,500
" " " expenses of expropriation of Hills property not exceeding	500
Total.....	<u>\$46,500</u>

The sum so loaned to bear interest at the rate of 6%, the purchase price to be at par, the period of the stock certificate to be 32 years and its date January 1st, 1921.

James T. Hopewell,
Sec-Tres. Trustees Sinking
Funds.

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

The following resolution is submitted:-

WHEREAS the Trustees of the Sinking Funds have agreed to loan the City of Halifax an amount sufficient to produce the sum of \$46,500 required for the following purposes:

To pay for Moreash property Chap.77 Acts 1914	\$10,000.
" " " School Furniture Sec. 893 C.C.	25,000.
" " " lands Sons of Temperance Hall Sec. 893 C.C.	3,500.
" " " " Hills Property expropriation Sec. 893. C.C.	7,500.
" " " expenses Hills Property expropriation not exceeding	500.
Total.....	<u>\$46,500</u>

*Auditor ✓
Treasurer ✓
Solicitor ✓
Engineer ✓*

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Treasurer is hereby authorized to issue to the Trustees of the Sinking Funds a stock certificate of the Halifax Consolidated Fund 1905 for a sum sufficient to produce the above amount. The rate of interest to be 6%; the period 32 years, the date of stock certificate January 1st, 1921 and the purchase price at par.

The resolution is moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay and passed.

LOANS FOR VARIOUS PURPOSES FROM SINKING FUNDS.

Read offer of Trustees of the Sinking Funds to loan the City on short term bonds the sum of \$101,879.00 for various purposes.

November 25th, 1920.

Halifax, N.S. November 25th, 1920.

His Worship Mayor Parker,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Trustees of the Sinking Funds held this day it was unanimously resolved to offer to loan the City of Halifax an amount sufficient to produce the sum required for the following purposes under Chap. 86 Acts 1920.

For the purchase of fire alarm equipment	\$21,629.
" " " " " Hose	3,000.
" " " " " Street sprinklers	25,000.
" " Conversion of a horse drawn chemical engine into motor propelled vehicles	2,500.
" " Installation of fire alarm in engine	
" " Houses	5,000.
" " Repairs to plumbing in City Hall	2,500.
" " Wiring at " "	7,250.
" " Heating " " "	10,000.
To aid in the construction of a Maternity Hospital by the Salvation Army.	25,000.
	<u>\$ 101,879.</u>

The sum so loaned to be repaid in five equal annual installments with interest at the rate of 6%; the date of debentures to be January 1st, 1921 and the purchase price 98.75 of par.

James J. Hopewell,
Secretary-Treasurer.

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

The following resolution is submitted:-

WHEREAS the Trustees of the Sinking Funds have agreed to loan the City of Halifax an amount sufficient to produce the sum of \$101,879.00 under Chap. 86 Acts 1920 for the following purposes.

Auditor ✓
Treasurer ✓
Engineer ✓
Electrician ✓
Chief Fire Dept ✓

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	<u>\$101,879.</u>

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Treasurer is hereby authorized to issue to the Trustees of the

November 25th, 1920.

Sinking Funds short term debentures for a sum sufficient to produce \$101,879; to be repaid in five equal annual installments with interest at the rate of 6%; to be dated January 1st, 1921 and the purchase price 98.75 of par.

The resolution is moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay and passed.

FIRE DEPARTMENT--CENTRAL FIRE STATION HEATING.

Read report Committee of Firewards re tenders for heating apparatus Central Fire Station Brunswick Street.

Committee Room, City Hall,
November 19th, 1920.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee of Firewards met this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock; present Aldermen Hoyt, Chairman, Cameron and Godwin.

The Committee at a meeting held on October 28th, received and opened tenders for heating apparatus for Central Fire Station. The tenders not being satisfactory, new tenders were called for which were received and reported upon by the Assistant City Engineer, Mr. Johnston as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. Nov. 16th, 1920

Chairman,
Committee on Firewards,
C i t y.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the attached minute of the Committee on Firewards that in view of the fact that the Central Engine House may in the near future be extended to cover the land on Market Street, it is considered advisable at present to install one unit of about 2000 sq. ft. capacity. I sent a letter, copy of which is attached hereto, to all the persons tendering originally, asking for tenders for a boiler of a capacity of 2,000 sq. feet, with all the necessary attachments and connections, to be erected on a foundation prepared by the Department, and to connect the same with the present heating system, and in response thereto have received the following:-

D.A. Cummings & Co - Thompson Boiler, Capacity 2000 sq. ft. Installation to be completed within 14 working days.....	\$685.00
Farquhar Bros. Ltd - Gurney-Oxford Boiler, capacity 2100 sq. ft. delivery to be made in 10 days.....	726.00

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Mitchell & McRae - Safford or Ideal Boiler capacity
2000 sq. ft. delivery about four weeks and four
days to install.....\$815.00
Longards Limited - Royal Square Boiler, capacity
2250 sq. ft. boiler on hand and work to be com-
pleted within six days..... 820.00

Present radiation surface in the building is about
1300 sq. ft.
Tenders are attached hereto.

H.W. Johnston,
Assistant City Engineer.

It is unanimously recommended that the tender of
D.A. Cummings & Co. for a Thompson boiler at \$685.00
be accepted the apparatus to be installed immediately.
All tenders received are attached hereto.

W.W. Hoyt,
CHAIRMAN.

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

JUNK STORE LICENSES.

Read report Laws and Privileges Committee recommend-
ing that Junk Store Licenses applied for by William
McFatriage and William Grant be refused.

Committee Room, City Hall,
November 19th, 1920.

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

At a meeting of the Laws and Privileges
Committee held this day the attached applications of
William McFatriage, McFatriage's Wharf, Water Street
and Wm. Grant, Grant's Wharf, Water Street for licen-
ses to conduct Junk Stores at their respective premises
was read.

The Building Inspector and Chief of Halifax
Fire Department have reported that neither of these
premises come up to the requirements of the statute.

Your Committee recommend that under these
circumstances the applications be refused.

Aldermen Buckley and Gough dissenting.

John J. Power,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Power seconded by Alderman
Ackhurst that the report be adopted.

*Chief Fire Dept
Asst. Engineer ✓*

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Moved in amendment by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Mason that the report be referred back to the Committee on Laws and privileges for further report.

The amendment is withdrawn.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, Deputy

Mayor Regan takes the Chair.

The original motion is put and passed.

His Worship the Mayor resumes the chair.

ISOLATION HOSPITAL--GOVERNMENT DETENTION
HOSPITAL ROCKHEAD.

Read report City Health Board recommending that the City take over the Dominion Government Detention (Trachoma) Hospital at Rockhead for the purpose of a City Isolation Hospital for Infectious Diseases.

Office of City Health Board,
Halifax, N.S. November 25th, 1920.

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

At a conference held this afternoon between representatives from the Department Public Works, His Worship the Mayor and Chairman City Health Board, it was agreed, subject to the approval of the Department, that the City take over the whole of the Government Detention Hospital Rockhead, for Infectious Diseases, at a rental of Five dollars (\$5.00) per month.

The City is required to maintain the whole building, assume entire responsibility for it, make good all repairs, pay for water, light, assume all risks from fire and return the building to the Department in as good a condition as received immediately upon notification by the Department.

John A. Watters,
SECRETARY.

Also read telegram from the Public Works Department Ottawa on the subject to Mr, Fuller one of its Officials now in Halifax as follows:-

Asst. City Clerk ✓
Chief of Police ✓
Engineer ✓
Chief Fire Dept ✓

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Ottawa, Ontario,
November 25th, 1920.

T.W. Fuller,
Halifax, N.S.

Department of Health are waiting arrival of Page to decide if Rockhead Hospital required. Explain to Mayor that Page was supposed to be in Halifax but is on his way here hope to settle this in a day or two.

R.C. Wright,
Chief Architect.

By consent of Council Dr. M.A. MacAulay, Chairman of the City Health Board addresses the Council in support of the recommendation of that Board.

Moved by Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman Cameron that this Council grant the City Health Board full authority to deal with the Federal authorities with respect to acquiring the sum of the Detention Hospital at Rockhead for the purpose of an Isolation Hospital for Infectious Diseases under a lease under the best possible terms. Motion passed.

SECOND HAND DEALERS STORES LICENSES.

Read report Laws and Privileges Committee re Licenses for Second Hand Dealers Stores.

Committee Room, City Hall,
November 19th, 1920.

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

At a meeting of the Laws and Privileges Committee held this day it was decided to recommend to the City Council that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare legislation authorizing the City to make an ordinance ~~to make an ordinance~~ to regulate and license Second Hand Stores in the City.

John J. Power,
CHAIRMAN.

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

*Engineer ✓
City Health Board ✓
Mayor ✓*

*Solicitor ✓
Chief Police ✓*

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AUCTIONEER'S LICENSE JOSEPH S. HARRIS.

Read report Laws and Privileges/^{again} recommending
the granting of an Auctioneer's license to Joseph
S. Harris to auction Jewellry.

Committee Room, City Hall,
November 19th, 1920.

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

At a meeting of the Laws and Prigileges
Committee held this day the attached letter of Mr.
Joseph S. Harris asking that the Council reconsider
its vote of November 4th, inst., refusing to adopt
the report of this Committee recommending that an
Auctioneer's License be granted to him was read.
Your Committee recommend the adoption of
its report of November 3rd., on this matter without
change or amendment.

John J. Power,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Power seconded by Alderman
Ritchie that the reports of the Committee on Laws
and Privileges November 3rd, 1920 and November
19th, 1920, on this matter be now adopted. Motion
passed.

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM INSTALLATION IN CITY HALL.

Read letter Nova Scotia Board of Fire Under-
writers again protesting against the installation
in the City Hall of the newly purchased Fire Alarm
Service equipment.

Nova Scotia Board of Fire Underwriters,
Halifax, N.S. November 24th, 1920.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of the City Council.

C i t y.
Gentlemen:-

On November 3rd. by letter to the City
Clerk, this Board protested against the decision of
the Council to install new fire alarm equipment in
the attic of the City Hall.

We now understand that the Council has re-
affirmed its previous decision and again decided to
carry on the installation of this equipment as origin-

*Asst. City Clerk
Chief of Police*

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ally proposed.

As we pointed out in our previous letter, the installation of this equipment in the attic of the City Hall is entirely in opposition to the recommendation made by the National Board of Fire Underwriters' Engineers in their report of December 1916, wherein they recommend as follows -

"That fire alarm headquarters be removed to a fireproof building, especially constructed to reduce as far as possible all liability to interruption of service and to provide adequate room. In the new location, all apparatus to be placed on incombustible mountings and no unnecessary combustibles to be permitted in the fire alarm rooms. Until this is done, every effort should be made to safeguard the present quarters by removing defective wiring and by placing chemical extinguishers throughout the building and sand pails in the operating and battery rooms."

We might mention that the National Board of Fire Underwriters is the recognized authority on fire prevention and fire protection for this Continent, and their Engineers are of the highest standing and repute, so that their recommendation should be given every consideration.

Bearing in mind that the water situation in our City is to-day entirely unsatisfactory from a fire fighting standpoint and that every effort should be made along fire prevention lines and the quick extinguishing of fires in their incipiency, and as the City has provided modern fire fighting apparatus and also purchased new fire alarm equipment, the installation of this equipment in any building, other than the fireproof one as recommended by the National Board of Fire Underwriters' Engineers, would not be to the best interest of the City, and certainly a grave error.

Now that a favorable opportunity presents itself to the City to carry out this recommendation, we again desire to emphatically protest and place ourselves on record as being absolutely opposed to the installation of this equipment in the attic of the City Hall, and trust that steps will be immediately taken to rescind the decision of the Council, and instead decide to install it in a manner as recommended by these Engineers.

Edward J. Fahie,
SECRETARY.

Moved by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman Ritchie that the letter be filed.

Alderman Finlay objected to the motion on the ground that Alderman Kelly was on his feet addressing the Council while the motion was being made.

His Worship the Mayor accepted the motion.

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Alderman Finlay again protested and Alderman Kelly supported Alderman Finlay's contention stating that he was addressing the Council with the intention of explaining a motion he intended submitting.

His Worship the Mayor rules the motion out of order.

Moved by Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman Finlay that this matter be referred to the City Engineer the Chief of the Fire Department the Chairman of the Committee of Firewards and the City Electrician for further consideration and report.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman Ritchie that the letter from the Nova Scotia Board of Fire Underwriters be filed.

The amendment is put and passed 11 voting for the same and 6 against it as follows:-

For the Amendment:- Aldermen Ackhurst, Hoyt, Bissett, Buckley, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Mason, Godwin, Hubley, Gough - 11

Against it:- Aldermen Whitman, Finlay, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Murphy - 6.

Note:- Alderman John Murphy who had been absent from Meetings of the City Council since June 15th, 1920 due to very serious illness and who had been within the precincts listening to the discussion on above matter but had not taken his seat in Council voted on the question.

Alderman Whitman gives notice of reconsideration.

*E. J. Fahnestock
Council*

November 25th, 1920.

CAMP HILL CEMETERY SALE OF LOTS.

Read extract from minutes of meeting of the City Council held November 17th re sale of lots in newly made subdivision "W" Camp Hill Cemetery, covering plan of said sub division.

Moved by Alderman Bissett seconded by Alderman Cameron that the report of Camp Hill Cemetery Commission recommending the sale of the lots and the plan submitted at this meeting be approved and adopted. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Bissett seconded by Alderman Mason that the sale price of the lots be fixed at \$1.00 per square foot.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman Whitman that the question of the sale price of lots in the new division be referred to Camp Hill Cemetery Commission to advertise the lots for sale to the highest bidders.

Amendment put and lost.

Original motion put and passed.

COAL WEIGHERS.

Read letter S. Cunard & Co. asking for the appointment of an additional Coal Weigher for a branch coal yard to be opened by them.

Read memorial signed by seven of the Permanent Coal Weighers recommending the appointment of John Cummins to the position of Supervisor to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Supervisor Simon Cummings

as Bissett ✓

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which occurred on November 21st, inst.

Read application for the position of Supervisor of Coal Weighers from John Cummins, A.H. Cullymore, J.C. Morrison and James D'Neill.

Read applications for the position of Coal Weigher from James T. Hogan, A. Fraser, W.T. Grant, F.W. Vaughan and Charles J. Romard.

Moved by Alderman Hoyt seconded by Alderman Gough that this matter be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges for report. Motion passed.

VICTORIA GENERAL HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS.

Read letter City Collector re Victoria General Hospital Accounts.

Office of City Collector,
Halifax, N.S. November 19th, 1920

His Worship the Mayor,
C i t y.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of a copy of a report of the Finance Committee of September 2nd, which says that John A. Beed and Joseph Thompson, Collectors of the Victoria General Hospital are to be placed under the supervision of the City Collector and that all monies collected by them are to be paid to me. The last part of report, namely the receiving of monies can be very easily done by myself and staff but the supervision and responsibility for these men, I cannot possibly accept.

I discussed this matter fully with the Chairman of the Finance Committee more than a year ago and made it very plain to him that outside of the receiving of the monies, which I was willing to do, I could not accept any further responsibility. My present staff is more than overworked and it is not a question of even a larger staff in this connection but a question of responsibility and as I understand, it means visiting the hospital and investigating the cases that may be there, something I am not prepared to undertake.

Robert Theakston,
CITY COLLECTOR.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay that the letter be referred to the Finance

*as Power ✓
am. city clerk ✓*

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Committee.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman Buckley that Messrs Beed and Thomson the two Collectors appointed to collect the Victoria General Hospital accounts be placed under the jurisdiction of the Charities Committee and that the moneys they collect be paid over to the City Collector.

The amendment is ruled out of order.

The original motion is put and passed, Alderman Ackhurst dissenting.

CITY HALL VAULTS AND SAFES.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re office sale for the City Treasurer's Department.

Office of Clerk of Works,
Halifax, N.S. Nov. 17th, 1920.

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Department held this day the attached report of the City Engineer recommending purchase of safe and installation of same in the office of the City Treasurer was approved and recommended to Council.

A. F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. Nov. 17th, 1920.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

I beg to report that I have an offer from Messrs. J & J. Taylor Limited, through their Maritime Manager, Geo. M. Grant, offering to supply a fire and burglar-proof safe, such as Mr. Hopewell desires, for \$1900 less 10%. They agree to allow for the old safe, delivered at the railway station here, \$150.

The estimated cost of putting in a new safe and taking out the old one, makes the total \$2060. There is a special appropriation of \$2000 and I think the other \$60. can be covered by the City Property appropriation.

*As Whitman ✓
J H Buchanan ✓
Ans. by Clerk. ✓*

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I would recommend that the safe be purchased on the terms named by J. & J. Taylor Limited.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman Godwin that the reports be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Gough seconded by Alderman Buckley that this matter be referred to a special Committee to consider and report upon the matter of safes and vaults in the City Hall.

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

For the Amendment:- Aldermen Whitman, Finlay, Bissett, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Buckley, Scanlon, Mason, Gough - 10.

Against it:- Aldermen Ackhurst, Hoyt, Ritchie, Godwin, Hubley - 5.

His Worship the Mayor nominates as such Committee Aldermen Whitman, Regan and Gough.

The appointment of the Committee is confirmed.

STREET PAVING.

Read reports Committee on Works and Assistant City Engineer and letter N.S. Tramways and Power Co. re Street Paving. (See minutes City Council November 17th, 1920.)

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Gough that the reports of the Committee on Works and Assistant City Engineer be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Regan seconded by Alderman Finlay that the reports be referred

*as Whitman
Mayor*

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jointly to the Finance Committee and the Committee on Works to consider the financial aspect of the subject and report to this Council at its first meeting in the month of December.

Alderman Murphy here takes his seat in Council amidst the applause of the members.

His Worship the Mayor on behalf of the Council tenders to Alderman Murphy congratulations upon his recovery from his long and serious illness.

A boquet of flowers presented by his brother Aldermen for Ward No. 4 decorated Alderman Murphy's desk.

Alderman Regan's amendment is put and passed.

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

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Council adjourns 11.40 o'clock.

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

J.S. Parker,
MAYOR.

*As Whitman ✓
Alderman ✓
Engineer ✓*

EVENING SESSION

8.10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

December 2nd, 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, Hoyt, Bissett, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Murphy, Buckley, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Mason, Godwin, Hubley, Gough.

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

LIST OF HEADLINES.

(For the purpose of ready reference the list of papers submitted and the list of other headlines are all incorporated in one schedule at the end of the meeting.)

HARBOR FRONT FIRE PROTECTION.

Moved by Alderman Gough seconded by Alderman Hubley that Alderman Hoyt be permitted to address the Council in relation to the procuring of a Fire Boat for the protection of the Harbor Front from fire. Motion passed.

Alderman Hoyt addressed the Council.

Alderman Hoyt addressed the Council informing them that negotiations for procuring the services of a Government Steamer as a fire boat had been in progress for some time and that one vessel the "W.H. Lee" had recently been overhauled and repaired and is suitable for the work but is likely to be soon placed on a service which would prevent her from being available for fire duty. He asked that

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immediate steps be taken with the view to having this steamer retained in the Dockyard Service so that she could be called upon for cooperation with the Fire Department in case of necessity.

The following letter from the Deputy Minister of the Department of Naval Service is read.

Department of the Naval Service,
Ottawa. 29th, Nov., 1920.

John S. Parker, Esq.,
Mayor City of Halifax.
Halifax, N.S.

Sir:-

With reference to your letter addressed to Captain Walter Hose on the subject of fire protection at Halifax, when representatives from Halifax discussed this subject with the Department in March last the Department stated that they had two vessels at Halifax (the "W.H. Lee" and the "C.C.23") which were fitted with fire pumps and hydrant connections, that these two vessels when available would assist the City fire department in fighting fires along the water front, but that the Department could not hold these vessels for use solely as adjuncts to the City Fire Department but were using them as a part of the Naval organization and it might therefore happen that at some particular moment the vessels would be engaged on some service away from Halifax or for some reason would not be available for fire fighting purposes. For the last few months the "W.H. Lee" has been under repair and has now been fitted with new boilers. It is proposed to transfer this ship to the Department of Marine for work in connection with bouys, light-houses, etc.

Halifax representatives were to discuss with the Captain Superintendent of the Halifax Dockyard the question of co-operation in case of fire and it would be well for this discussion to take place so that a full report can be obtained from the Captain Superintendent. A memo, is being sent to the Captain Superintendent on this subject, so that he will be prepared to discuss the matter with your representatives.

G. J. Desbarats,
Deputy Minister.

Moved by Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman Colwell that this matter be immediately taken up with the proper authorities by His Worship the Mayor and the Committee of Firewards. Motion passed.

*Mayor
Alderman Kelly*

December 2nd, 1920.

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM INSTALLATION IN CITY HALL.

Read extract minutes of meeting of City Council November 25th, 1920 covering Alderman Whitman's notice of reconsideration of resolution in connection with proposed installation of Fire Alarm System apparatus in the attic of the City Hall.

Moved by Alderman Whitman that this matter be now reconsidered.

His Worship the Mayor acting on the advice of the City Solicitor ruled the motion out of order on the ground that the matter had already been finally disposed of under a previous motion for reconsideration.

Alderman Regan and Finlay appealed to a vote of Council from the ruling of the Chair.

The City Clerk put to the Council the question "shall the ruling of the Chair be sustained."

The vote being taken there appeared.

To sustain the ruling of the Chair:- Aldermen

Colwell, Ackhurst, Hoyt, Bissett, Buckley, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Godwin, Hubley, Gough - 11.

Against:- Aldermen Whitman, Finlay, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Murphy, Mason - 7.

The City Clerk declares the ruling of the Chair sustained.

HEALTH BOARD ACCOUNTS.

Read report City Health Board recommending accounts for payment:-

Office of City Health Board,
Halifax, N.S. November 25th, 1920

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

I beg to submit for your information and

*Chairman
Engineer
E. J. Fahie
G. A. Saunders*

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approval the attached accounts passed by the City Health Board, totalling \$550.50.

Isolation Hospital.

McLeod & Bal com	Drugs	\$22.20
Mahons Limited	Tape	1.05
J. Lycon	Taxi	4.00
P.T. Shea	Butter & Eggs	31.25
F.M. Walker	Milk	13.84
H.D. McKenzie & Co.	Coal	222.00
Baldwin & Co,	Teapot	.55
Cragg Bros.	Mitchen Utensils:	7.78
Wood Bros.	Toweling	3.00
Maritime Meat "Market	Meat	9.39
City Taxi	Service	33.50
J.A. Leaman & Co.	Meat	34.38
Wentzells Ltd.	Groceries	100.32
		<u>\$483.26</u>

General Account.

Maritime Telephone Co.	Service	\$24.18	
T.C. Allen & Co.	Stationery	<u>21.81</u>	45.99

Influenza

City Taxi	Services	\$ 21.25	<u>21.25</u>
			\$ 550.50

John A. Watters,
SECRETARY.

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

POLICE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS.

Read report Police Committee recommending accounts for payment.

Office of Chief of Police,
Halifax, December 2nd, 1920

To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Police Commission held this date, the following named accounts amounting to \$309.22 were examined found correct and recommended for payment.

Telephone Co.	Service	\$18.55
S. Chittick	Ice	10.00
Chief of Police	Scrubbing and mending	31.39

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Robert Taylor	Rubber Boots	8.08
Central Garage	Labor on Patrol	27.50
J. Wannott	Fixing lock	7.25
A.R. Cogswell	Photo Supplies	2.20
Hfx. Vulcanizing Works	Patches & Cement	1.05
A.M. Lamphier	Curtains M.P.	14.00
Zwicker Art Store	Framing notices	4.50
W.H. Paul	Overcoat	84.75
J.S. Kirkwood	Overcoat	84.30
Kellys Ltd.	6 Police Belts	15.15
H.R. Bergman	Badge engraving	.30
		<u>\$309.22</u>

J.S. Parker,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

LOAN \$46,500.00 FOR VARIOUS PURPOSES.

Read report Trustees of the Sinking Funds re loan of \$46,500.00 for various purposes from the Trustees of the Sinking Funds (see minutes City Council November 25th, 1920).

Halifax, N.S. Dec. 2nd, 1920.

His Worship Mayor Parker,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Trustees of the Sinking Funds held this day to consider the change in interest rate on 32 year loan as passed by the City Council Nov. 25th, 1920, the matter was carefully discussed.

It was resolved that the Trustees while disposed to do all possible to aid the City in its financing could not consistently with their duties as Trustees change the original report as passed by them at the meeting called for that purpose viz: to loan the City \$46,500 @ 96.66 of par for a period of 32 years, rate of interest 6% to date from January 1st, 1921.

James J. Hopewell,
Secretary-Treasurer.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay that the report be adopted and the offer of the Trustees accepted.

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Alderman Whitman explained that though as Chairman of the Finance Committee he moved for the adoption of the report he intends to vote against it.

Read letter from His Worship the Mayor on the subject as follows:-

Mayor's Office, City Hall,
December 2nd, 1920.

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

Under rulings of the City Solicitor, it has been established and accepted that the Trustees of the Sinking Funds of the City of Halifax are to invest monies in their hands at the highest rate obtainable also at the risk of the Trustees.

In this case the offer of the Trustees to loan the City of Halifax \$46,500, dating January 1st., 1921, for 32 years, at 6% at a price of 96.66, to yield 6 1/4%, is a very conservative rate when it is taken into consideration that this price carries no advertising, printing, loans expenses, or any such charges, simply straight 6 1/4%.

A comparison has been made that we are welling bonds at 6%. This however must be taken into consideration - that the sale is slow and getting more tardy and while we could have done better in May last by from 1/4% to 1/2%, we are still against a rising market and may eventually have to realize on our bonds to meet the demands of our Bankers. Then the price will be established, and not until then.

As members of the Trustees, we should at least guard against a repetition of such financing as was practiced by some of our predecessors, whereby it became necessary to refund \$1,970.00, December 20th, 1917, for just such work.

We would also call your attention to the market price of Victory Bonds, since the Government has cancelled its support, which further strengthens the Trustees' views of the money market.

J. S. Parker,
MAYOR.

Business

Moved in amendment by Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman Mason that the report be referred back to the Trustees with the suggestion that they offer to accept the issue on ten year bonds instead of on thirty two year bonds.

Amendment put and passed.

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BRITISH WAR SHIPS FOR CANADIAN NAVY.

Read telegram, The T.W. Hand Fireworks Co.,
Hamilton, Ontario re fireworks for celebrating the
arrival in Halifax of the British War Ships inten-
ded for the Canadian Navy.

Hamilton, Ontario,
December 1st, 1920.

Mayor Parker,
Mayor of Halifax,
Halifax, N.S.

T.W. Hand F. Co.
Would you entertain proposal for fire-
works for reception of Warships. Can give you fine
display, bomb shells, rockets, illumination etc.,
with our expert in charge for a thousand dollars or
other sums to suit you. If not interested please
hand our telegram to Committee in charge as time
is short. Wire us at our expense.

The T.W. Hand Fireworks Co.

The telegram is filed.

TAX EXEMPTION "B" BRAND BEVERAGES LTD.

Read report Laws and Privileges Committee re-
commending that the application of "B" Brand Beverages
Limited for tax exemption or concessions be not
granted.

Committee Room, City Hall,
September 15th, 1920.

✓ The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

"B" Brand Beverages Ltd.
The Committee on Laws and Privileges met
this evening when they had before them the attached
application from the "B" Brand Beverages Limited,
for certain Tax concessions under Sec. 378 of the
City Charter 1914.

It is recommended that the application be
not granted.

John J. Power,
CHAIRMAN.

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

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COAL WEIGHERS.

Read report Committee on Laws and Privileges re
Coal Weighers.

Committee Room, City Hall,
December 2nd, 1920.

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

Your Committee on Laws and Privileges beg
to report that at a meeting held this day there being
present; Aldermen Power, Chairman, Ackhurst, Hoyt,
Cameron, Buckley and Gough. The attached applications
for the position of Supervisor of Coal Weighers and
a Coal Weigher were read.

Your Committee recommend that Mr. Arthur
H. Cullymore who has for a number of years held the
position of Coal Weigher be appointed Supervisor and
that Mr. P.E. Doyle be appointed a Coal Weigher.

John J. Power,
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Power seconded by Alderman
Hoyt that the report be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Ackhurst seconded
by Alderman Colwell that the Council approve of the
appointment of Mr. Cullymore as Supervisor.

The amendment is ruled out of order.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Ackhurst seconded
by Alderman Colwell that the report be considered
clause by clause.

Amendment put and lost 4 voting for the same and
13 against it as follows:-

For the Amendment:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman,
Ackhurst, Finlay.- 4.

Against it:- Aldermen Hoyt, Bissett, Kelly, Cameron,
Murphy, Buckley, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Mason, Godwin,
Hubley, Gough - 13.

At Cullymore

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The motion for the adoption of the report is put and passed.

WIRING CITY HALL.

Read reports Committee on Works and Assistant City Engineer re tenders for rewiring City Hall.

Office of Clerk of Works,
Halifax, N.S. December 2nd, 1920.

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

At a meeting of the Works Department held this day the attached report of the City Engineer on tenders for Wiring City Hall was read and on motion recommended to Council for adoption.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. Dec. 2nd, 1920.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to submit herewith, tenders received for re-wiring the City Hall. It is recommended that the tender of Frank G. Ritchie being the lowest, be accepted.

H.W. Johnston,
Assistant City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Hoyt seconded by Alderman Bissett that the reports be adopted. Motion passed.

FREDERICK COLEMAN TAXES 87 CHARLES STREET.

Read report Laws and Privileges Committee re Tax Account Frederick Coleman 87 Charles Street.

Committee Room, City Hall,
September 15th, 1920.

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Laws and Privileges beg to submit for the information and concurrence of the City Council the following extract from the minutes of a meeting of the Committee held this evening:-

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Read extract minutes City Council meeting September 9th, referring to this Committee letter Frederick Coleman re his taxes on property 87 Charles Street as follows:-

September 9th, 1920.

To the City Council.
Halifax, N.S.
Gentlemen:-

I wish to appeal to you regarding my taxes of 1918-19.

I want to state definitely that I have already paid these taxes twice, the last time I paid them Mr. Theakston found his mistake and refunded the amount which was \$55.30.

Upon paying taxes for 1920-21 he refused to accept payment for these claiming that the previous year's were not paid.

I can explain the matter further if I could appear personally before the Council.

F. Coleman.

Also read report City Collector in answer to Mr. Coleman's complaint, covering scheduled statement of account as follows:-

Office of City Collector,
September 14th, 1920.

Alderman J.J. Power,
Chairman Laws & Privileges Committee.
C i t y.
Dear Sir:- Re Claim Fred. Coleman

With reference to the claim of Fred. Coleman having paid 1918 Taxes twice, I beg to submit the following facts.

On August 12th, 1919. Mr. Coleman paid forty nine seventy-five (\$49.75) for the year 1917 and fifty five thirty (\$55.30) for the year 1918, about three or four days after I notified Mr. Coleman to bring in his receipt for 1918, fifty-five thirty (55.30) and I would then return the money as I found that that amount was credited to him on Feb. 17th, 1919. He brought in the receipt and I then returned the money on August 20th, 1919 and on that date he paid Ten dollars twenty six cents (\$10.26) more, making sixty-five fifty-six (\$65.56) for the year 1919. You will notice a memo of this transaction made on the receipt held by Mr. Coleman for the year 1919.

On the 26th of June 1920 Fred. Cole came in to pay his taxes for the year 1919 and it was not until then that we found that the amount credited to Fred. Coleman on Feb. 17th, 1919 had been paid by Fred Cole he having receipt for same, and not Mr. Coleman. This

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was credited to Fred. Coleman through error in taking Fred. Coleman's Folio and amount instead of Fred. Cole's.

The enclosed statement has been presented to Mr. Coleman and investigated more than once by the Mayor. An offer was made to Mr. Coleman to submit the statement to any Accountant, he to have the liberty of examining the books and records for himself and we to abide by his decision.

The fact is, bringing the matter down to an issue, the amount of Fifty five thirty (\$55.30) which was returned to Mr. Coleman in error, is the amount we ask him to pay now, less the interest, which on account of the mistake of this office in crediting the amount to the wrong man, we are not asking Mr. Coleman to pay. The amount we claim to be due the City is fifty two seventy (\$52.70). If Mr. Coleman can show it to be otherwise I shall only be too pleased to meet his views.

R. Theakston,
City Collector.

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Fred. Coleman, Esq.,
97 Charles St.

591 Taxes 1912-1913	\$27.44		
Int.....	<u>5.48</u>	\$32.92	Pd. June 15th, 1916.
601 Taxes 1913-1914	31.84		
Int.....	<u>5.25</u>	37.09	Pd. June 15th, 1916.
617 1914-1915	40.00		
Int.....	<u>6.40</u>	46.40	" May 11th, 1917.
617 1915-1916	40.60		
War Tax..	2.00		
Int.....	<u>5.95</u>	48.55	" Feb. 8th, 1917.
654 1916-1917	40.40		
P.F.T....	3.00		
Int.....	<u>5.60</u>	49.00	" Feb. 4th, 1919.
659 1917-1918	42.60		
P.F.T....	2.20		
Int.....	<u>4.95</u>	49.75	" Aug. 12th, 1919.
776 1918-1919	50.80		
G.H.T....	<u>1.90</u>	52.70	
714 1919-1920	64.60		
G.H.T....	2.30		
	<u>\$66.90</u>		
Disc.....	<u>1.34</u>	65.56	" Aug. 20th, 1919.

\$ 52.70 UNPAID.

Mr. Coleman and Mrs. Coleman and the City Solicitor are heard at length in regard to the matter Mr. and Mrs. Coleman insisting that they had paid all their taxes in

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full and the City Collector endeavoring to convince them that they were mistakenly assuming that the money paid by Cole and in error credited the Coleman operated as a settlement of the Coleman Account.

Mr. Coleman expressed his dissatisfaction and that of his wife that those present at the meeting would not agree with his contention but said he would pay the \$54.70 claimed.

The Committee unanimously agreed with the report and statements of the City Collector and advised Mr. Coleman that the amount was properly payable by him and decided to report the City Council accordingly.

John J. Power,
CHAIRMAN.

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

COAL WEIGHERS MONTHLY REPORT.

Read report Coal Weighers for October, showing each permanent Weigher to have received \$114.24 for the month. Filed.

CITY MEDICAL OFFICER--MEDICAL HEALTH OFFICER.

Read letter Halifax Medical Society recommending Dr. Edgar Douglas for the position of Medical Health Officer.

Halifax, N.S. November 25th, 1920.

To His Worship Mayor Parker.

Dear Sir:- HALIFAX MEDICAL SOCIETY

At a meeting at the Halifax Medical Society, held on the 24th inst., the following resolution was unanimously passed for the consideration of yourself and the City Council.

"WHEREAS the importance of having scientific supervision of the conditions of public health is now fully recognized by all classes.

AND WHEREAS the conditions which govern good health in a community can only be established and satisfactorily maintained by the constant supervision of a medical officer specially qualified in the science of public health.

AND WHEREAS the alarmingly percentage of child mortality in Halifax City is due to preventable causes.

*Collector
of Coleman*

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THEREFORE be it resolved that the Halifax Medical Society here assembled, strongly endorse the necessity of the immediate appointment of such officer for the City of Halifax so that the organization of adequate public health system be commenced without further delay.

"FURTHER RESOLVED that this society strongly recommends the appointment of E. Douglas M.D.C.M.D.P.H. as he is in every way qualified for the important position by virtue of his former professional training and experience and also his recent very successful special course at McGill University.

S.J. Turel.
Sec. Tres. Halifax Medical Society.

Also read Alderman Colwell's notice of motion to rescind resolution of August 20th, 1920 appointing Dr. Douglas to the positions of City Health Officer and City Medical Officer.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Whitman that the letter from the Halifax Medical Society be filed.

Motion put and passed 11 voting for the same and 5 against it as follows:-

For the Motion:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Bissett, Cameron, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Mason, Godwin, Hubley - 11.

Against it:- Aldermen Finlay, Kelly, Murphy, Buckley, Gough - 5.

On the advice of the City Solicitor Alderman Colwell's notice of motion is ruled out of order at the present stage of the meeting.

STREET PAVING.

Again read the reports from the Committee on Works and Assistant City Engineer re Street Paving programme for 1921 and re contract for same, submitted

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at meeting of the City Council November 17th, 1920
and incorporated in the minutes thereof.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman
Godwin that said reports be now adopted.

Read letter Canadian Bituminous Paving Co. re
their contract for paving.

Canadian Bituminous Paving Corporation
Limited, Halifax, N.S. Oct. 8th, 1920.

F.W.W. Doane, Esq.,
City Engineer,
Halifax, N.S.
Dear Sir:-

In connection with our contract with the City
of Halifax for certain Street paving, we wish to submit
the following:-

Our agreement with the City provided for the
paving of 153,000 square yards of streets, the streets
being named in the contract.

The work was to be done within a time limit
which was for the benefit of both parties—under it the
City got work promptly done and at the same time it
assured us that we could count on profitable employment
for our plant and organization working up to efficiency
standards, and that we could also expect that our plant
and organization would be available for another job
at the end of the period specified - in other words,
a quick, business-like, efficient job was in the int-
terests of both the City and ourselves and we felt that
we could fairly claim the right to expect that our work
would be designated and laid out ahead of us to such an
extent that it would be practicable for us to complete
our whole contract within the time limits.

We quite realize that there would be certain
exceptions in cases where the progress on the City ser-
vices interfered with the normal course of the work, but
we are in this letter referring to something, which was
unlocked for by either the City or ourselves, viz;
failure of the Tramways Company to carry out the require-
ments of the City as to paving their tracks—and the
consequent inability of the City to allow us to carry
out the schedule which has been mapped out for us.

In the year 1919 after our contract was
signed we laid about 27,000 square yards, leaving a
balance of 126,000 sq. yds. to be laid in 1920.

In March of this year a schedule was pre-
pared in the City Engineer's Office for the work re-
maining in which the order of procedure was outlined,
and under this we would have completed our whole con-
tract and been able to clean up our business easily
by September 1st, 1920. We therefore planned our
operations by completing and increasing our organization

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and arranged for materials to do an expeditious and efficient job.

Work was begun in May, in accordance with the schedule, but by the first of June we were told that the Tramways Co. were not proceeding with their part of the work and as we felt we should not be prejudiced by this, we wrote a letter to the City Engineer's Office on June 5th, calling attention to the fact that the schedule was disturbed for that reason and that our work was liable to be delayed. Soon after the Tramway situation necessitated the upsetting of the entire schedule and working piece-meal on such streets as were available.

Before the end of July we were informed that it was apparent that much work on Tramway streets would not be done. This became serious, as the yardage involved was over 50,000 sq. yds. or one third of our entire contract. The uncertainty of our being able to do any portion of this work compelled us to change our plans, cancel material deliveries and curtail in every direction possible, while at the same time maintaining organization and holding ourselves in readiness to complete our contract if and when ready. Our plant and organization were working at only 50% of normal capacity and speed at which we had planned, and the dead loss on this account was very heavy.

Our records for the month of July shows a most substantial reduction from those of May and June (when we could plan and drive ahead) and this was notwithstanding the fact that our overhead and labor costs were only slightly diminished, owing to the necessity of our maintaining our organization in order to complete our contract if we were allowed to go ahead.

At all times and in every manner possible we have tried to hold ourselves ready to co-operate and assist the City in any solution, and incurred considerable extra expense at the City's request in the attempt to find a way out of the difficulty.

In July we reached the end of the work possible under our contract and on July 29th wrote to City Engineer again formally notifying him of this fact and that we were suffering loss and damage by the delays and uncertainty of our position.

The Council then authorized us to proceed on about 19,000 sq. yds. of substitute yardage on new streets, but because these were not in the original schedule they were not ready for us to go into at once as the regulating of water, sewer and gas mains and services had to be done before we could take possession.

These streets reduced the yardage still in abeyance to about 34,000 sq. yds. but did not correct the situation not minimize our continued loss and delays. Matters developed so late in August we were advised that there was no prospect or relief by getting the original or substitute yardage and we

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began preparations for storing our equipment because of no work ahead. Finally on Sept. 7th we were advised that the Tramways Co, had formally notified the City that they would do no work on their streets and then on Sept, 13th the Council gave us about 6,000 yds more to do with the information that it was all the work to be done this year.

This leaves us a deficit of 28,000 sq. yds. of the total amount of 153,000 sq. yds. in our contract, or about 20%, all of which we had planned and prepared to do and for all of which we had purchased certain materials, the unused balance being now on hand.

Our present position can be briefly summed up as follows:-

1. We planned and equipped and organized so that we could have readily finished our whold job by September 1st, 1920.
2. This would have released our plans and organization and enabled us to close business which is now offering for next season at substantially advanced prices.
3. Instead of having completed our yardage of 153,000 sq. yds. by September 1st, we will be here 2 months longer (making it November 1st) and then we will only have had 80% of our yardage.
4. This means that we have lost this season (a) Our operating profit on 28,000 yards not given us, and
(b) Our overhead, fixed charges and a proportion of labor cost for the two months extra time we will have to put in to do only 80% of the job,
(c) Increased costs of materials due to cancellations of large orders given in contemplation of finishing the whole job this year - the necessity of making new and emergency arrangements for small quantities for time to time.

Because of these conditions we have suffered a loss and damage hard to estimate, but which may reach fully \$70,000.

The above is, as we state, simply a summary, and it is given not for the purpose or with any idea of it being dealt with or considered as a formal or comprehensive claim. It is given simply because we thought you might fairly expect an indication from us of some of the headings under which we feel our loss arises.

The question is whether there is any practical solution. We have assured some of the representatives of the City before this that we were in the business to do paving, not to engage in litigation, and while you will realize that we have a claim, we would like in this letter to make two suggestions for your consideration,-

1. An extension of our contract to cover next season's paving;
2. The taking over of our plant and materials by the City.

As to number (1), at the present time there seems no assurance that the unfinished yardage of the Tramways streets will be ready to be proceeded with at the

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beginning of the season next year. Our present situation is such that we cannot afford to hold our plant and organization until next season to complete only the balance of the contract. To warrant us waiting it would be necessary that our contract be extended to cover at least 75,000 sq. yds. of paving, all to be done in the season of 1921.

Since our tender was made and the contract signed in 1919 there have been various changes in the material and labor situation affecting the cost of the work; freight rates have been raised 40%, the Government has imposed a sales tax on materials and the labor market has risen perceptibly; all of which must be considered in fixing a price for future paving, and which will make price of next year's asphalt paving about \$7.55 per sq. yd.

We are willing to extend our contract to take in at least 75,000 sq. yds. of asphalt paving to be laid next season at above price of about \$7.55 per sq. yd., but if the schedule of streets for the 75,000 sq. yds. includes Tramway Streets and these are not ready to be paved, we will have to ask that other substitute streets shall be named on which paving can be had and proceeded with without the delays and difficulties which we encountered this year.

As to suggest No. (2); we will have on hand at the end of the season materials left over approximating \$30,000 in value. We have a plant, equipment and tools in good condition and if the City do not see fit to extend our contract as we have outlined above, we suggest that the City purchase one of our duplicate plants, and the equipment and tools and the materials on hand and make us an allowance for our losses, all of which would mean an amount of somewhere between \$110,000 and \$125,000. The second suggestion might be made much more attractive to the City if some assurance were given that trained men would be available to handle a plant of this kind, and we think we can make suggestions, whereby the necessary "key men" can be secured by the City for this purpose.

This letter will, we trust, help to crystallize the discussion of paving matters, and be of assistance to yourself and those to whom you report in reaching a conclusion as to this unfortunate situation, which we quite realize has largely been created by circumstances not anticipated by either party.

While in the nature of things, this letter must be without prejudice, we have in mind the experience of the past year which has given us every confidence in the desire of representatives of the City to meet us fairly; and we venture to hope on the other hand that the quality of our work and our methods of doing business have been such as to justify at least to some extent the not only uniformly courteous and considerate treatment which we have received from the representatives and officials of the City, but

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also the expressions of approval which have come to us from the citizens themselves.

We will be gratified if this letter has conveyed to you, and through you to the Board of Works, His Worship the Mayor and the City Council and to the public at large our desire to do anything by way of conference, discussion and co-operation generally to assist in bringing about a solution of the problem in hand which would be in keeping with the cordial relations between the City and the Company.

J.G. Ullman,
SECRETARY.

Moved by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Bissett in amendment to Alderman Ritchie's motion that said reports be again referred to the joint Committee consisting of the Committee on Works and Finance Committee for further consideration and report as to the advisability of entering into a new contract at the present time for next season's paving.

The amendment is put and lost 8 voting for the same and 10 against it as follows:-

For the Amendment:- Alderman Whitman, Hoyt, Regan, Cameron, Murphy, Scanlon, Power, Mason - 8.

Against it:- Aldermen Colwell, Ackhurst, Finlay, Bissett, Kelly, Buckley, Ritchie, Godwin, Hubbey, Gough - 10.

Moved by Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman Buckley in amendment to Alderman Ritchie's motion that the reports be adopted with the exception that the paving of Quinpool Road, Park Street and Gottingen Street be not included in the proposed contract, but that said three streets be paved at the contract price for the work done during the present year.

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The amendment is put and lost 2 voting for the same and 15 against it as follows:-

For the Amendment:- Aldermen Kelly, Buckley-2.

Against it:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Finlay, Bissett, Regan, Cameron, Murphy, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Mason, Godwin, Hubley, Gough - 15.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Colwell that the question be now put.

The vote being taken on the motion "That the question be now put" 10 voted for the motion and 7 against as follows:-

For the Motion:- Aldermen Colwell, Ackhurst, Finlay, Bissett, Kelly, Buckley, Ritchie, Godwin, Hubley, Gough - 10.

Against it:- Aldermen Whitman, Regan, Cameron, Murphy, Scanlon, Power, Mason - 7.

The motion made by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Godwin that the reports be adopted is put and passed 9 voting for the same and 8 against it as follows:-

For the Motion:- Aldermen Colwell, Ackhurst, Finlay, Bissett, Buckley, Ritchie, Godwin, Hubley, Gough - 9.

Against it:- Aldermen Whitman, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Murphy, Scanlon, Power, Mason - 8.

Alderman Regan gives notice of reconsideration.

Alderman Whitman also gives notice of reconsideration.

Moved by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Finlay that the Council do now adjourn. Motion put and passed 9 voting for adjournment and 8 against it

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as follows:-

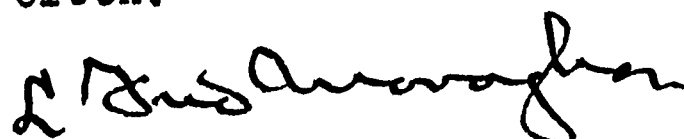
For adjournment:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Bissett, Cameron, Ritchie, Godwin, Hubley, Gough - 9.

Against:- Aldermen Finlay, Regan, Kelly, Murphy, Buckley, Scanlon, Power, Mason - 8.

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Council adjourns 11.40 o'clock.



L. Fred Monaghan,

CITY CLERK

J.S. Parker,

MAYOR.