

EVENING SESSION

(adjourned meeting)

8.10 O'Clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

April 4th, 1921.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening, pursuant to adjournment of April 1st. At the above named hour there were present Deputy Mayor Regan and Aldermen Hoyt, Ackhurst, Whitman, Finlay, Mason, Scanlon, and Gough.

Moved by Alderman Hoyt seconded by Alderman Ackhurst that the time for meeting be extended until a quorum is present or until 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8.20 o'clock. Roll called, present the above named together with His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Colwell Cameron, Kelly, Murphy, Ritchie and Godwin.

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).

ESTIMATES 1921-22.

The council proceeds to the further consideration of the yearly estimates for 1921-22.

FIRE DEPARTMENT--SCHEDULE S.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Hoyt that the total sum for Fire Department be passed at \$182,409.40.

Holidays of Firemen--Substitutes

Motion put and passed Alderman Godwin dissenting from the item \$4,576.00 for employment of substitutes during holidays of Firemen.

His Worship the Mayor asks if it is the unanimous wish of the Council that the item pay of substitutes

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during absence from duty of Firemen on holidays be taken up.

Aldermen Colwell and Hoyt object to unanimous re-opening of the matter.

Alderman Whitman gives notice of reconsideration of the item \$4,576.00 for pay of substitutes during holidays of permanent firemen.

MISCELLANEOUS--SCHEDULE T.

Read schedule of Miscellaneous Expenditure \$10,000.00.

	<u>1921-22</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	<u>1920-21.</u>
Printing and Stationery.....	\$7,000.00	\$2,000.00		\$5,000.00
Contingent.....	\$2,500.00			
Good Rds. Assn... 500.00	3,000.00	500.00		2,500.00
	<u>\$10,000.00</u>	<u>\$2,500.00</u>		<u>\$ 7,500.00</u>
	7,500.00			
Increase.....	\$ 2,500.00			

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay that the item Printing and Stationery \$7,000.00 pass.

Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay that the items Contingent \$2,500.00 and Good Roads Association \$500.00 totalling \$3,000.00 pass. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay that Schedule T--Miscellaneous \$10,000.00 pass. Motion passed.

WORKS DEPARTMENT--SCHEDULE R.

Read schedule R--Works Department \$267,040.00.

	<u>1921-22</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	<u>1920-21</u>
Cleaning Paved Streets.....	\$21,440.00	\$3,815.00		\$17,625.00
Streets.....	95,000.00			95,000.00
Internal Health.....	70,000.00			70,000.00
Maintenance of Sewers.....	1,500.00			1,500.00
Teams & Stables.....	22,900.00	4,850.00		18,050.00
Fuel.....	3,000.00	500.00		2,500.00
Telephones.....	2,600.00	200.00		2,400.00
Lighting City Hall.....	1,200.00	400.00		800.00
Lighting Streets.....	41,500.00			41,500.00
Insurance.....	2,500.00			2,500.00

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	<u>1921-22</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	<u>1920-21</u>
City Property.....	4,500.00			4,500.00
Town Clock Maintenance.....	100.00			100.00
Maintenance of Baths.....	500.00			500.00
Inspection of Electric Wiring				
\$4,563				
Less Estimates income	4,600.00		\$4,200.00	4,200.00
	\$226,740.00	\$9,765.00	\$4,200.00	\$261,175.00
Add, City Property.....	300.00	4,200.00		
	\$267,040.00	\$5,565.00		
		300.00		
Increase.....		\$5,865.00		

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Regan that said schedule be taken up item by item.
Motion passed.

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Cleaning Paved Streets \$21,400.00 Passed.

Streets \$95,000.00

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

Moved in amendment by Alderman Regan seconded by Alderman Finlay that this item be placed at \$150,000.00 with the understanding that the difference between \$95,000.00 and \$150,000.00 be spent upon macadamizing and repairing secondary Streets.

Amendment put and lost 2 voting for the same and 12 against it as follows:-

For the Amendment:- Aldermen Finlay, Regan- 2.

Against it:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Kelly, Cameron, Murphy, Scanlon, Ritchie, Mason, Godwin Hubley, Gough - 12.

The original motion is put and passed.

- Internal Health \$70,000.00 passed.
- Maintenance of Sewers \$1500.00 Passed.
- Teams and Stables \$22,900.00 passed.
- Fuel \$3,000.00 passed.

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<u>Telephones \$2,600.00.</u>	passed
<u>Lighting City Hall \$1,200.00</u>	passed
<u>Lighting Streets \$41,500.00</u>	Passed.
<u>Insurance \$2,500.00</u>	

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Ritchie that this item pass.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Kelly that this item be increased by the sum of \$400.00 in order to provide a total covering of \$75,000.00 fire insurance on the City Hall.

Alderman Power here arrives and takes his seat in Council.

The amendment is put and passed 11 voting for the same and 4 against it as follows:-

For the Amendment:- Aldermen Finlay, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Murphy, Scanlon, Ritchie, Mason, Godwin, Hubley, Gough - 11.

Against it:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Power - 4.

The item \$2,900.00	Passed.
<u>City Property \$4,500.00</u>	Passed.
<u>Town Clock Maintenance \$100.00</u>	Passed.
<u>Maintenance of Baths \$500.00</u>	

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Whitman that this item pass.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman Finlay that this item be increased to \$1,500.00.

Amendment is put and lost.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman Colwell that this item be placed at \$1,000.00 amendment put and passed.

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Inspection of Electric Wiring \$4,563.00
Less estimated income 4,600.00 Passed.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Colwell that \$300.00 be added to City Property appropriation for typewriting outfit for Mayor's Office and \$150.00 for typewriting machine for City Clerk's Office. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Ritchie that the total appropriation for Works Department Schedule R pass at \$268,090.00. Motion passed.

PROBABLE INCOME--SCHEDULE U.

Read schedule U--Probable Income.

	<u>1921-22</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	<u>1920-21</u>
Hack and other license...	\$6,000.00			\$6,000.00
Court Fines and Fees.....	20,000.00		\$10,000.00	30,000.00
Rents City Property.....	3,000.00	500.00		2,500.00
Dog Tax.....	2,000.00	500.00		1,500.00
N.S. Tramways & Power Co.	44,000.00	12,000.00		32,000.00
Market Revenue.....	500.00	500.00		
	<u>\$75,500.00</u>	<u>\$13,500.00</u>	<u>\$10,000.00</u>	<u>\$72,000.00</u>
	72,000.00			
Increase.....	\$ 3,500.00			

Hack and Other Licenses \$6,000.00 Passed.
Court Fines and Fees \$20,000.00 Passed.
Rents City Property \$3,000.00 Passed.
Dog Tax \$2,000.00 Passed.
N.S. Tramways and Power Company \$44,000.00. Passed.
Market Revenue \$500.00 Passed.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Murphy that Schedule U--Probable Revenue pass at \$75,500.00. Motion passed.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL PLANS--ROSS AND MCDONALD VS CITY.

Read report City Solicitor re action against the City by Ross and McDonald to recover architects charges for plans for Tuberculosis Hospital.

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Office of City Solicitor,
Halifax, N.S. Mar. 23rd, 1921.

His Worship the Mayor.

Ross vs. The City of Halifax.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to advise you that the order for judgment in the above suit for \$2711.25 has been passed by the Court.

I succeeded in the defence to the extent of reducing the claim by nearly \$3,000.00, and I would like an opportunity of discussing as to whether or not the City should appeal.

I may say that as the plaintiffs' solicitor expresses himself very much dissatisfied with the judgment, and has informed me that in the event of the City appealing he will take a cross appeal to have judgment entered for the full amount of the claim, I would prefer not to make any extended discussion of the case in this letter; but would ask it be referred to a committee where I can discuss the matter freely.

F.H. Bell,
City Solicitor.

Moved by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Finlay that the sum of \$3,000.00 be added to Schedule J, City Grants and Sundries to cover costs of suit Ross and McDonald versus the City of Halifax. Motion passed.

S.P.C. GRANT--SCHEDULE J.

Read petition Society for Prevention of Cruelty for an increase in the Annual City Grant.

The Nova Scotia Society for the
Prevention of Cruelty, Halifax, N.S.,
April 1st, 1921.

His Worship the Mayor and
City Council.

Gentlemen:

For many years past the Society has been doing work under a handicap and it is now fully necessary to establish officers and a permanent Secretary who can give his entire time to the aid of the Society. Our agent, Mr. Moser, has been devoting a great deal of his time to the work in the City and we are continually being asked to help out in cases of animals which are neglected in the City and also destroy injured ones.

Mrs. Egan has been ready to help out at any time although she refuses a salary of \$30.00 for the last number of months in view of her employment by the City. We will have to employ a permanent Secretary at a salary of not less than \$800.00 a year and also an Assistant at about \$600.00 a year as well as pay office rent and other incidentals. The Secretary will likely

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go to Massachusetts to take a special course in humane work and is expected to assist the police and other organizations in Halifax very much more effectively than in the past.

Under these circumstances and by reason of a Resolution of the Society passed at its annual meeting, I would respectfully ask that your Honourable Body increase our annuity grant to \$600.00 per year.

R.H. Murray,
President.

At request of His Worship the Mayor Alderman

Regan takes the Chair.

Moved by Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman Finlay that the amount in Schedule J--City Grants and Sundries - for the Society for Prevention of Cruelty be increased from \$300.00 to \$500.00.

Motion put and passed 6 voting for the same and 5 against it as follows:-

For the Motion:- Aldermen Finlay, Kelly, Murphy, Scanlon, Ritchie, Gough - 6.

Against it:- Aldermen Whitman, Ackhurst, Cameron, Power, Mason - 5.

DALHOUSIE COLLEGE ANNUAL CIVIC GRANT.

Read letter Dalhousie College relating to their application for an annual Civic Grant of \$5,000.00 and the institution of free scholarships for Halifax boys and girls.

Dalhousie University,
Board of Governors,
Halifax, N.S. April 4/21.

L. Fred Monaghan, Esq.,
City Clerk,
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Sir:-

Referring to the conference held between your Committee and a committee of the Board of Governors of Dalhousie University on Friday last and to the request that the views of the University upon Alderman Power's suggestions for the institution of certain scholarships at the University be put in writing, I am directed to reply as follows:

The Board of Governors desires to express its keen appreciation of the interest which has been manifested in the University by the City Council of Halifax

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and ventures to express the belief that the spirit of co-operation which has been shown will be greatly to the advantage of the University and the City. Dalhousie as you know is an undenominational University supported principally by benefactions from private individuals. Its income from fees charged students is approximately one third of the expenses of providing the instruction. It is in no sense a money-making enterprise, and if the fees charged for instruction approximated the cost a very great number of the young people of this City and Province would be deprived of the advantages of a college education.

While the appeal for funds made on behalf of the University last year has been most generously responded to by the people of Halifax and elsewhere, it must be remembered that out of approximately \$2,250,000 subscribed, over \$1,500.00 was earmarked for specific purposes, and of the balance a most substantial portion of the payments is spread over a period of three years. Following the campaign came a marked increase in the number of students. Where the University was preparing for 500 students, nearly 700 are in attendance this year. This fact has compelled an immediate increase in staff and the erection at once of an additional building for class rooms. What the University needs now and needs greatly is additional endowment to support its teaching staff.

With the proposal of Alderman Power that a number of free scholarships be established, available to students from the High Schools of Halifax the Board of Governors is in warm sympathy. Those who are charged with the responsibility for the conduct of the University have no other desire than to make it fit in with the needs of the people of its constituency. At the same time it may be pointed out again, that the class fees only pay from one quarter to one half, depending upon the subjects taken, the expense of giving the instructions. So while the Board does not want to be put in the position of bargaining as to what specific return the University will make in consideration of receiving an annual gift from the City towards the support of the University, it should in all frankness be pointed out here that if the annual grant be only equal to the total fees remitted, the University will not benefit financially in fact the reverse will be true. To illustrate--The class fees in Arts, Science and Commerce are from \$80.00 to \$120.00 per year; while the average cost to the University per student per year approximates \$250.00.

To meet Alderman Power's proposal the Board of Governors ventures to suggest that six scholarships be given in each year in the Department of Arts, Science and Commerce tenable each for four years, and open to such citizens of Halifax as may be determined; amount of the scholarship be equal to the class fees. While the fees from twenty-four students in these departments would approximate \$2500.00 the total cost to the University would be nearer \$7000.00.

When the University approached the City Council for an annual grant of \$5000.00 it was because the number of students had so increased that the revenue from endowment and fees was inadequate. As has been stated above statistics show that for every \$100.00 paid by a student in fees, the University had to find \$150.00 to \$300.00 more in order to provide his education. It was hoped therefore

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that the City would make an unconditional grant in consideration of the fact that we are now educating at a loss so many Halifax boys and girls - 235 to day. The University is however so desirous of doing everything within its means toward meeting the educational wants of the City of Halifax that it views very sympathetically the idea of providing a number of free scholarships for deserving Halifax boys and girls who might otherwise be deprived of a college education. It is hoped that the scheme above suggested may serve as a working basis of such a series of scholarships as will appear reasonable to the City Council. The details of the working out of the scheme can be arranged by a committee representing the Council and the University.

W.E. Thompson,
SECRETARY.

as Whitman
Referred to the Special Committee on Civic Grant to Dalhousie College.

D.J. MCLEAN'S WIDOW CIVIC GRATUITY

Read report Finance Committee re application for Civic gratuity to widow of D.J. McLean Foreman of Water Works Department.

Committee Room, City Hall,
March 31st, 1921.

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

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the following resolution was submitted viz:
RESOLVED that this Committee recommend the City Council seek permissive legislation to make a grant to the Widow of late Daniel J. McLean Superintendent of Water Department of \$509.33 this being the difference between the amount she received from the Officials Superannuation Fund and \$1,000.00.

The resolution is put and lost.
Aldermen Kelly and Hubley reserving the right to change their vote in Council.

Alfred Whitman,
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Kelly that no civic grant be made in this case.

Motion put and passed 7 voting for the same and 5 against it as follows:-

For the Motion:- Aldermen Whitman, Ackhurst, Kelly, Cameron, Ritchie, Mason, Gough - 7.

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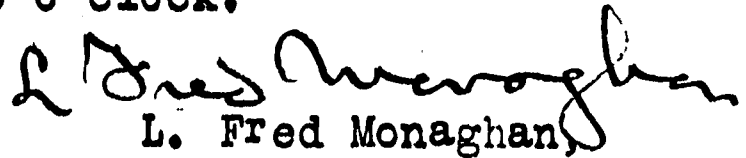
Against it:- Aldermen Finlay, Murphy, Scanlon,
Power, Hubley - 5.

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

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Teams and Stables \$22,900.00 - 882.
Fuel \$3,000.00 - 882.
Telephones \$2,600.00 - 883.
Lighting City Hall \$1,200.00 - 883.
Lighting Streets \$41,500.00 - 883.
Insurance \$2,500.00 - 883.
City Property \$4,500.00 - 883.
Town Clock Maintenance \$100.00 - 883.
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Council adjourns 11.20 o'clock.


L. Fred Monaghan,

CITY CLERK.

J.S. Parker,

MAYOR.

E V E N I N G S E S S I O N .

8.10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

April 7th, 1921.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present Aldermen Gough, Colwell, Hoyt, Ritchie, Cameron and Ackhurst.

Moved by Alderman Gough seconded by Alderman Hoyt that the time for meeting be extended until a quorum is present or until 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8.15 o'clock, Roll called present the above named together with His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Whitman, Finlay, Regan, Kelly, Scanlon, Murphy, Mason, Power, Godwin and Hubley.

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

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ESTIMATES 1921-22

SALARIES--SCHEDULE O.

2nd Clerk Assessor's Department.

Read Alderman Kelly's notice of reconsideration in respect to resolution passed at evening session March 30th fixing the appropriation for salary of the second Clerk in the Assessment Department.

Moved by Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman Mason that said matter be now reconsidered. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman Colwell that this salary be placed at \$1200.00. Motion passed Alderman Whitman dissenting.

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1st. Stenographer City Clerk's Department.

Read Alderman Finlay's notice of reconsideration in respect to resolution passed at evening session March 30th fixing salary of 1st Stenographer in City Clerk's Department.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Colwell that this matter be now reconsidered. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Mason that the salary of the 1st Stenographer City Clerk's Office be placed at \$950.00. Motion passed.

POLICE DEPARTMENT SALARIES.

Read Alderman Murphy's notice of reconsideration in respect to salaries of the Police Department.

Moved by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Hubley that this matter be now reconsidered.

Motion put and lost 5 voting for reconsideration and 10 against it as follows:-

For the Motion:- Aldermen Colwell, Finlay, Murphy, Scanlon, Hubley - 5.

Against it:- Aldermen Whitman, Ackhurst, Hoyt, Kelly Cameron, Ritchie, Power, Mason, Godwin, Gough - 10.

POLICE CLERK'S SALARY

Read Alderman Kelly's notice of reconsideration in the matter of the salary of the Police Department Clerk.

Moved by Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman Colwell that this matter be now reconsidered. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman Ritchie that the salary of the Police Clerk be placed at \$1500.00. Motion passed.

ADDITIONAL POLICEMEN.

Alderman Ackhurst gives notice that he will at a future meeting move to rescind the resolution passed

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March 30th for the appointment of six additional Policemen in so far as the same relates to the appointment of three additional men.

Salary of Deputy City Assessor.

Read Alderman Finlay's notice of motion to rescind resolution fixing salary of Deputy City Assessor at \$2,200.00.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Godwin that said resolution be and the same is hereby rescinded. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Colwell that the salary of the Deputy Assessor be placed in the Estimates at \$2,500.00. Motion passed 11 voting for the same and 5 against it as follows:-

For the Motion:- Alderman Colwell, Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Regan, Scanlon, Ritchie, Mason, Godwin, Hubley, Gough - 11.

Against it:- Aldermen Whitman, Kelly, Cameron, Murphy, Power - 5.

FIRE DEPARTMENT--ESTIMATES.

Pay of Substitutes during Holidays \$4,576.00.

Moved by Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman Godwin that the minutes of last meeting be amended by including therein a notice of motion by Alderman Godwin of reconsideration in the matter of appropriation in the Fire Department Estimates of \$4,576.00 for pay of substitutes whilst members of Fire Department are on their holidays. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Godwin seconded by Alderman Whitman that this matter be now reconsidered. Motion put and passed 9 voting for the same and 7 against it as follows:-

For reconsideration:- Aldermen Whitman, Regan,

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Kelly, Cameron, Scanlon, Mason, Godwin, Hubley, Gough -9.

Against it:- Aldermen Colwell, Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Murphy, Ritchie, Power - 7.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Godwin that the item \$4,576.00 for pay of substitutes during holidays in the Fire Department be expunged from the estimates.

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

For the Motion:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Finlay, Kelly, Cameron, Ritchie, Mason, Godwin, Hubley, Gough - 11.

Against it:- Aldermen Hoyt, Regan, Murphy, Scanlon, Power - 5.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Kelly that the total estimate for Fire Department be placed at \$177,833.40.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Hoyt that the sum of \$3,000.00 be added to the Fire Department Estimates to provide for pay for substitutes during holidays.

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

For the Amendment:- Aldermen Colwell, Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Regan, Murphy, Scanlon, Ritchie, Hubley-9.

Against it:- Aldermen Whitman, Kelly, Cameron, Power, Mason, Godwin, Gough - 7.

FIRE HOSE PURCHASE TO BE INCLUDED IN ESTIMATES

Read report Committee of Firewards recommending the appropriation of \$1,500.00 annually in the Estimates for the purchase of Fire Hose.

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Committee Room, City Hall,
April 6th, 1921.

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The Committee of Firewards beg to recommend in place of the practice followed in the past of borrowing money on short term bonds for the purchase of Fire Hose that the sum of \$1,500.00 be placed in the Civic Estimates each year for this purpose.

W.W. Hoyt,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Hoyt seconded by Alderman Cameron that the report be adopted and the amount of \$1,500.00 included in the Estimates for 1921-22. Motion passed.

Fire Department Total Estimate

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Regan that the total Fire Department Estimate do now pass at \$182,333.40. Motion passed.

SALARIES-SCHEDULE O--TOTAL ESTIMATE.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay that the total estimate for salaries do now pass at \$63,310.00. Motion passed.

MUNICIPAL SCHOOL FUND

Read letter Alderman Whitman re the inclusion in the Civic Estimates of the amount stipulated by statute toward the Municipal School Fund.

Halifax, N.S. April 7th, 1921.

To His Worship the Mayor,
of Halifax.

Dear Sir:-

I am inclined to think that the resolution in regard to the education grant is absolutely beyond our powers, and beyond our jurisdiction, and is absolutely void, and would ask you to procure from the City Solicitor a written opinion as to whether or no the resolution we passed is not void under Section 66 of the Education Act, being Chapter 9, Acts of 1918, as amended by Chapter 68 of the Statutes of Nova Scotia 1920.

If our resolution is null and void, we could then pass the resolution as we should pass it. Under the present resolution the City could be sued for the amount of our proportion of the grant, something like \$65,000, and the School Board would receive \$50,000. more than they should receive.

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I think the proper resolution is a resolution in line with the Education Act, Chapter 9, Acts of 1918, as amended by Chapter 60. Then get legislation amending the school estimates, crediting the school estimates \$50,000, the amount of the proposed grant. Thus we would be assessing the City to the extent of \$15,000.00 only.

Alfred Whitman.

Also read opinion City Solicitor on the same subject.

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His Worship the Mayor.

Re Municipal School Fund.

Sir:-

In reply to Alderman Whitman's request for my opinion in the above matter I beg to say that in my opinion the requirement of Section 66 of the Education Act that the City shall on or before the 30th June pay to the Treasurer of the Municipality of the County of Halifax for the purposes of the Municipal School Fund its proportion of a sum equal to one dollar per head of the inhabitants of the Municipality including cities and towns territorially within the County of Halifax, is imperative and cannot be escaped by the City, and if the City fails to comply with the statute an action could be maintained against it. It follows necessarily that the resolution of the Council providing for the placing in the Estimates of a sum smaller than that required by the Act is not a compliance with the law.

F.H. Bell,
City Solicitor.

Moved by Alderman Whitman that the sum of \$95,000.00 be placed in the Estimates on account of Joint County and City Expenditure including contribution to Municipal School Fund.

His Worship the Mayor rules the motion out of order.

Alderman Whitman gives notice that at a future meeting he will move to rescind the resolution of Council placing the sum of \$35,000.00 in the Estimates for Joint County and City expenditure.

Alderman Whitman withdraws his notice of motion to rescind in the above matter.

INSPECTOR OF PLASTERING WORK.

Moved by Alderman Scanlon seconded by Alderman

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Murphy that a delegation now present be heard before the Council in relation to a petition from the Plasterers Union that the City appoint an inspector of plastering work.

The motion being objected to by Aldermen Aokhurst and Whitman it is moved by Alderman Power seconded by Alderman Mason that the delegation be heard at the opening of the meeting of the City Council called for tomorrow evening. Motion passed/

W.B. FIDLER'S HEIRS CIVIC GRATUITY

Read report Finance Committee recommending payment of a civic gratuity to the heirs of W.B. Fidler an employee of the Fire Department.

Committee Room, City Hall,
April 1st, 1921.

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

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the Chairman, Aldermen Finlay and Murphy present, the matter of seeking legislation to make effective the Act in re to the grant of \$1,000.00 to the Widow of late W.B. Fidler was considered.

The following resolution was submitted and adopted.

RESOLVED that the Committee recommend that permissive legislation be obtained at the next session of the legislature so that said amount of \$1,000.00 may be paid to the heirs of late Mr. Fidler.

Alderman Whitman dissenting.

Alfred Whitman,
Chairman.

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

Moved in amendment by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Mason that no action be taken in this matter. The Amendment is put and passed.

April 7th, 1921.

ROBERT CLANCEY'S HEIRS CIVIC GRATUITY.

Read report Finance Committee re proposed Civic gratuity to the heirs of Robert Clancey a Collector in the City Collector's Department.

Committee Room, City Hall,
March 31st, 1921.

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

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the following resolution was submitted.

RESOLVED that the Committee recommend that the City Council seek permissive legislation to make a grant of \$621.93 to the Widow of the late Robert Clancey formerly a sub collector this being the difference between the amount she received from the Officials Superannuation Fund and \$1,000.00.

Resolution put and lost Aldermen Kelly and Hubley reserving the right to change their vote when reported up to the Council.

Alfred Whitman,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Ritchie that the report of the Committee be adopted. Motion put and passed 10 voting for the same and 6 against it as follows:-

For the Motion:- Aldermen Whitman, Ackhurst, Hoyt, Kelly, Cameron, Ritchie, Mason, Godwin, Hubley, Gough-10.

Against it:- Aldermen Colwell, Finlay, Regan, Murphy, Scanlon, Power - 6.

CITY GRANTS AND SUNDRIES--SCHEDULE J.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay that the total appropriation under the heading City Grants and Sundries--Schedule J, be now passed at \$194,859.76. Motion passed.

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE.*

His Worship the Mayor nominates as additional members of the Special Committee on watching the progress through the Assembly of legislation affecting the City of Halifax

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*als Power ✓
as Gough ✓*

Aldermen Power and Gough and expresses the wish that Alderman Power be appointed as Chairman of the Committee in view of his position as Chairman of the Committee on Laws and Privileges. Approved.

APPOINTMENT OF RETURNED SOLDIERS TO MUNICIPAL POSITIONS.

Mayor ✓

Alderman Cameron asked if there is a standing resolution that preference be given to returned soldiers in appointments to municipal offices.

ESTIMATES 1921-22-TOTALS.

Alderman Whitman submits the totals of Civic Estimates for 1921-22 as passed in detail by Council as follows:-

<u>Schedule</u>	<u>Extra Assessment</u>	<u>1921-22</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	<u>1920-21</u>
A-County of Halifax	32630.99				
Municipal	2360.01				
		\$35,000.00	\$57.02		\$34,942.98
B-Public Schools.....	618,595.27	160,351.30			458,243.97
C-City Home.....	67,439.36	955.00			66,484.36
D-Public Gardens.....	13,325.00	525.00			12,800.00
E-Point Pleasant Park...	5,000.00	1,000.00			4,000.00
F-Citizens' Free Library	4,500.00			\$500.00	5,000.00
G-City Health Board.....	45,155.00	1,915.00			43,240.00
H-Superannuation.....	6,492.52	389.00			6,103.52
I-Provincial Exhibition (None held)					
J-City Grants & Sundries	194,859.76				39,375.00
K-Temporary Loans & Int.	59,732.22	17,847.51			41,884.71
L-Consolidated Fund 1880	47,869.50				47,869.50
M-Consolidated Fund 1905	220,250.04	42,680.23			177,569.81
N-Sinking Funds.....	43,079.89	7,527.89			35,552.00
		\$1,361,298.56			
Less, Legislation 1920, to be assessed for in sundry accounts, Schedule J., this year.....			8,800.00		8,800.00

General Assessment

O - Salaries.....	63,310.00			58,500.00
P - Police Department..	130,250.00			115,230.00
Q - City Prison.....	18,081.80	2,577.66		15,504.14
R - Works Department...	268,090.00			261,175.00
S - Fire Department....	182,333.40			158,757.55
T - Miscellaneous.....	10,000.00			7,500.00
	\$672,065.20			

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	<u>1921-22</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	<u>1920-21</u>
Less, Legislation 1920 to be assessed for in sundry accounts, schedule J., this year...		33,086.00		33,086.00
U-Less Probable Income	75,500.00			72,000.00
Total General Assessment	596,565.20			511,580.69
Total Extra Assessment..	1,361,129.56			964,265.85
	1,957,863.76			1,475,846.54
Add 1% for short collections.....	19,578.64			14,758.46
	\$1,977,442.40			\$1,490,605.00
Less:-				
Unexpended Bal. \$5,000.00				
Prob. Poll Taxes 2,000.00	7,000.00			7,000.00
	\$1,970,442.40			\$1,483,605.00

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman

Ritchie that the schedule be adopted. Motion passed.

HYDRO ELECTRIC POWER.

Alderman Mason submits the following resolution:-

In view of the crying need of low priced electrical power in Halifax to reduce the cost of domestic lighting to attract industries that are prevented from coming to the City by the present high cost of power.

And that the development work now proceeding under the Nova Scotia Power Commission will deliver sufficient electrical power at a low cost to the City of Halifax for all purposes.

And that Clause 30, Chapter 6, of The Power Commission Act authorizes the City Council of Halifax to take over and distribute such power for the use of the City and its Citizens, subject to approval by the Governor-in-Council,

Be it resolved that this Council's make application to the Nova Scotia power Commission for full details as to the cost of supplying the power at its disposal to the City, and other data related therewith.

The resolution is moved by Alderman Mason and seconded by Alderman Regan.

Moved by Alderman Godwin seconded by Alderman Gough that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Works for report. Motion passed.

TAX EXEMPTIONS.

Alderman Mason submits the following resolution:

In view of the City of Halifax at the present time being in need of Finances, and in view of the fact that the City has Tax Exemption amounting to \$30,650,100.00 and the City should receive taxes on the greatest amount of this property.

April 7th, 1921.

Be it resolved that this Council seek Legislation at this session of the House to have the laws relating to Tax Exemption revised to enable the City tax such property as the Council deems advisable.

as Whitman ✓
Moved by Alderman Mason seconded by Alderman Regan that the resolution be referred to the Special Committee on Assessment and Taxation. Motion passed.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS EXPENDITURES.

Alderman Mason submits the following resolution:-

In view of the direct representatives of the Citizens of Halifax re School Estimates and Expenditures of monies not being given the liberty through laws at present existing to voice their ideas regarding same - What amount shall be spent and how.

as Power ✓
Be it resolved this Council seek legislation at the present session of the legislature to have laws revised so that the direct representatives of the people will have the right to use their privileges as such.

Moved by Alderman Mason seconded by Alderman Regan that the resolution be referred to the Special Committee on Legislation for report. Motion passed Alderman Finlay dissenting.

HEALTH BOARD EXPENDITURES

Alderman Mason submits the following resolution:

as Whitman ✓
In view of the direct representatives of the Citizens of Halifax re Health Board Estimates and Expenditures of monies not being given the liberty through laws at present existing to say now or what amount of monies shall be spent.

Be it resolved this Council seek legislation at the present session of the legislature to have said laws revised to enable the representatives to use the privileges regarding same.

Moved by Alderman Mason seconded by Alderman Hubley that the resolution be referred to the Finance Committee for report.

Motion put and passed 12 voting for the same and 2 against it as follows:-

For the Motion:- Aldermen Whitman, Ackhurst, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Murphy, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Mason, Hubley, Gough - 12.

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Against it:- Aldermen Colwell, Finlay - 2.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL.

Read report Finance Committee recommending progress payments in connection with construction of Tuberculosis Hospital on City Home grounds Morris Street.

Committee Room, City Hall,
April 7th, 1921.

To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Your Committee on Finance beg to recommend for payment the attached account Messrs Rhodes Curry Co. Ltd., for \$10,000.00 being the 7th Progress Certificate for work done on New Tuberculosis Hospital also the account of H.E. Gates Architect for \$250.00 being 2 1/2 per cent on amount of said progress certificate.

On behalf of the Committee,
Alfred Whitman,
Chairman.

Ira G. Mason,
John Murphy,
A.J. Finlay,

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

PRESIDING OFFICERS FOR CIVIC ELECTIONS.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Colwell that there be two polling places provided for each ward for the Civic Elections to be held on the 27th instant and that the following named be appointed as the Presiding Officers.

Ward 1 - Cyril H. Colwell,
" 2 - T.J. Cahalane
" 3 - Wm. J. Kane,
" 4 - Harry Henry,
" 5 - W.E. Messervey,
" 6 - Alderman Gough

James H. Dow.
Jos. R. Thompson,
Arthur C. Theakston,
James T. McDonald,
Alderman Mason.
Alderman Godwin.

Motion passed.

CITY HOME REPORT ON VARIOUS MATTERS.

Read report Charities Committee on various matters relating to the City Home as follows:-

April 7th, 1921.

Halifax, N.S. April 6th, 1921.

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

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

Members present, the Chairman, Aldermen Cameron, Hoyt and Murphy.

Inmates Month of March

1. The Superintendent's report shows that during the month of March 1921 there were 24 persons admitted into the City Home, 2 born, 28 discharged and 4 died. Of the number admitted 9 were chargeable to the Province and 15 to the City. The total number of inmates on March 31st 1921 was 230, made up of 190 men, 125 women and 5 children. On the same date last year there were 155 men, 127 women and 6 children, a total of 289.

Ice Tenders

2. The tender of George Hutchinson for the supplying of ice to the institution for the season of 1921 being the lowest is recommended for acceptance.

James H. Dow, Superannuation

3. The following letter from James H. Dow was read and on motion was referred to the City Council.

Halifax, N.S. March 21, 1921.

To the Chairman
and Members of the Charities Committee.
Gentlemen:-

In May 1874 I was appointed Engineer of the Pools Asylum now called the City Home. In 1886 I was promoted to Assistant Superintendent. In 1893 I was made Superintendent and my wife was appointed Matron. In 1906 the City Superannuation Act came into operation and we availed ourselves of the Act. We paid into it for two years. In 1908 on account of the ill health of my wife we resigned our positions. From 1886 to 1903 I made all the concrete blocks used in the construction of the City sewers using home labor as well as hired labor. In 1904 the demand for sewer blocks gave out. During my vacation the following year I visited a number of institutions in the New England States to ascertain how they employed their labor and found that the kindling wood business was the best paying business. I informed Mr. Hamilton who was then Chairman of the Charities Committee who instructed me to try the same business in our Home and to this day it is still in operation. In 1916 I was requested by Mayor Martin to go back to the Home until Mr. Mulcahy regained his health - there I remained for nearly two years until Mr. Buchanan was appointed Superintendent.

In resigning from the Home I stated in my resignation that I expected the same treatment as other officials who had faithfully served the City. It went before the City Council and was laid on the table and has remained there ever since.

April 7th, 1921.

Hoping this will receive your earnest consideration.

James H. Dow.

Tuberculosis

4 (a) It is recommended that a sum not to exceed \$25,000.00 be provided by the City Council for the supplying of furniture and fixtures for the Tuberculosis Hospital.

(b) It is further recommended that the City Council grant authority to the Charities Committee to take over the work of the Parkes Hospital from May 1st, 1921 and carry on the business at the Hospital at Dartmouth until such time as the Tuberculosis Hospital be ready for occupancy and to pay all expenses for same from May 1st, 1921.

Accounts

5. The following accounts are recommended for payment viz:

Wentzells Ltd.	Flour	\$647.50
John Tobin & Co.	Groceries	771.35
W.A. Maling & Co.	Meats	662.97
Leonard Fisheries Ltd.	Fish	104.78
Davis & Fraser	Mess Pork	89.60
Smith & Proctor	Butter	340.47
S.C. Thompson	Forage	84.34
H.D. McKenzie Co.Ltd.	Coal	730.31
N.S. Tram & Power Co.Ltd.	Light & Power	50.72
Blackadar Bros.	Newspaper	5.00
H.H. Marshall Ltd.	Newspaper	7.00
H.D. Grant	Milk	203.59
T.J. Whalen & Co.	Dry Goods	127.41
Mar.Tel. & Tel. Co. Ltd.	Exchange Service	14.32
The Fleischmann Co.	Yeast	4.90
B.O. Archibald,	Dispensing Medicine	50.00
A & W MacKinlay	Book	13.87
Wm. McFatrige	Rope	36.76
Arthur Fordham & Co.	Leather	24.59
The Proctor Gample Co.Ltd.	Soap Flakes	23.14
Jam.Simmonds Ltd.	Sundries	6.17
H. McFatrige	Horseshoeing	7.75
Colwell Bros. Ltd.	Hats	24.00
Nat. Drug & Cham Co. Ltd.	Insect Power etc.	7.88
Amherst N.S.	Maintenance	5.14
J.H. Buchanan	Cash expended	228.33
March Pay Sheet	Salaries	1318.45
		<u>\$5,550.34</u>

H.S. Colwell,
CHAIRMAN.

The report is considered clause by clause.

Read clause 1 re inmates in the Institution during month of March. Filed.

Read clause 2 re tenders for supply of ice. Approved.

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Read clause 3 re application James H. Dow for a superannuation allowance.

Moved by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Regan that this matter be referred to the Committee on Finance for report. Motion passed.

Read clause 4 (a) re loan of \$25,000.00 for furnishing Tuberculosis Hospital.

Moved by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Regan that the City Solicitor be instructed to draft and submit an act authorizing the City to borrow on five year bonds a sum not to exceed \$25,000.00 for the purpose of furnishing the Tuberculosis Hospital. Motion passed.

Read clause 4 (b) re the taking over by the City of the management of the Tuberculosis (Parker) Hospital at Dartmouth pending the occupancy of the new building being erected on the City Home Grounds.

Moved by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Power that said clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read clause 5 re Accounts.

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

WORKS DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS

Read report Committee on Works recommending accounts for payment.

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S. April 6/1921.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The Works Committee beg to recommend for payment the accounts attached hereto amounting to the sum of \$13,087.84 chargeable to the following services:

as written ✓

*Solicitor ✓
Auditor ✓*

*Auditor ✓
Solicitor ✓
JH Buchanan ✓*

April 7th, 1921.

Sewerage		\$2881.25
Internal Health		423.38
Loan Widening Streets		2.25
Street Lighting		3251.77
City Property		24.05
Fire Alarm Loss City Hall		371.73
Safe Treasurer's Office		9.55
Market Revenue		68.66
Teams & Stables		76.41
Telephones		200.50
Permanent Pavement		16.59
Streets		144.73
Permanent Sidewalks		48.35
Rents City Property		66.30
Pumping Station		24.53
City Hall Lighting		99.85
Police Gymnasium		467.60
		<u>\$8147.50</u>
Water Maintenance	754.79	
Water Construction	<u>4185.55</u>	<u>4940.34</u>
		\$ 13087.84

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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

CITY HEALTH BOARD ACCOUNTS

Read report City Health Board recommending accounts
for payment.

Office of City Health Board,
Halifax, N.S. April 7th, 1921.

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

I beg to submit for your information attached
accounts passed at a meeting of the City Health Board on
March 24th and April 6th, 1921.

J.A. Watters,
Secretary City Health
Board.

Isolation Hospital

N.S. Tramways & Power Co.	Light	\$26.82
Leonard Fisheries	Fish	20.36
J.J. Scriven & Son	Bread	19.32
Whelan & Ferguson	Minerals	2.50
J & M Murphy	Cauze	8.89
H.D. McKenzie	Coal	230.10
Hfx. Steam Laundry	Laundry	44.29

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National Drug. Co.	Anti Toxin	34.09
Hfx. Taxi	Taxi-Nurses	25.00
T.C. Allen	Stationery	29.50
MacLeod & Baloom	Drugs	111.85
E.E. Parsons	Xmas Toys	3.05
C.P.R.	Telegrams	.74
Michael Day	Plumbing	83.52
F.M. Walker	Milk	37.44
Baldwin & Co.	Crockeryware	1.58
R.E. Ward	Carpentry	586.61
J.A. Leaman	Meat	78.40
Wentzells Ltd.	Croceries	200.28
		<u>\$1,544.34</u>

General Account

Maritime Tel. Co.	Phones	44.89
N.S. Dept. Pub. Health	Vaccine	8.40
J.D. Walsh	Vaccine etc.	6.60
Blackadar Bros.	Advt.	18.20
City Taxi	Service	6.00
Office Specialty	Forms	3.36
A.M. Fraser	Typeribbon	1.00
		<u>\$ 88.45</u>

Total.....\$1,632.79

Moved by Alderman Cameron seconded by Alderman Finlay that the report be adopted and the accounts be paid with the exception of the account of R.E. Ward for carpentry at Isolation Hospital \$586.61.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hoyt seconded by Alderman Regan that consideration of the report be deferred.

The Amendment is withdrawn.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Colwell that the report be adopted and the accounts paid, including the Ward account.

The amendment is withdrawn.

The original motion is put and passed.

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

LIST OF HEADLINES.

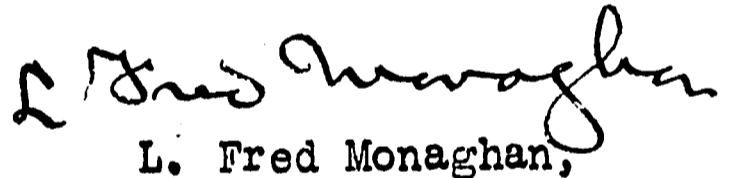
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Council adjourns 11.30 o'clock.


L. Fred Monaghan,

CITY CLERK.

J.S. Parker,

MAYOR.

EVENING SESSION

8.10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

April 8th, 1921.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Murphy, Colwell, Whitman, Regan, Kelly, Ritchie, Cameron and Mason.

Moved by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Colwell that the time for meeting be extended until a quorum is present or until 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8.20 O'Clock roll called. Present the above named together with Aldermen Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt 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).

INSPECTOR OF PLASTERING AND MASON WORK.

Read reports (2) Committee on Works covering application of R.J. Hurley for the position of City Inspector of Plastering and Mason work as a representative of the Plasterers Union.

Office of Clerk of Works,
Halifax, N.S. March 30th, 1921.

To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Department held on the 30th inst., the attached correspondence from the Secretary of Operative Plasters and Cement Finishers International Association Local No. 215 was ordered sent to Council for its information.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

April 8th, 1921.

Halifax, N.S. March 19th, 1921.

Your Worship Mayor Parker.
Dear Sir:-

I am instructed to send you the enclosed resolution adopted by the Plasterers' Association. Kindly submit it to the proper Department that action may accrue therefrom.

S.J. Nott,
Secretary.

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WHEREAS Many inferior substitutes, such as Beaver Board and other forms of Wall Board are frequently used in place of plastering in the construction of private houses, stores, workshops, offices, and even in Public Buildings and in alterations and additions thereto.

AND WHEREAS the use of such substitutes constitutes an invitation to destruction by fire and is thereby a menace to the City and a source of danger to the lives of citizens.

AND WHEREAS the material used in the plastering of many buildings is of an inferior quality and the workmanship not the best.

AND WHEREAS a combination of good materials and workmanship is essential if proper protection from fire is to be obtained.

AND WHEREAS the use of poor materials and the permissibility of poor workmanship constitute a grave menace by the possibility of falling plaster, particularly in Public Buildings, Schools etc.

AND WHEREAS the duties of the present building Inspector are of such an arduous and extreme nature as to leave him insufficient time to attend to these matters in as thorough a manner as their importance demands.

AND WHEREAS the proper and competent supervision over such matters is essential to the welfare of the City.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED Local 215 Operative Plasterers' and Cement Finishers' Int. Association requests the City Council to consider the advisability of appointing an Assistant Building Inspector, he to be a competent and practical Plasterer, recommended by Local 215, whose duties it shall be to inspect Plastering of all new buildings, additions or alterations of standing buildings to insure quality of material, combined with good workmanship, and disallow the use of substitutes as hereinbefore mentioned.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the City Council, Board of Fire Underwriters, Halifax Trades & Labor Council and Independent Labor Party, with a request that such immediate action be taken as the gravity of the situation demands.

April 8th, 1921.

Office of Clerk of Works,
Halifax, N.S. April 7, 1921.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Department held on the 6th instant the attached application of R.J. Hurley was on motion referred to Council to attach to resolution of the Operative Plasterers and Cement Finishers International Union No. 215, previously submitted to Council on March 29th, 1921.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

Agreeably to resolution passed at last meeting of the Council Mr. Dorey of the Plasterers Union is permitted to address the Council in behalf of the application for the appointment of R.J. Hurley as Inspector of Plastering and Mason work.

Engineer → Moved by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman Finlay that this matter be referred back to the Committee on Works for further report. Motion passed.

FIRE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS

Read report Committee of Firewards recommending accounts for payment.

Committee Room, City Hall,
April 6th, 1921.

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The Committee of Firewards beg to recommend for payment the following named accounts.

K. McPhee	Equipment repairs	3.25
C.H. Jordan	Horseshoeing	19.50
J.C. Merlin	Building Repairs	6.25
Halifax Vulcanizing Works	Vulcanizing	42.50
Metropolitan Motors Ltd.	Motor Supplies	41.20
A. J. McNutt	Equipment Repairs	20.00
National Drug & Chemical Co.	Stores & Supplies	11.87
Motor Sales Co. Ltd.	Motor Supplies	.50
Burns & Kelleher	Supplies	1.35
Sheehan Motor Co.	"	.35
Canadian National Institute for the Blind		8.67
American LaFrance Fire Eng. Co.	Supplies	.94
Imperial Oil Ltd.	Gasoline	194.38

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H.D. MacKenzie	Coal	170.00
O.C. Marriott	Horseshoeing	9.25
Jas. Simmonds Ltd.	Hardware	1.16
James Donohue	Supplies	3.79
Wm. Jakeman & Son	Vet. Services	43.00
Office Specialty Mfg. Co.	Supplies	30.09
S.C. Thompson	Feed	586.11
Maritime Telegraph & Tel. Co.	Telephone	29.45
Ungar's Laundry	Laundry	54.19
N.S. Tramway & Power Co.	Light	84.76
		<u>\$1362.47</u>

W.W. Hoyt,
Chairman.

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

FIRE HOSE

Read report Committee of Firewards recommending acceptance of loan for Fire Hose \$3,000.00 and proceeding with the procuring of the hose.

Committee Room, City Hall,
March 8th, 1921.

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The Committee of Firewards beg to recommend for adoption the following report from the Acting Chief of the Fire Department relating to loan for the purchase of fire hose.

Office of Chief Fire Department,
Halifax, N.S. March 8th, 1921.

Board of Firewards.
Gentlemen:-

I would now recommend the purchase of 2000 feet of 2 1/2 inch cotton rubber lines hose, \$3,000. being approved by your Board at meeting held on February 12th, 1920 and provided for by Trustees of the Sinking Fund on November 25, 1920.

J.E. Keefe,
Acting Chief Halifax Fire Department.

W.W. Hoyt,
CHAIRMAN.

Read report Committee of Firewards recommending acceptance of tenders for Hose for the Fire Department.

April 8th, 1921.

Committee Room, City Hall,
April 6th, 1921.

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The Committee of Firewards beg to recommend for adoption by the City Council the attached report of the Chief of the Fire Department relating to the purchase of Fire Hose for the Department.

Office of Chief Fire Department
Halifax, N.S. April 6th, 1921

Committee of Firewards,
Gentlemen:-

I beg to report that I have carefully gone over specifications and tenders for fire hose submitted at your last meeting and which has been referred to me for report. I would recommend the purchase of 1300 feet of 2 1/2 inch wax and gum-treated "Keystone" brand hose from the Dominion Rubber System at \$1.85 \$2405.00 also 200 feet of 3 inch solid woven "Eureka" brand four ply hose, from the Gutta Percha & Rubber Limited at \$2.75 - \$550.00. Total of the two equals \$2955.00 and that the remaining \$45.00 of this estimate of hose be used for connections in conjunction with the three inch hose. All this hose is guaranteed for three years under test pressure of four hundred pounds per square inch and fitted with standard regulations couplings, Halifax thread.

W.W. Churchill,
Chief Halifax Fire Department.

W.W. Hoyt,
CHAIRMAN.

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

Moved in amendment by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Mason that the report be referred back to the Committee of Firewards to consider and report as to whether the order for hose should be distributed amongst the various tenderers.

The amendment is put and lost.

The original motion is put and passed.

POLICE DEPARTMENT ADDITIONAL MEN

Moved by Alderman Ackhurst that the resolution of Council making provision for the appointment of six

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additional Policemen instead of only three as recommended in the police Department Estimates be now rescinded.

Alderman Regan objects to the motion being entertained except under the regular order of business.

His Worship the Mayor rules the motion out of order at the present time.

GENERAL ACCOUNTS.

Read report Finance Committee recommending for payment accounts chargeable to various services.

Committee Room, City Hall,
April 6th, 1921.

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

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the following named accounts amounting to \$816.82 were passed as correct and recommended for payment also the account for subscription to Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities \$94.00 for 1921-22 to be paid out of 1921-22 accounts.

A & W MacKinlay	Books etc City Clerk	1.61 50.86	\$52.47
T.C. Allen & Co.	Stationery & Printing City Assessor " Collector " Auditor " Clerk	67.44 69.05 12.45 31.93	180.87
Commercial Photo Service	Town Planning		20.00
Canada Law Book Co.	Vol. 34 C.C. Cases		10.00
British American Bank Note Co.	Co. Receipts		35.70
United Typewriter Co.	Ribbon		1.00
Halifax Herald	Advertisement	10.08 75.80	85.88
Blackadar Bros.	Advertising		8.40
Chronicle Pub. Co.	Advertising	13.44 20.16 45.36	78.96
The Children's Aid Society	West Hants Maintenance of A. Pemberton		91.28
Office Specialty Co.	Filing Cases	156.57 12.96	169.53
Religious of the Good Shepherd	Maintenance of Girls to April 1st, 1921		82.73
			<u>\$816.82</u>

Alfred Whitman,
Chairman.

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

CITY PRISON ACCOUNTS

Read report City Prison Committee recommending payment of accounts.

Committee Room, City Hall,
April 6th, 1921.

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The Committee on City Prison beg to recommend for payment the following named accounts.

J.J. Scriven & Sons	Bread	\$167.40
Howards Ltd.	Groceries	151.83
W.A. Maling & Co.	Bread	158.36
S.A. Thompson	Feed	89.93
Robt. Taylor Co. Ltd.	Boots etc.	32.47
J & M Murphy Ltd.	Dry Goods	92.85
Melvin & Co.	Hardware	13.90
R.L. Isnor	Horseshoeing	28.75
K. McPhee	Repairs to Carts	38.35
Maritime Telephone Co	Rental	10.72
Nova Scotia Tramways & Power Co.		9.30
Stair Son & Morrow	Hammers	7.92
The Piercey Supply Co. Ltd.		9.60
		<u>\$811.38</u>

Geo. E. Ritchie,
CHAIRMAN.

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

LIBRARY ACCOUNTS.

Read report Citizens Free Library Commission recommending accounts for payment.

Citizens' Free Library,
Halifax, N.S. April 7th, 1921.

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

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

Adams Express Co.	Cartage	\$2.00
T.C. Allen & Co.	Books	216.69
The Book Room	"	12.23
Canadian Historical Review	Subscription	2.00
Maclean Publishing Company	"	3.00

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Ross Print	Bookmarks	20.40
		<u>\$256.32</u>
C.D. Cazenove & Son	Subscriptions	£42-7-6
	L. Barnaby, Librarian.	

Moved by Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman Ackhurst 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, N.S. April 6th, 1921.

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 \$115.87, were examined found correct and recommended for payment.

John Starr	Bulb	.45
A & W MacKinlay	Duty and Charge Book	56.56
Robt. Taylor	Rubber Boots	7.32
A.M. Bell	Mop and Oil	2.30
Metropolitan Motors	Fan belt	3.32
Halifax Auto	Oil Gauge	3.85
Central Garage	Labor on Patrol	10.05
Kelly's Ltd.	Chamois	2.00
Halifax Vul. Works	Casing and patches	6.05
A.R. Cogswell	Photo supplies	2.05
J. Wonnocott	Repairing lock	.85
National Drug	Soft Soap	1.52
Renown Auto	Paint	2.80
Neil Fox	Repairing Leather bag	1.75
Telephone services	Rental	15.00
		<u>\$115.87</u>

J.S. Parker,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

POLICE DEPARTMENT TROUSERS AND CLOTH

Read report Police Committee recommending purchase

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of Police Department Trousers and cloth from Mark Fisher & Co.

Halifax, N.S.
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The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The Police Commission request permission of the City Council to award tenders as follows to purchase blue serge sufficient to supply trousers for summer and winter wear and to supply the extra men about to be appointed after legislation is secured, with new uniforms. The former from A.R. Butler representing Mark Fisher & Co. at \$6.50 per yard the later at \$8.00 per yd. from A.R. Cossey & Co. and to pay local tailors the sum of \$6.00 per pair for making trousers - The new uniforms from serge supplied by A.R. Butler as above.

*Mayor ✓
Chief of Police ✓
Auditor ✓*

J.S. Parker,
Mayor and Chairman.

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

GARDENS ACCOUNTS

Read report Commissioners of Halifax Common recommending accounts for payment.

Halifax, N.S. April 7th, 1921.

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

At a meeting of the Gardens Commission held Wednesday afternoon April 6th, 1921 in the Mayor's Office City Hall, the following bills amounting to \$613.35 were passed and recommended for payment.

W.J. O'Tool	\$200.00	
H.D. MacKenzie Co. Ltd.	250.00	
S.C. Thompson	Feed	121.61
James P. Brodie		<u>41.91</u>
		\$613.35

R.D. Guildford,
Acting Secretary.

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

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TRAMWAY FARES COMMISSION.

Read letter Roderick McColl in re Tramway Fares Commission.

Halifax, N.S. April 7th, 1921.

J.S. Parker, Esq.,
Mayor City of Halifax.

Dear Sir:-

The Royal Commission appointed under Chapter 203 of the Acts of Nova Scotia 1920 have held several meetings and the Nova Scotia Tram & Power Company have presented their case.

They presented a number of schedules showing, receipts, expenditures and net profit or deficit for the last few years, including the year 1920, number of passengers carried, car miles run, etc. At my request have given additional information and greater details of operation costs and have tendered a considerable amount of evidence as to cost of operation.

They have also presented statements of physical valuation of Tram Department in detail and estimate of proper amounts that should be allowed for depreciation. Speaking generally they claim that the returns for 1920 (during which year the increase in fares was in force for seven months) while showing gross earning of about \$130,000 over the previous year shows a net loss of about \$31,000 after deducting taxes. They, therefore, claim that even had the increased fares been in force the whole year the net earnings would be so small as to warrant the Commission in recommending the continuance of the present fares.

The next meeting of the Commission will take place on Monday, the 18th day of April and the Commission have requested me to ask you to have the City send a representative to present their case at this meeting, otherwise the Commission will consider the City do not wish to be heard. The transcript of the evidence already taken will be ready in a few days, when a copy will be sent you. Would you kindly let me know as soon as possible what action you propose taking.

I will be pleased to arrange to meet your representative at any time you wish and give you fuller details.

Rod. McColl.

Also read accounts submitted by Mr. McColl with his letter.

D.C. Linton	Reporting evidence	\$31.50
Annie H. Bushman	do	7.00
		<u>\$38.50</u>

Less one half payable to Tramway Co....\$19.25.

Moved by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Mason that the City's proportion of the accounts be paid. Motion passed.

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ad Murphy
Moved by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Cameron that Mr. McColl's report be referred to the Special Committee on Tramway matters consisting of Aldermen Murphy, Whitman and Regan. Motion passed.

LOANS FOR VARIOUS SERVICES.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer recommending loans for various services.

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

Moved by Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman Finlay that the report of the City Engineer be considered clause by clause. Motion passed.

Read clause recommending the borrowing of \$300,000.00 for sewers.

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

Moved in amendment by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Regan that \$50,000.00 be borrowed for Sewers.

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

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Council adjourns 9.40 o'clock.

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

J.S. Parker,
MAYOR.

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

4.10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

April 12th, 1921.

A meeting of the City Council was held this afternoon at the above named hour. Present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Bissett, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Murphy, Buckley, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Gpdwin, Hubley Gough.

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

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LEGISLATION

Read report Laws and Privileges Committee re Civic Legislation.

Committee Room, City Hall,
April 8th, 1921.

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

Solicitor
At a meeting of the Laws and Privileges Committee held this day the City Solicitor was instructed to introduce into the Legislature all Civic Legislation ordered by the City Council to date.

That after first reading and the Bills are printed to submit copies to each Alderman and that same be then considered by the Council before any final action is taken by the Legislature.

John J. Power,
CHAIRMAN.

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

LOANS FOR VARIOUS SERVICES

Again read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer (submitted at last meeting of Council) re loans for various services.

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Office of Clerk of Works,
Halifax, N.S. April 7th, 1921.

To the City Council,
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Department held on the 6th instant the attached report of the City Engineer re Loans was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

Office of City Engineer,
Halifax, N.S. April 8th, 1921.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

Legislative authority should be obtained for the borrowing of a sum not exceeding \$300,000.00 for sewers and \$250,000.00 for water, to be borrowed from time to time as required.

The appropriation for heating the City Hall is \$10,000. while the actual cost of the work will be \$14,995.00, we therefore require an additional appropriation of \$5,000.00.

The amount available for the construction of a comfort station is also insufficient by about \$10,000. and this amount should be obtained, if the construction of this station is to be proceeded with.

The appropriation of \$2,000 for new furniture in the City Hall was authorized last year, but the estimated cost of the furniture asked for was \$3,500. With only \$2,000. it was practically impossible to satisfy the demands from the different departments, and in consequence the only furniture bought last year was for the Auditor's Office, the City Clerk and Collector.

I would recommend that an additional appropriation of \$1,500 be provided so that the dilapidated and unsightly furniture in the offices may be replaced and additional furniture provided where required.

We have in service five motor sprinklers. One sprinkler can do the work of three horse drawn sprinklers, and at less cost. We had six hired teams last year but the work of the horse drawn sprinklers is never satisfactory.

I think the City would be justified in purchasing at least two more motor sprinklers and flushers, to replace the hired teams. From preliminary figures I estimate it would be necessary to appropriate not more than \$19,000.00 and recommend that legislative authority be obtained for the purchase.

If the Council approve it would be advisable to place the order with as little delay as possible.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

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The report is considered clause by clause.

Sewers

Read clause 1 recommending the borrowing of \$300,000.00 for sewers.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Godwin that said clause be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Regan that the sum to be borrowed for sewers be \$50,000.00.

Amendment put and lost 1 voting for the same and 16 against it as follows:-

For the Amendment:- Alderman Whitman - 1.

Against it:- Aldermen Colwell, Ackhurst, Finlay, Buckley
Hoyt, Bissett, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Murphy, Scanlon,
Ritchie, Power, Godwin, Hubley, Gough - 16.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Regan seconded by Alderman Buckley that this item be placed at \$200,000.00.

Amendment put and lost 5 voting for the same and 12 against it as follows:-

For the Amendment:- Aldermen Whitman, Bissett, Regan, Cameron, Buckley - 5.

Against it:- Aldermen Colwell, Ackhurst, Hoyt, Kelly, Murphy, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Godwin, Hubley, Gough - 12.

The original motion being put 11 voted for the same and 6 against it as follows:-

For the Motion:- Aldermen Colwell, Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Murphy, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Godwin, Hubley, Gough - 11.

Against it:- Aldermen Whitman, Bissett, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Buckley - 6.

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His Worship the Mayor declares the motion lost not having received a two thirds vote of Council.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Kelly that the item be placed at \$250,000.00.

Motion put and passed 14 voting for the same and 3 against it as follows:-

For the Motion:- Aldermen Colwell, Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Bissett, Kelly, Murphy, Buckley, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Godwin, Hubley, Gough - 14.

Against it:- Aldermen Whitman, Regan, Cameron - 3.

The Deputy Mayor takes the chair at the request of His Worship the Mayor.

Water Department.

Read clause 2 recommending the borrowing of \$250,000. for Water Department.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Finlay that said item pass.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Kelly that this item be placed at \$200,000.00.

The amendment being put 8 voted for the same and 8 against it as follows:-

For the Amendment:- Aldermen Whitman, Ackhurst, Hoyt, Bissett, Kelly, Cameron, Buckley, Gough - 8.

Against it:- Aldermen Colwell, Finlay, Murphy, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Godwin, Hubley - 8.

The Deputy Mayor gave his casting vote in favor of the amendment but declares the amendment lost the same not having received a two thirds vote of Council.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Ritchie that the item pass at \$249,000.00.

Motion put and passed 15 voting for the same and 1 against it as follows:-

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For the Motion:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Bissett, Cameron, Murphy, Buckley, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Godwin, Hubley, Gough - 15.

Against it:- Alderman Kelly - 1.

His Worship the Mayor resumes the Chair.

Heating City Hall.

Read clause 3 recommending the borrowing of the additional sum of \$5,000.00 for heating the City Hall.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Godwin that this item pass.

Motion put and passed unanimously the following named 16 Aldermen being present and voting for the same, Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Bissett, Kelly, Cameron, Murphy, Buckley, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Godwin, Hubley, Gough.

Comfort Station.

Read clause 4 recommending loan of \$10,000.00 for public comfort station, supplementary to the amount already provided for the purpose.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Godwin that this item pass.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman Finlay that this item be placed at \$5,000.00.

Amendment put and passed 14 voting for the same and 2 against it as follows:-

For the Amendment:- Aldermen Colwell, Ackhurst, Finlay, Bissett, Kelly, Cameron, Murphy, Buckley, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Godwin, Hubley, Gough - 14.

Against it:- Aldermen Whitman, Hoyt - 2.

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Furniture City Hall.

Read clause 5 re loan for City Hall Furniture
\$1,500.00.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman
Finlay that this item be approved but that instead of
being borrowed that it be added to the Estimates for
1921-22 when said Estimates come before the Legislature
for approval. Motion passed unanimously.

Motor Sprinklers.

Read clause 6 re loan for Motor Sprinklers \$19,000.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman
Godwin that this item pass and that the legislation for
the borrowing provided that the loan be on five year
bonds.

Motion passed 12 voting for the same and 5 against
it as follows:-

For the Motion:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst,
Finlay, Bissett, Murphy, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Godwin,
Hubley, Gough - 12.

Against it:- Aldermen Hoyt, Regan, Kelly, Cameron,
Buckley - 5.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Godwin
that the report as amended be adopted and the City
Solicitor instructed to draft and submit the necessary
legislation. Motion passed unanimously.

TOWER ROAD, ROBIE STREET, VERNON STREET.

Alderman Buckley asked for a report as to the
expenditures on the following streets.

Tower Road from Morris Street to Spring Garden Road.
Robie Street from Spring Garden Road to Jubilee Road
Vernon Street from Coburg Road to Jubilee Road.

Solicitor ✓
Engineer ✓
Auditor ✓

Engineer ✓

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WINTER WORK--LOAN \$55,000.00.

Engineer
Alderman Regan asks for a detailed report as to expenditures on account of the \$55,000.00 (\$40,000.00 for sewers and \$15,000.00 for Water Service) provided for under resolution of Council January 20th, 1921 for emergency Winter Work.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL AND CITY HOME HEATING
\$20,000.00.

Read report Special Committee on Tuberculosis Hospital Plans etc. recommending the borrowing of \$20,000.00 for heating the New Tuberculosis Hospital and the City Home.

Halifax, N.S. March 23rd, 1921.

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

At a meeting of the Committee on Tuberculosis Hospital Plans etc. held Monday, March 22nd, 1921 in the Council Chamber, City Hall, for the purpose of discussing the heating of the New Tuberculosis Hospital on the City Home Grounds: it was moved by Alderman Colwell, seconded by Alderman Regan, "That this Committee recommend to Council that Mr. H.E. Gates be instructed to prepare plans and specifications for the installation of a central heating plant to be located in the City Home to supply that institution and the new Tuberculosis Hospital with heat and further supply an alternate set of plans and specifications for a separate heating plant for the new Tuberculosis Hospital alone. All this to be done by Mr. H.E. Gates for the fee of two hundred dollars (\$200.00). Motion passed.

It was further moved by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Colwell that the Council be asked to seem permissive legislation from the Local Legislature enabling the City to borrow a sum not to exceed twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) for the purpose of heating the City Home and the New Tuberculosis Hospital. Motion passed.

R.D. Guildford,
Secretary.

The report is considered clause by clause.

Architects Fees \$200.00.

Read clause 1 re payment to H.E. Gates, Architect, \$200.00 for alternative plans for heating the institutions.

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Moved by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman Power that the clause be struck out of the report.

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

The motion is put is passed 11 voting for the same and 5 against it as follows:-

For the Motion:- Aldermen Whitman, Ackhurst, Hoyt, Bissett, Kelly, Cameron, Buckley, Scanlon, Power, Godwin, Gough - 11.

Against it:- Aldermen Colwell, Finlay, Murphy, Ritchie, Hubley - 5.

Heating Loan \$20,000.00.

Read clause 2 recommending the borrowing of \$20,000.

Moved by Alderman Power seconded by Alderman Colwell that said clause be adopted and the City Solicitor instructed to draft and submit the necessary legislation.

Motion passed 15 voting for the same and 1 against it as follows:-

For the Motion:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Bissett, Kelly, Cameron, Murphy, Buckley, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Godwin, Hubley - 15.

Against it:- Alderman Gough - 1.

6 p.m. Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay that this meeting adjourn until tomorrow evening April 13th at 8 o'clock.

Motion put and lost 5 voting for adjournment and 11 against as follows:-

For Adjournment Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Bissett, Cameron, Buckley - 5.

Against :- Aldermen Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Kelly,

Engineer ✓
Solicitor ✓
Auditor ✓
H & Gale ✓
Jas W. Bryan ✓

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Murphy, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Godwin, Hubley, Gough-11
His Worship the Mayor resumes the Chair.

STREET PAVING

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Godwin that the Council do now take up for consideration the report of the Committee on Works dated April 7th 1921 and the report of the City Engineer dated April 6th, 1921 re Street Paving.

Motion put and passed 9 voting for the same and 8 against it as follows:-

For the Motion:- Aldermen Finlay, Kelly, Murphy, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Godwin, Hubley, Gough - 9

Against it:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Hoyt, Bissett, Regan, Cameron, Buckley - 8.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Bissett that the Council adjourn until 8 o'clock tomorrow evening Wednesday April 13th.

Asked for a ruling His Worship the Mayor declares the motion to be in order.

Aldermen Power and Kelly appealed to the Council from the decision of the Chairman.

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

On the appeal the division of Council showed as follows:-

To sustain the decision of the chair:- Aldermen Colwell, Ackhurst, Hoyt, Bissett, Regan, Cameron, Murphy, Buckley, Scanlon - 9.

Contrary: Aldermen Whitman, Finlay, Kelly, Ritchie, Power, Godwin, Hubley, Gough - 8.

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The City Clerk declares the ruling of the Chair sustained.

Aldermen Whitman's motion for adjournment until 8 o'clock tomorrow evening is put and passed 9 voting for the same and 8 against as follows:-

For adjournment:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Hoyt, Bissett, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Buckley-9

Against:- Aldermen Finlay, Murphy, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Godwin, Hubley, Gough - 8.

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Council adjourns 6.05 o'clock.


L. Fred Monaghan,

CITY CLERK.

J. S. Parker,

MAYOR.

EVENING SESSION

(Adjourned meeting).

8.10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

April 13th, 1921.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening at the above named hour pursuant to adjournment of yesterday April 12th inst. There were present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Bissett, Finlay, Cameron, Regan, Kelly, Scanlon, Murphy, Mason, Ritchie, Power, Godwin and Hubley.

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STREET PAVING

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

Office of Clerk of Works,
Halifax, N.S. April 7th, 1921.

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

At a meeting of the Works Department held on the 6th inst the attached report of the City Engineer re contract for paving streets was read and on motion approved and recommended to Council for adoption. An extract from the minutes of a special meeting of the Works Committee held February 24th last containing Alderman Power's verbatim statement on the Paving situation to be included with this report and which is attached hereto.

A. F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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Office of Clerk of Works,
Halifax, N.S. April 7th, 1921.

Extract from Minutes of a meeting of the Works Department held on the 24th day of February 1921.

Meeting of Special Committee re Claim of Canadian Bituminous Paving Corporation.

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Alderman Power asked to have the following incorporated in the Minutes as his views respecting the situation viz:-

"I am of the opinion that inasmuch as the City Solicitor has advised that the chances of the City winning the suit are practically nil and that the matter will only come down to an assessment of damages, the result of this will be that the City stands a chance of losing a sum of money for which at the present time there is no way of compensating itself at the expense of the Tram Company. The Streets have to be paved, and in the interest of all concerned, it is better of have an amicable adjustment of this difficulty and to enter into an amended contract, if necessary, for the City to go ahead and do the work and take the offer which the Tram Company made last Fall, namely doing their work and taking such securities as they have to offer, which is the only practicable solution of this unfortunate difficulty.

"I am keeping in view the interests of the City in adjusting this matter, but see no practical good at this juncture, in view of the advice of the City Solicitor, in entering into a long and uncertain lawsuit, and while retaining strong views on the situation in which the City was unwittingly allowed to drift, I think it better in the interests of all concerned, to seek an adjustment on the above lines.

"The above adjustment of the matter, is, of course, subject to the same terms, or better, being open to the City as were open to them last September. I understand an adjustment now may give the City the benefit of cheaper material and cheaper labor.

"I am assuming, of course, that both companies and the City are willing to adjust the matter on this basis for if not, litigation will have to go ahead.

A. F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. April 6, 1921

His Worship the Mayor,

Sir:-

For some time the paving question has been a matter of grave concern to the Works Committee. It has been considered at some meetings at which Alderman Whitman and Alderman Power were present and I think it may be frankly admitted that the prospects for success for the City in the action brought by the Canadian Bituminous Paving Co., are not bright, with a prospect of losing a considerable sum without any corresponding benefits.

The Works Department has done its best to find some way out which would offer a more practical solution of the difficulty.

Consultations with the representatives of the Paving Corporation have resulted in a communication from them in which they offer to enter into a contract with the City for the construction of 75,000 yards of paving to be

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completed during the season of 1921 at the rate proposed last fall, viz: \$6.98 per square yard provided that in the event of the price of labor or of materials to be used falling between December 1920 and the date of signing contract, the City would be given the benefit of such reduction and the price reduced accordingly.

They propose to leave this question to the City Engineer and the Engineer of the Company on failure to agree, to be settled by arbitration, the third arbitrator to be agreed upon by the two engineers or appointed by a Judge of the Supreme Court. In considering this proposal, the Works Department were hampered by the financial situation in which the Tram Company find themselves. This part of the proposal, however, was also studied with the result that the Tramway Company have offered to supply to the City the materials which they have on hand for paving, also to supply a Superintendent to direct the paving work on their track, such supt. to be paid by the Company and further to give the City a note for \$100,000.00 bearing interest at 7% per annum with certain other minor conditions which would have to be embodied in an agreement.

We have estimated the work that could be done under this proposal of the Tramway Company and find that it could cover the paving of Agricola Street from Cunard Street to Almon Street, Hollis Street from Morris Street to South Street Coburg Road from Robie Street to Oxford Street, Buckingham Street from Barrington to Brunswick Street, Brunswick Street from Buckingham to Jacob Street and Cunard Street from Gottingen Street to Agricola Street. Other tramway Streets would have to be left until a later date.

The work mentioned would include about 12,500 yds. of roadway outside the track allowance. It would be necessary to provide a programme including 62,500 yards on other streets than those named.

On behalf On behalf that the City would save a very considerable sum, if not a large sum by accepting the proposal mentioned, while the extension of our paving system to include all the main thoroughfares where the dust nuisance is so objectionable, is most desirable;

I, therefore, beg to recommend that the proposal of the paving company and the Tramway Company be accepted provided satisfactory agreements can be made.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

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

At request of the Council the City Engineer reads and submits the following correspondence.

Nova Scotia Tramways & Power Co. Ltd.
Halifax, N.S. April 4th, 1921.

His Worship the Mayor,
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Sir:-

We refer to the City Solicitor's letter to us

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March 1st, and our reply of March 3rd., and we beg to add thereto the following:

In addition to supplying scoria block and rails now on hand, this Company agrees to give to the City a note to cover the actual cost to the City of laying the scoria block and rails, and otherwise completing the Company's portion of the street paving required; but the total cost of doing the work is not to exceed \$100,000. excluding the value of rails and scoria block furnished by the Company.

If this proposal is accepted, the Company will require that the work be performed under the supervision of one of its officials, and further, if the City should decide to undertake some of the work by contract, such contract must receive the Company's approval.

The Company will then give to the City a note, payable in, or about, a year from date, bearing interest at 7% per annum, and when the Company arranges to re-finance its existing three years 7% notes, falling due June 1922, the City will, if requested, renew the Company's note for another year.

W.L. Weston,
Manager.

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MacLean, Burchell & Ralston,
Chronicle Building, Halifax, N.S.
March 17th, 1921.

F.H. Bell, Esq., K.C.
City Solicitor,
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Mr, Bell,

Canadian Bituminous Paving Corporation
vs City of Halifax.

For your information the following are copies of telegrams which have passed between our clients' representatives and ourselves.

"City Solicitor approached us today asking if we would submit to him proposition that draft contract submitted in December be approved with clause added that if any drop in material or wages takes place between date of submission our figures and April first our prices will be reduced accordingly and in case of disagreement between City Engineer and Company as to change in price caused by reduction in market price of labour and material that matter will be referred to County Court Judge or one of the Judges of Supreme Court. In the event of our agreeing this proposal City Solicitor thinks matter can be put through on this basis."

"Referring your telegram 19th, suggestion made satisfactory provided reasonable schedule for the progress of the work is definitely arranged in advance so company will not be delayed this summer as last and can work to definite schedule. Further that any necessary legislation is passed prior to final settlement of proposed new contract".

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We have also had some further correspondence with them in the matter recently.

We have not heard from you as to whether or not the proposal of settlement suggested will be carried through but in the event of no settlement being made we would like to be in a position to go to trial at once. I would therefore ask you to be good enough to file a Defence in the matter.

C. J. Burchell.

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MacLean Burchell & Ralston,
Chronicle Building, Halifax, N.S.
March 2nd, 1921.

F. H. Bell, Esq., K.C.
City Solicitor,
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Sir:-

Re Canadian Bituminous Paving Corporation
vs City of Halifax.

I have your letter of March 1st and beg to confirm the informal discussions we have had with a view of settlement of the litigation between the Paving Corporation and the City of Halifax and to advise as follows:-

My clients will enter into a contract with the City for the construction of seventy five thousand (75,000) yards of paving, to be completed during the season of 1921, and on the terms of the contract proposed last December, the price being \$6.98 per square yard, provided that in the event of the price of labor or of the materials to be used falling between the first of December 1920, and the first day of April 1921, the City would be given the benefit of such reduction and the price reduced accordingly. In the event of the City Engineer and the Engineer appointed by the Company failing to agree on the reduction, if any, which should be made, the matter will be settled by arbitration, under the provisions of the Arbitration Act, the City Engineer and the Engineer appointed by the Company to constitute two of the arbitrators and the third arbitrator to be agreed upon by these two, or appointed by a Judge of the Supreme Court, under the provisions of the Arbitration Act. The price to be finally settled within sixty days after the signing of the contract and until such price is settled, progress estimates to be paid under the contract at the said rate of \$6.98, subject to adjustment after the final determination of the price in the manner above mentioned.

It would also have to be a condition of the contract that a reasonable schedule for the progress of the work be definitely arranged in advance, so that the work will not be delayed and the Company be permitted to work on a definite schedule without any delays.

In view of the situation, it will also be a condition that the City obtain satisfactory legislative authority at the earliest possible date to enter into this contract.

The above is without prejudice to the rights of the Company in the existing action, but on the understanding that if the proposed contract is entered into under

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the authority of the Legislature, that the existing action be discontinued and that the Company will have no further claim against the City in respect to the matters claimed in said action.

We must ask for an early reply because, as you will appreciate, the Company must know whether or not the work at Halifax is to be proceeded with so that they can arrange to commence same on the opening of the season.

C. J. Burchell,

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New York, N.Y.
March 17th, 1921

W. L. Weston,
N.S. Tramways & Power Co.
Halifax, N.S.

Plan suggested Covert's letter March eighth for paving with note to City for \$100,000. is approved provided City will agree that if Company refunds or extends debentures due nineteen twenty two / City will agree to extend time of note for at least one year if Company then desires such extension.

Stone and Webster, Inc.

In amendment to Alderman Ritchie's motion it is moved by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Scanlon that final action on this matter be deferred to allow His Worship the Mayor to ascertain from the Canadian Bituminous Paving Corporation under what conditions said Corporation would complete the contract under which they operated in 1920.

The amendment is put and lost 5 voting for the same and 10 against it as follows:-

For the Amendment:- Aldermen Whitman, Regan, Cameron, Murphy, Scanlon - 5.

Against it:- Aldermen Colwell, Ackhurst, Finlay, Bissett, Kelly, Ritchie, Power, Mason, Godwin, Hublely-10.

Alderman Kelly submits the following amendment to Alderman Ritchie's motion.

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Provided that the City have the option of substituting sheet paving on Macadam base on secondary Streets to be named by the City in lieu of the original first class paving to be done on amount to be agreed upon and that proposed new contract and legislation authorizing it be first submitted to Council; necessary legislation to be prepared immediately.

The amendment is moved by Alderman Kelly and seconded by Alderman Mason.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Bissett that the whole matter be referred to the Committee on Works.

Alderman Whitman's amendment is ruled out of order.

Alderman Regan asks if it is to be understood by the Council, should the resolution and amendment pass, that the contract when prepared will be open for discussion by the Council.

The City Solicitor stated that it would.

Alderman Kelly's amendment is put and passed 11 voting for the same and 4 against it as follows:-

For the Amendment:- Aldermen Colwell, Ackhurst, Finlay, Bissett, Kelly, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Mason, Godwin, Hubley - 11.

Against it:- Aldermen Whitman, Regan, Cameron, Murphy - 4.

The original motion as amended is approved.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Power that the Council adjourn.

NEGLECTED AND DELINQUENT CHILDREN ACCOUNT

At request of Alderman Murphy the Council agreed to permit the reading of report re accounts for maintenance of children.

Engineer(2) ✓
Solicitor ✓
C. J. Burchell(2) ✓

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Read report City Auditor re accounts E.H. Blois
Superintendent Neglected and Delinquent Children
\$1,536.86.

Office of City Auditor,
Halifax, N.S. March 31st, 1921.

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

In reference to bill of E.H. Blois, Esq.,
Superintending of Neglected and Delinquent Children,
under date of January 1st, 1921 \$1536.86, which passed
the Finance Committee on January 12th, and the City
Council on January 13th., I beg to submit for your
information the following facts which are corroborated
by the accompanying papers.

1st - This Bill, so far as the maintenance of these
45 children is concerned, cost the City for the past
quarter, \$1519.66, and is provided for by the Provincial
Acts of 1917 Chapter 2, and its amendments.

2nd - I find that in the past 21 months, the charges
against the City on this account are over \$8600.00 and
there has only been turned in to the credit from this
source, the sum of \$331.60. This point I consider needs
careful investigation as there must either be errors in
accounting, or some person attending to the collection
end of the proposition is not fulfilling his duties.

3rd. - Under the provisions of our Charter, for the
payment of monies, the bills for charges against these
children should first be presented by the Homes to the
Superintendent of Neglected and Delinquent Children,
and when found to be correct by him, certified, and
then passed for payment in the same way as all other
bills paid by the City.

4th. - Provision is made for cost of apprehension of
children under Acts 1917, Chapter 2, Clause 25 and 25-(2),
and I find among these bills rendered, (\$136.00), only
\$2.50 is a proper charge -

Walters children, taxi hire.....	\$2.00
Mr. Daniels, car fare.....	.25
Sadie Walters, Car fare.....	.25
	<u>\$2.50</u>

The balance, \$133.50 is for clothing, which is fully cov-
ered in the \$3.00 per week, already paid by the City under
the Act.

5th. - I hear that it is the purpose of those carrying
out the provisions of this Act to apply at the present
session of the Legislature for an amendment to the Act;
for what purpose, I was not informed.

W.W. Foster,
City Auditor.

Ackhurst ✓
Moved by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman
Power that this matter be referred to the Finance Comm-
ittee for report. Motion passed.

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ASSESSMENT ACT--SPECIAL MEETING.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Power that a meeting of the City Council be called for Thursday evening April 21st, inst. at 8 o'clock to take up the matter of Civic Taxation. Motion passed.

TRAMWAY FARES COMMISSION.

Alderman Murphy informed the Council that the Tramway Fares Commission at a recent meeting had determined to afford the City of Halifax time until Monday, April 18th inst., to present its case before them and that if the City's case was not submitted by that time the case would be closed and a report of the Commission's findings made.

The following resolution is submitted:-

RESOLVED that the Special Committee appear before the Tram Company next Monday and state that the City wishes to present its case and collect material, and that it be given until the 15th of January, 1922 to give the City an opportunity of then being heard.

The resolution is moved by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Kelly and passed.

Moved by Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman Colwell that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare and submit legislation authorizing the City to pay Roderick McColl the City's representative on the Commission \$100.00 for his services at the two sessions hitherto held by the Commission, being at the rate of \$50.00 per session. Motion passed.

ISOLATION HOSPITAL REPAIRS--WARD ACCOUNTS.

In respect to accounts \$689.60 and \$586.61 Ralph E. Ward for carpenter Work at Isolation Hospital, Rockhead, as recommended by the City Health Board for payment (see minutes City Council January 25th, February 23rd and

*add Murphy
Solicitor
Auditor*

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April 7th, 1921) the following resolution is submitted
by Alderman Murphy.

Auditor
That payments of 50% of Ward's accounts incurred
by Board of Health be made pending final adjustments
of same. The payment to be without prejudice to City's
interests.

The resolution is moved by Alderman Murphy seconded
by Alderman Ritchie and passed Alderman Power dissenting

Moved by Alderman Power seconded by Alderman
Ritchie that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

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Council adjourns 11.10 o'clock.

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

J.S. Parker,
MAYOR.

E V E N I N G S E S S I O N

8.10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

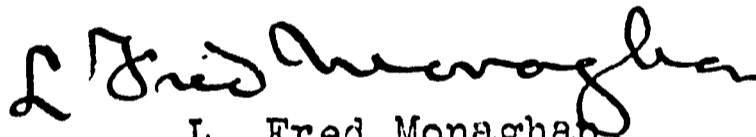
April 21st, 1921.

A meeting of the City Council was called for this evening. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Bissett, Regan, Scanlon, Whitman, Cameron and Kelly.

Moved by Alderman Bissett seconded by Alderman Regan that the time for meeting be extended until a quorum is present or until 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8.30 o'clock Roll Called. Present the above named together with Aldermen Finlay and Murphy.

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


L. Fred Monaghan,

CITY CLERK.

J. S. Parker,

MAYOR.

EVENING SESSION

8.10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

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A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present Aldermen Cameron, Colwell, Power, Hoyt, Ackhurst, Finlay, Bissett, Mason and Regan.

Moved by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman Colwell that the time of meeting be extended until a quorum is present or until 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8.20 o'clock roll called, present the above named together with His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Whitman, Kelly, Scanlon, Murphy, Buckley, Ritchie, Gough, Godwin and Hubley.

The Council was summoned to receive returns of Civic Elections, 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).

STREET PAVING--RECONSIDERATION.

The City Clerk informed the Council that he had been informed that Alderman Regan claimed to have given notice of reconsideration at the meeting of April 13th, of the resolution passed at that meeting in respect to Street Paving but that the notice was not recorded upon the minutes.

Moved by Alderman Regan seconded by Alderman Whitman that the minutes of the meeting of Council April 13th, 1921 be amended by the inclusion therein

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of a clause to the effect that Alderman Regan gave notice of his intention to move for the reconsideration of the resolution passed in respect to Street Paving. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Regan seconded by Alderman Whitman that the resolution passed by the City Council at meeting April 13th, 1921 in respect to Street Paving be now reconsidered motion put and lost 8 voting for the same and 9 against it as follows:-

For Reconsideration:- Aldermen Whitman, Bissett, Regan, Cameron, Murphy, Scanlon, Power, Mason - 8.

Against:- Aldermen Colwell, Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Kelly, Ritchie, Godwin, Hubley, Gough - 9

CIVIC ELECTIONS

Read return of City Clerk covering the nomination papers of John S. Parker for the office of Mayor of the City of Halifax, he being the only candidate nominated for said office for the election held, April 27th inst.

The City Clerk declares John S. Parker duly elected Mayor of the City of Halifax for the civic year 1921-22.

The following resolution is submitted:-

RESOLVED that the City Clerk be and he is hereby directed to notify the Honorable the Acting Premier of the Province of Nova Scotia of the election of John Seakons Parker Esquire, to the Office of Mayor of the City of Halifax, and to represent to the Honorable the Acting Premier the request that His Honor the Lieutenant Governor may be pleased to name a time and place at which His Honor may be pleased to administer to the Mayor elect the oaths of office.

Moved by Alderman Mason seconded by Alderman Cameron and passed.

Read return City Clerk covering the nomination papers of Alfred Whitman and James Halliday for the

Letter ✓
Hon E H
Armstrong
Actg Premier
Copies to ✓
Ald Whitman
Ald Power ✓
Hon R E Finlay ✓

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office of Alderman for Ward No. 1 together with the Poll Books containing the returns of the Presiding Officers at the several Polling Places in said Ward at the election held April 27th. instant said returns showing Alfred Whitman to have received 231 votes, and James Halliday to have received 100 votes giving Alfred Whitman a majority of 131 votes over James Halliday.

The City Clerk declares Alfred Whitman the candidate having the greatest number of votes duly elected and an Alderman for the City of Halifax for Ward No. 1.

Read returns of City Clerk covering the nomination papers of Israel Edward Sanford for the office of Alderman for Ward No. Two, he being the only candidate nominated for said office for the election held April 27th instant.

The City Clerk declares Israel Edward Sanford duly elected an Alderman of the City of Halifax for Ward No. Two.

Read return City Clerk covering the nomination papers of Albert Arthur Schaffner for the office of Alderman for Ward No. Three, he being the only candidate nominated for said Office for the election held April 27th instant.

The City Clerk declares Albert Arthur Schaffner duly elected an Alderman of the City of Halifax for Ward No. Three.

Read returns of City Clerk covering the nomination papers of Robert Adams Guildford and Harry Enoch Rains for the office of Alderman for Ward No. Four together with the Poll Books containing the returns of the

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Presiding Officers at the several Polling Places in said Ward at the election held April 27th inst., said returns showing Robert Adams Guildford to have received 414 votes and Harry Enoch Rains 146 votes giving Robert Adams Guildford a majority of 268 votes over Harry Enoch Rains.

The City Clerk declares Robert Adams Guildford the candidate having the greatest number of votes duly elected and an Alderman for the City of Halifax for Ward No. Four.

Read returns of City Clerk covering the nomination papers of John Joseph Power and Joseph Sylvester Wallace for the office of Alderman for Ward No. Five together with the Poll Books containing the returns of the Presiding Officers at the several Polling Places in said Ward at the election held April 27th inst., said returns showing John Joseph Power to have received 351 votes and Joseph Sylvester Wallace 224 votes giving John Joseph Power a majority of 127 voted over Joseph Sylvester Wallace.

The City Clerk declares John Joseph Power the candidate having the greatest number of votes duly elected an Alderman for the City of Halifax for Ward No. Five.

Read returns of City Clerk covering the nomination papers of Ernest Freeman Hubley and Robert Daw for the office of Alderman Ward No. Six together with the Poll Books containing the returns of the Presiding Officers at the several Polling Places in said Ward at the election held April 27th inst.,

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said returns showing Ernest Freeman Hubley to have received 361 votes and Robert Daw 239 votes giving Ernest Freeman Hubley a majority of 122 votes over Robert Daw.

The City Clerk declares Ernest Freeman Hubley the candidate having the greatest number of votes duly elected an Alderman for the City of Halifax for Ward No. Six.

Office of City Clerk,
Halifax, N.S.
April 28th, 1921.

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

Pursuant to the provisions of the City Charter and the Acts in amendment thereof, in respect to the election of Mayor and Aldermen, I have the honor to submit the following returns of the elections for Mayor and Aldermen held on the 27th day of April inst.

I have made separate returns in respect to the election for Mayor and for the election of an Alderman for each ward, attached to which separate returns are the original nomination papers for all the candidates.

Election for Mayor

John Seakons Parker Returned unopposed

Election for Aldermen

Ward No. One

<u>Candidates</u>	<u>Section A</u>	<u>Section B</u>	<u>Total</u>
Alfred Whitman	98	133	231
James Halliday	49	51	100

Majority for Alfred Whitman... 131

Ward No. Two

Israel Edward Sanford Returned unopposed

Ward No. Three

Albert Arthur Schaffner Returned unopposed

Ward No. Four

<u>Candidates</u>	<u>Section A</u>	<u>Section B</u>	<u>Total</u>
Robert Adams Guildford	239	175	414
Harry Enoch Rains	68	78	146

Majority for Robert A. Guildford 268

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<u>Candidates</u>	<u>Section A</u>	<u>Section B</u>	<u>Total</u>
John Joseph Power	200	151	351
Joseph Sylvester Wallace	<u>114</u>	<u>110</u>	<u>224</u>
Majority for John J. Power.....			127

<u>Ward No. Six</u>			
<u>Candidates</u>	<u>Section A</u>	<u>Section B</u>	<u>Total</u>
Ernest Freeman Hubley	175	186	361
Robert Daw	<u>118</u>	<u>121</u>	<u>239</u>
Majority for Ernest F. Hubley....			122

L. Fred Monaghan,
City Clerk.

DAYLIGHT SAVING

Alderman Ackhurst submits a petition signed by about 4,000 persons requesting that the daylight saving scheme be observed in the City of Halifax during the summer of 1921 from May 1st. to September 5th.

Moved by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman Colwell that the request of the petitioners be granted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Godwin seconded by Alderman Hoyt that the office hours of the Officials in the City Hall be from 8 o'clock a.m. Atlantic Standard time to 5 p.m. Atlantic Standard time. The motion being taken there appeared for the Amendment 9 against it 9 as follows:-

For the Amendment:- Aldermen Hoyt, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Scanlon, Power, Mason, Godwin, Hubley - 9.

Against it:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Finlay, Bissett, Murphy, Buckley, Ritchie, Gough - 9.

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

Moved in amendment by Alderman Gough seconded by Alderman Murphy that this matter be deferred for consideration at the first meeting of the City Council to be held in the month of May.

Amendment put and passed 11 voting for the same and 7 against it as follows:-

Royal Gazette. ✓

Council ✓

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

Against it:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Finlay, Regan, Kelly, Cameron - 7.

Alderman Ackhurst gives notice of reconsideration.

TAG DAYS

Read report Laws and Privileges Committee recommending that the privilege of holding tag days be granted as follows:-

Committee Room, City Hall,
April 8th, 1921.

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 "The Salvation Army" "The Colored People of Hammond Plains" and "The Nova Scotia Home for Colored Children", for permission to hold tag days in the City on the 16th April the 11th May and 4th June respectively was read.

Your Committee recommend that all of said applications be granted.

John J. Power,
Chairman.

The Salvation Army "Self Denial Effort" April 30th.
Colored ~~People of~~ ^{People of} Hammond Plains "Church Fund" May 11th.
Home of Colored Children June 4th.

Also read petition Halifax Playgrounds Commission for permission to hold tag day on Saturday June 11th.

Moved by Alderman Power seconded by Alderman Finlay that the report of the Committee on Laws and Privileges with amended date be approved and that all the petitioners to hold tag days be granted.

Motion passed 15 voting for the same and 3 against it as follows:-

*Letter Mayor
J. Wallin ✓
Letter W.C.
Perry ✓
Letter H.C.
Bould & P.P.P. ✓
Letter W.E.
Donovan ✓*

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For the Motion:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman,
Ackhurst, Finlay, Regan, Cameron, Murphy, Buckley,
Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Mason, Godwin, Hubley, Gough-15.

Against it:- Aldermen Hoyt, Bissett, Kelly - 3.

WATER DEPARTMENT ESTIMATES
CIVIC ASSESSMENT

Read by title reports Committee on Works and City
Engineer covering Water Department Estimates 1921-22.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman
Ackhurst that the Council do now proceed with proposed
amendment to the Civic Assessment Act.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Godwin seconded
by Alderman Colwell that the matter of proposed amended
Civic Assessment Act be taken up at the meeting of
City Council called for tomorrow evening. Amendment
passed.

WATER DEPARTMENT ESTIMATES 1921-22.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer
covering Water Department Estimates for Civic year
1921-22.

Office of Clerk of Works,
Halifax, N.S. April 21st, 1921.

To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Department held on
the 20th instant the attached report of the City Engineer,
proposed New Scale of Meter Rates, and Schedule of
estimated expenditure for Civic Year 1921-1922 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. April 18th, 1921.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

I beg to submit the estimates for the Water Depart-
ment for 1921-22.

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A. The increase in wages and cost of supplies in addition to the increase in number of streets and buildings served, has more than doubled the unavoidable annual expenditure, for maintenance, and I estimate that it will reach in the coming year the sum of \$209,000. During the last ten years the revenue had doubled but has not kept up to the expenditure.

The metering of the whole system means that instead of practically the whole revenue being due at the first of May, as it was formerly due, half of the annual meter bill will not be due until the middle of the year and the other half at the end of the year. This system renders it absolutely necessary to borrow as is done with general taxes in order to carry on until collections are made. I have asked the City Solicitor to insert in the City bill an amendment to the Charter providing that the City Council may at its option have the meter bills rendered quarterly or monthly. It will probably take some time to accumulate sufficient surplus to make borrowing unnecessary.

The reduction of the water rates in the face of rising prices and the certainty of unavoidable large expenditures was an unfortunate error in policy. It was done without consultation with the City officials who had sufficient knowledge of conditions to enable them to prophecy exactly what has happened.

B. To provide sufficient revenue to meet the estimated expenditure for 1921-22 it will be necessary to increase the rates and I beg to recommend

- (1) That the fire rate be increased to fifteen cents on the hundred dollars.
- (2) and the meter rate to a maximum of twenty cents for 1000 gallons and a minimum of ten cents, as shown on the attached schedule.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

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Scale of Charges by Meter Rate
(now in use)

	to 3000	gals. daily or under....	14¢	per thousand	gals.
3000	to 4000	" "	13 1/2 ¢	" "	" "
4000	to 5000	" "	13 ¢	per	" "
5000	to 6000	" "	12 1/2 ¢	per	" "
6000	to 7000	" "	12 ¢	"	" "
7000	to 8000	" "	11 1/2 ¢	" "	" "
8000	to 9000	" "	11 ¢	" "	" "
9000	to 10000	" "	10 1/2 ¢	" "	" "
10000	to 20000	" "	10 ¢	" "	" "
20000	to 30000	" "	9 1/2 ¢	" "	" "
30000	to 40000	" "	9 ¢	" "	" "
40000	to 50000	" "	8 1/2 ¢	" "	" "
50000	to 60000	" "	8 ¢	" "	" "
60000	to 80000	" "	7 1/2 ¢	" "	" "
80000	to 100000	" "	7 ¢	" "	" "
100000	to 125000	" "	6 1/2 ¢	" "	" "
125000	to 150000	" "	6 ¢	" "	" "
150000	to 200000	" "	5 1/2 ¢	" "	" "
200000	upwards	" "	5 ¢	" "	" "

(educational and charitable institutions 7¢ per thous.gals)

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Proposed New Scale

1000	Gals. daily or under.....	20¢ per thousand gals		
1000 to 2000	" "	19 1/2¢ per "	"	"
2000 to 3000	" "	19¢	"	"
3000 to 4000	" "	18 1/2¢	"	"
4000 to 5000	" "	18¢	"	"
5000 to 6000	" "	17 1/2¢	"	"
6000 to 7000	" "	17¢	"	"
7000 to 8000	" "	16 1/2¢	"	"
8000 to 9000	" "	16¢	"	"
9000 to 10000	" "	15 1/2¢	"	"
10000 to 20000	" "	15¢	"	"
20000 to 30000	" "	14 1/2¢	"	"
30000 to 40000	" "	14¢	"	"
40000 to 50000	" "	13 1/2¢	"	"
50000 to 60000	" "	13¢	"	"
60000 to 80000	" "	12 1/2¢	"	"
80000 to 100000	" "	12¢	"	"
100000 to 125000	" "	11 1/2¢	"	"
125000 to 150000	" "	11¢	"	"
150000 to 200000	" "	10 1/2¢	"	"
200000 upwards	" "	10¢	"	"

(Educational and charitable institutions 10¢ per thous.gals)

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Water Department Estimates
1921-22

	<u>Expenditure</u> 1920-21	<u>Estimated</u> Expenditure 1921-22
Shop.....	\$ 8,508.49	\$ 9,500.00
Repairs.....	61,012.93	40,000.00
Supplies.....	21,414.93	22,000.00
Meters.....	7,165.60	9,100.00
Workmen's Compensation Board	1,092.58	1,200.00
Contingencies.....	5,000.00	5,000.00
Interest.....	72,692.44	93,429.00
Sinking Fund.....	11,000.00	14,250.00
 SALARIES		
Deputy City Engineer.....	3,750.00	4,000.00
Clerk of Works.....	2,100.00	2,100.00
Asst. Clerk of Works.....	1,600.00	1,700.00
City Collector (Part).....	200.00	200.00
First Clerk Collector's Office	1,800.00	2,000.00
Second " " " "	1,100.00	1,100.00
Stenographer.....	800.00	800.00
Supt. Water Department.....	2,000.00	2,000.00
Asst. Plumbing Inspector (Part)	800.00	950.00
		<u>\$209,329.00</u>

Estimated Revenue

Meter Rentals.....	2,534.00	2,600.00
Shops, Schools, Churches)		
Institutions)... 9,716.87		14,000.00
Factories, Laundries, Industries	18,067.93	26,740.00
Military, Naval & Government.	16,236.83	26,000.00
Domestic Meter Accounts.....	19,692.84	59,200.00
Houses under bond.....	708.69	700.00

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	<u>1920-21</u>	<u>1921-22</u>
Building purposes, Steamers etc.	3,335.53	3,000.00
Fire protection @ \$.15 per \$100.00		
	45,105.33	78,000.00
Flat rate @ \$.11 per \$100.00	<u>26,709.74</u>	<u> </u>
	\$ 145,107.76	\$210,540.00

Moved by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Ritchie that the report of the City Engineer be considered item by item. Motion passed.

Read section A of the City Engineer's report with reference to the rendering ^{of} accounts ^{for} of water meter rates quarterly or monthly instead of semi annually and recommending that legislation be procured to make the suggestion effective.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Godwin that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed/

Read section B of the City Engineer's report re Revenue. The same is considered clause by clause, clause No. 2 being first considered.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Godwin that Section B (2) re Water Meter Rates be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman Whitman that, Council fix a ^{the} ~~maximum~~ ^{minimum} rate of \$4.00 per year for domestic water takers. H.R.

The amendment is put and lost 3 voting for the same and 13 against it as follows:-

For the Amendment:- Aldermen Whitman, Bissett, Kelly - 3.

Against it:- Aldermen Colwell, Finlay, Regan, Cameron, Murphy, Buckley, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Mason, Godwin, Hubley, Gough - 13.

Engineer ✓
Solicitor ✓
Collector ✓
Auditor ✓
Clerk & Works ✓
Treasurer (2) ✓

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Engineer ✓
Collector ✓
Auditor ✓
Clerk & works ✓
Solicitor ✓

The original motion for the adoption of the City Engineer's recommendation and the new schedule for water meter rates is put and passed.

Read section B clause (1) re fire protection rate.

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

Moved in amendment by Alderman Regan seconded by Alderman Cameron that the clause be referred back to the Committee on Works and that a public hearing be given on the subject.

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

For the Amendment:- Aldermen Whitman, Finlay, Regan, Cameron, Buckley - 5.

Against it:- Aldermen Colwell, Bissett, Kelly, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Mason, Godwin, Hubley, Gough-10.

Engineer ✓
Collector ✓
Auditor ✓
Solicitor ✓
Clerk & works ✓

The original motion is put and passed.

Alderman Regan gives notice of reconsideration.

The Water Estimates are taken up for consideration item by item.

<u>Shops</u>	\$ 9,500.00	Passed
<u>Repairs</u>	40,000.00	Passed.
<u>Supplies</u>	22,000.00	Passed.
<u>Meters</u>	9,100.00	

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Godwin that this item pass.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Colwell that this item be increased by the sum of \$700.00 to allow an increase of \$100.00 each to each of the 7 Water Meter Readers.

The amendment is put and passed 7 voting for the

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same and 6 against it as follows:-

For the Amendment:- Aldermen Colwell, Finlay, Buckley, Scanlon, Ritchie, Hubley, Gough - 7.

Against it:- Aldermen Whitman, Bissett, Regan, Cameron, Power, Mason - 6.

Alderman Whitman gives notice of reconsideration.

<u>Workman's Compensation Board</u>	\$1,200.00	Passed.
<u>Contingencies</u>	5,000.00	

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Power that this item pass.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Regan seconded by Alderman Cameron that the consideration of this item be deferred until particulars are furnished. The amendment is put and lost 4 voting for the same and 9 against it as follows:-

For the Amendment:- Aldermen Whitman, Regan, Cameron, Buckley - 4.

Against it:- Aldermen Colwell, Finlay, Bissett, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Mason, Hubley, Gough - 9.

The original motion is put and passed.

11.10 o'clock.

Moved by Alderman Bissett seconded by Alderman Power that the Council adjourn. Motion put and lost.

<u>Interest</u>	\$ 93,429.00-	Passed.
<u>Sinking Fund</u>	14,250.00	Passed.
SALARIES		
<u>Deputy City Engineer</u>	4,000.00	Passed.
<u>Clerk of Works</u>	2,100.00	

Moved by Alderman Buckley seconded by Alderman Power that this item be placed at \$2,200.00 motion put and passed 9 voting for the same and 3 against it as follows:-

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For the Motion:- Aldermen Colwell, Finlay,
Regan, Cameron, Buckley, Power, Mason, Hubley, Cough-9

Against it:- Aldermen Whitman, Scanlon, Ritchie-3

<u>Assistant Clerk of Works</u>	\$1,700.00	Passed.
<u>City Collector (Part)</u>	200.00	Passed
<u>First Clerk Collector's Office</u>	2,000.00	Passed.
<u>Second Clerk Collector's Office</u>	1,100.00	

Moved by Alderman Buckley seconded by Alderman Finlay
that this item be placed at \$1,300.00. Motion lost.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Power
that this item be placed at \$1,200.00. Motion passed.

Stenographer \$800.00.

Moved by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Finlay
that this item be placed at \$900.00. Motion passed.

Superintendent Water Department \$2,000.00 Passed

Assistant Plumbing Inspector (Part) \$950.00 Passed.

Estimated Revenue

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman
Godwin that the items under the heading Estimated
Revenue be approved. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman
Power that the Water Estimates as amended totalling
\$210,329.00 be approved. Motion passed.

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

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*Engineer ✓
Solicitor ✓
Auditor ✓
Clerk & works ✓
Collector ✓*

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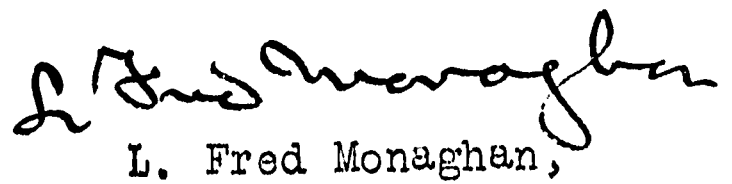
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Council adjourns. 11.30 o'clock.



L. Fred Monaghan,

CITY CLERK.

J.S. Parker,

MAYOR.

EVENING SESSION

8.10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

April 29th, 1921.

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

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).

DAYLIGHT SAVING SCHEME

Read extract minutes of meeting of City Council April 28th, 1921 covering Alderman Ackhurst's notice of reconsideration in the matter of Daylight Saving Time.

Moved by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman Colwell that this matter be now reconsidered.

Motion put and lost 7 voting for the same and 8 against it as follows:-

For the Motion:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Finlay, Regan, Kelly, Cameron - 7.

Against it:- Aldermen Hoyt, Bissett, Murphy, Buckley, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Mason - 8

WATER DEPARTMENT ESTIMATES

Fire Protection Rate

Read extract minutes of meeting of City Council April 28th, 1921 covering Alderman Regan's notice

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of reconsideration of the Water Department Estimates in so far as the same relate to the Fire Protection or Pipe Rate.

Moved by Alderman Regan seconded by Alderman Finlay that this matter be now reconsidered.

Motion put and passed 9 voting for the same and 7 Against as follows:-

For reconsideration:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Finlay, Bissett, Regan, Cameron, Murphy, Buckley, Mason - 9

Against:- Aldermen Ackhurst, Hoyt, Kelly, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Godwin - 7.

Moved by Alderman Regan seconded by Alderman Cameron that the further consideration of this matter be deferred for two weeks and that notice be given to the Ratepayers, in the public press, of a hearing on the subject.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Kelly that the Pipe Rate be fixed in the Water Department Estimates at 14 cents on the \$100.00.

The amendment is put and lost 8 voting for the same and 9 against it as follows:-

For the Amendment:- Aldermen Ackhurst, Hoyt, Bissett, Kelly, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Godwin - 8.

Against it:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Finlay, Regan, Cameron, Murphy, Buckley, Mason, Gough - 9.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Finlay that the Fire Protection or Pipe Rate in the Water Department Estimates for 1921-22 be fixed at 12 cents on the \$100.00. Amendment passed.

City Collector ✓

*Engineer ✓
Collector ✓
Auditor ✓
Clerk & Worker ✓
Solicitor ✓*

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Meter Readers' Salaries

Read extract minutes of meeting City Council April 28th re salaries of Meter Readers in Water Department Estimates.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Ackhurst that the resolution of Council increasing the salaries of the seven water Meter Readers by \$100.00 each be now reconsidered.

Motion put and lost 8 voting for the same and 9 against as follows:-

For Reconsideration:- Aldermen Whitman, Ackhurst, Hoyt, Bissett, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Power - 8.

Against:- Aldermen Colwell, Finlay, Murphy, Buckley, Seanlon, Ritchie, Mason, Godwin, Gough - 9.

Salaries Water Department Employees

Alderman Ackhurst gives notice that at a future meeting he will move that the resolutions of Council in respect to Water Department Salaries be rescinded.

ASSESSMENT ACT AMENDMENTS.

The Council proceeds to the consideration of the matter of proposed amendments to the Civic Assessment Laws. (See minutes of City Council March 3rd, 1921).

The following name d papers are submitted and read by title.

Robin, Jones & Whitman, Limited.
Halifax, N.S. April 25th, 1921

Mayor Parker,
Halifax.

My dear Mayor Parker:-

In regard to the draft Act in relation to assessment and taxation in the City of Halifax, as now before the Local House, my attention had been drawn to the section in regard to the taxation of Banks, in which there appears to be a clerical error, in that the draft Act reads,-

City works.
Auditor
Collector
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Solicitor
Council

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"provided that no Bank having a place of business in the City of Halifax on the 1st of May, 1921, shall pay a less amount of taxation than is paid by such bank for the civic year 1921/22".

This should have read 1920/21. I have, therefore, to ask you when this matter comes before the City Council to advise the Council that as far as the Board of Trade Committee is concerned, this correction should be made.

A.H. Whitman,
Chairman Board of Trade Committee.

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Robin, Jones & Whitman, Limited.
Halifax, N.S. April 1st, 1921.

Mayor Parker,
City Hall,
C i t y.

Dear Mayor Parker:-

I herewith enclose draft act covering the charges as proposed by the Board of Trade Committee, and which puts into your hands the definite proposition which can be discussed at the meeting, which you advised me you were holding early next week. I have been told that the Local House is not likely to be very long in session this year, which means that if the Halifax Assessment Act is to be revised at this session, the matter would have to be get in shape in the near future.

Please note that in the draft act a clause has been added in connection with the tax on banks to the effect that in no case shall the tax on banks be less than it has been in the past; also that in connection with the business tax the assessment on the small retail shops is to be based on 25% of the value of the premises occupied, where the value of such premises is less than \$2000.

A.H. Whitman.

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An Act in relation to Assessment and Taxation in the City of Halifax.

Be it enacted by the Governor, Council and Assembly as follows:

Except as is otherwise specified the sections herein referred to by number are sections of the Act in Amendment of the Halifax City Charter in relation to taxation in the City of Halifax brought into force by Order and Proclamation of the Governor-in-Council dated 24th August 1918, and published in the Royal Gazette of 4 September 1918 and confirmed by Section 2 of Chapter 79 of the Acts of 1919.

Subsection (2) of Section 371 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

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(2) Such tax shall be at the rate fixed as hereinafter provided on fifty per cent of the value of the premises so occupied except in the case of premises, the value of which is less than two thousand dollars, and occupied solely for the purpose of selling merchandise by retail, in respect to which the tax shall be at the said rate on twenty-five per cent of the value of the premises so occupied.

Subsection (2) of Section 372 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

(2) Except as aforesaid such tax shall be at the rate fixed as hereinafter provided on ten per cent of the value of the property so occupied and shall be paid by the occupier whether as owner, tenant or otherwise, and whether assessed as owner of such property for real property tax or otherwise.

Section 373 is repealed and the following substituted:

Banks shall be taxed in the same manner and at the same rate as the other owners and occupiers of property, provided that no bank having a place of business in the City of Halifax on the 1st day of May 1921 shall pay a less amount of taxation than is paid by such bank for the civic year 1921-22.

Section 380 is amended by substituting the word "five" for the word "three" in the ninth line.

Sections 383 and 384 are hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:

383. The real property tax shall be a tax on the owners of all real property, both land and buildings or other improvements thereon, within the City at the rate to be fixed as hereinafter provided.

Section 413 is repealed and the following substituted:

413. The assessor shall estimate as correctly as may be the probable amount to be yielded by
(a) licenses, company taxes and all other special taxes, and

(b) the poll tax,
and after deducting the amount so arrived at from the total sum required shall add together the assessed valuations for real property tax, for business tax and for household tax at the percentages hereinbefore provided for the same respectively, and fix a rate upon the amount so arrived at of so much on the dollar of all property so valued and assessed as will produce the amount required to be raised by taxation in addition to all other sources of taxation or revenue.

Section 645 of the Halifax City Charter of 1914, as amended by Section 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ of Chapter 60 of the Acts of 1918, is further amended by striking out the words "one dollar and seventy-five cents" and substituting therefore the words "Three dollars and seventy-five cents".

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Retail Merchants Association of Canada
Halifax, N.S. April 29th, 1921.

Dear Sir:-

We understand that the question of Civic Taxation is to be brought up for discussion. We wish to impress on you the importance of having a graded system

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of the Business Tax. We are enclosing you a copy of a grading which is applied to Halifax would be a more equitable Business Tax than the present system.

We wish to state that all the Tax Commissions appointed in recent years endorse a graded system and speak of the Ontario System as an ideal system. This system has been in force for a great number of years in the Province of Ontario and has proved highly satisfactory. If after a fair and impartial trial it was found that any line was being discriminated against the percentage could be adjusted, and the Act amended.

I had the pleasure of addressing your Honorable body some time ago, when I submitted figures showing how this system would work out and left a copy of same with His Worship the Mayor.

This is a matter which requires a lot of thought and study and we shall be pleased to give you any information we have, to assist you in arriving at a reasonable solution of this problem.

The argument in favor of this graded system is the fact that the premises occupied by wholesalers, Manufacturers etc., are assessed at a much lower assessment, while Retailers occupy the highest assessed property in the community.

Hoping you will give this matter your careful consideration, I am,

J. Cuthbertson Doyle,
Secretary,
Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island
Provincial Boards.

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Sub-Section No. 2 of Section 371 was repealed and the following substituted therefor;

Said tax will be at the rate fixed as hereinbefore provided at the percentages of the value of the land and premises, which is to say:-

- 25% on all Retail Merchants, Restaurants, Hotels and Clubs (where meals are served);
- 50% on Departmental Stores (or on Retail Merchants dealing in more than four branches of retail trade, or businesses whose assessment exceeds \$20,000) Coal, wood and lumber dealers; Lithographers, Printers or Publishers; Theatres;
- 60% on Manufacturers (where the manufacturer sells wholesale his manufacturers products he should be designated in the class of Manufacturers and not as Wholesalers).
- 75% on Wholesalers, Jobbers and every person practicing or carrying on a business of Barrister, Solicitor, Notary Public, Conveyancer, Physician, Surgeon, Veterinary, Civil, Mining, Consulting, Mechanical or Electrical Engineer, Surveyor or Architect.
- 100% on Banks, Trust and Loan Companies.

The Council first takes up the report of the Special Joint Committee on Taxation dated April 1920 and published in the minutes of Council March 3rd, 1921.

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Moved by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Regan that said report be considered clause by clause. Motion passed.

Read Clause 1 as follows:-

(1) That the Words "Real Estate" when used in this report shall mean "Land and improvements thereon".

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Ackhurst that said clause be adopted.

Alderman Ritchie submits the following amendment.

RESOLVED that tax bills be sent to the tax payers giving a comparative statement of the present and proposed systems of taxation. Both to be contained on the one sheet.

FURTHER that a clause be contained on same for signature by the taxpayer signifying approval of the present or proposed system. Said signature to be procured by the City Collector at time of payment of taxes.

The amendment is moved by Alderman Ritchie and seconded by Alderman Kelly.

Alderman Hubley here arrives and takes his seat in Council.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Colwell that the question be now put. *Motion passed.*

The amendment is put and lost 5 voting for the same and 11 against it as follows:-

For the amendment:- Aldermen Kelly, Murphy,

Scanlon, Ritchie, Mason - 5.

Against it:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst,

Finlay, Bissett, Regan, Cameron, Buckley, Power, Hubley, Gough - 11.

Moved by Alderman Power seconded by Alderman Kelly that the Committee of House of Assembly on Private and Local Bills be requested by His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk to have House of Assembly Bill No. 100

Letters
H. G. Bauld
Ald Whitman
Ald Power
Hon. R. G. Finlay

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entitled "An Act in relation to Assessment and Taxation in the City of Halifax " advanced to its second reading in the House with the further request that a public hearing on the matter of assessment in the City of Halifax be arranged for. Motion passed.

POPLAR STREET SEWER AND WATER EXTENSION

His Worship the Mayor informed the Council that a delegation had been present all evening awaiting an opportunity to be heard on behalf of a petition for Sewer and Water extension in Poplar Street.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re Sewer and Water extension Poplar Street.

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S. April 15th, 1921.

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The attached report of the City Engineer on petition for sewer and water extension Poplar Street from Oak Street to Quinpool Road 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. April 12th, 1921

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

I beg to report on the attached petition asking for the construction of a sewer and the extension of the water service in Poplar Street, North of Quinpool Road.

There are eighteen houses to be served only four of which have the water at present. The estimated cost of extending the sewer is \$13,950.00 and the estimated cost of water extension if the pipe is laid in the sewer trench is \$3,420.00.

I recommend that the extension of the sewer and water be made provided the petitioners will sign a bond for the payment of the special rate of \$20.79.

F. W. W. Doane,
City Engineer.

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

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

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Council adjourns 11.35 o'clock.

L. Fred Monaghan

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CITY CLERK.

J. S. Parker,

MAYOR.