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8.10 o'clock,

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

October 22nd., 1923.

A Special Meeting of the City Council was held this Evening at the above named hour. Present Aldermen Colwell, Deputy Mayor, presiding; Whitman, Munnis, Finlay, Sanford, Bissett, Gastonguay, Schaffner, H. W. Cameron, McDonald, Guildford, Whelan, O'Toole, Power, Drysdale, Daw, Hubley and W. O. Cameron.

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SAILORS' HOME, EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION, ETC.

The Council was summoned under the following Notice:-

"You are requested to attend a special meeting
"of the City Council at the Council Chamber,
"City Hall, on Monday Evening, October 22nd.,
"1923, at Eight o'clock, for the special pur-
"pose named in the following requisition filed
"with His Worship the Mayor:-

"To His Worship the Mayor.
"The undersigned members of the City Council re-
"quest you to call a special meeting of the Coun-
"cil for Monday the 22nd. day of October instant
"at 8 P. M., to deal with the application of the
"Navy League of Canada for a remission of taxat-
"ion on the property on Barrington Street owned
"by it, and the report of the Committee on Laws &
"Privileges in respect thereto.

JOHN J. POWER,
A. J. FINLAY,
H. S. COLWELL,
H. W. CAMERON,
R. A. Guildford.

"October 17, 1923.

"The Council may also proceed with business
"standing over and the transaction of other
"business."

TRAMWAYS AND POWER COMPANY RATES - RECONSIDERATION

Read extract Minutes of City Council Meeting October 4th. 1923, covering Alderman Whitman's notice of reconsideration in the matter of Tramways & Power Company rates.

October 22nd. 1923.

Council ✓
Moved by Alderman Power, seconded by Alderman Whitman, that this matter be deferred until the next regular monthly meeting of the Council. Motion passed.

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SAILORS' HOME, EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION, ETC.

Read report Committee on Laws and Privileges re application of the Navy League of Canada for exemption from civic taxation of the Sailors' Home property at the north west corner of South Street and Barrington Street (see Minutes City Council June 29th. 1923.)

Committee Room, City Hall,
October 17th., 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

Your Committee on Laws and Privileges beg to report that at a meeting held this day, there being present Aldermen Power, Chairman; Colwell, Finlay, H. W. Cameron and Guildford, the Committee had under consideration the application of the Nova Scotia Division of the Navy League of Canada for exemption from civic taxation of the Sailor's Home property at the north west corner of South Street and Barrington Street.

A delegation consisting of Mr. Samuel Harris, of Toronto, President of the Navy League of Canada, Capt. DeCarteret, S. M. Brookfield and F. K. Warren, was present and addressed the Committee, all maintaining that the Navy League Building as now constituted was entitled to exemption under the City Charter.

Your Committee recommend that in view of the representations of the Seaman's Friendly Society and the Navy League of Canada, exemption from taxation be given to those Societies on so much of the property corner of Barrington and South Streets as is occupied for the purposes of the Societies and that Legislation be obtained, if necessary, to remit corresponding portions of the taxes due on that building.

John J. Power,
Chairman.

See Statements and Documents on file with the above Report.

Moved by Alderman Power, seconded by Alderman Finlay, that the report of the Laws and Privileges Committee be adopted.

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Moved by Alderman Power, seconded by Alderman Munnis, that the Delegation present consisting of Samuel Harris, of Toronto, President of the Navy League of Canada, Capt. Wm. G. DeCarteret, Samuel M. Brookfield and Frank K. Warren, representing the Navy League, be permitted to address the Council. Motion passed.

The Council is addressed by Capt. DeCarteret and by Mr. Harris.

9.30 o'clock. His Worship the Mayor arrives and takes the Chair and Deputy Mayor Colwell takes his seat in Council.

The Council is addressed by Mr. Brookfield and Mr. Warren.

9.45 o'clock. At the request of His Worship the Mayor, Deputy Mayor Colwell takes the Chair and His Worship addresses the meeting from the floors of the Chamber.

9.50 o'clock. His Worship the Mayor resumes the Chair.

In Amendment to Alderman Power's motion for the adoption of the report of the Committee on Laws and Privileges, it is moved by Alderman H. W. Cameron, seconded by Alderman Sanford, that this matter be referred to a special committee to be nominated by His Worship the Mayor and to report to this Council within thirty (30) days.

Alderman Power withdraws his original motion by leave of the "Seconded" and the Council.

The amendment having become the main motion is now put and passed unanimously.

October 22nd., 1923.

Mayor ✓
His Worship the Mayor informed the Council that he would nominate the special committee tomorrow.

RED CROSS SOCIETY, DARTMOUTH, TAG DAY.

Read application from the Dartmouth Branch of the Red Cross Society for permission to hold a Tag Day in Halifax.

87 Fairbanks St., Dartmouth,
October 11th., 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor
and Members of the City Council,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sirs,

I was instructed to write you asking if you would very kindly allow the Dartmouth Branch of the Red Cross Society to hold a Tag Day in Halifax.

It requires a large sum of money to carry on our work. The Society is looking after a number of families who through unemployment are practically destitute and must be fed and clothed to allow the children to attend school.

Our Society has no revenue but the forty per cent of dues received from members and whatever money we can raise by having a Tag Day or a Tea.

This is the first time we have asked for a favour of this kind from you and we hope our request will be granted. If you will favour us with your kind permission please state what day would be convenient to you and we will arrange accordingly.

Thanking you in advance, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

(Mrs.) E. Laidlaw,
Secretary to the Dartmouth
Branch Red Cross Society.

Address above.

P.S. Please try and arrange for a Saturday for it will be better for the school girls who tag as they will be at liberty for the day.

Mayor ✓
Moved by Alderman Colwell, seconded by Alderman Bissett, that the application be granted, the date of said Tag Day to be fixed by His Worship the Mayor. Motion passed.

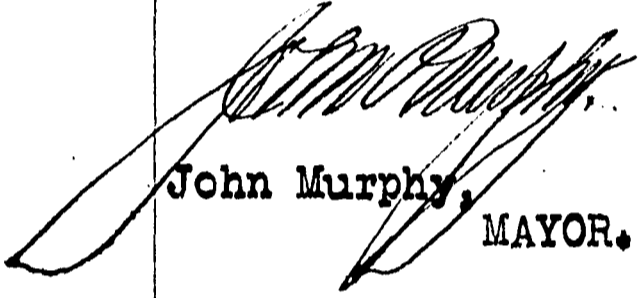
Moved by Alderman Power, seconded by Alderman Finlay, that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

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Council adjourned 10.30 o'clock.


John Murphy,
MAYOR.

L. Fred. Monaghan,
CITY CLERK.

SPECIAL MEETING - EVENING SESSION

8.10 o'clock,
Council Chamber,
City Hall,

October 25, 1923.

A Special Meeting of the City Council was held this Evening. At above named hour there were present, His Worship, Mayor Murphy, and Aldermen Colwell, Munnis, Finlay, Bissett, Sanford, H. W. Cameron, McDonald, Power and Drysdale.

Moved by Alderman Power, seconded by Alderman Bissett, 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 Aldermen Whitman, Gastonguay, Schaffner, Guildford, Whelan, O'Toole, Hubley, W. O. Cameron and Daw.

The City Clerk asked to be excused from acting as Clerk at this meeting, and, by unanimous consent of Council, was excused.

CITY CLERK, L. FRED. MONAGHAN.

Alderman Whitman, Chairman of the Finance Committee, lays upon the table report of Finance Committee dated October 10th. 1923, recommending the dismissal of L. Fred. Monaghan, City Clerk, on grounds shown in said Report and papers referred to therein.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the necessary Notices had been served on L. Fred. Monaghan, City Clerk, and all required preliminary steps taken to enable the matter to be dealt with.

October 25th., 1923.

Read report Finance Committee dated October 10th.,
1923, as follows:-

Committee Room, City Hall,
October 10th., 1923.

To the Mayor and City Council.
Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee of the City Council held on Wednesday October 10th., at eight o'clock P. M., the following documents were submitted to the Committee:-

1. Report of Messrs. Price, Waterhouse & Company dated September 7th., 1923, and addressed to the Mayor and Members of the City Council;
2. A statement furnished to the Chairman of the Committee by W. W. Foster, City Auditor, showing the dates of the receipts of moneys by the City Clerk and the dates on which the same moneys were paid by the City Clerk to the City Treasurer.

The following resolution was thereupon moved by Alderman Power, seconded by Alderman Finlay, and passed, Alderman Guildford dissenting:-

"WHEREAS it has been made to appear to the Finance Committee by the report of Messrs. Price Waterhouse & Company, addressed to the Mayor and Members of the City Council and dated September 7th., 1923, and by a Statement furnished to the Chairman of the Finance Committee by the City Auditor that the City Clerk having received sums of money indicated in the said report and statement as the purchase price or part of the purchase price of lots in Camp Hill Cemetery failed to pay the same to the City Treasurer or otherwise account for the same until after a report of the said Auditors, Messrs. Price, Waterhouse & Company, relative to the City Collector's Office had been made,

"AND WHEREAS it has been made to appear to the Finance Committee that at a meeting of the Camp Hill Cemetery Commission held on the 3rd. day of August A.D. 1923, at which all the Commissioners were present, the following resolution was unanimously passed, namely:-

"Moved by W. O. Cameron and seconded by F. W. Killam that henceforth all moneys for the purchase of lots be paid to the Commissioner's Secretary and that the City Clerk be requested to honor the Secretary's order for the issuance of deeds."

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"AND WHEREAS from the foregoing it appears
"that the usefulness of the City Clerk is
"greatly impared,

"BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Finance
"Committee do recommend that L.Fred.Monaghan,
"City Clerk, be dismissed from his office as
"City Clerk; such dismissal to take effect
"immediately, and further that the Council
"do pay to the said L.Fred.Monaghan three
"months salary in lieu of notice.

"AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee
"do forthwith request the Mayor to summon a
"meeting of the City Council for the purpose
"of dealing with this Committee's said recom-
"mendation and request."

Your Committee therefore request that a resolut-
ion of the City Council be passed dismissing L. Fred.
Monaghan, City Clerk, from his office as such City Clerk
in accordance with the foregoing resolution. The above
mentioned report and the above mentioned statement are
hereto annexed and make a part of this report.

DATED at Halifax this 10th. day of October 1923.

Alfred Whitman
Chairman

A.J.Finlay,
W.O.Cameron,
John J. Power,
H.W.Cameron.

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PRICE WATERHOUSE & COMPANY,
Montreal, September 7, 1923.

The Mayor and Members of the City Council,
The City of Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sirs,

In accordance with instructions we have made an
examination of the accounts of the Camp Hill Cemetery, and
in connection therewith would submit the following report.

The property is under the management and control
of a Board of seven Commissioners known as "The Camp Hill
"Cemetery Commission". The Board is composed of four mem-
bers of the City Council and three tax payers, not members
of the Council but appointed by them.

It would appear that for several years prior to
1919 the Commission gave little attention to the manage-
ment of the Cemetery and that the caretaker or Superintendent,
in addition to attending to the work of upkeep, etc., collect-

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ed the revenues, made all disbursements, and handed over the cash balance, if any, to the City Treasurer. We are informed that if any records were kept of these transactions they could not be found.

Since the year 1919 the transactions have been handled on a more business-like basis; the revenues have been turned over to the Treasurer and accounts have been paid by the Treasurer after being passed by the Commission.

SALE OF LOTS:

Although no proper record was available, it had been assumed that all lots laid out prior to 1919 had been sold. The following lots, however, had not been claimed, and during the year ending April 30, 1923, they were sold, the purchasers giving bonds to protect the Commission against claims of prior ownership:-

| | | | | | |
|-----|----|----------|----|----|-------|
| Lot | 71 | Division | OO | \$ | 50.00 |
| | 38 | | PP | | 50.00 |
| | 71 | | FF | | 50.00 |

The amount received for the first two lots was applied towards the upkeep for the year 1922-1923, but payment of the last mentioned was not received before the close of the civic year.

At a meeting of the Commission, held on July 31, 1920, the opening up of a new sub-division to be known as sub-division "W" was authorized, the proceeds from the sale to be invested and the interest thereon to be applied towards upkeep. Up to April 30, 1923, forty-eight lots had been disposed of, realizing \$3,299.70 and this amount, together with \$58.29 interest, has been invested as follows:-

| | <u>Date</u> | <u>Description</u> | <u>Par Value</u> | <u>Cost</u> |
|---------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| June 3, | 1922 | City of Halifax Bonds | \$3,000.00 | \$2,947.86 |
| May 3 | 1922 | Victory Bonds | 50.00 | 50.00 |
| Oct 10 | 1922 | -do- | 350.00 | 360.13 |
| | | | <u>\$3,400.00</u> | <u>\$3,357.99</u> |

We have examined these securities which are in the custody of the Mayor and City Treasurer as Trustees.

During the year ending April 30th 1923, through the filling in of one of the roads, seventy-six additional lots were made for which a price of \$50.00 each was fixed by the Commission, the amount realized to be applied to defraying the cost of filling in the road and for cemetery upkeep. Up to April 30, sixty-two lots were sold and Deeds were issued at the time of sale, but according to the Treasurer's records, payment for fifty-four only was received before the close of the civic year on April 30, 1923. We found that Deeds were issued for the following lots for which payment was not recorded in the books of the Treasurer until the dates shown:-

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| Date of Deed | Lots | Amount | Date Paid |
|-----------------|----------|---------|--------------|
| August 16, 1922 | M. I. 4 | \$50.00 | June 5, 1923 |
| Sept 25, 1922 | T. Q. 7 | 50.00 | 5, 1923 |
| Oct 12, 1922 | K. 3 4 | 50.00 | 5, 1923 |
| Nov 2, 1922 | M. 3 8 | 50.00 | 5, 1923 |
| Nov 2, 1922 | T. Q. 9 | 50.00 | 5, 1923 |
| Jan 11, 1923 | V. S. 3 | 50.00 | 6, 1923 |
| Nov 25, 1922 | V. S. 2 | 50.00 | 7, 1923 |
| Feb 1, 1923 | T. Q. 13 | 50.00 | 7, 1923 |

The Deed for Lot 71 Division FF to which reference was previously made was given on February 21st 1923, and payment recorded June 6, 1923. The deeds are issued by the City Clerk who collects the money and pays them over to the City Treasurer. When asked as to why deeds should be issued without receipt of the purchase price, he informed us that in some cases, on his own authority, he allowed time for payment. When this matter was drawn to the attention of the Chairman of the Commission he advised us that it was contrary to the rules, and he later informed us that he had made investigation and found that all the amounts had been received on the dates the deeds were issued. The City Clerk subsequently stated that he had held back the payments.

It was noted that twelve lots were marked on the blue print "selected" and are withheld from sale to the public, although those selecting them have made no payment, and we were informed had given no guarantee that they would purchase them.

Since April 30th., the Commission have had a further section of the Cemetery laid out in lots, the revenue derived from the sale to be applied to the erection of a new fence.

We compared the counterfoils of all deeds issued since 1919 to August 2, 1923, with the Treasurer's receipts, and with the blue print on file in the City Clerk's Office, and with the exceptions noted above, found them in agreement. In this connection we would suggest that the deeds, instead of being in loose leaf form as at present, and not numbered, should be in book form, and that they (together with the counterfoil) be numbered consecutively, by the printers. Any spoiled or cancelled deed should be attached to its counterfoil.

We would also recommend that the Secretary of the Commission, who at present receives all the moneys for burials and upkeep of graves, should also receive payment for lots sold, issuing an order on the City Clerk for the Deed when payment has been received.

REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES:

We have made a detailed examination of the revenues and expenditures of the Cemetery for the years 1921-1922 and 1922-1923, and have also carefully looked into those of the two previous years. The following is a comparative statement for the four years:-

October 25th., 1923.

| Revenues | 1922-23 | 1921-22 | 1920-21 | 1919-20 |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Appropriation | \$1,800.00 | \$1,800.00 | \$1,800.00 | \$1,800.00 |
| do additional | | | | 500.00 |
| Sale of lots | 2,830.00 | | | |
| Upkeep of graves & burial fees | 3,697.87 | 3,894.17 | 2,774.59 | 558.00 |
| Interest on trust fund sub-div. "W" | 117.27 | 65.27 | 77.99 | |
| Transfer per contra | | | 119.65 | |
| Total revenues | \$8,455.14 | \$5,759.44 | \$4,772.23 | \$2,856.00 |
| Expenditures | | | | |
| Wages | 6,373.84 | 4,466.82 | 3,899.23 | 2,582.57 |
| Sods & Seeds | 456.35 | 419.00 | 339.00 | |
| Repairs including tools | 430.64 | 518.06 | 286.22 | |
| Salary Secretary | 50.00 | 50.00 | 50.00 | |
| Salary preparing card index of graves | 825.00 | | | |
| Filing cabinet | 59.72 | | | |
| Sundries | 132.56 | 63.20 | 180.03 | 169.60 |
| Transfer per contra | | | | 119.65 |
| | \$8,128.11 | \$5,517.08 | \$4,754.48 | \$2,851.82 |
| Unexpended balances | 317.03 | 242.36 | 17.75 | 4.18 |

The caretaker collects the burial fees and some of the charges for upkeep of graves, for which he gives receipts, and at intervals of varying length, hands his cash to the Secretary with a report which shows the sources of his receipts, and at the same time submits his receipt book for check. He also turns in to the Secretary lists of charges against various lot owners who have not settled with him for work done. From these lists the Secretary posts to a ledger and sends out bills.

No revenue is taken up on the appropriation ledger until cash is received, and at April 30th., 1923, there were outstanding accounts amounting to \$682.75 of this amount 123.00 has since been received, less a commission of 15% for collection. We were informed by the Secretary that only a portion of the balance probably 50% would be collected.

The City holds in trust certain funds provided by various persons for the upkeep of graves. Such funds are invested and the interest is used to pay bills rendered for work done.

We will deal with these accounts in more detail in our general report.

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We shall be glad to furnish any further information you may desire.

Yours very truly,
(Sgd.) PRICE WATERHOUSE & COY.

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S T A T E M E N T

CITY CLERK'S COLLECTIONS

| Amts. Received by City Clerk for:- | | Deposited with Treasurer:- |
|------------------------------------|----------|----------------------------|
| July 1902 | \$ 91.30 | August 31 1902 |
| August " | 384.54 | September 2 " |
| September " | 408.65 | October 3 " |
| October " | 421.20 | November 6 " |
| November " | 315.75 | December 2 " |
| December " | 501.75 | January 12 1903 |
| January 1903 | 282.20 | February 18 " |
| February " | 373.88 | March 6 " |
| March " | 386.50 | April 18 " |
| April " | 454.00 | May 7 " |
| May " | 605.28 | June 4 " |
| June " | 1841.35 | July 10 " |
| July " | 976.10 | August 24 " |
| August " | 572.78 | September 29 " |
| September " | 530.42 | October 23 " |
| October " | 1023.17 | November 24 " |
| November " | 685.50 | December 29 " |
| December " | 476.60 | February 17 1904 |
| January 1904 | 243.90 | March 22 " |
| February " | 485.43 | April 30 " |
| March " | 384.90 | May 23 " |
| April " | 393.67 | June 16 " |
| May " | 1370.75 | June 30 " |
| June " | 1240.75 | August 17 " |
| July " | 1722.65 | October 4 " |
| August " | 595.50 | November 23 " |
| September " | 325.45 | December 5 " |
| October " | 1170.74 | December 29 " |
| November " | 620.34 | December 29 " |
| December " | 1007.95 | December 31 " |
| January 1905 | 319.01 | February 23, 1905 |
| February " | 229.53 | March 6 " |
| March " | 489.18 | April 18 " |
| April " | 433.82 | May 9 " |
| May " | 2165.35 | June 8 " |
| June " | 2547.25 | July 19 " |
| July " | 1026.10 | October 2 " |
| August " | 641.18 | October 30 " |
| September " | 687.50 | November 20 " |
| October " | 761.44 | December 6 " |
| November " | 864.05 | March 8 1903 |
| December " | 575.40 | April 18 " |
| January 1906 | 596.45 | May 28 " |
| February " | 716.85 | May 31 " |
| March " | 287.25 | May 31 " |
| March " | 290.12 | June 2 " |
| April " | 664.90 | May 31 " |
| April " | 489.50 | June 6 " |
| May " | 1776.70 | July 20 " |
| June " | 2474.00 | August 25 " |

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Amts. Received by City Clerk for:- Deposited with Treasurer:

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|--------------|-----------|------------------|--|
| July 1906 | \$1664.44 | October 8 1906 | |
| August | 760.05 | November 17 | |
| September | 1050.55 | November 27 | |
| October | 1109.10 | January 29, 1907 | |
| November | 1223.40 | July 9 | |
| December | 505.60 | July 9 | |
| January 1907 | 495.60 | July 9 | |
| January 1907 | 21.41 | July 17 | |
| February | 861.70 | July 9 | |
| February | 26.53 | July 17 | |
| March | 460.65 | July 9 | |
| March | 17.00 | July 17 | |
| April | 738.30 | July 9 | |
| April | 274.89 | July 17 | |
| May | 792.50 | July 9 | |
| June | 1997.92 | July 17 | |
| May | 2986.20 | July 17 | |
| July | 2681.55 | August 1 | |
| August | 1299.38 | October 14 | |
| September | 1505.15 | October 14 | |
| October | 791.62 | December 12 | |
| November | 1643.59 | December 12 | |
| November | 18.90 | December 20 | |
| December | 1441.65 | January 23, 1908 | |
| January 1908 | 657.53 | March 20 | |
| February | 644.50 | March 20 | |
| March | 1155.85 | April 14 | |
| April | 523.25 | May 5 | |
| May | 4118.75 | July 22 | |
| June | 3662.40 | July 22 | |
| July | 2054.35 | July 1 to 31 | |
| August | 1519.75 | Aug 1 to 31 | |
| September | 1331.45 | Sept 1 to 30 | |
| October | 1214.41 | Oct 1 to 31 | |
| November | 767.85 | Nov 1 to 30 | |
| December | 761.59 | Dec 1 to 31 | |
| January 1909 | 479.65 | Jan 1 to 31 1909 | |
| February | 644.25 | Feb 1 to 28 | |
| March | 1419.00 | Mar 1 to 31 | |
| April | 441.55 | Apr 1 to 30 | |
| May | 3593.50 | May 1 to 31 | |
| June | 4076.48 | June 1 to 30 | |
| July | 1608.70 | July 1 to 31 | |
| August | 1879.20 | August 1 to 31 | |
| September | 1042.05 | Sept 1 to 30 | |
| October | 753.20 | Oct 1 to 31 | |
| November | 1120.00 | Nov 1 to 30 | |
| December | 742.65 | Dec 1 to 31 | |
| January 1910 | 731.95 | Jan 1 to 31 1910 | |
| February | 761.50 | Feb 1 to 28 | |
| March | 893.30 | Mar 1 to 31 | |
| April | 742.43 | Apr 1 to 30 | |
| May | 3071.15 | May 1 to 31 | |
| June | 4075.00 | June 1 to 30 | |
| July | 1665.65 | July 1 to 31 | |
| August | 2383.21 | Aug 1 to 31 | |
| September | 760.00 | Sept 1 to 30 | |
| October | 1065.75 | Oct 1 to 31 | |

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Amts. received by City Clerk for:- Deposited with Treasurer

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|---------------|-----------|------------------|
| November 1910 | \$1180.91 | Nov 1 to 30 1910 |
| December | 686.60 | Dec 1 to 31 |
| January 1911 | 454.85 | Jan 1 to 31 1911 |
| February | 557.58 | Feb 1 to 28 |
| March | 799.05 | Mar 1 to 31 |
| April | 430.25 | Apr 1 to 30 |
| May | 2942.15 | May 1 to 31 |
| June | 3454.65 | June 1 to 30 |
| July | 1414.54 | July 1 to 31 |
| August | 1989.45 | Aug 1 to 31 |
| September | 894.85 | Sept 1 to 30 |
| October | 1180.30 | Oct 1 to 31 |
| November | 583.60 | Nov 1 to 30 |
| December | 784.65 | Dec 1 to 31 |
| January 1912 | 904.75 | Jan 1 to 31 1912 |
| February | 859.10 | Feb 1 to 29 |
| March | 738.49 | Mar 1 to 31 |
| April, | 608.15 | Apr 1 to 30 |
| May | 3367.87 | May 1 to 31 |
| June | 4054.35 | June 1 to 30 |
| July | 2575.50 | July 1 to 31 |
| August | 2119.20 | Aug 1 to 31 |
| September | 862.10 | Sept 1 to 30 |
| October | 732.55 | Oct 1 to 31 |
| November | 899.60 | Nov 1 to 30 |
| December | 385.56 | Dec 1 to 31 |
| January 1913 | 867.40 | Jan 1 to 31 1913 |
| February | 505.43 | Feb 1 to 28 |
| March | 456.70 | Mar 1 to 31 |
| April | 666.80 | Apr 1 to 30 |
| May | 3123.45 | May 1 to 31 |

SALE OF LOTS CAMP HILL CEMETERY:

| | | |
|--------------|--------|--------------|
| Dec. 3, 1920 | 78.88 | Dec. 3, 1920 |
| " 3, | 146.60 | " 3, |
| " 13 | 156.06 | " 13 |
| " 15 | 156.06 | " 15 |
| " 17 | 157.50 | " 17 |
| " 18 | 156.06 | " 18 |
| Jan. 3, 1921 | 78.03 | Feb. 1, 1921 |
| " 8 | 157.50 | Jan. 11, |
| " 11 | 78.03 | " 11 |
| " 11 | 78.75 | " 11 |
| " 13 | 174.78 | " 14 |
| Feb 7 | 180.00 | Feb 7 |
| March 24 | 78.75 | Mar 24 |
| Apr 1 | 78.03 | Apr 3 |
| " 8 | 77.03 | " 8 |
| May 11 | 78.75 | May 11 |
| June 8 | 95.37 | June 9 |
| " 13 | 78.75 | " 13 |
| Aug 1 | 165.44 | Aug 1 |
| " 9 | 78.03 | " 9 |
| " 17 | 130.05 | " 17 |
| Sept 16 | 156.06 | Sept 16 |
| " 21 | 78.75 | " 23 |
| " 28 | 78.75 | " 26 |
| Oct 10 | 157.50 | Oct 10 |

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Amts. received by City Clerk for:- Deposited with Treasurer

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|---------------|-----------|------------------|
| November 1910 | \$1180.81 | Nov 1 to 30 1910 |
| December | 686.60 | Dec 1 to 31 |
| January 1911 | 454.85 | Jan 1 to 31 1911 |
| February | 557.59 | Feb 1 to 28 |
| March | 799.05 | Mar 1 to 31 |
| April | 430.25 | Apr 1 to 30 |
| May | 2942.15 | May 1 to 31 |
| June | 3454.65 | June 1 to 30 |
| July | 1414.54 | July 1 to 31 |
| August | 1989.45 | Aug 1 to 31 |
| September | 894.85 | Sept 1 to 30 |
| October | 1180.30 | Oct 1 to 31 |
| November | 583.60 | Nov 1 to 30 |
| December | 784.65 | Dec 1 to 31 |
| January 1912 | 904.75 | Jan 1 to 31 1912 |
| February | 859.10 | Feb 1 to 29 |
| March | 736.49 | Mar 1 to 31 |
| April | 608.15 | Apr 1 to 30 |
| May | 3387.87 | May 1 to 31 |
| June | 4054.35 | June 1 to 30 |
| July | 2575.50 | July 1 to 31 |
| August | 2119.20 | Aug 1 to 31 |
| September | 882.10 | Sept 1 to 30 |
| October | 732.55 | Oct 1 to 31 |
| November | 889.60 | Nov 1 to 30 |
| December | 385.56 | Dec 1 to 31 |
| January 1913 | 867.40 | Jan 1 to 31 1913 |
| February | 505.43 | Feb 1 to 28 |
| March | 456.70 | Mar 1 to 31 |
| April | 666.80 | Apr 1 to 30 |
| May | 3123.45 | May 1 to 31 |

SALE OF LOTS CAMP HILL CEMETERY:

| | | |
|--------------|--------|--------------|
| Dec. 2, 1920 | 78.88 | Dec. 3, 1920 |
| " 3 | 146.60 | " 3 |
| " 13 | 156.08 | " 13 |
| " 15 | 156.08 | " 15 |
| " 17 | 157.50 | " 17 |
| " 18 | 156.06 | " 18 |
| Jan. 2, 1921 | 78.03 | Feb. 1, 1921 |
| " 8 | 157.50 | Jan. 11, |
| " 11 | 78.03 | " 11 |
| " 11 | 78.75 | " 11 |
| " 13 | 174.78 | " 14 |
| Feb 7 | 180.00 | Feb 7 |
| March 24 | 78.75 | Mar 24 |
| Apr 1 | 78.03 | Apr 2 |
| " 8 | 77.03 | " 8 |
| May 11 | 78.75 | May 11 |
| June 8 | 95.37 | June 9 |
| " 13 | 78.75 | " 13 |
| Aug 1 | 165.44 | Aug 1 |
| " 9 | 78.03 | " 9 |
| " 17 | 130.05 | " 17 |
| Sept 16 | 156.08 | Sept 16 |
| " 21 | 78.75 | " 23 |
| " 28 | 78.75 | " 26 |
| Oct 10 | 157.50 | Oct 10 |

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Amounts received by City Clerk for:- Deposited with Treasurer:-

| | | | |
|----------------|------|----------|--------------------|
| May 9 | 1923 | \$156.08 | May 9, 1923 |
| July 10 | " | 100.00 | July 10 " |
| July 10 | " | 100.00 | July 10 " |
| " 10 | " | 50.00 | " 10 " |
| " 11 | " | 50.00 | " 11 " |
| " 13 | " | 100.00 | " 13 " |
| " 13 | " | 50.00 | " 13 " |
| " 13 | " | 50.00 | " 13 " |
| " 14 | " | 100.00 | " 14 " |
| " 14 | " | 100.00 | " 14 " |
| " 18 | " | 50.00 | " 18 " |
| " 18 | " | 100.00 | " 18 " |
| " 22 | " | 50.00 | " 22 " |
| " 25 | " | 50.00 | " 25 " |
| " 28 | " | 50.00 | " 28 " |
| August 2 | " | 50.00 | August 2 " |
| " 2 | " | 100.00 | " 2 " |
| " 2 | " | 100.00 | " 2 " |
| " 4 | " | 100.00 | " 4 " |
| " 14 | " | 50.00 | " 14 " |
| " 15 | " | 50.00 | June 5 1923 |
| " 16 | " | 50.00 | August 16 1923 |
| " 16 | " | 50.00 | " 16 " |
| " 16 | " | 50.00 | " 16 " |
| " 19 | " | 100.00 | " 19 " |
| " 19 | " | 50.00 | " 19 " |
| " 25 | " | 50.00 | " 25 " |
| " 28 | " | 100.00 | " 28 " |
| September 2 | " | 50.00 | September 5 " |
| " 16 | " | 57.38 | " 16 " |
| " 19 | " | 156.78 | " 19 " |
| " 15 | " | 50.00 | " 20 " |
| " 22 | " | 50.00 | " 22 " |
| " 25 | " | 50.00 | June 5, 1923 |
| " 29 | " | 50.00 | September 29, 1923 |
| October 10 | " | 50.00 | October 10 " |
| " 4 | " | 100.00 | " 10 " |
| " 10 | " | 50.00 | " 10 " |
| " 12 | " | 50.00 | June 5, 1923 |
| " 16 | " | 50.00 | October 16 1923 |
| " 17 | " | 50.00 | " 17 " |
| " 26 | " | 50.00 | " 26 " |
| November 2 | " | 50.00 | June 5 1923 |
| " 3 | " | 50.00 | November 3 1923 |
| " 3 | " | 50.00 | " 3 1923 |
| " 8 | " | 50.00 | June 5 1923 |
| " 13 | " | 50.00 | November 13 1923 |
| " 25 | " | 50.00 | June 7 1923 |
| December 28 | " | 50.00 | January 6 1923 |
| January 8 1923 | " | 50.00 | " 9 " |
| " 11 | " | 50.00 | June 6 1923 |
| " 18 | " | 50.00 | January 18 " |
| February 1 | " | 50.00 | June 7 " |
| " 21 | " | 50.00 | " 6 " |
| " 20 | " | 50.00 | February 20 " |
| March 27 | " | 50.00 | April 25 " |
| May 21 | " | 70.00 | May 21 " |

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| Amts received by City Clerk for:- | | Deposited with Treasurer:- | |
|-----------------------------------|---------|----------------------------|--|
| May 23, 1923 | \$70.00 | May 23 1923 | |
| " 29 | 70.00 | " 29 | |
| " 29 | 90.00 | " 29 | |
| " 29 | 90.00 | " 29 | |
| " 29 | 70.00 | " 29 | |
| " 31 | 70.00 | " 31 | |
| June 5 | 90.00 | June 5 | |
| " 5 | 70.00 | " 5 | |
| " 5 | 70.00 | " 5 | |
| " 13 | 50.00 | " 13 | |
| " 15 | 90.00 | " 15 | |
| " 20 | 50.00 | " 20 | |
| " 27 | 90.00 | " 27 | |
| July 3 | 90.00 | July 3 | |
| " 9 | 160.00 | " 9 | |
| " 11 | 90.00 | " 10 | |
| " 21 | 70.00 | " 21 | |
| " 23 | 70.00 | " 23 | |

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Read statutory declaration of Francis H. Bell, City Solicitor, of the service of two documents, Exhibits "A" and "B", on L. Fred. Monaghan, Clerk of the said City, and of this Meeting and of the purpose thereof.

IN THE MATTER OF HALIFAX CITY CHARTER
and
IN THE MATTER OF THE DISMISSAL FROM THE
OFFICE OF CITY CLERK OF L. FRED. MONAGHAN.

I, Francis H. Bell, of the City of Halifax, Solicitor of the City of Halifax, solemnly declare that I served copies of the two documents hereto annexed, Exhibits "A" and "B" on L. Fred. Monaghan, Clerk of the said City, by handing the same to him at his Office in the City Hall at four o'clock in the Afternoon of the 17th. day of October instant, and I make this solemn declaration under and by virtue of the Canada Evidence Act conscientiously believing the same to be true and of the same force and effect as if the same had been made under Oath.

Francis H. Bell.

Solemnly declared before me at
Halifax, N. S., on this 25th.
day of October 1923.

John Murphy,
A Justice of the Peace
in and for the City of Halifax.

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Exhibit "A"

Halifax, N. S.,
October 17, 1923.

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

Sir,

I am instructed by His Worship the Mayor to notify you that a special meeting of the City Council has been called by him for Thursday, 25th. October instant, at 8 P. M., for the consideration of a report of the Finance Committee recommending your dismissal from office on the grounds set out in the said report, a copy whereof and of the report of Price, Waterhouse & Company referred to therein, and also of the Statement from the City Auditor also referred to, are enclosed herewith.

You are entitled to be present at such meeting in person or by Counsel or other representative and to present to the Council such matters as you deem fit.

By order of the Mayor.

H. S. RHIND,
Asst. City Clerk.

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For Exhibit "B" see report Finance Committee.

His Worship the Mayor asked if Mr. Monaghan or his Representative desired to make any statement.

Mr. Stuart Jenks, K. C., representing Mr. Monaghan, asked that in view of the absence of Mr. R. H. Murray, Solicitor for Mr. Monaghan, the consideration of this matter be adjourned.

Moved by Alderman Daw, seconded by Alderman Munnis, that the Council now proceed to consider the report of the Finance Committee. Motion put and passed, 12 voting for the same and 6 against it, as follows:-

For the Motion:

Alderman Whitman
Munnis
Finlay
Sanford
Bissett
H. W. Cameron
McDonald
O'Toole
Power
Drysdale
W. O. Cameron
Daw.

Against:

Alderman Colwell
Gastonguay
Schaffner
Guildford
Whelan
Hubley

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Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Power, that the report of the Finance Committee dated October 10th. 1923, be adopted.

His Worship the Mayor asked the City Clerk if he desired to be heard.

The City Clerk asked Mr. Stuart Jenks, K. C., to address the Council on his behalf as his Counsel.

Mr. Jenks proceeded to address the Council.

No evidence or statement was given or made by or on behalf of the City Clerk contradicting or questioning the statements contained in the Report of the Finance Committee or the Report or the Statement annexed thereto and made a part thereof.

The following amendment is submitted by Alderman Guildford:-

WHEREAS the Cemetery Committee, whose business it was, has already dealt with the Price Waterhouse charge against the City Clerk,
THEREFORE RESOLVED that this Council drop all further consideration of the matter.

The amendment is moved by Alderman Guildford and seconded by Alderman Whelan, and, being put, is lost, 6 voting for the same and 12 against it as follows:-

For the Amendment:-

Alderman Colwell,
Gastonguay,
Schaffner,
Guildford,
Whelan,
Hubley

Against it:-

Alderman Whitman,
Munnis,
Finlay,
Sanford,
Bissett,
H.W.Cameron,
McDonald,
O'Toole,
Power,
Drysdale,
W.O.Cameron,
Daw.

The motion to adopt the Report, moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Power, is put and passed, 12 voting for the same and 6 against it as follows:-

For the Motion:-

Alderman Whitman
Munnis
Finlay
Sanford
Bissett
H.W.Cameron (over)

Against it:-

Alderman Colwell
Gastonguay
Schaffner
Guildford
Whelan
Hubley.

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For the Motion (Cont'd.)
Alderman McDonald,
O'Doole,
Power,
Drysdale,
W.O. Cameron,
Daw.

His Worship the Mayor declares the Motion to adopt Report, moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Power, passed, and the City Clerk dismissed from office.

CITY AUDITOR W. W. FOSTER'S RESIGNATION.

Read resignation of W. W. Foster, City Auditor,

as follows:-

Office of City Auditor,
Halifax, N. S.,
October 25, 1923.

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

I attach hereto a certificate from my physician, which is self-explanatory. On the Doctor's advice, I beg hereby to notify you that ill health compels me to resign from office; same to take effect immediately.

Section 12 (304), Chapter 74, of the Acts 1914 reads:-

"Any person who has been in the employ of the City for not less than thirty years and has contributed to the fund for not less than ten years, and who has reached the age of sixty years, shall be entitled on resignation or other retirement from office to receive for the remainder of his life an annual allowance equal to thirty-fiftieths of the average of his yearly salaries for the three years immediately preceding his retirement, and the difference between the amount of the allowance which he is entitled to receive from the fund and the amount of such thirty-fiftieths shall be included in the yearly estimates and collected therewith."

As I have been in the employ of the City for over thirty years, have contributed to the Fund since its inception, and have reached the age of sixty-five years, I have complied with the requirements of the above Act.

Respectfully submitted,
W.W.Foster,
City Auditor.

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S. J. TUREL, M.D., C. M.,
Halifax, N. S.,
October 25, 1923.

This certifies that Mr. W. W. Foster who is under my medical care is in a poor state of health and on the verge

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of a nervous breakdown, and unable at present to do any active work.

I have recommended that Mr. Foster take complete rest for an indefinite period.

S.J. Turel, M.D.

*W. Whitman ✓
W. Daw ✓*

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

Alderman Power asked for an opinion from the City Solicitor and Mr. J. MacG. Stewart on following question:-

Would the action of the City Council in refusing to accept the resignation of the City Auditor prevent him from getting his Superannuation under the Charter?

*City Solicitor ✓
J. MacG. Stewart ✓*

Alderman GuBldford gives notice of reconsideration of resolution to adopt report of Finance Committee on the dismissal of City Clerk.

His Worship the Mayor declared the notice of reconsideration out of order under Rule 51, Rules of Council.

✓ REFUND TO JAMES T. McDONALD.

Read report of Finance Committee dated October 10th. 1923, recommending the refund of Four Hundred and Ten dollars (\$410.00) to James T. McDonald, amount paid by him for land on Kline Street at a Tax Sale 20th. of May 1921, as follows:-

Committee Room,
City Hall,
October 10, 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the City Solicitor reported, verbally, to the Committee that on the 20th. day of May 1921, the then City Collector at a sale of lands for arrears of Taxes, etc., had sold to Mr. James T. McDonald for the sum of Four Hundred and Ten dollars (\$410.00) a certain lot of land on Kline Street in

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the City of Halifax. When the time required by Statute had lapsed, Mr. McDonald applied to the Collector for a Deed of said lot; when the Deed was submitted to the City Solicitor he had refused to certify it as the description was bad and the City could not give a Deed for it.

Mr. McDonald thereupon applied for a return of the money paid to the Collector for said lot with Interest.

Your Committee recommend that Mr. McDonald be refunded the said sum of Four Hundred and Ten Dollars (\$410.00) with Interest at the rate of 5% per annum to the date of such refund.

Alfred Whitman,
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman H. W. Cameron, that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

Alderman McDonald is excused from voting on this motion.

*City Auditor ✓
" Treasurer ✓
" Collector ✓
J.J. McDonald ✓*

STREET LIGHTING SYSTEM

Read report of City Engineer in reference to payment of \$10,000.00 to Northern Electric Company on account of their contract for installing Street Lighting System.

City Engineer's Office,
October 25, 1923.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir,

I beg to report on the attached letter from the Northern Electric Company asking for payment on their contract for the installation of a Street lighting system. The Contract is nearing completion and for some months there have been a few lights only needed to complete the contract. The payment asked for would be a part of the final payment of fifteen per cent.

The work and material performed and supplied by the Company have been satisfactory, and I would recommend payment to them of \$10,000.00.

I am making a final check up of the items of the contract and the payment recommended will leave an ample sum to cover the completion.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

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Northern Electric Co.,
Halifax, October 9th., 1923.

His Worship the Mayor.

Dear Sir,

At the present time there is a balance due us of \$14,500.00 on our contract for the street lighting installation. The entire installation is, and has been for several months, completed except for a total of 29 units. There has been considerable delay in receiving from the fac-

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tory some necessary parts to replace breakages occurring doing the job, which is the reason the 29 units in question have not yet been installed.

We feel very strongly that an immediate payment of \$12,000.00 should be given us inasmuch as there has not now been a payment for several months during which time we have lost a considerable amount in interest charges. In making us the payment of \$12,000.00 you will please note that there will be a balance of \$2,500.00 withheld, which amount is double the value of the 29 fixtures still to be installed. In taking this matter over with the City Engineer, he stated that he is quite satisfied that we are entitled to receive the amount mentioned.

Your prompt attention to this matter will be, I assure you, very much appreciated.

A. L. Brown,
District Manager.

*see Mr. [unclear]
City Engineer
Asst. City Clerk*

Referred to Finance Committee for report.

WATER METER BILLS, #8 ALEXANDRA PLACE.

Read report Committee on Works and Assistant City Engineer on Water Meter Bill, Miss Helen Gough, #8 Alexandra Place.

City Works Office,
October 22nd., 1923.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Works Committee held October 17th. 1923, the attached account for water consumed at premises #8 Alexandra Place, Miss Helen Gough, owner, was considered.

It was decided to recommend to Council that the said account for the six months ending September 29th., 1921, \$24.44, be reduced one half, viz., to \$12.22.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

.....
City Engineer's Office,
September 19th., 1923.

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

I beg to report on the attached bill for water supplied the premises #8 Alexandra Place and complained of as being excessive, that the period covered by the bill is from April 30th. to Sept. 29th. 1921, and the amount is \$24.44.

The Agent of the owner states that the tenants vacated the house in March 1921 and it was vacant until August 30th. When the tenants vacated the house he turned off the water at the stop cock inside the building, but when he went there to turn the water on for the new tenants, he found that the stop cock leaked.

A new meter was installed in these premises on March 1, 1921, and the first reading, owing to the house being lock-

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ed up, was taken on September 29th. and was found to be 170,500 gallons, which was probably due to the leaky stop-cock in the building.

Since September 1921 the half yearly bills have been as follows:-

| | |
|----------------|----------|
| March 1922 | - \$.40 |
| September 1922 | .62 |
| March 1923 | 5.18 |

H.W. Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer.

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

City Engineer

LOAN FOR WATER CONSTRUCTION.

Read report of Finance Committee recommending the borrowing of the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) for Water Construction, as follows:-

Committee Room, City Hall,
October 25th., 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the attached reports of the Committee on Works and City Engineer, recommending the borrowing of \$15,000.00 for Water Construction account, were approved and recommended to the City Council for adoption.

Your Committee further recommend the adoption of accompanying resolution authorizing the City Treasurer to negotiate said loan.

Alfred Whitman,
Chairman.

.....
City Works Office,
October 24, 1923.

Chairman Finance Committee,
Sir,

Attached hereto is a copy of report of the City Engineer recommending that \$15,000.00 be provided for water construction work.

At a meeting of the Works Committee held this day it was decided to forward said report to the Finance Committee with a request that the Finance Committee report on same at a meeting of the City Council to be held on the 25th. inst.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

.....
City Engineer's Office,
October 24, 1923.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir,

When the money was being borrowed for the Works Department services, I reported that there was sufficient on hand in the Water Construction Account for the needs for present services and I have been able to carry on with

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the balance that we had. Now, however, the pipe for which we made the contract, has been delivered and we shall require the money to pay for it and to lay it and we should have some margin to carry on with service pipes and possible extensions that may have to be made.

I would recommend that \$15,000. be provided for work and material now in sight.

F.W.W.Doane,
City Engineer.

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

The following resolution is submitted:-

WHEREAS the City of Halifax has authority under Chapter 52 Acts 1922 to borrow a sum not exceeding \$150,000. for the construction and extension of the water supply,

AND WHEREAS the sum of \$50,000. only has been borrowed and it is now desirable that a further sum of \$15,000. be borrowed under the authority of the said Act,

AND WHEREAS the City has the right of hypothecation of its Stock or Debentures under Sec. 35, Chap. 36 Acts of 1916 and is empowered under Chapter 73 Acts 1907 subject to a two third vote of all the members of the Council, to issue an additional amount sufficient to produce the sum required, estimated at 10% by the Royal Bank,

THEREFORE RESOLVED that the City do borrow from the Royal Bank of Canada a sum not exceeding \$15,000. and hypothecate to the said Royal Bank of Canada its stock certificate for 165 shares of the par value of One Hundred Dollars per share. The said Stock Certificate to be under the seal of the City and the hands of its Mayor, Treasurer and City Clerk, dated 1st. day of November 1923, and to be repayable in thirty and one half years from the date thereof, with interest at the rate of five per cent per annum, and the said Stock Certificate shall form part of the Consolidated Fund 1905 of the said City. In consideration of the above advance of \$15,000. the City agrees to pay that sum to the Royal Bank of Canada, with interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, in six months from the receipt thereof,

FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to do and perform all such matters and things as shall be reasonably required by the said Bank in connection with the said loan and the hypothecation of the said stock certificate.

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Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Finlay, and passed unanimously, 18 members of Council being present and voting for same.

Moved by Alderman Finlay, seconded by Alderman Colwell, that this Council do now adjourn. Motion

*City Treasurer passed.
" Auditor
" Engineer*

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Council adjourned at 10.45 P. M.

John Murphy
JOHN MURPHY,
MAYOR.

H. S. Rhind
H. S. RHIND,
ASSISTANT CITY CLERK.

EVENING SESSION,

8.10 o'clock,

Council Chamber,
City Hall,

November 8th., 1923.

A Meeting of the City Council was held this Evening. At the above named hour, present His Worship the Mayor, and Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Munnis, Sanford, Gastonguay, H. W. Cameron, McDonald, Guildford, Whelan, O'Toole, Power, Drysdale, W. O. Cameron and Daw.

NOTICE OF RECONSIDERATION.

Alderman Whitman's notice of reconsideration given at a meeting of the Council held on October 4th., 1923, re Tramways and Power Company rates, is again deferred.

Moved by Alderman Power, seconded by Alderman O'Toole, that this meeting adjourn at 8.30 o'clock to permit the Mayor and Aldermen to attend the Lecture on Civic Administration by Mayor Crabtree of Jacksonville, Illinois, at the Auditorium. Motion put and passed, 8 voting for the same and 6 against it, as follows:-

For the Motion:-

Alderman Whitman,
Munnis,
H.W. Cameron,
McDonald,
Guildford,
Whelan,
O'Toole,
Power.

Against it:-

Alderman Colwell,
Sanford,
Gastonguay,
Drysdale,
W.O. Cameron,
Daw.

Aldermen Bissett and Hubley here take their seats.

L. FRED. MONAGHAN, CITY CLERK, DISMISSAL.

By consent of Council, Mr. R. H. Murray, Solicitor for L. Fred. Monaghan, is here permitted to address the Council.

Mr. Murray asked that the words in the Minutes of last Meeting of Council, namely "no evidence or statement

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"was given or made by or on behalf of the City Clerk
"contradicting or questioning the statements contained
"in the Report of the Finance Committee or the Report
"or the Statement annexed thereto and made a part there-
"of", be expunged from the Minutes.

He also asked that the communication from Mr. Monaghan asking to be restored to his office as City Clerk, be now considered by this Council; also that Mr. Monaghan was present and tendered himself for office.

Read following letter from L. Fred. Monaghan:-

To: His Worship the Mayor,
The City of Halifax, and
The Council of the City of Halifax.

Gentlemen:-

With reference to the action of the Council of the City of Halifax, who on the 25th. inst. by a Resolution passed by a two-thirds majority, required by the Charter of the City of Halifax, dismissed me from my office as City Clerk,

I was appointed to the office of City Clerk by the Council of the City of Halifax on the 11th. day of August 1902, and took the required oath and entered into my duties of such office on the 19th. day of August 1902. I have always performed the duties of the said office as required by law, and behaved and governed myself therein well and conscientiously.

On the 25th. day of October 1923 I was unjustly and illegally, and without any good cause whatsoever, dismissed and removed from my said office of City Clerk by the said Council of the City of Halifax.

I now present myself with this demand for the purpose of performing my duties as such City Clerk, and I do hereby request the Mayor and the Council of the City of Halifax to forthwith restore me to my office as such City Clerk, the duties pertaining to which office I am now and always have been willing to perform and discharge as by law required.

I have the honor to be, Sirs,
Your obedient servant,

L. FRED. MONAGHAN.

On the advice of the City Solicitor, the same is filed.

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His Worship the Mayor suggests to Mr. Murray that he put his objection to the Minutes in writing.

Read report H. S. Rhind, Assistant City Clerk, re service of an Extract from Minutes of a Meeting of the City Council of October 25th. 1923 dismissing L. Fred. Monaghan from the office of City Clerk and of tender of three months salary as required by resolution of said Meeting:-

IN THE MATTER OF DISMISSAL OF L. FRED.
MONAGHAN, CITY CLERK.

To His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

I beg to report that in compliance with a resolution of the City Council of the City of Halifax passed on the 25th day of October 1923, I did on the 1st. day of November, 1923, in the presence of James J. Hopewell, City Treasurer, and George J. Allen, Clerk, serve on Mr. L. Fred. Monaghan a true extract of the Minutes of said meeting in respect to his dismissal from the office of City Clerk.

Also that I tendered to the said L. Fred. Monaghan the sum of Seven Hundred and Fifty dollars (\$750.00), being three months salary in lieu of notice, also his salary for the full month of October.

Mr. Monaghan thereupon refused to accept the said sum of Seven Hundred and Fifty dollars (\$750.00) tendered in lieu of notice, and would accept only Two Hundred and Sixty-five dollars and Twenty-five cents (\$265.25) of his salary to the 25th. day of October.

H.S.Rhind,
Assistant City Clerk.

Filed.

WORKS DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS.

Read report Committee on Works recommending accounts for payment.

City Works Office,
November 7th., 1923.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen,

The Works Committee beg to recommend for payment accounts attached hereto amounting to the sum of \$5413.68, chargeable to the following services:-

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| | | |
|------------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Teams & Stables | \$ 1105.17 | |
| Street Lighting | 3.48 | |
| Streets | 293.17 | |
| Internal Health | 505.70 | |
| Sewer Maintenance | 1.00 | |
| Fuel | 300.00 | |
| City Hall Lighting | 103.35 | |
| Cleaning Paved Streets | 47.32 | |
| Market Revenue | 54.39 | |
| City Property | 97.46 | |
| Rents City Property | 10.14 | |
| Telephones | <u>420.07</u> | \$ 2941.25 |
| Sewerage | 1379.92 | |
| City Hall Wiring | 4.17 | |
| Permanent Pavement | <u>71.03</u> | 1455.12 |
| Water maintenance | 865.07 | |
| Water Construction | <u>152.24</u> | <u>1017.31</u> |
| | | \$ <u>5413.68</u> |

A. F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Daw,
that the report be adopted and accounts paid. Motion pass-
ed.

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Read report Finance Committee recommending accounts
and installments of Civic Grants for payment.

Committee Room,
City Hall, November 7, 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.
Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, the
following accounts amounting to \$1669.51, were passed as
correct and recommended for payment:-

| | | |
|---|---------------|---------|
| C.P.R.Co. Telegraph - Telegrams | \$1.55, \$.85 | \$ 2.40 |
| Western Union Tel. Co. - Telegrams | | 11.46 |
| Ross Print Ltd. - Envelopes | | 7.83 |
| London Rubber Stamp Co. - Stamps | \$.75, \$.25 | 1.00 |
| Kings Printer - 3 copies Statutes | | 6.00 |
| Soulis Typewriter Co. - Carbon Paper | | 1.50 |
| Royal Print & Litho Ltd - Directories - | | |
| Mayors Office | \$10.00 | |
| Temperance | | |
| Act Inspector | <u>10.00</u> | 20.00 |
| A. & W. MacKinlay Ltd. - Books, etc. | | |
| C. Collector | 99.75 | |
| C. Clerk - for | | |
| audit | <u>12.28</u> | 112.03 |

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| | | | |
|---|---------------|----------|-----------|
| T.C.Allen & Co. - Stationery &c | | | |
| Mayors Office | \$12.70 | | |
| C.Clerk | 11.75 | | |
| C.Collector | 8.00 | | |
| | <u>32.45</u> | | |
| By credit | 8.00 | \$ 24.45 | |
| United Typewriter Co.-Cleaning & inspecting typewriter C.Collectors office August. September. October | | 3.75 | |
| Chronicle Publishing Co. - Advertising | 7.56 | | |
| | 15.12 | | |
| | <u>2.52</u> | 25.20 | |
| Blackadar Bros. - Adv.Recorder | | 18.90 | |
| Halifax Herald Advertising | 8.82 | | |
| | <u>17.64</u> | 26.46 | |
| Religious of Good Shepherd Maintenance of Girls 3 months to October 1st. | | 115.22 | |
| Halifax Industrial School Maintenance of Boys 3 months to November 1st - | | | |
| Truants | 114.96 | | |
| Delinquents | <u>372.32</u> | 487.28 | |
| do Wm.Richards omitted from bill for year ending April 30th., 1923 | | 66.36 | |
| St.Patricks Home Maintenance of Boys 3 months to November 1st. | | | |
| Truants | 219.21 | | |
| Delinquents | <u>520.19</u> | 739.40 | \$1669.51 |

Your Committee further recommend that installments be paid on the following named Grants:-

| | | | |
|---|---|---------------|------------------|
| Y.W.C.A. - 2 quarterly payments | - | 100.00 | |
| Halifax Dispensary & Morgue - do - | | 750.00 | |
| Victoria School of Art & Design - do - | | <u>500.00</u> | \$1350.00 |
| | | | <u>\$3019.51</u> |

Alfred Whitman,
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Munnis,
that the report be adopted and accounts paid. Motion pass-
ed.

INDEPENDENT AUDIT - PRICE, WATERHOUSE & CO.
ACCOUNT FOR SEPTEMBER.

Read report Finance Committee recommending for payment
account of Price, Waterhouse & Company for expenses of in-
dependent audit for September - \$2446.33.

November 8th., 1923.

Committee Room,
City Hall, November 6th., 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, the attached account of Messrs. Price, Waterhouse & Company - \$2446.33, expenses of independent audit for the month of September - was passed as correct and recommended for payment.

Alfred Whitman,
Chairman.

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

CITY PRISON ACCOUNTS.

Read report City Prison Committee recommending accounts for payment.

Committee Room,
City Hall, November 6th.,
1923.

To His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Committee on City Prison held this Afternoon, there being present Aldermen Bissett, Chairman; Gastonguay, Guildford, Munnis and Daw, the following named accounts, amounting to \$1656.19, were passed as correct and recommended to the City Council for payment.

| | | |
|--|--------|-----------|
| Thomas Muldowney - Plumbing | \$6.75 | |
| J. & M. Murphy - Dry Goods | 3.80 | |
| do For month of July | 3.24 | |
| S.C. Thompson Feed | 49.77 | |
| Wentzells Ltd - Groceries | 62.20 | |
| Amherst Boot & Shoe Co. | 39.98 | |
| George Hutchinson - Ice | 8.00 | |
| Union Coal Co. | 600.00 | |
| W. A. Maling & Co. - Beef | 41.45 | |
| D. J. McIntosh | 15.25 | |
| Halifax Herald - Advertising | 8.82 | |
| Fred. Osborne - (Thrashing Oats) | 41.40 | |
| O. E. Zimmerman | 3.45 | |
| N. S. Tramways & Power | 9.45 | |
| Maritime Telephone | 11.76 | |
| O'Malley's Bakery - Bread | 35.81 | |
| The Citizen - Advertising | 3.00 | |
| The Chronicle Publishing Co. - Advertise | 7.56 | |
| Acadian Recorder - Advertising | 8.40 | |
| Pay Roll - October 15, 1923 | 348.05 | |
| do October 31, 1923 | 348.05 | \$1656.19 |

GEORGE GRANT,
Governor.

November 8th., 1923.

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

✓ FIRE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS

Read report Committee of Firewards recommending acc-
ounts for payment.

Committee Room,
City Hall,
November 7th., 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

The Committee of Firewards beg to recommend for payment
the following named accounts chargeable to Fire Department
Current Account \$1619.42, and to Fire Alarm Maintenance
\$30.83, total \$1650.25:-

Fire Department Current Account.

| | | |
|---------------------------|------------------------|------------------|
| The New Standard Vul. Co. | Repairs to tires | \$17.75 |
| Bentley, Flemming Ltd | Lumber | 81.25 |
| Mitchell & McRae | Plumbing | 12.20 |
| S.C.Thompson | Horses | 525.00 |
| S.C.Thompson | Feed | 263.52 |
| Maritime Telephone Co. | Telephones | 26.45 |
| Wellington Garage | Supplies for apparatus | 5.00 |
| William Jakeman | Vet.services | 9.00 |
| Crowell Bros Ltd | Supplies for apparatus | 6.28 |
| Frank Reardon Ltd | Glass | .33 |
| Longards Ltd | Supplies for furnace | 8.30 |
| Wentzells Ltd | Soap | 14.10 |
| Brookfield Bros Ltd | Building Material | 47.48 |
| J. A. Scallion | Horseshoeing | 10.50 |
| H. McFatridge | do | 34.51 |
| Canadian Oil Companies | Gasoline | 133.44 |
| Canadian General Electric | Supplies for apparatus | 2.63 |
| J. & M. Murphy Ltd | Bedding | 30.52 |
| O. C. Marriott | Horseshoeing | 9.00 |
| E. B. Eddy Co Ltd | Supplies | 5.55 |
| N. S. Tramways & Power Co | Lighting | 55.70 |
| Halifax Vulcanizing Works | Batteries repaired | 11.05 |
| T. Hogan & Co | Welding | 4.10 |
| Imperial Oil Ltd | Oil | 34.08 |
| Kellys Ltd | Supplies | 65.20 |
| James Donohue | Gal. pipe | 15.35 |
| T. C. Allen & Co. | Supplies | .75 |
| Fire & Water Engineering | Subscription | 5.00 |
| Halifax Steam Laundry | Laundry | 28.49 |
| James Simmonds Ltd | Stores etc. | 37.32 |
| C. R. Hoben | Repairs to buildings | 119.59 |
| | | <u>\$1619.42</u> |

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| <u>Fire Alarm Maintenance</u> | |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Northern Electric Co Ltd | Supplies \$ 20.72 |
| James Simmonds Ltd | do 2.63 |
| N.S. Tramways & Power Co. | Power for October 4.48 |
| Maritime Tel. & Tel. Co. | Tel. for October <u>3.00</u> |
| | \$ 30.83 |
| | TOTAL..... 1650.25 |

H. W. CAMERON,
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman H. W. Cameron, seconded by Alderman Drysdale, that the report be adopted and accounts paid.
Motion passed.

LIBRARY ACCOUNTS

✓
Read report of Library Commission recommending accounts for payment.

Citizens Free Library,
November 5th., 1923.

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

Gentlemen,

The Library Commission beg to submit the following bills for payment:-

| | | | |
|------------------------|--------------|--------------|----------|
| T. O. Allen & Co. | Books | \$ 93.60 | |
| Bibliotheca Sacra | Subscription | 3.08 | |
| Canadian Annual Review | do | 8.69 | |
| Ross Print | Book Marks | 15.68 | |
| Royal Print & Litho | Directory | 10.00 | |
| Mrs. Geo. Skead | Books | <u>25.00</u> | \$156.05 |

L. BARNABY,
Librarian.

Moved by Alderman Power, seconded by Alderman Bissett, that report be adopted and accounts paid. Motion passed.

CITY HEALTH BOARD ACCOUNTS

✓
Read report City Health Board recommending accounts for payment.

November 8th., 1923.

Office City Health Board,
November 5, 1923.

His Worship the Mayor
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the City Health Board held on Monday, November 5th., 1923, the following named accounts amounting to \$426.15 were passed as correct and were recommended for payment:-

Isolation Hospital:

| | | |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|--------------|
| MacLeod & Balcom | September | \$ 1.60 |
| Blackadar Bros | Advertising - August | 6.30 |
| J. J. Scriven | Bread - Sept. | 3.76 |
| Ideal Dairy Ltd | Milk Cream - Sept. Oct. | 29.46 |
| N. S. Undertaking | June, July, August, September | 28.00 |
| N. S. Tramways | Lighting Sept-Oct | 7.38 |
| Halifax Steam Laundry | Washing - Sept | 8.25 |
| P. T. Shea | Butter, Eggs - Sept | 34.45 |
| G. C. Hartlen | Meats - Sept-Oct. | 46.87 |
| Union Coal Co. | Coal - October | 189.75 |
| Wentzells Ltd | Groceries - October | <u>47.28</u> |
| | | \$403.10 |

General Accounts:

| | | |
|----------------------|----------------------|-------------|
| Mar. Tel. & Tel. Co. | Service - October | 12.18 |
| Mahons Ltd | October | .75 |
| Gragg Bros. | Batteries - Oct. | .80 |
| The Ross Print | Printing Oct | 7.32 |
| T. C. Allen & Co. | Gummed labels - Oct. | 1.00 |
| A. Milne Fraser | Type ribbon - Oct. | <u>1.00</u> |
| | | \$23.05 |

Recapitulation

| | |
|--------------------|-----------------|
| Isolation Hospital | \$403.10 |
| General Accounts | 23.05 |
| TOTAL | <u>\$426.15</u> |

Arthur C. Pettipas,
Secretary.

Moved by Alderman Schaffner, seconded by Alderman Sanford, that report be adopted and accounts paid. Motion passed.

CITY HEALTH BOARD - ACCOUNT J. A. NICHOLSON

Read report City Health Board recommending for payment the account of J. A. Nicholson - balance on account of his contract for repairs to Infectious Disease Hospital.

November 8th., 1923.

Office City Health Board,
November 5, 1923.

His Worship the Mayor
and Members City Council.
Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the City Health Board held on Monday, November 5th. 1923, an account amounting to \$57.00 from Mr. J. A. Nicholson, 80 Quinpool Road, representing final payment on contract covering repairs to Isolation Hospital Rockhead was passed as correct and is recommended for payment.

Arthur C. Pettipas,
Secretary.

Moved by Alderman Cameron, seconded by Alderman Sanford, that the report be adopted and account paid. Motion passed.

CITY HOME AND TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS.

Read report Charities Committee recommending accounts chargeable to the City Home and Tuberculosis Hospital for payment.

Halifax, N. S.,
November 7, 1923.

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

The Charities Committee met this day and beg to submit the following report. Members present The Chairman, Aldermen Daw, O'Toole, Sanford, Gastonguay and McDonald.

CITY HOME ACCOUNTS, OCTOBER 1923, AMOUNT \$9987.92

| | | |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Wentzells Ltd. | Flour & Groceries | \$ 1,055.80 |
| Davis & Fraser | Mess Pork | 65.82 |
| W. A. Maling & Co. | Meats | 298.14 |
| S. C. Thompson | Forage | 38.93 |
| Est. James Watson | Fish | 70.73 |
| T. J. Whalen & Co. | Dry Goods | 183.74 |
| G. E. VanBuskirk Ltd | Coal | 914.43 |
| Ideal Dairy Ltd | Milk | 174.37 |
| Smith & Proctor | Butter | 184.80 |
| Fleischmann Co. | Yeast | 4.75 |
| G. Hutchinson | Ice | 18.50 |
| N.S. Tramways & Power | Light & Power (2) | 42.12 |
| Mar. Tel. & Tel. Co. | Exchange service | 16.92 |
| Nickerson & Crease | Vegetables | 121.50 |
| Wm. Robertson & Son | Hardware | 30.25 |
| H. McFatridge | Horseshoeing | 4.50 |
| McLeod & Balcom | Sundries | .95 |
| Kellys Ltd | " | 8.00 |
| United Typewriter Co | Repairs | 2.50 |
| Halifax Herald | Advertising (2) | 13.72 |
| Chronicle Pub. Co. | " (2) | 11.76 |
| Blackadar Bros | " | 9.80 |
| Hillis & Sons Ltd | Range Back | 2.70 |

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| | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| Canadian Oil Co. | Gasoline | \$ 29.65 |
| Austin Bros | Circular Saw | 21.47 |
| Wm. Stairs, Soh & Morrow | Plumbers Supplies | 2.17 |
| Davison Parker Co | Lumber | 32.61 |
| Evans & Co. | Sundry Furnishings | 3.65 |
| V. G. Hospital | Medicine - 3 months | 146.98 |
| B.O. Archibald | Dispensing - 3 months | 50.00 |
| J.H. Buchanan | Cash expended | 247.44 |
| Salaries | October Pay Sheet | 1889.55 |
| N.S. Hospital | Maintenance Insane | 4289.67 |
| | | <u>\$9987.92</u> |

CITY TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS, OCTOBER 1923, AMOUNT

| | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| | | <u>\$2404.71</u> |
| Howards Ltd. | Groceries | 210.32 |
| The Maritime Market | Meats | 146.26 |
| Globe Laundry Co Ltd | Laundrywork | 54.47 |
| Smith & Proctor | Butter | 103.50 |
| R.B. Colwell Ltd | Eggs | 43.20 |
| Ideal Dairy Ltd | Milk & Cream | 110.51 |
| Est. James Watson | Fish | 14.05 |
| John Fry | Bread | 32.04 |
| N.S. Tramways & Power Co | Light & Power | 66.21 |
| Maritime Tel. & Tel. Co. | Exchange service | 11.24 |
| T.J. Whalen & Co. | Butter Cloth | 64.35 |
| McLeod, Balcom Ltd | Drugs | 103.26 |
| W.W. Hoyt | Repairs | 4.05 |
| Nickerson & Crease | Fruits & Vegetables | 66.90 |
| G. Hutchinson | Ice | 16.45 |
| City of Halifax | Pipe Rates | 60.00 |
| Webster Smith Ltd | Tea Pot | 1.20 |
| T.C. Allen & Co | Stationery | 2.90 |
| Wm. Robertson & Son | Sundries | 18.47 |
| City Home | Flour | 7.55 |
| V.G. Hospital | X Ray Examinations | 25.00 |
| J.H. Buchanan | Cash expended | 33.40 |
| Salaries | October Pay Sheet | 1209.38 |
| | | <u>\$2404.71</u> |

H. S. COLWELL,
Chairman.

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

CITY HOME & TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL -
TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES.

Read report Charities Committee re Tenders for Supplies to the City Home and Tuberculosis Hospital for a period of six months from November 1st.

November 8th., 1923.

Halifax, N. S.,
October 29th., 1923.

His Worship the Mayor
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen,

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: The Chairman, Aldermen Sanford, Daw
and Gastonguay.

TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES for the City Home and City Tubercu-
culosis Hospital for a period of six months from November
1st. 1923, were opened as follows:-

CITY HOME:

| | | |
|-------|-----------------|--------------|
| MILK: | Farmers Ltd | 11½¢ per qt. |
| | Ideal Dairy Ltd | 11 3/10 " " |

FRESH FISH:

| | |
|-----------------|-----------|
| L.H. Bowman | 5¢ per lb |
| Boutilliers Ltd | 7¢ " " |

MESS PORK:

| | |
|-------------------|------------|
| J.A. Leaman & Co. | 18¢ per lb |
| Davis & Fraser | 14½¢ " " |
| W.A. Maling & Co. | 15¢ " " |

BUTTER:

| | |
|------------------|-------------|
| Smith & Proctor | 37¢ per lb |
| R.B. Colwell Ltd | 38 9/10 " " |

MEATS:

| | |
|-------------------|------------|
| Maritime Market | \$ 1908.00 |
| W.A. Maling & Co. | 2143.40 |
| J.A. Leaman & Co. | 2528.00 |

DRY GOODS:

| | |
|-------------------|------------|
| T.J. Whalen & Co. | \$ 2031.15 |
|-------------------|------------|

GROCERIES:

| | |
|--------------------|------------|
| M.J. Ritcey Co Ltd | \$ 5076.03 |
| Wentzells Ltd | 4680.56 |
| Howards Ltd | 5227.93 |

CITY TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL:

FRESH FISH:

| | |
|-------------|-----------|
| H.L. Bowman | \$ 123.35 |
| Boutilliers | 136.51 |

BUTTER & EGGS:

| | |
|----------------------|------------|
| Smith & Proctor Ltd. | \$ 1045.00 |
| R.B. Colwell Ltd | 1181.40 |

BREAD:

| | |
|------------|-------------------|
| Moirs Ltd. | .05 9/10 per loaf |
| John Fry | .05 4/5 " " |

MILK & CREAM:

| | | |
|------------------------|----------|--------|
| Farmers Ltd. - Milk | .11½ | per qt |
| do light cream | .50 | " " |
| do heavy cream | .65 | " " |
| Ideal Dairy Ltd - Milk | .10 3/10 | " " |
| do light cream | .50 | " " |
| do heavy cream | .65 | " " |

MEATS:

| | |
|-------------------|-----------|
| Maritime Market | \$ 780.00 |
| J.A. Leaman & Co. | 855.25 |

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MEATS: (Cont'd.)

| | | |
|------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| | W.A.Maling & Co. | \$1100.41 |
| LAUNDRY: | Globe Laundry Ltd | .61 average |
| GROCERIES: | Howard Ltd | \$1689.57 |
| | Wentzells Ltd | 1654.55 ⁶ |
| | M.J.Ritcey Co Ltd | 1651.53 |

CITY HOME RECOMMENDATIONS:

The following tenders being the lowest are recommended for acceptance.

| | | |
|-------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|
| MILK: | | Tender not accepted |
| FRESH FISH: | H. L. Bowman | 5¢ per lb |
| MESS PORK: | Davis & Fraser | 14 ¹ / ₂ " " |
| BUTTER: | Smith & Proctor Ltd | 37 " " |
| MEATS: | Maritime Market | \$1908.00 |
| DRY GOODS: | T.J.Whalen & Co. | 3031.15 |
| GROCERIES: | Wentzells Ltd | 4680.56 |

CITY TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL RECOMMENDATIONS:

| | | |
|----------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| FISH | H. L. Bowman | \$ 123.35 |
| BUTTER & EGGS: | Smith & Proctor Ltd. | 1045.00 |
| BREAD: | John Fry | .05 4/5 |
| MEATS: | Maritime Market | 780.50 |
| LAUNDRYWORK: | Globe Laundry Ltd | .61¢ average |
| GROCERIES: | M. J. Ritcey Co. Ltd. | 1651.53 |
| MILK & CREAM: | | Tender not accepted. |

H. S. COLWELL,
Chairman.

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

CITY HOME - TENDERS FOR FLOUR.

Read report Charities Committee re tenders for supply-

*and Colwell ✓
J H Buchanan ✓*

November 8th., 1923.

| | |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| Hopgood & Sons | \$ 1.80 |
| S. C. Thompson | 12.40 |
| Halifax Seed Coy | 4.00 |
| Thos. Muldowney | 3.50 |
| Union Coal Co | 225.00 |
| Blackadar Bros. | 8.00 |
| St. Patricks Band | 200.00 |
| First P L F Band | 50.00 |
| Longars Ltd | 6.00 |
| R. & J. Farquhar Co. Boston Mass | 11.68 |
| N. S. Nursery | 4.75 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$580.95 |

JOHN MURPHY,
Mayor & Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Power, seconded by Alderman
O'Toole, that the report be adopted and accounts paid.
Motion passed.

✓ POLICE ACCOUNTS.

Read report Police Committee recommending accounts
for payment.

Office Chief Police,
November 7th., 1923.

His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.
Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Police Commission held this date,
the following accounts amounting to \$440.73, were examin-
ed and found correct and recommended for payment:-

| | | |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|
| James Simmonds Ltd | Paint etc | \$5.63 |
| Dr McEatrige | Destroying dog | 1.00 |
| Telephone Co | Service | 15.00 |
| A. H. Lamphier | Repairing & Painting | 138.50 |
| F. Manning | Hire of car | 105.00 |
| Imperial Oil Co | Grease | 3.07 |
| Charles Barnstead | Merchandise | .60 |
| Ross Print | Letterheads | 13.06 |
| Kellys Ltd | Sponges, etc | 4.25 |
| Halifax Vul. Works | Rental Battery | 1.88 |
| Nova Motors | Spark Plugs | 6.00 |
| Dorey Greig | Lamps | 2.25 |
| Garniers Millinery Store | Hats for P. W. | 20.00 |
| Souls Typewriter Co | Carbon paper | 3.00 |
| C. R. Hoben | Picture knobs | .42 |
| N.S.Storage Battery Works | Merchandise | 2.50 |
| Amherst Boot & Shoe | R. Boots | 11.40 |
| Wm. Robertson | Oil coats | 12.78 |
| Cragg Bros | Merchandise | 7.54 |
| Brookfield Bros | Merchandise | 1.35 |
| J. C. Foster | 2 Coats | 85.50 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$ 440.73 |

JOHN MURPHY,
Mayor and Chairman.

November 8th., 1923.

Moved by Alderman Bissett, seconded by Alderman O'Toole, that the report be adopted and account paid. Motion passed.

INDEPENDENT AUDIT.

✓ His Worship the Mayor submits following report on Progress of independent audit and ordered that copies be sent to each member of the Council.

City Hall,
November 8th., 1923.

To Members of the City Council.
Gentlemen,

Re Progress Work of Independent Audit
and Investigation- Price Water-
house & Company.

I desire to inform Council on the position of the above work, as it stands to date.

DEPARTMENTS COMPLETED AND REPORTED ON:

Camp Hill Cemetery
Board of Health
Housing Commission
Board of School Commissioners.

DEPARTMENTS COMPLETED ON WHICH REPORTS HAVE NOT YET BEEN SUBMITTED:

City Prison
City Home
Tuberculosis Hospital
Public Gardens and Commons
Point Pleasant Park
Victoria General Hospital Accounts
Truants
City Clerks Office
City Assessor's Office
Citizens Free Library
City Collector's Office.

DEPARTMENTS NOW UNDER INVESTIGATION:

Fire Department, including Fire Alarm System
Board of Works,
Miscellaneous Grants & Appropriations
County of Halifax.
Police Department.
Bonded indebtedness and other work in Treasurer's Office.

COMPLETION OF AUDIT AND INVESTIGATION:

I have discussed with the Chief Accountant, Mr. McCombe regarding the probable time required to complete their work. This you will realize is entirely dependent on conditions encountered in the Departments on which they are now working. While it is difficult at this time to even make an approximate estimate, it would seem reasonable to hope from present indications, that this work will be nearing completion within the next four to six weeks at the outside.

November 8th., 1923.

The amount paid for services of the Price, Waterhouse & Company's Staff as to October 1st., is approximately \$15,000. in addition to which we have paid for local assistants added to their staff in accordance with Resolution of Council.

I am submitting you, in separate report, a full statement of outstanding taxes to date, which will give you in detail the conditions shown by books in the Office of City Collector, covering a period of fifteen (15) years from 1908-09 to 1922-23.

Should any member of Council desire further information on this work, I shall be very glad to obtain it for him.

JOHN MURPHY,
M A Y O R .

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Halifax,
November 7th., 1923.

John Murphy, Esq.,
Mayor of Halifax.

Dear Sir,

OUTSTANDING TAXES.

We have now completed work on the taxes of the City of Halifax and in connection therewith attach hereto (1) statement of unpaid taxes (per City's books) at April 30 and October 31, 1923, for the years 1908-09 to 1922-23 inclusive (2) statement of cash deposited with the City Treasurer by the City Collector on account of poll taxes for the years 1908-09 to 1922-23 inclusive to October 31, 1923.

We are also handing to you in support of the outstanding detailed statements of unpaid taxes (excluding poll taxes) for each of the years bound separately.

We would point out that included in the outstandings are items known to have been paid to the former Collector, evidence of such payments being in the hands of the present City Collector.

We would draw your attention to the fact that under the provisions of the City Charter liens on properties for 1921-22 taxes will expire on May 31 next.

George B. McCombe,
Representative of Price, Waterhouse & Co.

Comment ✓

THE CITY OF HALIFAX.

COLLECTIONS (POLL TAXES) MADE FOR THE YEARS 1908-1909 TO 1922-1923 INCLUSIVE.
AT APRIL 30th AND OCTOBER 31st 1923.

| Year. | Gross. | Commission Deducted. | To Apr. 30/1923 Net Cash Transferred to Treasurer. | Cash Transferred to Treasurer from May 1/1923 to October 31/1923 |
|-----------|---------------------|-------------------------|--|---|
| 1908-1909 | \$490.00 | \$38.00 | \$ 452.00 | |
| 1909-1910 | 480.00 | - | 480.00 | |
| 1910-1911 | 270.00 | 5.00 | 265.00 | |
| 1911-1912 | 590.00 | 40.00 | 550.00 | |
| 1912-1913 | 180.00 | 18.00 | 162.00 | |
| 1913-1914 | 400.00 | 40.00 | 360.00 | |
| 1914-1915 | 1,170.00 | 107.00 | 1,063.00 | |
| 1915-1916 | 933.00 | 93.50 | 839.50 | |
| 1916-1917 | 1,435.00 | 87.50 | 1,347.50 | |
| 1917-1918 | 927.00 | 55.20 | 871.80 | \$3.00 |
| 1918-1919 | 1,596.00 | 69.70 | 1,526.30 | 3.00 |
| 1919-1920 | 1,296.00 | 20.40 | 1,275.60 | |
| 1920-1921 | 2,880.00 | 86.70 | 2,793.30 | 15.00 |
| 1921-1922 | 5,640.00 | 100.00 | 5,540.00 | 155.00 |
| 1922-1923 | 5,110.00 | 150.00 | 4,960.00 | |
| | <u>\$ 23,397.00</u> | <u>\$911.00</u> | <u>\$ 22,486.00</u> | <u>\$176.00</u> |

November 8th., 1923.

CITY AUDITORS DEPARTMENT

His Worship the Mayor submits the following report in reference to the carrying on of the duties of the City Auditor during his absence.

Mayor's Office,
City Hall,
November 8, 1923.

To the Members of the City Council,
Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen,

Re: Duties of City Auditor.

During the absence from duty of Mr. W. W. Foster, City Auditor, I have instructed Miss M. Gowen, the Assistant in this office, to pass and initial vouchers requiring the signature of the City Auditor, and have also authorized the City Treasurer, until otherwise instructed, to accept vouchers so signed.

You will understand that all accounts are carefully checked and approved by the heads of Departments concerned before going to the Auditor's Office, where they are further checked to see that they are charged to proper appropriations and that moneys are available for their payment, before being put through.

The arrangement as outlined herein is absolutely necessary to enable us to carry on.

John Murphy,

M A Y O R.

Filed.

INVESTIGATION UNDER OATH

Alderman Power gives notice that at a future meeting of the Council he will move for the consideration of the following resolution:-

WHEREAS during the past summer the investigation of the City's affairs by Price, Waterhouse & Co., has disclosed maladministration in civic business in some departments at the City Hall,

AND WHEREAS a large number of rate payers of this City while satisfied of the capacity of the auditors - Price, Waterhouse & Co., in their present audit, is apprehensive that the energies of the said auditors are not sufficient to cope with the matters they are investigating and it is desirable that there should be an investigation under oath into the administrative details of the various departments of the City under the control of the City of

November 8th., 1923.

Halifax.

RESOLVED that this Council under Section 151 of the City Charter, of 1914, requests His Honor Judge Wallace, K. C., Judge of the County Court at Halifax to investigate all matters in connection with the good government of the City of Halifax and the conduct of all parts of the public business thereof, and that the learned judge be further respectfully requested to commence such investigation and to conclude the same and report with all convenient speed to this Council the result of the investigation and the evidence, after the completion of the present audit if, in the opinion of this Council, such audit is deficient in any particular.

✓
MILK SUPPLY

Alderman Daw gives notice that at a future meeting of the Council he will move for the consideration of the following resolution re Milk supplied in the City.

WHEREAS the present law regarding the compulsory bottling of milk in the City of Halifax has resulted in what appears to be an unjust increase in the price of milk from 12¢ quart to 14¢ quart to our Citizens;

AND WHEREAS it has become apparent to some of the Committees of the City Council that an understanding has been arrived at by the present milk dealers, whereby milk supply tenders to different Civic Institutions, notably the City Home and T. B. Hospital were advanced 3¢ per quart over the previous six month contract price - namely from 7½¢ per quart to 11¢ per quart.

AND WHEREAS many good citizens were thrown out of business as a result of said new law, and that it is not in the best interest of our citizens, that so important an article as milk should be monopolized by a few,

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the City Council do place itself on record as being favorable to the repeal of the compulsory milk bottling Health Board legislation promulgated in 1922, and that the City Health Board be furnished with a copy of this Resolution, as well as Premier E. H. Armstrong.

FURTHER RESOLVED that such repeal be requested by the City Council at the opening of next session of the Legislature Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia.

✓
HOUSING COMMISSION

His Worship the Mayor submits letter from S. M. Brookfield Esq., Chairman of the Housing Commission in re Dominion Guarantee Company's Bond, T. M. Hayes.

Halifax, N. S.,
November 9, 1923.

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

November 8th., 1923.

Gentlemen, Re Dominion Guarantee Company's Bond,
T.M. Hayes.

With regard to the above Bond, we beg to say that under its terms it was necessary for our Commission to prosecute the official involved before we could hold the Bonding Company liable. This has been done but, notwithstanding the fact, the Bonding Company refuses to admit liability under this Bond, alleging in a general way that misrepresentations were made to the Company by the Commission when this Bond was issued.

We know of no misrepresentation whatever, and are satisfied that the Company is liable and should be compelled to pay. We, however, have no funds at our disposal to carry on litigation in this connection and desire to place the matter before your Council in order to obtain their approval and authority to incur whatever expense is necessary in taking legal action for the recovering of the amount involved.

In carrying on the prosecution of the official concerned, we have incurred some slight expense for which it will be necessary to make provision at the proper time.

THE HOUSING COMMISSION,
Samuel M. Brookfield,
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Power,

that same be referred to the City Solicitor for report.

Motion passed.

*acc. Whitman
City Solicitor
assisted*

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Meeting adjourned at 8.30 o'clock P. M.

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JOHN MURPHY,
Mayor.

John Murphy

EVENING SESSION

8.10 o'clock,

Council Chamber, City Hall,

November 15th., 1923.

A meeting of the City Council was held this Evening at the above named hour. Present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Munnis, Finlay, Sanford, Bissett, Gastonguay, Schaffner, H. W. Cameron, McDonald, Guildford, Whelan, O'Toole, Power, Drysdale, Daw, Hibley and W. O. Cameron.

✓
NOTICE OF L. FRED. MONAGHAN TO ISSUE
WRIT OF MANDAMUS.

Read report of the Finance Committee in re to notice by L. Fred. Monaghan of his intention to sue for a Writ of Mandamus to restore him to the office of City Clerk of the City of Halifax, said report recommending that the services of Mr. J. MacG. Stewart be engaged to assist the City Solicitor in looking after the City's interest.

Committee Room, City Hall,
November 14, 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, the attached Notice by Mr. L. Fred. Monaghan of his intention to apply to the Supreme Court for a Writ of Mandamus directing and commanding the Mayor and Council of the City of Halifax forthwith to restore him to office as City Clerk of said City, was read.

Your Committee recommend that the services of Mr. J. MacG. Stewart be engaged to assist the City Solicitor in defending the proposed action of Mr. Monaghan, also in the matter of the resignation and application for Superannuation of W. W. Foster, City Auditor, and also the cases now pending with respect to the Guarantee Bonds of the late City Collector and Secretary of Housing Commission.

ALFRED WHITMAN,
Chairman.

November 15th., 1923.

To the City of Halifax,
and the Mayor and the Council of the City of Halifax:

I, L. Fred. Monaghan, of the City of Halifax in the County of Halifax and Province of Nova Scotia, Gentleman, according to the Statute in that behalf made and provided hereby give you Notice that I, the said L. Fred. Monaghan, an assessed resident and rate-payer of the City of Halifax, will at or after the expiration of twenty days from the time of the service of this Notice upon you, the City of Halifax and the Mayor and the Council of the said City of Halifax, apply at my instance as Relator, to the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia Crown Side, and if in vacation to a Judge in Chambers, for a Summons to show cause for a prerogative Writ of Mandamus directing and commanding you, the City of Halifax and the Mayor and the Council of the said City of Halifax forthwith to restore me, the said L. Fred. Monaghan, to my office of City Clerk of the said City of Halifax, from which office I the said L. Fred. Monaghan was unjustly and illegally and without any good cause whatsoever dismissed and removed by Resolution of the Council of the said City of Halifax passed on the 25th. day of October, 1923.

DATED at Halifax, N. S., this 27th. day of October 1923.

L. FRED. MONAGHAN

of 146½ Windsor Street, in the
City of Halifax, in the County
of Halifax and Province of Nova
Scotia, Gentleman.

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

NAVY LEAGUE TAX EXEMPTION

Read report of Special Committee appointed to consider and report on the application of the Navy League of Canada for exemption from Taxation on the Navy League Building at the corner of Barrington Street and South Street.

Committee Room,
City Hall,
November 15, 1923.

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

The Special Navy League Committee appointed by His Worship the Mayor beg to state that they have carefully examin-

*City Solicitor ✓
City Auditor ✓
L. Fred. Monaghan ✓
Municipal Clerk ✓*

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ed the accounts and matters connected with the Halifax Branch of the Navy League and have to report and recommend as follows:-

1. They visited the building situated at the corner of South and Barrington Streets and examined it from cellar to attic. It is a well constructed and modern fire proof building, complete in every detail of its adaptation to the objects and purposes for which it was built.

2. The properties which were purchased by the Navy League as a site for the building, cost \$19,000.00, and the site and building completed and equipped cost \$343,662.00.

3. The capital necessary for the erection of this building, was subscribed and paid by the Navy League of Canada and its friends throughout Canada, about \$80,000.00 of which was subscribed in Nova Scotia and the balance by other Provinces.

4. The Navy League was incorporated in 1919 and the Halifax branch was formed by the absorption of the old Sailors' Home and the Seamen Friendly Society, two old benevolent Halifax institutions.

5. The land and buildings acquired as a site for the present building had been previously assessed as under:-

| | | | | |
|---------|----------------|----------------|---------|--------------|
| 1918-19 | - \$12,800.00, | as Navy League | 1921-22 | \$157,200.00 |
| 1919-20 | 5,300.00 | " " " | 1922-23 | 182,000.00 |
| 1920-21 | 10,300.00 | " " " | 1923-24 | 182,000.00 |

6. The purposes the Navy League had in view by the erection and equipment of this building were to provide the Port of Halifax with proper accommodation and care for the Sailors of the Naval and Merchant Marine services of the world, whether in or out of employment, and whether distressed or sick, and to improve their moral and social condition, and this whether they had sufficient funds or no funds at all, thus confirming the fact that this building was erected and equipped solely for benevolent and philanthropic work and the moral welfare and uplift of our human brothers.

7. Apart from the payment of any taxes whatever, we find that the Navy League is at present unable to operate the institution except at a loss, and according to the financial statement of its Auditor, Henry E. Crowell, C. A., it had a deficit at December 31st. 1922 of approximately \$3,500.00.

8. We also found that after the site for the building was acquired, the new street line as laid down by the City, required the builders to set the building back some twelve feet on Barrington Street and also about one foot on South Street, by which a loss of land was occasioned, estimated by City Engineering Department at \$1,500.00.

9. It will be noticed by Sec. 5, that after the building was completed it was assessed nearly ten times the previous

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assessments, and if this assessment and taxation is now to be enforced by the City against such a benevolent institution, then we submit that the City will be confiscating the money subscribed and paid by other parts of Canada, including the Province of Nova Scotia, for an institution built and equipped and afterward practically donated as a gift to the Port of Halifax.

10. The Navy League is not asking nor is it now seeking for financial assistance from the City, they only ask for relief from oppressive taxation, which if enforced must end in the confiscation of the building, because the accrued taxes now amount to nearly \$20,000.00, for less than three years of operation.

11. We submit that probably the Navy League is legally exempt from taxation in this City by virtue of its having been formed by the absorption of the Seamen Friendly Society and the Sailors' Home, two old benevolent institutions of Halifax, which operated in this City for forty years previously without taxation.

12. The Barrington Street front of the building contains four stores, three of which are now rented at \$40.00 per month, giving an annual commercial return of \$1,440.00 per year. These stores are small ones, having a floor space of only 500 square feet each, and in normal times they are probably not worth any more than they are now paying.

13. We find that Sailors' Homes in the following cities are exempt from taxation and are supported by voluntary subscriptions, namely:- New York, Toronto, Port Arthur, Quebec, Montreal, St. John N. B., St. Johns Nfld., and we think all the Sailors' Homes in England.

14. We beg to lay before the Council all the accounts, correspondence and other papers in connection, which are in our possession and would recommend to Council that the assessment on the Navy League Building and property be reduced to \$30,000.00 and remain at this figure while ever the building is used for benevolent purposes, and that this assessed value of \$30,000.00 date back to the year 1921-22 and that a credit on account of taxes due be given for the land appropriated by the City as per Paragraph 8.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

F. W. BISSETT,
Chairman.

Read minority Report submitted by Alderman Whitman.

Halifax,

November 14, 1923.

I beg leave to report against any exemption of taxation in

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regard to the Navy League building as situated at the corner of Pleasant and South Streets, Halifax, for the following reasons:-

1st. In view of the present financial position of the City of Halifax, it is in the public interest that no further tax exemptions be allowed. In fact a large number of our citizens are demanding the doing away with the present exemptions.

2nd. On interviewing Halifax concerns interested in shipping, I have been informed that the Halifax Navy League building was erected without proper consideration of the present situation as regards the necessities of the Port of Halifax. The building is entirely too pretentious, making the annual of up-keep entirely beyond what could reasonably be considered warranted to take care of seamen while in this Port. No statement has been presented by those in charge of the Halifax building to show how the heavy annual deficits are to be met. I am informed that even with partial tax exemption, running expenses cannot be met.

3rd. I am creditably informed by those having a knowledge of present conditions, that in recent years and at this time seamen, whether of the navy or mercantile marine, are not objects of charity. To-day's rates of wages compare favorably with those of other occupations, so that seamen are as well able to look after themselves while in the Port of Halifax as any other similar class of labor; in addition to which seamen are entitled to free medical attendance provided for out of the fees paid in by all shipping to the Sick Mariners' Fund. It is also a fact that stranded seamen are looked after by the representative of whatever country they may belong to, such expense falling upon the owners of the steamer or vessel on which the seamen were employed. There is no lack of accommodation in Halifax outside of the Navy League building to take care of all reasonable calls for such accommodation.

4th. It would appear that a grave error of judgment was made by a group of Toronto enthusiasts in the erection of the entirely too elaborate Navy League building at Halifax. This is shown by the lack of support that has been given by those interested in shipping in Halifax. It is, therefore, not in the interests of the City to relieve those responsible for the erection of said building from taxation.

Moved by Alderman Bissett, seconded by Alderman Colwell, that the report of the Special Committee be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Power, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the consideration of this report be deferred until the next meeting and that a copy of the re-

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port of the Committee and of the Minority report to be sent to each Aldermen and that an opportunity be given to the Rate-payers Association, representatives of the Navy League and any other persons interested, to address the Council on the subject.

By unanimous consent of Council, Mr. W. A. Henry is permitted to address the Council on the subject.

His Worship the Mayor asks Deputy Mayor Colwell to take the Chair and he addresses the members from the floors of the Council Chamber on the same subject.

The amendment is put and passed, 13 voting for the same and 5 against it, as follows:-

For the Amendment:-

Alderman Whitman,
Munnis,
Sanford,
Gastonguay,
Schaffner,
H. W. Cameron
McDonald,
Whelan,
O'Toole,
Power,
Drysdale,
Hubley,
Daw.

Against it:-

Alderman Colwell,
Finlay,
Bissett,
Guildford,
W. O. Cameron.

PROGRESS PAYMENT - STREET LIGHTING SYSTEM

Council ✓
Read report of the Finance Committee recommending progress payment of \$10,000.00 to the Northern Electric Company on account of their contract for installing the Street Lighting System.

Committee Room, City Hall,
November 7th., 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, the attached Extract from Minutes of a meeting of the City Council held on October 25th. 1923, referring to this Committee for consideration and report, the report of the City Engineer

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recommending a progress payment of \$10,000.00 to the Northern Electric Company on account of their contract for installing the street lighting system, was read.

Your Committee recommend that the report of the City Engineer recommending payment of \$10,000.00 to the Northern Electric Company on account of their contract, be adopted.

ALFRED WHITMAN,
Chairman.

*City Engineer ✓
City Auditor ✓*

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Gastonguay, that the report be adopted and the payment made. Motion passed.

HOUSING COMMISSION GRANT

Read report of the Finance Committee recommending the payment of \$1000.00 of the Appropriation for the current year to the Housing Commission.

Committee Room, City Hall,
November 14, 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, the attached letter of E. K. Fielding, Secretary to the Housing Commission, asking for the payment of \$1000.00 of their appropriation for current year, was read.

Your Committee recommend that the City Treasurer be authorized to pay over to the Commission said sum of \$1000.00 on account.

ALFRED WHITMAN,
Chairman.

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Office of Housing Commission,
City Hall,
November 13, 1923.

City Treasurer,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir,

Enclosed herewith please find a statement of the account of the City of Halifax with the Housing Commission, which shows an unpaid balance of appropriation of \$2000.

We are in need of funds and would ask that you present this Statement to the Finance Committee with the request that we be given another \$1000. on account.

E. K. FIELDING,
Secretary to Commission.

November 15th., 1923.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Gastonguay, that the report be adopted and the amount paid. Motion passed.

ALFRED PITTS.

Read report Committee of Firewards with reference to the disability of Alfred Pitts a former member of the Halifax Fire Department.

Committee Room, City Hall,
November 7th., 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.
Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards, held this day, the attached report of the Chief of the Department, in reference to the disability of Alfred Pitts who claims that his injuries were caused in the performance of his duties as a Member of the Fire Department, was read.

Mr. Doty, Counsel for Mr. Pitts, addressed the Committee and submitted accounts for Doctors' bills and Hospital fees incurred by Mr. Pitts amounting to \$240.50, of which Mr. Pitts has paid \$66.00, leaving a balance unpaid of \$174.50.

Your Committee has instructed the Chief to retain Mr. Pitts on the active list of the Department at any work where his services can be utilized until the end of the present civic year.

Your Committee further submit to the Council for its information and action the said accounts amounting to \$174.50, the Committee not desiring to assume any liability in the matter.

H. W. CAMERON,
Chairman.

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Office Chief Fire Department,
Halifax,
November 7th., 1923.

Board of Firewards.

Gentlemen,

As requested by your Board, at last meeting, I herewith report that Alfred Pitts was admitted to the Department on June 17th. 1920, and stationed at the Brunswick St. Station; received an injury to his knee on September 2, 1920, which necessitated his absence from duty until the 29th. of the same month; resigned January 20, 1921.

Admitted again as relief man for holidays at West Street Station June 17, 1921, remaining at this station to September 30, 1921, thence going to Brunswick Street Station on October 3rd. and remaining at Brunswick St. until transferred to Morris St. Station on January 4, 1922.

*E. F. Fielding ✓
City Auditor ✓*

November 15th., 1923.

Reported sick February 8, 1922, after regular day off on 7th., reported for duty February 9th.; reported sick April 14, 1922 after regular day off on 13th., reported for duty April 17th.; reported sick April 19th. 1922, reported for duty May 9th.; reported sick February 13, 1923, reported for duty February 19th.; reported sick March 10, 1923, and has not been on duty since. Underwent an operation at the Victoria General Hospital on June 23, 1923, for amputation of foot.

Mr. Pitts claims to have injured his foot at fire January 28, 1923, Box 42, 665 Barrington St.

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

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KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS that I, ARTHUR PITTS, of Halifax, in the County of Halifax, in consideration of my being retained on the payroll of the Fire Department until April 30, 1924, and payment to me by the City of Halifax of my weekly salary of \$25.00 until that date, in return for which I undertake to perform the duties of the position in the department to which I shall be assigned and which I can perform in spite of my disability, and in further consideration of the payment to me by the City of Halifax of hospital and medical expenses incurred as the result of the injury sustained by me in fighting a fire in January 1923, resulting in the amputation of my foot on June 23rd. 1923 (providing this recommendation of the Board of Firewards is ratified by the City Council), do hereby demise, release and forever discharge the said City of Halifax, of and from all manner of actions, causes of action, debts, accounts, covenants, contracts, claims and demands whatsoever which against the said City of Halifax I ever had, now have, or which my heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, or any of them, hereafter can, shall or may have for or by reason of any cause, matter or thing whatsoever existing up to the present time, with particular reference to any claim for damages or compensation as the result of the injury referred to above.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 9th. day of November, A. D. 1923.

Signed, Sealed and delivered
in the presence of
I. C. Doty.

ARTHUR JOHN PITTS

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Moved by Alderman H. W. Cameron, seconded by Alderman McDonald, that the report be adopted and that the accounts contained therein amounting to \$174.50 for Doctor's bills and Hospital fees, incurred by Mr. Pitts, be paid from any fund available, and, if necessary, confirmatory legislation be obtained to legalize said payment. Motion passed.

*Ald. Cameron ✓
Chief Churchill ✓
City Auditor ✓
City Collector ✓*

November 15th., 1923.

✓ UNPAID TAXES.

Read report Finance Committee in re collection of unpaid Taxes, Water Rates, Sewerage, Sidewalks, etc.

Committee Room, City Hall,
November 14, 1923.

His Worship Mayor Murphy
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Committee on Finance, held this day, the attached resolution in re collection of taxes as set forth in Sec. 32 Chap 69 Acts 1923, was read, approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

ALFRED WHITMAN,
Chairman.

The following Resolution is here submitted:-

WHEREAS the City Council under Section 32 Chapter 69 of the Acts of 1923 may authorize the City Collector to expend, under the supervision of the Mayor, a sum not exceeding one per cent of the amount of the taxes due and unpaid on the 30th. day of April 1923, for the purposes of collecting and in collecting such taxes so in arrears,

AND WHEREAS it is necessary to expend certain sums not at present ascertainable for the purposes specified in the above section,

THEREFORE RESOLVED that the City Collector, under the supervision of the Mayor, be and is hereby authorized to expend such sums as are required for the purposes so specified and the City Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to pay the said sums from any fund available pending the collection of the said taxes.

The Resolution is moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Power and passed unanimously.

✓ IVANHOE STREET, SEWER AND WATER TRENCHING

Read report Committee on Works recommending for payment to E. Bianco and J. A. Hanratty the sum of \$576.77, balance in full of their account for excavating and back-filling sewer and water trench on Ivanhoe Street.

*Mayor ✓
City Auditor ✓
City Collector ✓*

November 15th., 1923.

City Works Office,
November 14, 1923.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen,

The Works Committee beg to recommend payment to E. Bianco and J. A. Hanratty of the sum of five hundred and sixty-six dollars and seventy-seven cents (\$566.77), balance in full on their contract for excavating and backfilling sewer and water trench on Ivanhoe Street, as per Engineer's certificate attached hereto.

A. F. MESSERVEY,
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,
November 14, 1923.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir,

I beg to recommend payment to E. Bianco and J. A. Hanratty of the sum of five hundred and sixty-six dollars and seventy-six cents (\$566.77) being the balance in full on their contract for excavating and backfilling sewer and water trench on Ivanhoe Street.

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|--|-----------------|-------------------|--|
| Estimated value of work done - | | | |
| Excavation and backfilling | = 525' @ \$2.95 | \$1,548.75 | |
| Laying Sewer | 485' .10 | 48.50 | |
| Manholes | 2 80.00 | 160.00 | |
| Overhaul | 21 cu yds 1.00 | 21.00 | |
| Extras - | | | |
| Night Watchman, Oct. 6 to 25 - 20 nights @ | 2.50 | 50.00 | |
| Oil | | 1.28 | |
| | | <u>\$1,829.53</u> | |
| Paid on certificate 1-2 | | 1,262.76 | |
| Balance recommended in full | | <u>\$ 566.77</u> | |

H. W. JOHNSTON,
Asst. City Engineer.

*Engineer's
Audit*

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

✓ CLAIM KENNETH K. KEATING FOR DAMAGES.

Read report Committee on Works covering report of the City Solicitor in reference to claim of Kenneth K. Keating for damages sustained from falling into a Catch-pit at the corner of Proctor and Barrington Streets, recommending that Mr. Keating be paid the sum of \$300.00 in full for his claim without prejudice.

November 15, 1923.

City Works Office,
November 14, 1923.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen,

Attached hereto is a report from the City Solicitor on claim of Kenneth R. Keating for damages sustained from falling into a Catchpit at the corner of Proctor and Barrington Streets, May 31st. 1923; the sum claimed by Mr. Keating is \$478.00.

At a meeting of the Works Committee held November 14th. inst., it was decided to recommend to Council that Mr. Keating be paid the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300.00), without prejudice.

A. F. MESSERVEY,
Clerk of Works.

...

Office of City Solicitor,
November 13, 1923.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir,

Re Kenneth R. Keating.

I have discussed this matter several times with Mr. Keating and also with Mr. Doane. Ordinarily, I do not think the City is liable for an accident occurring through a misplaced catchpit cover, but, in this case, there are certain circumstances which need not be stated, which, in the opinion of Mr. Doane and myself, differentiate this case.

We are both of opinion that if a reasonable settlement of the claim may be made, it would be advisable to do so.

F. H. BELL,
City Solicitor.

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Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Finlay, that the report be adopted and the amount of \$300. paid. Motion passed.

INSURANCE, FURNITURE CITY HALL

Read report of the Finance Committee in re to Insurance on the furniture of the City Hall covering a letter from A. F. Messervey, Clerk of Works.

Committee Room, City Hall,
November 14, 1923.

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

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, the attached letter of A. F. Messervey, Clerk of Works, in reference to expiring on the 3rd. instant of a Policy of Insurance for \$15,000.00 on furniture City Hall, the Premium on which is \$255.00, with the information that the sum of \$57.22 only was to the credit of this Appropriation, was read.

*Copy to
City Auditor ✓*

November 15, 1923.

Your Committee are of the opinion that the City should keep within the Appropriation for this service and recommend that the Works Department be instructed to arrange for a policy of Insurance covering a period between the 3rd. of November and the 1st. of May next of an amount which can be purchased for said sum of \$57.22.

ALFRED WHITMAN,
Chairman.

.....

City Work's Office,
November 14, 1923.

Alderman Whitman,
Chairman, Finance Committee.

Sir,

Under instructions of His Worship the Mayor I am directed to advise your committee that insurance on City Hall furniture, etc., amounting to \$15,000.00, under a policy issued by the Halifax Fire Insurance Company, expired on the 3rd. instant. The above amount is additional and concurrent with \$10,000.00 covered in the regular schedule policy on City property generally, except that in the case of the particular policy now referred to the fire alarm equipment in City Hall is specifically mentioned as being also included in the risk.

Due to changes not anticipated when estimates were prepared the Work's Committee have only the sum of \$57.22 to credit of insurance account. The renewal premium on this Policy is \$255.00, leaving a balance of \$197.78 to be arranged for if the risk is to be continued, and which it is desirous should be done.

Temporary arrangements have been made to keep the policy in effect until your committee could meet and make a recommendation to Council whereby funds could be provided to take care of the amount required to complete payment of the renewal premium. The Halifax Fire Insurance Company have expressed a willingness that if found necessary they would wait until legislation was obtained authorizing payment.

His Worship trusts that you can arrange to report on this matter at the meeting of Council to be held tomorrow evening, 15th. instant.

A. F. MESSERVEY,
Clerk of Works.

.....

Moved by Alderman Finlay, seconded by Alderman Hubbley, that the Policy for \$15,000.00 with the Halifax Fire Insurance Company for insurance on the furniture and equipment in the City Hall, be renewed on condition that the Company accept in payment of same the sum of \$57.22 at present to the credit of the Insurance account, and that the balance of the payment, \$197.78, be paid when funds are available. Motion passed.

*Mayor ✓
Engineer ✓
Clerk of Works ✓*

November 15, 1923.

✓ RALPH S. GATES, SALARY

Read report Finance Committee in reference to salary to be paid to Ralph S. Gates as Acting City Collector.

Committee Room, City Hall,
November 7, 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the attached Exgract from Minutes of Meeting of the City Council of the 4th. day of October 1923, in reference to salary to be paid to Ralph S. Gates for the period during which he occupied the office of Acting City Collector, was read.

Your Committee recommend that in view of the fact that this account has already been paid before it reached this Committee, it be now filed.

ALFRED WHITMAN,
Chairman.

Filed, Alderman Whitman dissenting.

✓ TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES, CITY PRISON.

Read report City Prison Committee recommending Tenders for supplies to the City Prison for the period of 6 months ending April 30th., 1924.

Committee Room, City Hall,
October 23, 1923.

The City Council.

Gentlemen,

The Committee on City Prison met this Afternoon at 2.30 o'clock at the Prison. Present Aldermen Bissett, Chairman; Munnis and Daw, and, before the close of the meeting, Alderman Gastonguay.

In response to calls for tenders for probable quantities of various supplies for the Prison for the six months period ending April 30th. 1924, bids were received and opened as follows:-

BREAD - 16,000 lbs. -
Moirs Ltd. Bread not over 1 day old 3 1/3¢ per lb
Fresh Bread 4 2/3¢

J. J. Scriven & Sons

5¢

It is recommended that the tender of Moirs Ltd., at 3 1/3¢ per pound being the lowest and the firm having agreed to satisfy the Superintendent of the Prison at all times as to the quality of bread, be accepted.

BEEF - In forequarters weighting not less than 150 lbs.-
6,000 lbs.
W. A. Maling & Co. \$7.80 per 100 lbs
Maritime Market 7.50 do.

It is recommended that the tender of the Maritime Market being the lowest be accepted.

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GROCERIES - as per shedule

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|--------------------|----------|
| Wentzells Ltd | \$504.72 |
| M. J. Ritcey & Co. | 521.67 |
| Howards Ltd | 489.96 |

It is recommended that the tender of Howards Ltd., being the lowest, be accepted.

UNDERCLOTHING - as per scheduled tenders

J. & M. Murphy Ltd.
Gordon B. Isnor
Clayton & Sons.

It is recommended that the tender of J. & M. Murphy for Shirts at \$11.50 per dozen, and of Clayton & Sons for Socks at \$3.75 per dozen, be accepted.

The original tenders are attached hereto.

F. W. BISSETT,
Chairman.

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

COAL WEIGHERS, REPORT SEPTEMBER 1923.

Read report Supervisor of Coal Weighers for the Month of September 1923, showing that the Permanent Weighers received \$73.12 each.

Filed.

GEIZER PROPERTY, DUTCH VILLAGE ROAD

Read report of the Finance Committee in reference to the sale of the Geizer Property, Dutch Village Road.

Committee Room, City Hall,
November 14, 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, it was decided to recommend to the City Council that the Geizer Property on Dutch Village Road, purchased by the City some years ago as a site for a Tuberculosis Hospital, be offered for sale by tender by the Works Department.

ALFRED WHITMAN,
Chairman.

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

*As moved by
Ald Bissett*

November 15, 1923.

BARRINGTON STREET DIVERSION AT N.S. FERTILIZER WORKS

Read report Committee on Works in re to the diversion of Barrington Street at the Nova Scotia Fertilizer Works as shown by Plan #5508.

City Work's Office,
November 8th., 1923.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Work's Committee held November 7th. 1923, it was decided to recommend to the Council that under the authority of Section 15 of Chapter 69 of the Acts of 1923 it divert the portion of Barrington Street adjoining the works of the Nova Scotia Fertilizer Company as shown on Plan No. 5508 and that the portion of the existing street so diverted also as shown on said Plan be closed to the public.

A. F. MESSERVEY,
Clerk of Works.

By Engineer ✓
Moved by Alderman Finlay, seconded by Alderman Schaffner that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

CITY HOME AND TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL INMATES.

Read report Charities Committee for the Month of October showing the number of Inmates in the City Home during the Month to be 289 and in the Tuberculosis Hospital 34.

Halifax, November 7th., 1923.

His Worship the Mayor
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen,

The Charities Committee met this day and beg to submit the following report. Members present The Chairman, Aldermen Daw, O'Toole, Sanford, Gastonguay and McDonald.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT CITY HOME, NUMBER OF INMATES 289.

The Superintendent's report shows that during the month of October 1923, there were 12 persons admitted into the City Home, 1 born, 7 discharged and 2 died. Of the number admitted 1 was chargeable to the Province and 11 to the City. The total number of inmates October 31st 1923, was 289, made up of 159 men, 123 women and 7 children. On the same date last year there were 168 men, 132 women and 7 children, a total of 307.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT CITY TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL,
NUMBER OF PATIENTS 34.

The Superintendent's report shows that during the month of October 1923, there were 5 patients admitted into the City

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Tuberculosis Hospital viz., 4 women and 1 man, 2 women were discharged and 3 men died. The total number of patients October 31st. 1923, was 34, made up of 13 men, 19 women and 2 children. On the same date last year there were 21 men, 14 women and 1 child, a total of 36.

H. S. COLWELL,
Chairman.

Filed.

FIRES AND THEIR CAUSES AND LOSSES.

Read report Committee of Firewards and Chief of the Fire Department with reference to Fires and their Causes and Losses during the month of September 1923.

Committee Room, City Hall,
November 7th., 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen,

The Committee of firewards submit herewith the following report from the Chief of the Fire Department relating to Fires and their Causes and Losses during the month of September 1923:-

Office Chief Fire Department,
Halifax, November 7th., 1923.

Board of Firewards.

Gentlemen,

Herewith I submit the following report for the month of September during which there were 23 alarms of fire as follows:-

Unknown 2, false 4, careless smoking 3, careless use matches 5, smoke backing down chimney 1, poor construction 1, overheated stove pipes 2, chimneys 2, electric iron 1, short circuits 2.

| | | |
|--------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Property at risk | \$ 161,860.00 | |
| Insurance losses | | \$4,947.00 |
| Losses not insured | | 80.00 |
| | | <u>\$5,027.00</u> |

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

H. W. CAMERON,
Chairman.

Filed.

PAVING CONTRACT - STEVENS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY.

His Worship the Mayor submits for the information of the Council a Garnishee Order issued at the instance of T. A. S. DeWolfe & Son against the Stevens Construction Com-

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pany, Defendants and Judgment Debtors, and the City of
Halifax, a body corporate, Garnishee.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT

BETWEEN:

James E. DeWolf and Harry G. DeWolf,
doing business as T. A. S. DeWolf
& Son,

Plaintiffs and Judgment
Creditors,

and,

Thomas Stephen and Louis Stephen,
doing business under the name of
Stephen Construction Company,

Defendants and
Judgment Debtors,

and,

City of Halifax, a body corporate, Garnishee.

UPON hearing read the papers on file herein and upon reading the affidavit of Joseph F. Mahoney filed the 14th. day of November 1923, and on motion of counsel,

IT IS ORDERED that all debts owing or accruing due from the above named garnishee to the above named judgment debtors be attached to answer a judgment recovered against the said judgment debtors by the above named judgment creditors in the Supreme Court on the 14th. day of November 1923, for the sum of \$4,702.11, on which judgment the said sum of \$4,702.11 remains due and unpaid.

AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the said garnishee attend the Judge in Chambers at the County Court House, Spring Garden Road, Halifax, N. S., on Friday, the 23rd. day of November, A. D., 1923, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon on an application by the said judgment creditors that the said garnishee pay the debt due from it to the said judgment debtors, or so much thereof as may be sufficient to satisfy the judgment, together with the costs of the garnishee proceedings.

DATED at Halifax, N. S., this 14th. day of November, A. D., 1923.

(Signed) A. G. CUMMINGS,
Prothonotary.

Referred to the City Solicitor.

WATER METER BILL #213 GRAFTON STREET.

Head report Committee on Works recommending a reduction in the Water Meter bill for the premises 213 Grafton Street

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for the half year ending March 1923.

City Work's Office,
October 4, 1923.

His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.

Sirs,

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 3rd. instant, the City Engineer submitted a report on Water Meter Bill for premises 213 Grafton Street for half year ending March 1923, amounting to \$71.53. The Committee decided to recommend to Council that the amount be reduced one-third.

A. F. MESSERVEY,
Clerk of Works.

....
City Engineer's Office,
September 19, 1923.

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

Sir,

I beg to report on the attached bill for water supplied the premises #213 Grafton Street and complained of as being excessive, that the period covered by the bill is from September 1922 to March 1923, and the amount of the bill is \$71.53.

A reference to the records shows that the large consumption took place in January, February and March and was caused by the water being allowed to run during the cold weather to prevent freezing.

I have had the meter tested and it registers accurately. As there is no doubt that the water passed through the meter, I am unable to recommend any reduction in the bill.

H. W. JOHNSTON,
Asst. City Engineer.

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

WATER METER BILL #214 MARKET STREET

Read report Committee on Works recommending a reduction in the Water Meter Bill for the premises #214 Market Street for the Half Year ending September 1922.

City Work's Office,
October 4, 1923.

His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.

Sirs,

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 3rd. instant the City Engineer submitted a report on Water Meter bill for #214 Market Street for half year ending September 1922, amounting to \$19.56. The Committee decided to rec-

*City Engineer ✓
Collector ✓*

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comend to Council that the amount be reduced one third.

A. F. MESSERVEY,
Clerk of Works.

.....

Office City Engineer,
September 19, 1923.

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

Sir,

I beg to report on the attached bill for water supplied the premises #214 Market Street and claimed to be excessive, that the period covered by the bill is from March to September 1922, and the amount of the bill is \$195.6, of which \$1.00 is meter rental.

The following is the record of consumption during the period:-

| | |
|-----------|------------|
| February | 17,200 (N) |
| March | 112,700 |
| April | unoccupied |
| May | 81,200 |
| June | locked. |
| July | " |
| August | " |
| September | 11,600 |

In June I reported on a bill for these premises for the half year ending March 1922, which the Council decided to reduce one third.

Mr. Kitz claimed that he intended to leave the bill under discussion, for report at the same time, but we have no record of his having done so, as if we had had it, it would have been reported on with the other in June.

The meter has been tested and found to register accurately.

H. W. JOHNSTON,
Assistant City Engineer.

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

*City Engineer ✓
Collector ✓*

APPOINTMENT OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS.

The Council proceeds to the appointment of two Commissioners of Public Schools for the City of Halifax to take the places of Alderman Bissett and Alderman Hubley whose terms had expired.

The following named are nominated:-

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Alderman Whitman,
Munnis,
Sanford,
Schaffner,
McDonald,
Gyildford,
Whelan,
Drysdale,
Daw.

Aldermen Bissett, Hubley and H. W. Cameron excused from voting.

His Worship the Mayor declares Alderman Bissett and Alderman H. W. Cameron duly appointed Commissioners of Public Schools for the term ending October 31st., 1926.

INVESTIGATION UNDER OATH

Read resolution submitted by Alderman Power at the last meeting of Council in re to holding investigations under oath into all matters in connection with the good Government of the City and the conduct of all parts of the public business thereof.

WHEREAS during the past summer the investigation of the City's affairs by Price, Waterhouse & Co., has disclosed maladministration in civic business in some departments at the City Hall,

AND WHEREAS a large number of rate payers of this City while satisfied of the capacity of the auditors, Price Waterhouse & Co., in their present audit, is apprehensive that the energies of the said Auditors are not sufficient to cope with the matters they are investigating and it is desirable that there should be an investigation under oath into the administrative details of the various departments of the City under the control of the City of Halifax,

RESOLVED that this Council under Section 151 of the City Charter, of 1914, requests His Honor Judge Wallace, K.C., Judge of the County Court at Halifax to investigate all matters in connection with the good government of the City of Halifax and the conduct of all parts of the public business thereof, and that the learned judge be further respectfully requested to commence such investigation and to conclude the same and report with all convenient speed to this Council the result of the investigation and the evidence, after the completion of the present audit, if, in the opinion of this Council, such audit is deficient in any particular.

*Miss S. G. Wilson
Secy. Sch. Bd.*

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The resolution is moved by Alderman Power, seconded by Alderman O'Toole.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Munnis as follows:-

WHEREAS this Council has authorized Price Waterhouse & Co. to audit the accounts of the different departments of the City Government, and whereas such audit has in great part been completed, and it is probable that a complete and final report will be made before the 31st. of December, A. D., 1923,

AND WHEREAS such report should throw much light into the conduct of the business of the City, and should indicate the lines on which any further inquiry should take place or if such further inquiry is needed; and whereas, Section 151 of the City Charter reads as follows:-

"If the Council by a two thirds vote of all of the members, by resolution, requests the Judge of the County Court to investigate -

- (a) any matter relating to malfeasance in office, breach of trust, disgraceful, immoral, or improper conduct on the part of any member of the Council, or any official of the City, or,
- (b) any charge that any such member or official has a contract with anyone contrary to the provisions of this Act, or,
- (c) any matter relating to the duties of any such member or official or any other person to the corporation, or
- (d) any matter connected with the good government of the City, or the conduct of any part of the public business thereof, the Judge shall investigate the same.

For such purpose he may summon before him any party or witness to testify and to produce any document or thing which the Judge deems necessary, and may examine, upon oath, or on affirmation, and may take evidence orally or in writing, and for such purposes shall have all the powers vested in the county court in civil cases;- provided that no one shall be compelled to answer any question the answer to which might render him liable to a criminal prosecution."

AND WHEREAS the language of this section among others things authorizes any inquiry into "any matter" connected with the Civic Government of the City or the conduct of any part of the public business thereof, and not an indefinite investigation thereof,

AND WHEREAS after the report of the auditors is made and published all citizens will be better informed as to the way in which the City's business has been transacted, and

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be in a better position than at present to make suggestions as to what further inquiry should be made, and what matter the County Court Judge should investigate,

THEREFORE RESOLVED that any investigation by the County Court Judge should be deferred until the final report of the Auditors be made and published.

The Amendment is put and lost 3 voting for the same and 15 against it as follows:-

For the Amendment:-

Alderman Colwell,
Whitman,
Munnis.

Against it:-

Alderman Finlay,
Sanford,
Bissett,
Gastonguay,
Schaffner,
H.W.Cameron,
McDonald,
Guildford,
Whelan,
O'Toole,
Power,
Drysdale,
Hubley,
W.O.Cameron,
Daw.

The Resolution is put and passed, Alderman Whitman dissenting.

Moved by Alderman Bissett, seconded by Alderman Finlay, that this meeting do now adjourn. Motion passed.

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Meeting adjourned at 11.50 o'clock P. M.


JOHN MURPHY,
MAYOR.


H. S. RHIND,
ASSISTANT CITY CLERK.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock,

Council Chamber,
City Hall,

December 6th., 1923.

A meeting of the City Council was held this Evening. At the above named hour there were present, His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Munnis, Sanford, Bissett, Gastonguay, H. W. Cameron, McDonald, Guildford, Whelan, O'Toole, Power, Drysdale, W. O. Cameron and Daw.

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

✓ LIBRARY COMMISSION ACCOUNTS.

Read report Citizens' Free Library Commission recommending accounts amounting to \$241.45, for payment.

Citizens' Free Library,
December 5th., 1923.

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

Gentlemen,

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

| | | |
|----------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| T. C. Allen & Co. | Books | \$ 95.25 |
| American Library Association | Subscription | 2.00 |
| Canadian Magazine Publishing Co. | do | 2.50 |
| Mutual Subscription Agency | do | <u>141.70</u> |
| | | <u>\$241.45</u> |

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

✓ GENERAL ACCOUNTS.

Read report of the Finance Committee recommending accounts amounting to \$558.57, for payment.

December 6th., 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.
Gentlemen,

Committee Room,
City Hall,
December 4, 1923

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, the following named accounts amounting to \$558.57, were passed as correct and recommended for payment:-

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| Dr. W. D. Finn - Medical Examiner - Certificates of Death - Benj. A. Henneberry \$4.00, Augustine Copan \$4.00, male child of Frank Ewing \$12.00, E. W. McEachren \$4.00, Hilda Cookson \$4.00, Jas. P. Murphy \$4.00, Chas. J. Wallage \$4.00 | | \$36.00 |
| W. H. Isnor & Son | Teams hire - Assessors | 45.00 |
| King's Printer | Copies Statutes - Auditor's Dept. | 4.00 |
| A. G. Cummings | Prothonotary Fees | 2.40 |
| Can. Law Book Company | Subscription Can. Criminal cases -Vol.40 | 10.00 |
| Ross Print | Paper - City Clerk | 3.68 |
| Chronicle Publishing Co | Advertising | 7.56 |
| Halifax Herald | do | 8.82 |
| T. C. Allen & Co. | Stationery, etc. City Assessor \$12.82 Clerk 20.00 Treasurer 8.57 Mayor 2.40 Collector <u>31.47</u> | 75.26 |
| Imperial Publishing Co. | Printing - Assessor's Department | 99.80 |
| Nova Print Ltd. | Paper - City Collector | 12.80 |
| | Advertising Tax Sales | 59.50 |
| Acadian Recorder | | <u>68.75</u> |
| Halifax Herald | | 128.25 |
| Home for Colored Children - 3rd. payment on grant | | <u>125.00</u> |
| | | <u>\$558.57</u> |

ALFRED WHITMAN,
Chairman.

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

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CITY GRANTS - SUNDRY APPROPRIATIONS

✓
Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Colwell,
that the City Treasurer be authorized to pay the third quart-
erly payment on all City Grants to the various institutions.

Motion passed.

CITY PRISON ACCOUNTS.

✓
Read report City Prison Committee recommending for pay-
ment accounts amounting to \$1008.67.

Committee Room,
City Hall,
December 6, 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Committee on City Prison, held this
Afternoon, there being present Aldermen Bissett, Chairman;
Daw, Munnis and Guildford, the following named accounts,
amounting to \$1008.67, were passed as correct and recommend-
ed to the City Council for payment.

| | | |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Evans & Co. | Hardware | \$ 21.36 |
| D. J. McIntosh | Horseshoeing | 3.75 |
| Amherst Boot & Shoe | Leather | 9.86 |
| Maritime Market | Beef | 48.98 |
| Hillis & Sons Ltd | | 8.90 |
| Howards Ltd | Groceries | 60.24 |
| George Hutchinson | Ice | 10.00 |
| McLeod & Balcom | Drugs | 5.25 |
| Dr. E. Mathers | Professional services | 5.00 |
| J. & M. Murphy Ltd | Dry goods | 62.51 |
| Clayton & Sons | Men's Socks | 15.34 |
| N.S. Tramways & Power | Current | 12.60 |
| Mar. Telegraph & Telephone Co | Rental | 12.18 |
| Moirs Ltd | Bread | 36.60 |
| Pay Roll | Nov. 15th. 1923 | 348.05 |
| Pay Roll | Nov. 30th. 1923 | <u>348.05</u> \$ 1008.67 |

F. W. BISSETT,
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Daw, seconded by Alderman Drysdale,
that the report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion
passed.

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✓
CITY HEALTH BOARD ACCOUNTS.

Read report of the City Health Board recommending for payment accounts chargeable to the Isolation Hospital \$157.92 and General Accounts \$627.92, making a total of \$785.84.

Office of City Health Board,
December 6, 1923.

His Worship the Mayor
and Members City Council.
Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the City Health Board held on Tuesday, December 4th. 1923, the following named accounts amounting to \$785.84, were passed as correct and are recommended for payment.

| | | |
|---------------------------|------------------|----------------|
| <u>Isolation Hospital</u> | | |
| Halifax Steam Laundry | Washing | \$52.30 |
| MacLeod & Balcom | Drugs | 18.25 |
| P. T. Shea | Butter, Eggs | 12.70 |
| Baldwin & Co | Egg-cups | 4.28 |
| Maritime Meat Market | Meats | 6.85 |
| Hagen & Co | Repairs Heating | 6.50 |
| Halifax Herald | Advertising | 14.70 |
| Chronicle Publishing Co | do | 10.08 |
| N.S. Tramways & Power Co | Lighting | 11.61 |
| C. G. Hartlen | Meats | 17.74 |
| The Citizen | Advertising | 3.00 |
| | | <hr/> \$157.92 |
| <u>General Accounts</u> | | |
| Mar. Tel. & Tel. Co Ltd | Service | 9.83 |
| W. Lloyd Wood | Diphtheria Toxin | 28.37 |
| T. C. Allen & Co | Carbon Paper | 4.25 |
| MacLeod & Balcom | Disinfectant | 25.00 |
| J. Wonnacott | Desk Keys | 1.75 |
| Kinley's Ltd. | Drugs | 42.25 |
| V. G. Hospital | Examination Milk | 500.00 |
| Ross Print | Pty. Books | 15.67 |
| Cragg Bros | Batteries | .80 |
| | | <hr/> \$627.92 |

Recapitulation

| | |
|--------------------|----------------|
| Isolation Hospital | \$157.92 |
| General Accounts | 627.92 |
| Total | <hr/> \$785.84 |

Moved by Alderman H. W. Cameron, seconded by Alderman Munnis, that the report be adopted and the accounts paid.

Motion passed.

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CITY HOME AND TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS.

Read report Charities Committee recommending for payment accounts chargeable to the City Home \$5974.85, and to

December 6th., 1923.

the Tuberculosis Hospital \$2729.40.

Halifax, N. S., December 6, 1923.

To 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 Daw and Sanford.

CITY HOME ACCOUNTS, NOVEMBER 1923, AMOUNT \$5874.85.

The following accounts are recommended for payment.

| | | |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| Wentzells Ltd. | Groceries & Flour | \$ 802.91 |
| Maritime Market | Meats | 294.07 |
| Smith & Proctor | Butter | 207.20 |
| H. B. Blois | Milk | 258.75 |
| T. J. Whalen & Co | Dry Goods | 616.01 |
| H. Bowman | Fish | 68.90 |
| S. C. Thompson | Forage | 58.82 |
| G. E. VanBuskirk Ltd | Coal | 594.19 |
| Davis & Fraser | Mess Pork | 72.73 |
| G. Hutchinson | Ice | 14.00 |
| Fleischmann Co | Yeast | 4.75 |
| Hubley Hardware Ltd | Stove Pipe | 6.30 |
| H. Mc'atridge | Horseshoeing | 4.50 |
| D. A. McCulloch | do | 2.00 |
| T. C. Allen & Co. | Stationery | 1.95 |
| Wm. Robertson & Son | Hardware | 27.26 |
| Nickerson & Crease | Vegetables | 64.25 |
| Black & Flinn | Potatoes & Turnips | 820.00 |
| Evans & Co | Cutlery | 20.40 |
| Dr. L. Thomas | Lunacy Certificate | 5.00 |
| Hillis & Sons Ltd | Stove Pipe | .45 |
| MacLeod, Balcom Ltd | Vico | 33.45 |
| N.S. Tramways & Power | Light & Power (2) | 49.49 |
| Mar. Tel. & Tel. Co Ltd | Exchange Service | 16.26 |
| Halifax Herald | Advertising | 7.84 |
| Chronicle Pub. Co Ltd | do | 6.72 |
| Blackadar Bros | do | 5.60 |
| Arichat, N. S. | Maintenance & Removal | 40.60 |
| J. H. Buchanan | Cash Expended | 304.78 |
| Salaries | November 1923 | 1565.69 |
| | | <u>\$5974.85</u> |

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS, NOVEMBER 1923, AMT. \$2729.40

| | | |
|--|------------------|-----------|
| M. J. Ritcey & Co Ltd | Groceries | \$ 230.69 |
| Maritime Market | Meats | 131.83 |
| H. B. Blois | Milk & Cream | 167.57 |
| Globe Laundry Co Ltd | Laundrywork | 46.35 |
| H. Bowman | Fish | 22.05 |
| Smith & Proctor Ltd | Butter & Eggs | 177.60 |
| John Fry | Bread | 30.85 |
| G. Hutchinson | Ice | 13.30 |
| N.S. Tram & Power Co Ltd | Light & Power | 73.16 |
| Mar. Tel. & Tel. Co Ltd | Exchange service | 16.76 |
| MacLeod Balcom Ltd | Drugs | 196.96 |
| Surgical Supplies & Sundries - Syringe | | 2.50 |

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| | | |
|---------------------|------------------------|------------------|
| Richmond Paper Co. | Napkins | \$ 20.92 |
| Nickerson & Crease | Fruit & Vegetables | 57.58 |
| T. J. Whalen & Co | Dry Goods | 150.25 |
| Wm. Robertson & Son | Hardware | 4.30 |
| Evans & Co | Sundry furnishings | 5.75 |
| T. C. Allen & Co | Stationery | 2.60 |
| W. W. Hoyt | Repairs | 2.00 |
| Webster, Smith & Co | Crockeryware (3) | 29.57 |
| City Home | Flour & Vegetables (2) | 147.47 |
| City of Halifax | Water Rates | 20.90 |
| D. B. Nicholson | Concrete Work | 20.00 |
| J. H. Buchanan | Cash expended | 16.65 |
| Salaries | November 1923 | <u>1141.79</u> |
| | | <u>\$2729.40</u> |

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL LOAN ACCOUNT.

Daniel B. Nicholson Grading (Contract) \$2135.00

H. S. COLWELL,
Chairman.

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

CAMP HILL CEMETERY ACCOUNTS.

Read report Camp Hill Cemetery Commission recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$23.14.

Halifax,
December 5, 1923.

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

The following accounts against Camp Hill Cemetery, amounting to \$23.14, are respectfully submitted to you and recommended for payment.

| | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| Saunders & Duffus | Premium on bond | \$5.00 |
| Saunders & Duffus | Premium on bond | 5.00 |
| Wm. Stairs, Son & Morrow | Roofing nails, etc. | 4.59 |
| George A. Thompson | Repairs to chimney | 5.50 |
| Hillis & Sons Ltd. | Repairs to plumbing | 1.85 |
| A. & W. MacKinlay Ltd | Receipt books | <u>1.20</u> |
| | | <u>\$23.14</u> |

F. W. BISSETT,
Chairman.

December 6th., 1923.

Moved by Alderman Sanford, seconded by Alderman Gastonguay, that the report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

FIRE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS.

Read report Committee of Firewards recommending for payment accounts chargeable to Fire Alarm Maintenance \$12.15, and to General Account \$1055.06, total \$1067.21.

Committee Room,
City Hall,
December 4, 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.
Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards, held this day, the following named accounts amounting to \$1067.21, were passed as correct and recommended for payment.

CHARGEABLE TO FIRE ALARM MAINTENANCE.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------|----------|
| T. C. Allen & Co. | \$ 4.75 | |
| N. S. Tramways & Power Co Ltd | 4.40 | |
| Mar. Tel. & Tel. Co Ltd | <u>3.00</u> | \$ 12.15 |

CHARGEABLE TO GENERAL ACCOUNT.

| | | | |
|---------------------------|-------------------|--------------|------------------|
| K. MacPhee | Repairs | 12.60 | |
| O. C. Marriott | Horseshoeing | 6.75 | |
| Kellys Ltd | Harness repairs | 6.25 | |
| Lee & Brennan | Repairs | 20.00 | |
| Frank Reardon | Glass | 6.53 | |
| J. & M. Murphy | Supplies | 122.70 | |
| Canadian Oil Cos. | Oil | 11.25 | |
| Hillis & Sons Ltd | Supplies | 1.25 | |
| Wentzells Ltd | Stores & Supplies | 9.66 | |
| Wm. Collings & Sons | Repairs | 48.31 | |
| Longards Ltd | Supplies | 16.20 | |
| C. R. Hoben | Supplies | .75 | |
| Jas. Simmonds Ltd | Supplies | 38.50 | |
| Halifax Vulcanizing Works | | 15.75 | |
| Brookfield Bros | Lumber | 14.38 | |
| T. Hogan & Co | Repairs | 39.60 | |
| Wm. Jakeman & Son | Vet. services | 3.00 | |
| Dominion Rubber System | Rubber boots | 122.39 | |
| Wm. Stairs, Son & Morrow | Supplies | 9.32 | |
| Frank A. Gillis Co Ltd | Supplies | 2.80 | |
| H. McFatriidge | Horseshoeing | 22.51 | |
| Mar. Tel. & Tel. Co Ltd | Telephones | 26.45 | |
| N.S. Tramways & Power Co | Lighting | 65.03 | |
| Halifax Steam Laundry | Laundry | 24.31 | |
| S. C. Thompson | Fodder | 376.26 | |
| Can. General Electric | | 2.76 | |
| Gordon & Keith | Supplies | <u>29.75</u> | 1055.06 |
| | | | <u>\$1067.21</u> |

H. W. CAMERON,
Chairman.

December 6th., 1923.

Moved by Alderman H. W. Cameron, seconded by Alderman O'Toole, that the report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

CITY WORKS DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS.

✓
Read report Committee on Works recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$3571.26.

City Work's Office,
December 6, 1923.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen,

The Works Committee beg to recommend for payment accounts attached hereto amounting to the sum of \$3571.26, chargeable to the following services:-

| | | |
|----------------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| City Hall Wiring | \$ 6.39 | |
| Sewerage | 918.18 | |
| Permanent Pavement | <u>955.05</u> | \$ 1879.62 |
| Insurance | 57.22 | |
| Teams & Stables | 92.20 | |
| Market Revenue | 27.08 | |
| Rents City Property | 2.80 | |
| Streets | 82.15 | |
| Cleaning paved streets | 54.24 | |
| Internal Health | 448.41 | |
| City Property | 108.85 | |
| City Hall Lighting | 118.24 | |
| Electric Wiring Inspection | 5.60 | |
| Street Lighting | <u>9.61</u> | 1006.40 |
| Water Construction | 378.50 | |
| Water Maintenance | <u>306.84</u> | 685.34 |
| | | <u>\$ 3571.36</u> |

A. F. MESSERVEY,
Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman Daw, seconded by Alderman O'Toole, that the report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

ACCOUNT - JOHN T. FARMER.

✓
Read report Committee on Works recommending the payment of \$5904.32 to John T. Farmer in full on his contract for cast iron pipe.

City Work's Office,
December 6, 1923.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Works' Committee, held this day,

December 6th., 1923.

it was decided to recommend to the Council for payment to John T. Farmer of the sum of \$5,904.32 in full on contract for cast iron pipe, as per City Engineer's certificate attached hereto.

A. F. MESSERVEY,
Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman Daw, seconded by Alderman Drysdale, that the report be adopted and the account paid. Motion passed.

✓
INDEPENDENT AUDIT - ACCOUNT FOR OCTOBER.

Read report Finance Committee recommending for payment the account of Messrs. Price Waterhouse & Company, \$2,719.37, expenses of independent audit for the month of October 1923.

Committee Room,
City Hall,
December 4, 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, the attached account of Messrs. Price, Waterhouse & Company, \$2719.37 - expenses of Independent Audit for the month of October 1923, was submitted and recommended to the City Council for payment.

ALFRED WHITMAN,
Chairman.

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

✓
FIRES, THEIR CAUSES AND LOSSES.

Read report Committee of Firewards covering report of the Chief of the Fire Department on Fires, their causes and losses, during the month of October 1923.

Committee Room,
City Hall,
December 4, 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards, held this day, the following report of the Chief of the Fire Department in re Fires their causes and losses during the month of October, was submitted and ordered to be sent to the City Council for its information.

H. W. CAMERON,
Chairman.

December 6th., 1923.

Office Chief Fire Department,
December 3, 1923.

Board of Firewards.
Gentlemen,

Herewith I make the following report for the month of October during which there were 21 alarms of fire as follows:-

False 2, short circuits in cars 2, chimneys 10, oil furnace 1, overheated stove pipe 1, careless use matches 1, spontaneous combustion 1, drying clothes too near stove 1, oil stove upset 1, defective fire place 1.

| | |
|--------------------|---------------|
| Property at risk | \$231,700.00 |
| Insurance losses | \$ 870.00 |
| Losses not insured | <u>100.00</u> |
| Total losses | \$ 970.00 |

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

Filed. ✓

CITY HOME AND TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL INMATES.

Read report of the Charities Committee showing the number of inmates in the City Home and Tuberculosis Hospital on the 30th. day of November 1923, and also recommending that the Superintendent be directed to provide the usual dinner for the inmates on Christmas Day and carry out the customary arrangement in regard to the Officials and Nurses.

Halifax, N. S.,
December 6, 1923.

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 Daw and Sanford.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT, CITY HOME, NOVEMBER 1923,
NUMBER OF INMATES 296.

The Superintendent's report shows that during the month of November 1923 there were 15 persons admitted into the City Home, 7 were discharged and 2 died. Of the number admitted 3 were chargeable to the Province and 12 to the City.

The total number of inmates November 30th. was 296, made up of 163 men, 126 women and 7 children. On the same date last year there were 172 men, 131 women and 7 children.

December 6th., 1923.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL,
NOVEMBER 1923, NUMBER OF PATIENTS 32.**

The Superintendent's report shows that during the month of November 1923 there were 4 male patients admitted into the City Tuberculosis Hospital and 1 female patient and 1 child was discharged.

The total number of patients November 30th. was 35, made up of 16 men, 18 women and 1 child. On the same date last year there were 18 men, 13 women and 1 child.

RESOLUTION RE CHRISTMAS DAY.

Resolved that the Superintendent be directed to provide the usual dinner for the inmates on Christmas Day and carry out the customary arrangement in regard to the officials and nurses.

H. W. COLWELL,
Chairman.

On motion the report is filed and the recommendations with regard to Christmas Dinner approved.

**CITY HOME TENDERS FOR POTATOES, TURNIPS
AND MILK.**

Read report of the Charities Committee recommending the acceptance of the tender of Black & Flinn for the supply of Potatoes at 65¢ per bushel and Turnips 40¢ per bushel, and the tender of the Ideal Dairy Limited for Milk at 11¢ per Quart - these Tenders being the lowest offered for these commodities.

Halifax, November 20, 1923.

His Worship the Mayor
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen,

The Charities Committee met this day and beg to submit the following report. Members present The Chairman, Aldermen O'Toole, McDonald, Sanford and Daw.

**TENDERS FOR POTATOES, BLACK & FLINN, POTATOES 65¢ BUSHEL,
TURNIPS 40¢ BUSHEL.**

Opened tenders for 1200 bushels Potatoes and 100 bushels Turnips as follows:-

| | | |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Nickerson & Crease | Potatoes, Reds | 80¢ per bushel |
| do | do Calicos | 82 |
| do | Turnips | 55 per bushel |
| Black & Flinn | Potatoes, Reds | 65¢ per bushel |
| do | Turnips | 40 |

The tender of Black & Flinn being the lowest is recommended for acceptance.

*Walter Colwell ✓
J.H. Buchanan ✓*

December 6th., 1923.

TENDERS FOR MILK CITY HOME, IDEAL DAIRY LTD., 11¢ per qt.

Opened tenders for Milk, City Home, from Ideal Dairy Ltd. @ 11¢ per quart. Farmers Ltd. @ 11¢ per quart and H. B. Blois @ 11¢ per quart, also tenders for Milk & Cream for Tuberculosis Hospital - Ideal Dairy Ltd. Milk 11¢ per quart, light cream 50¢ per quart, heavy cream 65¢ per quart.

Farmers Ltd. Milk 11¢ per quart, light cream 50¢ per quart, heavy cream 65¢ per quart.

H. B. Blois, Milk 11¢ per quart, light cream 57¢ per quart, heavy cream 65¢ per quart.

The tender of Ideal Dairy Ltd. being the lowest, is recommended for acceptance.

H. S. COLWELL,
Chairman.

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

TENDERS FOR FORAGE - WORKS DEPARTMENT

Read report Committee on Works re Tenders for Forage recommending the acceptance of the tender of S. C. Thompson.

City Work's Office,
November 28th., 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor
and Members Works Committee.

Gentlemen,

In reference to tenders received for forage October 31st. 1923, and referred to-day to us jointly for report, I have made a computation of the prices submitted, based on No. 2 C. W. oats, that being the grade decided upon by the Works Committee that shall be supplied by the firm to whom contract may be awarded.

Using the estimated quantities set out in the form of tender, the following are the prices:-

| | Six months' supply | | Twelve months' supply | |
|--------------------|--------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| | Immediate | As required | Immediate | As required |
| S. C. Thompson | \$5672.00 | \$5970.00 | \$11,344.00 | \$12,575.00 |
| Robt. McLeod & Son | 6012.25 | 6201.50 | | |
| W. I. Hubley | 5945.00 | 5996.25 | 11,890.00 | 12,034.25 |

For convenience "delivery as required" has been the more satisfactory service for the City, and under this plan S. C. Thompson's tender for six months' supply is the lowest, while that of W. I. Hubley for twelve months' supply is the lowest. For immediate supply, six or twelve months, S. C. Thompson is the lowest in both cases.

The Works and Fire Departments are the largest consumers and neither has facilities to properly care for a large quantity of feed at one time.

A. F. MESSERVEY,
Clerk of Works.

I concur in the above,

F. W. W. DOANE,
City Engineer.

*read Colwell
J. H. Buchanan*

December 6th., 1923.

City Work's Office,
December 6, 1923.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Works Committee held this day it was decided to recommend to the Council that the tender of S. C. Thompson for six months' supply as required of forage for the various civic departments be accepted, No. 2 Canadian Western Oats to be supplied, shipped in car load lots and in new bags.

Tenders are attached hereto, also report of City Engineer and Clerk of Works.

A. F. MESSERVEY,
Clerk of Works.

*City Engineer
Clerk of Works
see below*

Moved by Alderman Drysdale, seconded by Alderman

Power, that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

CLIVE STREET, TENDERS FOR TRENCHING.

Read report Committee on Works re tenders for excavating and backfilling water trench Clive Street.

City Work's Office,
December 6, 1923.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Works Committee held November 28th. 1923, tenders were received from the following named for excavating and back-filling water trench Clive Street.

| | |
|---------------------------|---------------------|
| E. Bianco & Hanratty | \$3.70 per lin. ft. |
| P. Mancuso & Peter Grosso | 2.95 " " " |
| G. N. Cosman | 2.50 " " " |

It was decided to recommend to Council that the extension be made provided the petitioner Henry Getley signs a bond for payment of the sum of \$36.77 per year for each property.

The tender of G. N. Cosman (\$2.50 per lin. ft.) was recommended for acceptance.

A. F. MESSERVEY,
Clerk of Works.

*City Engineer
Alderman*

Moved by Alderman Daw, seconded by Alderman Gastong-

uay, that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

STREET LIGHTING SYSTEM, TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES

Read report Committee on Works re tender of the Northern Electric Company for the annual supply of necessary parts for the Street Lighting system covering report of the City Engineer on the subject.

December 6th., 1923.

City Work's Office,
December 6, 1923.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Works Committee held November 28, 1923, the City Engineer recommended that the tender of the Northern Electric Company for annual supply of necessary parts for street lighting system be accepted.

Said report (which is attached hereto, with tender) was recommended to the Council for adoption.

A. F. MESSERVEY,
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,
November 23, 1923.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir,

The City Electrician has obtained from the Northern Electric Company the tender which is attached hereto, for the annual supply of necessary parts for the street lighting system; a copy of the enquiry of the City Electrician is also attached. It was addressed to the Canadian Westinghouse Company, James Graham, Manufacturers Agent, and the Canadian General Electric Company as well as the Northern Electric Company. Prices were to be received by November 8th. but I have not reported on the matter to avoid undue haste.

I understand that the other companies are not prepared to tender and I recommend therefore, that the tender of the Northern Electric Company be accepted.

F. W. DOANE,
City Engineer.

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NORTHERN ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

Halifax, November 13, 1923.

G.H. Durling, Esq.,
City Electrician,
City of Halifax,
Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen,

We submit prices in accordance with your letter of November 1st. and revising our quotation No. 1-1184, of November 9, 1923.

Terms - 2% 10 days : Net 30 days.

F.O.B. Halifax, N. S.

Shipment - We estimate it will require from two to six weeks to complete shipment of all items.

- | | |
|---|-------------|
| 10 - D-301131 Auto Transformers, 6.6 and 7.5 to 15 and 20 Amps. 60 cy. for 351433 Luxo-lite fixtures | \$10.60 ea. |
| 6 - D-532380 Auto Current Transformers, 6.6 and 7.5 to 20 Amp. 60 cy. complete with Mogul Socket and mounted on Insulator | 15.20 ea. |
| 3 - 242375 Safety Coil Transformers, 6.6 to 15 Amp., 60 Cy | 16.90 ea. |
| 1 - 5 K. V. A. type S. K. series Transformer, 7.5 to 6.6 Amp | 140.50 ea |
| 12 - 21402 Cutter Sockets mounted on Disc | |

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|------|---|-------------|
| | Insulators No. 22166 | \$ 2.95 ea. |
| 25 | No. 353123 Porcelain Heads with Canopies, less Sockets and Receptacles | 3.80 ea. |
| 50 | No. 334754 Receptacles | 1.00 ea. |
| 50 | No. 352937 Sockets | 1.05 ea. |
| 1000 | No. 334755 Films for sockets | 4.85 c |
| 25 | No. 335940 Radical Reflectors, 18" | 2.80 ea. |
| 25 | No. 344351 Hinged Refractor Holders | 1.85 ea. |
| 5 | No. 353766 C. I. Bodies with Globe Seats less Auto Transformers and Sockets | 12.50 ea. |
| 10 | Mogul Sockets only for No. 353766 bodies | 1.05 ea |
| 3 | No. 200 N. E. Spun Copper Ventilating Tops, I. D. 636 | 6.00 ea |
| 1 | No. 109 N. E. Spun Copper Ventilating Top, I. D. 773 | 5.00 ea |
| 6 | S. C. Cutouts, No 1101, for 250 C. P. Series Lamp Standards | 9.80 ea. |

The quantities on which we have quoted are simply those suggested as providing an ample supply of spare parts. Prices will be the same if a lesser or greater quantity is ordered; but, you will please note that all prices are based on freight shipment only from the factory.

Yours very truly,

(Sgd.) A. L. BROWN,
District Manager.

*City Engineer ✓
Inspector ✓*

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Gastonguay, that the report be adopted and the tender of the Northern Electric Company accepted. Motion passed.

✓ CRUSHED STONE CONTRACT.

Read report of the Finance Committee in re account of the Fairview Crushed Stone Company Limited for the supply of Crushed Stone during 1923.

Committee Room, City Hall,
December 4th., 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.
Gentlemen,

December 6th., 1923.

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, the attached letter and account of the Fairview Crushed Stone Company Limited, in re to their account for supply of Crushed Stone during 1923, was read and ordered to be sent up to the City Council for action.

ALFRED WHITMAN,
Chairman.

Referred to the Committee on Works.

✓ APPROPRIATIONS, CIVIC DEPARTMENTS.

His Worship the Mayor draws to the attention of the Chairmen of the several Committees his request for information as to the standing of all Appropriations at this date, and asks that the Chairmen of the various Committees report to him as to the state of their Appropriations.

✓ COAL WEIGHERS REPORT FOR OCTOBER 1923.

Read report Supervisor of Coal Weighers for the month of October 1923, showing the fees for each of the permanent Weighers to have been \$103.39.

Aldermen Finlay and Hubley here arrive and take their seats in the Council.

✓ CITY HOME EXTENSION.

Read report Charities Committee in reference to a proposed extension of the City Home to provide accomodation for the insane patients.

Halifax, N. S., November 20, 1923.

His Worship the Mayor
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen,

The Charities Committee met this day and beg to submit the following report. Members present The Chairman, Aldermen O'Toole, McDonald, Sanford and Daw.

RESOLUTION RE EXTENSION TO WARDS SET APART FOR INSANE,
CITY HOME.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-

December 6th., 1923.

RESOLVED that the Charities Committee be authorized by the Council to secure an architect to prepare plan and specification for the proposed extension to the wards set apart for the insane at City Home and that legislation be sought to cover cost of same.

H. S. COLWELL,
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Colwell, seconded by Alderman Sanford, that the report be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Munnis, that the report be referred back to the Charities Committee with the request that a full report be prepared on the proposed work to be submitted to the City Council at its first meeting in January.

The Amendment is put and passed.

POLICE ACCOUNTS

Read report Police Committee recommending accounts amounting to \$94.68 for payment.

Board of Police Commissioners,
December 5, 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners held this date, the following accounts amounting to \$94.68, were examined found correct and recommended for payment.

| | | |
|------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------|
| Telephone Company | Service | \$ 15.00 |
| Amherst Boot & Shoe Co | Rubber Boots | 16.76 |
| Cragg Bros | Supplies | 5.50 |
| T. C. Allen & Co. | do | 3.75 |
| Ross Print | Inspecting reports and binding | 9.92 |
| Francis Furnishing Co | Pillow | 1.10 |
| A. R. Cogswell | Films | 1.65 |
| Dr. McFatrige | Destroying dogs | 3.00 |
| Wentzells Ltd | Soap etc | 1.10 |
| S. Chittick & Son | Ice | 10.00 |
| Imperial Oil Co | Mobile oil | 12.96 |
| Chief of Police | | 7.50 |
| 1921-22 acct. | | |
| Frank Reardon | Supplies | 6.44 |
| | Total | \$94.68 |

JOHN MURPHY,
Mayor and Chairman.

December 6th., 1923.

Moved by Alderman Munnis, seconded by Alderman O'Toole, that the report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed. ✓

NOVA SCOTIA TRAMWAYS & POWER CO. LTD.
RATES AND CHARGES.

His Worship the Mayor submits letter from the Secretary of the Nova Scotia Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities with reference to the valuation of the Assets of the Nova Scotia Tramways & Power Company Limited, and lays on the table a copy of the report of the said Board on such valuation.

Board of Commissioners of
Public Utilities,
Halifax, N. S.,
November 21, 1923.

Acting City Clerk,
City Hall,
City.
Dear Sir,

Nova Scotia Tramways & Power Co Ltd.,
Re Valuation

By direction, I enclose herewith copy of decision filed by the Board to-day in connection with the above matter.

Yours truly,
(Sgd.) L. B. TAYLOR,
Secretary.

Also read letter from the Secretary of the Board of Public Utilities enclosing copy of Order and Statement.

Board of Commissioners of
Public Utilities,
Halifax, N. S.,
November 22, 1923.

Acting City Clerk,
City Hall,
City.
Dear Sir,

Rates: Nova Scotia Tramways & Power Co Ltd.

December 6th., 1923.

By direction, I enclose herewith copy of order issued by this Board in connection with the above matter.

Yours truly,
(Sgd.) L. B. TAYLOR,
Secretary.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES ACT
AND
IN THE MATTER OF AN INVESTIGATION OF CERTAIN
RATES AND CHARGES OF THE NOVA SCOTIA TRAMWAYS
& POWER COMPANY LIMITED FOR ELECTRICAL ENERGY
FOR THE PURPOSES OF LIGHT AND POWER, THE SAID
COMPANY BEING A PUBLIC UTILITY WITHIN THE
MEANING OF SAID ACT.

PRESENT:

John U. Ross, K. C., Chairman
R. T. Macillreith, K. C., Vice-Chairman, and
P. R. Colpitt, Member.

TO THE NOVA SCOTIA TRAMWAYS & POWER CO. LTD.

WHEREAS the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities, believing that the rates and charges of the Nova Scotia Tramways & Power Company, Limited, for electrical energy for the purposes of light and power, according to the schedules thereof on file in the office of the said Board and now in effect are now unreasonable, did on its own motion summarily investigate the same;

AND WHEREAS after making such investigation the said Board has become satisfied that sufficient grounds exist to warrant a formal hearing being ordered as to the matters so investigated;

NOW THEREFORE the said Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities hereby notifies the said Nova Scotia Tramways & Power Company, Limited, that the matters under investigation as aforesaid are those set forth in the statement and complaint formulated by the said Board and hereto attached;

AND the said Board doth hereby order and prescribe that the said Nova Scotia Tramways & Power Company, Limited, shall be and it is hereby required to answer the said complaint within ten days from service hereof;

AND the said Board hereby further notifies the said Nova Scotia Tramways & Power Company, Limited, that ten days after this notice has been given the said Board will proceed to set a time and place for a hearing and investigation of the matters set forth in the said statement and complaint.

Dated at the City of Halifax in the County of Halifax, Province of Nova Scotia, this 22nd. day of November 1923.
(Sgd.) L. B. TAYLOR,
Clerk.

December 6th., 1923.

IN THE MATTER OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES ACT
AND
IN THE MATTER OF AN INVESTIGATION OF CERTAIN
RATES AND CHARGES OF THE NOVA SCOTIA TRAMWAYS
& POWER COMPANY LIMITED FOR ELECTRICAL ENERGY
FOR THE PURPOSES OF LIGHT AND POWER, THE SAID
COMPANY BEING A PUBLIC UTILITY WITHIN THE
MEANING OF SAID ACT.

Statement and complaint formulated by the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities that the rates and charges of the Nova Scotia Tramways & Power Company, Limited, for electrical energy for the purposes of light and power, according to the schedules thereof on file in the office of the said Board and now in effect are now unreasonable.

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TO THE NOVA SCOTIA TRAMWAYS & POWER COMPANY, LIMITED.

The said Board complains,

1. That the said schedules of rates and charges are unreasonable for the following reasons:-

- (a) That said rates and charges are excessive and yield and will yield annually a return on the fair value of that portion of the said company's property, assets, and undertaking which is reasonably necessary for the purposes of its Electric light and power Department in furnishing electrical energy for light and power purposes to or for the public, in excess of that prescribed by Chapter 36 of the Acts of 1923;
- (b) That said rates and charges are unjustly discriminatory as between the Company's light customers and the Company's power customers;
- (c) That the discounts, so called, which the company allows are unreasonable and unfair, and are in the nature of penalties and not true discounts;
- (d) That the operating expenses and cost of management of the said Company are excessive and unreasonable;
- (e) That the rules, regulations, and conditions under which electrical energy is furnished to or for the public are unjust and unreasonable.

Dated at the City of Halifax in the County of Halifax, Province of Nova Scotia, this 22nd. day of November 1923.

(Sgd.)

L. B. TAYLOR,
Clerk.

December 6th., 1923.

Read Notice of said Board fixing the date to hear and investigate the matters referred to in the above complaint.

NOVA SCOTIA BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

IN THE MATTER OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES ACT
AND
IN THE MATTER OF AN INVESTIGATION OF CERTAIN RATES AND CHARGES OF THE NOVA SCOTIA TRAMWAYS & POWER COMPANY LIMITED FOR ELECTRICAL ENERGY FOR THE PURPOSES OF LIGHT AND POWER, THE SAID COMPANY BEING A PUBLIC UTILITY WITHIN THE MEANING OF SAID ACT.

PRESENT:-

John U. Ross, K. C., Chairman
R.T. MacIlreith, K. C., Vice Chairman, and
P.R. Colpitt, Member.

To the City of Halifax.

WHEREAS the Nova Scotia Tramways & Power Co. Ltd. having on the 1st. day of December, 1923, filed an answer to the complaint herein,

NOW THEREFORE TAKE NOTICE that the Board will proceed to hear and investigate the matters referred to in said complaint at a sittings of the Board to be held at its office, Technical College Building, Halifax, N. S., on Tuesday, the 18th. day of December, 1923, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Dated at Halifax, N. S., December 6, 1923.

(Sgd.) L. B. TAYLOR,
Clerk.

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Read letter of his Worship the Mayor to the Board of Public Utilities, asking to be furnished with a copy of the answer filed by the Tramways Company.

Mayor's Office, City Hall,
December 6, 1923.

N.S. Board of Commissioners
of Public Utilities,
Technical College,
City.

RE RATES AND CHARGES N. S. TRAMWAYS & POWER COY.

Dear Sirs,

December 6th., 1923.

There has been served on us this afternoon at 3.45, a notification from your Board advising that under date of December 1st. a reply was received from the Nova Scotia Tramways & Power Company, respecting the proposed hearing on question of rates charged by them; and, further notifying us that your Board will proceed to hear and investigate the matters set forth in said complaint on Tuesday, December 18th.

It is unnecessary to point out that in the investigation of so important a matter, this City is very deeply concerned, but in the absence of information as to just what form this hearing is to take, and a decision from your Board as to whether or not you propose to place at our disposal such advice as is necessary to have the City's interests properly safeguarded, it is difficult for us to know just where we stand.

Would you be good enough to have us sent immediately a copy of the answer filed by the Tram Company so that this matter can be given necessary study. It suggests itself to me that before any such hearing is proceeded with, the question of suitable representation for the City should be dealt with by your Board, and an opportunity given us to know just what will confront us in this hearing.

The communication received from your Board on this subject, will be submitted to Council at a Meeting to be held this evening.

JOHN MURPHY,
M A Y O R.

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Read letter from the Secretary of the Board of Public Utilities covering copy of the answer filed by the respondent Company.

Board of Commissioners of
Public Utilities,
Halifax, N. S.,
December 6, 1923.

His Worship Mayor Murphy,
City Hall,
City.

Dear Sir, Rates: N.S. Tramways & Power Co Ltd.

I have by direction to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this day's date and in reply have by direction to say in regard to the matter of the Board authorizing the City to retain expert advice, the expenses of such expert being paid for by the company, that as stated in my communication to the Acting City Clerk of the 8th. ult., such

December 6th., 1923.

matter can only be determined upon formal application made in accordance with the Public Utilities Act and the Rules of Procedure governing applications to the Board and upon notice to all parties concerned.

As requested, a copy of the answer filed by the Respondent Company is enclosed herewith.

When this matter is called at the hearing set for the 18th. inst., it will be quite open to the City to apply for an adjournment of such hearing if such postponement is desired.

Yours truly,
(Sgd.)

L. B. TAYLOR,
Secretary.

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NOVA SCOTIA BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

IN THE MATTER OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES ACT
AND
IN THE MATTER OF AN INVESTIGATION OF CERTAIN
RATES AND CHARGES OF THE NOVA SCOTIA TRAMWAYS
AND POWER COMPANY, LIMITED, FOR ELECTRICAL
ENERGY FOR THE PURPOSES OF LIGHT AND POWER
THE SAID COMPANY BEING A PUBLIC UTILITY WITH-
IN THE MEANING OF SAID ACT.

To the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities
for Nova Scotia.

In answer to the Statement of Complaint made November 23rd. 1923, formulated by the Board with respect to the rates and charges of Nova Scotia Tramways & Power Company, Limited, for electric energy for the purposes of light and power, the Nova Scotia Tramways & Power Company Limited, says:-

1. That the said rates and charges are not unusual, because,

(a) After due allowance for taxes and depreciation, the income in the light and power department is no greater than that allowed by law.

(b) Considering the fact that a very low rate is now being given to power users who have a satisfactory load factor, the net rate for power is reasonable. With respect to the lighting rate it is recognized that there is a demand for a block rate or some sort of a sliding scale of rates which will encourage the use of numerous electrical appliances without the installation of a second meter, which is necessary if the customer desires the minimum rate for appliances used in the household, and the Company is prepared to discuss and settle a new form of rate which may be suggested, but is not prepared to admit that its present rates are unjustly discriminatory.

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(c) The Company admits that the present method of discount is unsatisfactory to the customer as well as the Company and that a revision should be made providing for a smaller discount to be allowed for prompt payment.

(d) The Company's reports indicate that the operating expenses have been materially reduced in the last two years and the Company states that these have reached as low a point as is possible under existing conditions if satisfactory service is to be continued. The Company asserts that the cost of management is reasonable considering the service rendered by those who are managing the Company. The cost is not greater than in a large number of public utilities throughout this Continent which are being managed in an efficient manner.

(e) Generally speaking the rules and regulations governing the sale of electrical energy are reasonable and satisfactory both to the Company and the customer.

2. The Company says that since the Board has after its exhaustive investigation of the Company's affairs, arrived at the conclusion that the rates charged by the Company for electric light and power should be considered by the Board and explained or defended by the Company, the Company submits that the Board must be driven to the conclusion that the rates charged for electric tramway service and for gas supplied should also be adjusted, and that all the services which the Company is authorized by its charter to supply and which it does supply, should be considered together and that rates should be fixed which will enable the Company to earn eight per cent on its total investment, and the Company now makes application to the Board for rates to be fixed on all its services taken together, or separately as shall be determined to enable the Company to earn eight per cent on the total value of its property as lately fixed by the Board with the additions thereto made on capital account by the Company since October 1st. 1921.

3. This Company does not admit that under the existing law the Board has jurisdiction to fix a separate rate for separate services without considering all the services, and so arranging the rates and fares that an eight per cent return shall be allowed to the Company, and will submit that the Board cannot fix rates with respect to one service without considering them all.

4. Alternatively, if rates, fares and charges are to be fixed by the Board on the departmental plan suggested by the Board's decision, the Company will still submit that street paving and all taxes and charges ordered by the Company's Charter are general charges against the entire business of the Company to be divided amongst departments in the same way that all general taxes are properly apportioned.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

December 6th., 1923.

DATED at Halifax this 30th. day of November 1923.

NOVA SCOTIA TRAMWAYS & POWER COY. LTD.

By Covert, Pearson & Rutledge,

Its solicitors.

Moved by Alderman Daw, seconded by Alderman Power, that the Nova Scotia Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities be petitioned to empower the City to provide such expert assistance as may be required to properly present the City's case at the hearing in the matters referred to in the complaint of the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities in reference to the rates and charges of the Nova Scotia Tramways & Power Company Limited, to be held Tuesday, the 18th. day of December 1923, and to decide by whom the cost of such expert assistance should be borne.

Motion passed.

*John A. Rowe
Chairman
Mayor ✓
City - Johnston ✓*

MILK. REGULATIONS

Alderman Daw submits the following Resolution of which he gave notice at a meeting of the City Council held on the 8th. day of November 1923.

WHEREAS the present Law regarding the compulsory bottling of Milk in the City of Halifax has resulted in what appears to be an unjust increase in the price of milk from 12¢ quart to 14¢ quart to our Citizens:

AND WHEREAS it has become apparent to some of the Committees of the City Council that an understanding has been arrived at by the present milk dealers, whereby milk supply tenders to different Civic institutions, notably the City Home and Tuberculosis Hospital were advanced 3¢ per quart over the previous six month contract price namely from 7½¢ per quart to 11½¢ per quart.

AND WHEREAS many good citizens were thrown out of business as a result of said new law, and that it is not in the best interest of our citizens, that so important an article as milk should be monopolized by a few,

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BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the City Council do place itself on record as being favorable to the repeal of the compulsory milk bottling Health Board Legislation promulgated in 1922, and that the City Health Board be furnished with a copy of this Resolution, as well as Premier E. H. Armstrong.

FURTHER RESOLVED that such repeal be requested by the City Council at the opening of next session of the Legislature Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia.

Moved by Alderman Daw, seconded by Alderman Drysdale, that said Resolution be now adopted.

Moved by Alderman Guildford, seconded by Alderman Power, that Dr. Gough, the City Health Board Inspector, be now permitted to address the Council on this subject. Motion passed.

Dr. Gough here addresses the Council strongly supporting the present Milk regulations as the most scientific method of handling and distributing Milk.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Bissett, seconded by Alderman Whitman, that the consideration of this Resolution be postponed to a future meeting of this Council. Amendment put and lost, 5 voting for the same and 11 against it as follows:-

For the Amendment: (5)

Alderman Whitman,
Munnis,
Bissett,
H.W.Cameron,
McDonald.

Against it: (11)

Alderman Colwell,
Finlay,
Sanford,
Gastonguay,
Guildford,
Whelan,
O'Toole,
Power,
Drysdale,
W. O. Cameron,
Daw.

Moved in amendment by Alderman O'Toole, seconded by Alderman Power, that the consideration of this question be deferred and that a Plebiscite be taken on the day of the

December 6th., 1923.

Civic Elections in April next on the question of the distribution of Milk under the Milk regulations. Amendment put and lost, 4 voting for the same and 12 against it as follows:-

For the Amendment:(4)

Alderman Munnis,
O'Toole,
Power,
Drysdale.

Against it: (12)

Alderman Colwell,
Whitman,
Finlay,
Sanford,
Bissett,
Gastonguay,
H.W. Cameron,
McDonald,
Guildford,
Whelan,
W.O. Cameron,
Daw.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Bissett, that the further consideration of this Resolution be deferred until an adjourned meeting of this Council to be held on the 18th. instant. Amendment put and lost, 4 voting for the same and 12 against it as follows:-

For the Amendment:(4)

Alderman Whitman,
Munnis,
Bissett,
H. W. Cameron.

Against it: (12)

Alderman Colwell,
Finlay,
Sanford,
Gastonguay,
McDonald,
Guildford,
Whelan,
O'Toole,
Power,
Drysdale,
W.O. Cameron,
Daw.

The original Motion is now put and lost, 6 voting for the same and 10 against it as follows:-

For the Motion:-(6)

Alderman Munnis,
Whelan
O'Toole
Power

Against it: (10)

Alderman Colwell,
Whitman
Finlay
Sanford

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For the Motion: (Cont'd.)

Against it: (Cont'd.)

Alderman Drysdale,
Daw.

Alderman Bissett,
Gasgonguay,
H.W.Cameron,
McDonald,
Guildford,
W.O.Cameron.

Commence ✓
Alderman Daw gives notice of reconsideration.

11.40 P. M. Moved by Alderman Finlay, seconded by Alderman Sanford, that this Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

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Council adjourned 11.40 o'clock.

H. S. Rhind
H. S. RHIND,
ASSISTANT CITY CLERK.

John Murphy
JOHN MURPHY,
MAYOR.