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CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF HALIFAX

1924-1925.

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of the  
CITY COUNCIL  
of the  
CITY OF HALIFAX  
NOVA SCOTIA  
for the  
CIVIC YEAR 1924-1925.

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JOHN MURPHY, Mayor.

FREDERICK WILLIAM BISSETT, Deputy Mayor.

HENRY S. RHIND, Assistant City Clerk.

THE CITY COUNCIL 1924-1925.  
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His Worship the Mayor, John Murphy - 1925.

Deputy Mayor - Frederick William Bissett - 1925.

ALDERMEN:

WARD NO. 1 -	Henry Stubbs Colwell	1925
	William Samuel Munnis	1926
	Bernard Wallace Russell	1927
WARD NO. 2 -	Andrew Joseph Finlay	1925
	Frederick William Bissett	1926
	Israel Edward Sanford	1927
WARD NO. 3 -	Louis Amable Gastonguay	1925
	Hugh William Cameron	1926
	Joseph Burke Kenny	1927
WARD NO. 4 -	James Tanner McDonald	1925
	James Frederick Whelan	1926
	Andrew Hubley	1927
WARD NO. 5 -	William Joseph O'Toole	1925
	Albert A. Drysdale	1926
	John J. Power	1927
WARD NO. 6 -	Robert Daw	1925
	William Owen Cameron	1926
	Arthur James Smeltzer	1927.

Henry S. Rhind,  
Assistant City Clerk.

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL

CIVIC YEAR 1924-25.

John Murphy, M A Y O R.

Office of the City Clerk,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, N. S.,  
May 27th., 1924.

John Murphy, Esquire, having been on the 1st. day of May 1924 by the Assistant City Clerk, in the presence of the City Council, publicly declared duly elected Mayor of the City of Halifax for the civic year 1924-25, I do hereby certify that before entering upon the duties of the Office of Mayor he was on the 27th. day of May 1924 sworn before His Honor James J. Ritchie, a Judge of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia, at the Halifax Infirmary, by subscribing and taking the Oath of Allegiance and the Oath of Office as Mayor in the presence of Aldermen Bissett, Deputy Mayor, Russell, Munnis, Finlay, Gastonguay, Hubley and O'Toole, and H. S. Rhind, Esq., City Clerk; F. H. Bell, Esq., City Solicitor.

And that upon the aforesaid 27th. day of May 1924, he was sworn as a Justice of the Peace for the City of Halifax before the City Clerk.



HENRY S. RHIND,  
CITY CLERK.

A L D E R M E N.

Office of the City Clerk,

City Hall, May 5th., 1924.

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Bernard Wallace Russell for Ward No 1; Israel Edward Sanford for Ward No 2; Joseph Burke Kenny for Ward No 3; Andrew Hubley for Ward No 4; John Joseph Power for Ward No 5; and Arthur James Smeltzer for Ward No 6; having been on the 1st. day of May A. D. 1924 by Henry S. Rhind, Assistant City Clerk, in the presence of the City Council publicly declared duly elected Aldermen of the City of Halifax for the Wards for which they were severally and individually respectively elected at Elections held on the 30th. day of April A. D. 1924, I do hereby certify that before entering upon the duties of Aldermen they were each and severally sworn before the Deputy Mayor, Alderman Colwell, by subscribing and taking the Oath of Allegiance and the Oaths of Office of Alderman and Justice of the Peace for the City of Halifax and signed the Roll of Aldermen in the presence of the Assistant City Clerk on the 5th. day of May A. D. 1924.

H. S. RHIND,

Assistant City Clerk.

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

Council Chamber,  
City Hall,

8.10 o'clock,

May 8th., 1924.

A meeting of the City Council was held this Evening. At the above named hour there were present, Aldermen Colwell, Munnis, Russell, Finlay, Bissett, Sanford, Kenny, H. W. Cameron, Hubley, Whelan, O'Toole, Power, Drysdale, Daw, W. O. Cameron and Smeltzer.

In the absence, on account of illness, of His Worship Mayor Murphy, Deputy Mayor Colwell occupied the Chair.

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

The Deputy Mayor, in a few well chosen remarks, welcomed the new Aldermen in the Council.

The Deputy Mayor announced the death, this day, of Alderman James T. McDonald, and also the death of James C. MacKintosh, Esq., a former Mayor of the City of Halifax.

DEATH OF ALDERMAN JAMES T. MCDONALD.

✓ By unanimous consent of Council the order of business is suspended to allow Alderman Kenny to submit the following resolution:-

RESOLVED that this Council desires to express its regret at the death of Alderman James T. McDonald. During his term of office, Mr. MacDonald was assiduous in the discharge of his duties both in the Council and Committees. His relations with all the Members of the Council were of the most friendly character. To the members of his family the Council desires to extend the sincerest sympathy in their bereavement.

May 8th., 1924.

Moved by Alderman Kenny, seconded by Alderman Munnis, and passed unanimously by a standing vote of all present.

✓ DEATH OF JAMES C. MACKINTOSH, ESQ.

By leave of the Council, Alderman Kenny also submitted the following resolution:-

RESOLVED that this Council desires to express its regret at the death of Mr. James C. MacKintosh.

It is many years since Mr. MacKintosh took an active part in civic administration, but the part that he then took should not be forgotten.

He was Mayor of Halifax from 1884 to 1887 and for several years previous an Alderman for Ward 1. Always an energetic and wise administrator his services were of particular value in reforming our system of taxation. Through his efforts the old system by which the taxes were imposed, not on the Owners of real property but on the Tenants or other occupiers, and which resulted in yearly heavy losses, was changed for the present System by which the taxes are assessed against the Owner and made a lien on the property. In all respects Mr. MacKintosh was emphatically a good citizen. The Council desires to express their high appreciation of him to the members of his family and tenders them their sympathy.

Moved by Alderman Kenny and seconded by Alderman H. W. Cameron - passed unanimously by a standing vote of all present.

The Assistant City Clerk is instructed to forward to the families of the deceased copies of the foregoing Resolutions.

✓ NOTICE OF RECONSIDERATION.

Alderman Daw's Notice of Reconsideration of the amendment moved by Alderman H. W. Cameron and seconded by Alderman Munnis and passed at a meeting of the City

May 8th., 1924.

Council held on the 24th. of April 1924 in re the tender for Plumbing at the Quinpool Road and West Street Fire Stations.

Moved by Alderman Daw, seconded by Alderman Power, that the matter be now reconsidered. Motion put and passed, 8 voting for the same and 7 against it as follows:-

For the Motion:-

Against it:-

Alderman Finlay  
Bissett  
Kenny  
O'Toole  
Power  
Smeltzer  
W.O.Cameron  
Daw.

Alderman Russell  
Munnis  
Sanford  
H.W.Cameron  
Hubley  
Whelan  
Drysdale.

Moved by Alderman Daw, seconded by Alderman Power, that the report of the Committee of Firewards dated April 21st. 1924, be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman H. W. Cameron, seconded by Alderman Munnis, that the tender of Messrs. Lee & Brennan for installing Plumbing in the Quinpool Road Fire Station, Sanionyx Finish at \$872.00, and that of C. R. Hoben & Company for installing Plumbing in the West Street Fire Station, Sanionyx Finish, as per their tender, be accepted. Amendment put and passed, 11 voting for the same and 4 against it as follows:-

For the Amendment:-

Against it:-

Alderman Russell  
Munnis  
Sanford  
Bissett  
Kenny  
H.W.Cameron  
Hubley  
Whelan  
Drysdale  
Smeltzer  
W.O.Cameron.

Alderman Finlay  
O'Toole  
Power  
Daw.

*Lee & Brennan*

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ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR.

The Chairman, Deputy Mayor Colwell, asked for nominations for the office of Deputy Mayor for the ensuing year.

The following nominations were received:-

Alderman Bissett, and,  
Alderman Colwell.

On the vote being taken there appeared:-

For Alderman Bissett:-(9)

For Alderman Colwell:-(7)

Alderman Colwell  
Munnis  
Bissett  
Kenny  
H.W.Cameron  
Hubley  
O'Toole  
Power  
Daw. - 9 -

Alderman Russell  
Finlay  
Sanford  
Whelan  
Drysdale  
Smeltzer  
W.O.Cameron - 7 -

The Assistant City Clerk declares Alderman Bissett duly elected Deputy Mayor for the ensuing year.

The Chairman calls upon the newly elected Deputy Mayor to take the Chair.

Deputy Mayor Bissett takes the Chair and thanks the Council for electing him to preside over them in the absence of Mayor Murphy from the Council.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES.

Read Message His Worship the Mayor re appointment of standing Committees.

Mayor's Office, City Hall,  
May 8th., 1924.

To Members of the City Council.

Dear Sirs,

Re appointment Standing Committees.



May 8th., 1924.

I understand it is the intention of Council to take up the appointment of various Committees for the coming year at meeting to be held this evening.

As you are aware, under Section 108 of the Charter of 1907, the Mayor was required to submit a slate of Committees, which slate was subject to any change or changes the Council saw fit to make.

Section 35 of Bill 64 presented at the present Session repeals this Section and substitutes the following:-

108 - "The Council shall annually appoint, as soon after the ordinary Civic Elections as is convenient, the standing Committees and such other Special Committees as is from time to time deemed necessary."

This Section further provides that all Committees with the exception of Committees on Police and Cabs shall consist of six members, the Police and Cabs remaining at three. The Works Committee to consist of seven, made up of a representative of each Ward and the Mayor.

From information which has just reached me, I understand Bill #64 has now been passed by both Houses. I do not know what amendments have been made in it, but take it the clauses dealing with these Committees will stand as presented.

Under Section 35 of Bill 64 quoted above, the privilege rests with Council to make up the different Committees and while I have no desire to in any way interfere with their exercising same, I am naturally concerned with so many important matters confronting us to see these Committees so balanced as to ensure the greatest measure of cooperation during the coming year.

Further, it seems to me Council will encounter some difficulty in endeavouring in open nomination to work out Committees as from personal experience I have found it a job requiring most careful study.

It would seem to me that unless Council feels prepared to proceed with this work tonight, that the situation could be met by a General Resolution re-appointing all standing Committees for the present time and adding to them the newly elected Aldermen to serve on the various Committees on which their predecessors served. Another meeting of Council could be called later this month, when, if Council so desires, I would be glad to present a slate of Committees for your consideration, which, of course, will be subject to any changes you saw fit to make.

I simply offer these suggestions knowing that it is the desire of Council to do what is best in the City's interest. If, after discussion, you feel the formation of these Committees should not be delayed till the time suggested you have a perfect right to proceed to make them up tonight.

JOHN MURPHY,  
M A Y O R.

May 8th., 1924.

Moved by Alderman Munnis, seconded by Alderman O'Toole, that the Message of His Worship the Mayor be concurred in; that all Committees as at present composed carry on until the new Committees are appointed; and that the newly elected Members of Council be substituted on the various Committees on which the retiring Aldermen served. Motion passed.

✓ APPOINTMENT OF OFFICIALS.

Read Message of His Worship the Mayor re vacancies in the various Civic Departments.

Mayor's Office, City Hall,  
May 8th., 1924.

To Members of the City Council.

Dear Sirs,

Re VACANCIES - VARIOUS CIVIC DEPARTMENTS.

No Council of the past nor is it likely any Council for many years to come, will have the opportunity which now confronts us to render this City a great and lasting service.

Due to a combination of circumstances, we now have a chance in whole or in part to re-organize several important Departments and in my judgment depends largely on the manner in which we deal with this situation as to what benefits the rate-payers will receive for the expenses and trouble to which they have gone during the last year.

Having given these matters considerable thought, I feel I owe it to Council before they finally deal with these appointments to place before them certain views which I hold respecting several Departments involved. These I would do in the following order:-

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT -

From what I can gather, the Council will probably promote Assistant City Engineer Johnston to the position of City Engineer. It is in my judgment absolutely unnecessary for any further appointments to be made in this office. The appointment of an Assistant City Engineer would simply serve to add further to the rate-payers' obligations at a time when the work of the Department certainly does not justify it. The Engineer should be left free to allot the work of the Department as he thinks best.

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE -

His experience and long service would justify the

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promotion of Assistant City Clerk Rhind to that of City Clerk should he desire the position. The matter of additional assistance in this office is one which should be carefully considered. I have long had a feeling that if we could secure a competent male stenographer, he would be of the greatest possible value to this office. He could relieve Mr. Rhind in covering the meetings of the many committees which he has to attend as well as assisting him with meetings of Council, and would have the added advantage of being able to make up the reports and Minutes of these various meetings which makes considerable demand on the time of the Clerk, whose services should be too valued to be so utilized.

The City Clerk with such an Assistant and a competent Stenographer should be able to carry on the work of this office. In any case before going beyond this we should try to await the introduction of the new system to see what changes it would make in the work of this and other Departments.

**WATER DEPARTMENT:-**

I question if the importance of this Department is fully appreciated. From enquiry made I understand things are carrying along very well at present. I think you will find the intention of Price Waterhouse & Company was to try as far as possible, to consolidate the various activities in this Department and before any hasty change is made, I consider it advisable to arrange a Conference with the City Collector, Treasurer and Mr. Riach, at which those who are handling the various branches of the Department could be called in with a view of a thorough re-organization and unless Council feels the City's work is suffering at the present time, I would strongly advise this course, and that matters be allowed to carry on until such a Conference is held and a report submitted on the situation.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT:-**

I doubt if any Department of the City is in need of more careful study at the present time than that of Police. There seems to be an impression that certain factions exist in the Force and that this fact coupled with petty personal jealousies is tending to keep its efficiency below standard. The present opportunity seems to be one which should be taken advantage of to make a thorough investigation and instead of making any patchwork adjustments, to deal with it along lines to ensure the greatest efficiency in this important Department. The Force is handicapped in having few men of executive or administrative experience.

Regardless of what Council does with respect to the other Departments mentioned in this Message, I feel that you owe it to the City and yourselves to take the opportunity of going carefully into the Police situation before disposing of it. My suggestion is that you name a Committee consisting of one representative from each Ward which Committee after investigating will submit a report of their findings for your consideration. By doing this you will at least have satisfied yourselves as to whether there is anything out of the ordinary necessary.

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SALARIES.

The Council will recall the question so repeatedly discussed respecting bonuses granted to certain officials and how eventually Legislation was obtained making these bonuses stationary. In the re-filling of these offices it shall be understood that the salaries paid both the City Engineer and the City Clerk lapsed with them and in filling these vacancies they should not be taken into consideration.

I have endeavoured in all matters to co-operate with Council and having had such splendid support from you feel that I owe it to all concerned to place these views before you. It would seem unfair to you and to myself to withhold them, particularly in view of the fact that the new members of Council will be asked to pass judgment on these important matters without having had an opportunity to intimately inform themselves on them. I feel sure these matters will have careful consideration at your hands and trust no hasty action will be taken as once done cannot be remedied.

John Murphy,  
M A Y O R.

Moved by Alderman Power, seconded by Alderman O'Toole, that this Message of His Worship the Mayor be concurred in and the appointment of Officials deferred until the next meeting. Motion passed.

✓ CITY PRISON, TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES.

Read report City Prison Committee re tenders for Supplies - Bread, Beef and Groceries.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
April 29, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the City Prison Committee, held this day, tenders were opened for Supplies for the City Prison for the ensuing six months, as follows:-

BREAD -

Moirs Ltd	\$5.90 per 100 loaves, weight of loaf 1½ lbs
J.B.Newport	.07 per loaf weight of loaf 1½ lbs
J.J.Scriven & Sons	.05 per lb
O'Malley's Bakery	.06 per loaf - Fresh bread .05 do Stale

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Beef.

The Maritime Market	- In forequarters weighing not less than 150 lbs. - 6,100 lbs.	.7 per lb
W.I.Hubley Ltd	do	.7 $\frac{1}{2}$
W.A.Maling & Co	Fronts, fresh beef, not under 150 lbs	.8 $\frac{3}{4}$

Groceries.

W.I.Hubley Ltd	Per schedule	\$565.29
M.J.Ritcey & Co Ltd	do	504.60
Firth, Thurlow & Co Ltd	do	526.71
Wentzells Ltd	do	482.63

Your Committee recommend that the tender of Moirs Limited for BREAD; the Maritime Market for BEEF; and Wentzells Limited for GROCERIES, be accepted - they being the lowest tender for each service.

Robert Daw,  
Acting Chairman.

*Moirs Limited -  
Maritime Market -  
Wentzells Ltd -  
Gov. Grant*

Moved by Alderman Daw, seconded by Alderman Munnis,

that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

CITY PRISON ACCOUNTS.

Read report City Prison Committee for the month of April recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$1728.58, also covering report of the Governor for the month.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
April 29, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Committee on City Prison, held this day, there being present Aldermen Daw, Munnis and Guildford, the following named accounts amounting to \$1728.58 were passed as correct and recommended to the City Council for payment.

S.C.Thompson	Feed	\$ 47.35
D.J.McIntosh	Horse showing	6.75
Crowell Bros Ltd	Hardware	52.43
Howards Ltd	Groceries	79.75
MacLeod & Baloom Ltd	Drugs	4.00
Maritime Market	Beef	48.45
Hillis & Sons	Stove fittings	13.70
A. & W. MacKinlay Ltd	Order book	.45

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C.F. Zimmerman	Harness & Supplies	\$54.85
Halifax Seed Coy	Farm Seeds	40.10
J. & M. Murphy Ltd	Dry goods	152.09
Davison & Parker	Lumber	16.48
Clayton & Sons	6 suit uniform staff	144.00
Black & Flinn	Lime	3.25
R. J. Hurley	Mason & Pastering	25.00
Union Coal Co	Soft coal, 30 tons as per contract	225.00
K. McPhee	Repairs to carts	48.50
A. L. Melvin	Farm impl. supplies	8.40
N.S. Tramways & Power	Current	6.39
Mar. Tel. & Tel. Co Ltd	Rental	10.06
Moirs Ltd	Bread	37.20
City of Halifax		4.70
George Grant	Postage for Prisoners	3.58
Pay Roll	April 15th. 1924	348.05
Pay Roll	April 30th. 1924	348.05
		<u>\$1728.58</u>

The following report for the month of April to date 29th. 1924, was submitted by Governor Grant:-

To the Chairman and Members of City Prison Committee.  
Gentlemen,

I beg to submit the report of City Prison for month of April to date 29th. A. D. 1924, as follows:-

Admitted to date 6 males and 1 female. Discharged to date 7 males and 1 female. In custody April 29th. 1924, 17 males and 4 females, total 21 Prisoners.

This date last year there were 15 in custody - 14 males and 1 female, total 15 Prisoners.

George Grant.

Robert Daw,  
Acting Chairman.

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

✓ HOUSING COMMISSION -  
RESIGNATION W. R. WAKELEY AND  
J. E. SCHAFFER.

Read resignations of W. R. Wakeley and J. E. Schaffer  
from the Halifax Housing Commission.

Halifax, May 2, 1924.

H. S. Colwell, Esq.,  
Deputy Mayor, Halifax.

Dear Sir,

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May 8th., 1924.

My tenure of Office as a Member of the Halifax Housing Commission having expired, I would ask that when the new Commission is being appointed that my name be omitted therefrom.

W. R. Wakely.

: :

Halifax, May 1st. 1924.

His Worship Mayor Murphy.

Sir,

I beg to inform you that I desire to retire as a member of the Housing Commission. Therefore, in making up your civic slate for 1924, I will be obliged if you will not submit my name for re-appointment.

If for any reason my term of office did not expire at the end of the civic year, please accept this notice as a formal resignation.

Congratulations upon being elected by acclamation for a third term to fill the responsible and arduous position of Mayor of the City of Halifax, and hoping you will be soon fully restored to health.

J. E. Schaffer.

Moved by Alderman Finlay, seconded by Alderman Munnis, that the consideration of these resignations be deferred and that Mr. Wakely and Mr. Schaffer be requested to carry on as Members of the Commission until their Successors are appointed. Motion passed.

*W. R. Wakely  
J. E. Schaffer*

✓ CANADIAN BITUMINOUS CORPORATION LIMITED  
VERSUS THE CITY.

Read formal demand by C. J. Burchell, Esq., Solicitor for the Canadian Bituminous Paving Corporation Limited, for the payment of the Judgment together with Interest, costs and expenses in the suit of the Canadian Bituminous Paving Corporation versus the City of Halifax.

TO: THE CITY OF HALIFAX, THE MAYOR AND THE  
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HALIFAX.

Referring to the judgment obtained by the Canadian Bituminous Paving Corporation, Limited, against the City

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COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HALIFAX.

Referring to the judgment obtained by the Canadian Bituminous Paving Corporation, Limited, against the City



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of Halifax, the amount of which judgment together with interest, costs and expenses has not been paid by the said City of Halifax, I do hereby, as Solicitor for and on behalf of the Canadian Bituminous Paving Corporation, Limited, make formal demand that you do, in whatever manner may seem most advantageous to you, forthwith borrow the amount of the said judgment, interest, costs and expenses and pay the same to the Canadian Bituminous Paving Corporation Limited or its Solicitor in that behalf.

DATED at Halifax this 8th. day of May, A. D. 1924.

C. J. BURCHELL,

of 85-93 Granville Street,  
Halifax, Nova Scotia,  
Solicitor for Canadian  
Bituminous Paving Corporation,  
Limited.

*attd. Mayor  
and City Clerk* Referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges for report.

✓ BRITISH EMPIRE EXHIBITION.

Read letter Board of Trade, Halifax, in re advertising the City at the British Empire Exhibition now taking place in London, England.

Halifax, May 8th., 1924.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen,

I enclose copy of a folder issued and paid for by the City of St. John to be distributed at the British Empire Exhibition now taking place and continuing for six months in London, England.

A number of cities in Canada, as well as elsewhere, I presume, are taking advantage of advertising to the vast crowds that are expected to visit this Exhibition, and I have been desired by the Council of this Board of Trade to ask if your honourable body would favourably consider the issuance of such a circular advertising the facilities and advantages of the Port of Halifax.

I have the honour to be, Gentlemen, your Obedient Servant  
E. A. SAUNDERS,  
Secretary.

May 8th., 1924.

Referred to Finance Committee for report.

SALVATION ARMY MATERNITY HOSPITAL.

Read letter Messrs. Henry, Rogers, Harris & Stewart respecting the relationship of the Grace Maternity Hospital to the City of Halifax.

Halifax, May 8th., 1924.

The City Clerk,  
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir,

At the request of Major Burton, Divisional Commander of the Salvation Army, we are instructed to write you respecting the relationship of the Grace Maternity Hospital to the City of Halifax. As you are aware it is provided by the Acts of 1922, Chapter 54, Section 3, as follows:-

"(1) In consideration of the grant of \$25,000.  
"by the city of Halifax to aid in the construct-  
"ion of a Maternity Hospital by the Salvation Army.  
"the said Salvation Army shall in perpetuity  
"provide accomodation, maintenance and attention  
"free of charge for such maternity cases, not  
"exceeding thirty-five in any one year, as have  
"previously been provided for by the City in the  
"City Home.

"(2) The City, if it so desires and the accomodat-  
"ions of the Hospital permits, may also send to the  
"Hospital other such maternity cases in addition to  
"the thirty-five aforesaid, and the City shall pay  
"for each such additional case a sum not exceeding  
"the amount charged by the Hospital for an unmarr-  
"ied mother who is a paying patient, not in any case  
"exceeding thirty-five dollars, and the City may pay  
"the Hospital for any patient so admitted, notwith-  
"standing Section 942 of the Halifax City Charter.

"(3) The Mayor of the City of Halifax shall be al-  
"ways ex officio a member of the Advisory Board of  
"the Hospital.

"(4) No maternity case shall be admitted to the  
"Hospital under this Section until an enquiry as  
"to the settlement of the patient has been made,  
"by or on behalf of the Superintendent of the City  
"Home, and a certificate has been given by the  
"Superintendent authorizing the admission of the  
"patient to the Hospital as a City case."

The Hospital was opened in April 1922 and has now been in operation two full years. During that time no cases

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have been received or provided for under the above quoted sections. We are instructed that the City Home still maintains its maternity ward and that the Superintendent of the City Home has received no instructions as to what policy he is to adopt with respect to cases which might come under the above Legislation. It would seem that under subsection (1) quoted above, the City Home contemplated the discontinuance of its maternity ward; the Grace Hospital has, on the other hand, provided for the necessary accommodation of City cases and has reserved that accommodation during the past two years. The Hospital authorities now desire to learn whether it is not possible for the City and the Hospital to carry out the arrangement agreed to and embodied in the Legislation.

An early reply will oblige.

HENRY ROGERS HARRIS & STEWART.

Referred to the Finance Committee for report.

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

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Council adjourned 9.20 o'clock P. M.

*H. S. Rhind*

H. S. RHIND,  
ASSISTANT CITY CLERK.

JOHN MURPHY,  
MAYOR.

*F. W. Bissett*  
FREDERICK W. BISSETT,  
Deputy Mayor.

E V E N I N G      S E S S I O N.

Council Chamber,  
City Hall,

8.10 o'clock,

May 22nd., 1924.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present Aldermen Colwell, Russell, Munnis, Bissett, Finlay, Sanford, Gastonguay, Kenny, H. W. Cameron, Hubley, Whelan, O'Toole, Power, Drysdale, Smeltzer, W. O. Cameron and Daw.

In the absence of His Worship the Mayor, through illness, Deputy Mayor Bissett occupied the Chair.

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✓ Alderman Power asks that the order of business be suspended to allow a delegation from the Women's Council to address the meeting on the subject of Legislation as contained in Bill No. 64.

Moved by Alderman Colwell, seconded by Alderman Munnis, that the order of business be suspended to allow Mrs. MacNab and Mrs. Paint, delegates from the Women's Council, to address the meeting. Motion passed.

The meeting is addressed by Mrs. MacNab and Mrs. Paint with reference to the Clause referring to Booths in Chinese Restaurants.

The Deputy Mayor informed the delegates that the Council had no power to act in the matter as the Legislation as passed at the last Session of the Legislature was final.

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✓ DEATH OF ALDERMAN JAMES T. McDONALD.

Read report Assistant City Clerk announcing the death of Alderman James T. McDonald.

City Hall,  
May 22nd. 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

It is with a sense of deep regret that I discharge my duty of officially notifying the City Council of the vacancy in the representation for Ward No. 4 caused by the death of Alderman James T. McDonald which occurred on May 8th. instant.

H. S. RHIND,  
Assistant City Clerk.

The following resolution was submitted:-

RESOLVED that the report of the Assistant City Clerk announcing the death of Alderman James T. McDonald be received and the seat lately held by him be hereby declared vacant; also, that the date of the election be fixed by His Worship the Mayor.

FURTHER RESOLVED that Aldermen Hubley and Whelan be the Presiding Officers on the occasion.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Whelan, and passed.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Whelan, that an Election to fill the vacancy in Ward No. 4, caused by the death of Alderman James T. McDonald, be held on Wednesday, the 11th. day of June 1924. Motion passed.

✓ FIRE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS.

Read report Committee on Firewards recommending for payment accounts \$151.00 chargeable to Fire Alarm maintenance and \$1830.82 to General Expense of the Fire Department.

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Committee Room, City Hall,  
May 21, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards, held this day, the following accounts amounting to \$151.00 chargeable to Fire Alarm Maintenance, and \$1,830.82 chargeable to General Expense of the Fire Department, were examined, found correct and recommended for payment:-

Fire Alarm Maintenance -

Northern Electric Co Ltd	\$8.74	
Can. General Electric Co Ltd	34.43	
C.R.Hoben & Co.	27.80	
Gutta Percha & Rubber Co Ltd	31.55	
W. W. Hoyt	1.20	
W.H.Donovan	1.25	
National Drug & Chemical Co Ltd	3.25	
David Roche	5.00	
Wm.Collings & Sons Ltd	4.80	
T.C.Allen & Co	1.55	
Frank M. O'Neill & Co	7.75	
Fred. G. Manning	8.90	
N.S.Tramways & Power Co Ltd	5.04	
Mar.Tel.& Tel.Co Ltd	3.00	
Wm. Stairs Son & Morrow Ltd	3.79	
John Starr Son & Co Ltd	<u>2.95</u>	\$ 151.00

General Expense -

Halifax Steam Laundry	Laundry	28.95
Maritime Tel. & Tel. Co Ltd	Telephones	29.05
N.S.Tramways & Power Co	Lighting	61.48
S.C.Thompson	Feed	211.32
Ralph H. Manning	Supplies	.40
Kelly's Ltd	do	49.10
New Standard Vulcanizing Co	Repairs	12.50
J.A.Leaman & Co	Supplies	.89
Blackadar Bros	Advertising	12.60
A.J.McNutt	Repairs	23.50
J.A.Scallion	Horseshoeing	19.50
O.C.Marriott	"	2.50
A.H.Lamphier	Repairs	35.00
The Halifax Herald	Advertising	10.29
A.B.Emery	Bedding	171.50
Bentley Flemming & Co	Lumber	148.50
T.Bogan & Co	Repairs	2.06
H.McFtridge	Horseshoeing	50.50
Wm.Jakeman & Sons	Vet. Services	38.00
The Chronicle Publishing Co	Advertising	7.56
Willis Bros	Repairs	25.00
Wm.Collings & Sons	"	44.75
Brookfield Bros	Lumber	35.00
Dominion Rubber System	Supplies	7.20
C.R.Hoben & Co	"	154.42
Can.National Inst. for Blind	"	19.61
American LaFrance Fire Engine	"	166.49
Frank Reardon	Glass	15.82
National Drug & Chem. Co	Supplies	11.25
N.S.Furnishing Co	Linoleum	64.75
Clayton & Sons	Cloth	217.84

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James Simmonds	Supplies	2.55	
Wentzells Ltd	"	7.10	
R.J.Dawson	Repairs etc	3.00	
Kline & Mullins	Uniform caps	60.00	
Wm.StairsSon & Morrow	Supplies	32.49	
George G. Bryden	"	2.80	
Piercey Supply Co	Lumber	38.00	
Rod McDonald	Horseshoeing	2.75	
The Citizen	Advertising	7.00	1830.00

H. W. CAMERON,  
Chairman.

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

CITY HOME AND TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL,  
TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES -  
AND ACCOUNTS.

Read report Charities Committee covering tenders for Supplies for the City Home and Tuberculosis Hospital for a period of six months from the 1st. of May 1924, and recommending accounts \$1594.30 chargeable to the City Home, and \$20.86 to the Tuberculosis Hospital, for payment.

Halifax, May 12, 1924.

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 Gastonguay. Sanford, O'Toole and Daw.

Tenders for supplies City Home and Tuberculosis Hospital for a period of six months from May 1st. 1924, were received as follows:-

FLOUR -		
Wentzells Ltd - Victor, Blend		\$ 6.55
Beaver, Blend		6.55
Saxon, Pastry		6.35
Five Roses, Hard Wheat		7.25
Royal Household, Hard Wheat		7.25
Quaker, Hard Wheat		7.25

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Howards Ltd	Renown. Blend	6.50
GROCERIES -		
Wentzells Ltd		4234.24
M.J.Ritcey & Co Ltd		4517.06
Howards Ltd		4307.53
DRY GOODS -		
T.J.Whalen & Co		1599.14
Kennedys Ltd		1774.91
MEATS -		
The Maritime Market		1827.25
J.A.Leaman & Co		2851.00
W.A.Maling & Co		1849.00
BUTTER -		
R.B.Colwell, Ltd		1081.50
Smith & Proctor Ltd		1137.50
MESS PORK -		
Davis & Fraser		405.00
W.A.Maling & Co		435.00
MILK -		
Fraser & Casey		1552.50
Farmers Ltd		1552.50
Ideal Dairy Ltd		1552.50
E.H.Hamilton		1552.50
James M. Currie		1587.00
H.B.Blois		1552.50
A.D.Johnson		1552.50
R.R.Isenor		1552.50
FRESH FISH -		
H.Bowman		400.00

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

FISH -		
H.Bowman		111.05
MEATS -		
The Maritime Market		789.50
GROCERIES -		
Wentzells Ltd		1671.02
M.J.Ritcey Co Ltd		1707.63
Howards Ltd		1697.46
BUTTER & EGGS -		
R.B.Colwell Ltd		851.00
Smith & Proctor Ltd		867.00



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MILK -

James M. Currie	\$1104.00
A.D. Johnson	1077.00
R.R. Isenor	1077.00
H.B. Blois	1074.60
E.H. Hamilton	1077.00
Ideal Dairy Ltd	1077.00
Fraser & Casey	1074.60
Farmers Ltd	1077.00

BREAD -

John F. Fry	203.00
Moirs Ltd	208.95

LAUNDRYWORK -

Globe Laundry Ltd.

The following tenders are recommended for acceptance:-

Flour	.....	Wentzells Ltd
Groceries	.....	do
Dry Goods	.....	T.J. Whalen & Co
Meats	.....	The Maritime Market
Butter	.....	R.B. Colwell Ltd
Mess Pork	.....	Davis & Fraser
Milk	.....	Ideal Dairy Ltd
Fresh Fish	.....	H. Bowman

Groceries	Tuberculosis Hospital	Wentzells Ltd
Meats	.....	The Maritime Market
Fish	.....	H. Bowman
Butter & Eggs	.....	R.B. Colwell Ltd
Milk & Cream	.....	Fraser & Casey
Bread	.....	John Fry
Laundrywork	.....	Globe Laundry Ltd

City Home Accounts - \$1594.30, April 1924

The following accounts are recommended for payment

viz. Austin Bros	Repairs	\$13.18
Town of Dartmouth	Maintenance	9.00
N.S. Hospital	Maintenance insane	1572.12

Tuberculosis Hospital, \$20.86, April 1924.

Wm. Robertson & Son	Hardware	4.36
J.J. Dee	Barbering	16.50

H. S. COLWELL,  
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Colwell, seconded by Alderman Daw,  
that the report be adopted and the tenders awarded as recommended and that the accounts be paid. Motion passed.

*Ald Colwell*  
*Ald Dawson*

May 22nd., 1924.

CITY HEALTH BOARD ACCOUNTS.

Read report City Health Board recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$400.87.

Office City Health Board,  
May 16, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the City Health Board held on Thursday, May 16th. 1924, the following named accounts amounting to \$400.87 were passed as correct and are recommended for payment:-

General Accounts:

Maritime Tel. & Tel. Co. Ltd.	Service	\$ 13.70
The Gazette	Advertising	4.80
The Citizen	do	5.00
Blackadar Bros	do	16.80
Chronicle Publishing Co	do	20.16
The Progressive Press	Printing	7.25
Cragg Bros	Batteries	.80
Halifax Herald Ltd	Advertising	23.52
Kinley's Ltd	Drugs	2.00
		<u>\$ 94.03</u>

Isolation Hospital:

Union Coal Co	Coal	90.00
J.J.Scriven & Sons	Bread	5.20
N.S.Undertaking Co	Conveyance	28.00
N.S.Tramways & Power Co Ltd	Service	35.47
Geo Burgess	Milk, Cream	25.92
Halifax Steam Laundry	Washing	27.94
N.S.Furnishing Coy.	Carpet Felt	4.00
Thorner Bros, New York	Medical supplies	2.49
MacLeod, Balcom Ltd	Drugs	29.75
P.T.Shea	Butter, Eggs	24.65
W.W.Hoyt	Electric Iron	4.50
Wentzells Ltd	Groceries	<u>28.82</u>
		308.84

Recapitulation:

General	\$94.03	
Isolation Hosp.	<u>308.84</u>	.....\$ 400.87

Arthur C. Pettipas,  
Secretary  
CITY HEALTH BOARD.

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

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CAMP HILL CEMETERY ACCOUNTS.

Read report Camp Hill Cemetery Commission recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$121.25.

Halifax, May 10, 1924.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen,

I attach hereto accounts against Camp Hill Cemetery, amounting to One Hundred and Twenty-one dollars and Twenty-five cents (\$121.25), as follows, and recommend that same be passed for payment.

City of Halifax	Sharpening tools	\$17.90
John McInnes & Son Ltd	Lumber	7.12
Wm. McFatriidge	Iron tank	3.50
Hillis & Sons Ltd	Repairs to water pipe	6.00
T. C. Allen & Co	Books	3.20
A. & W. MacKinlay Ltd	Receipts, pay-sheets	7.15
Halifax Seed Coy	Lawn seed, soda	40.00
W.A. MacKenzie	Index to deed book	16.35
do	Hand cart	10.00
Arthur N. Whitman Ltd	Salt	7.50
Priest & Sons	Blue prints	.93
David Ross	Brooms	1.60
	Total .....	\$121.25

F. W. BISSETT,

Chairman

Camp Hill Cemetery Commission.

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

LIBRARY ACCOUNTS.

Read report Citizens' Free Library Commission recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$284.48.

Citizens' Free Library,  
Halifax, May 7th., 1924.

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

Gentlemen,

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

T.C.Allen & Co.	Books and Supplies	\$116.48
Acton Publishing Co	Book	1.50
Phillips & Marshall	Binding	166.50
		<u>284.48</u>

L. BARNABY,  
Librarian.

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

WORKS DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS.

Read report Committee on Works recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$12,869.03.

City Works Office,  
May 22, 1924.

To the City Council.  
Gentlemen,

The Works Committee beg to recommend for payment accounts attached hereto amounting to the sum of \$12869.03 chargeable to the following services:-

Internal Health Special	1923-24	\$ 669.47	
Internal Health		4.21	
City Property		203.84	
City Hall Lighting		96.52	
Fuel		300.00	
Market Revenue		103.79	
Street Lighting		5006.57	
Insurance		197.78	
Electric Wiring Inspection		40.00	
Teams & Stables		530.56	
Telephones		419.05	
Streets		1382.60	
Streets Special		183.07	
Cleaning Paved Streets		54.88	
Rents City Property		4.38	
Town Clock Maintenance		35.70	
Streets Special (Terminal Supply Co.)		462.04	
do (T.A.S.DeWolfe & Son)		117.95	\$9,812.41
Market Improvement	1923-24	31.27	
Sewerage		1845.54	1,876.81
Water Construction	1923-24	592.21	
Water Maintenance		587.60	1,179.81
			<u>\$12,869.03</u>

A. F. MESSERVEY,  
Clerk of Works.

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

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GENERAL ACCOUNTS.

Read report Finance Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$2,902.55 chargeable to various services.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
May 13, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, the following accounts, amounting to \$2,902.55, were passed as correct and recommended to Council for payment:-

Advertising:-

The Halifax Herald - Adv. re Plebiscite	\$ 47.04
Chronicle	20.16
Recorder	33.60
Citizen	6.30
The Halifax Herald - City Elections, 1st. advertisement	23.52
Chronicle	20.16
Recorder	16.80
Citizen	4.20
The Halifax Herald - City Elections, 2nd. advertisement	62.72
Chronicle	26.88
Recorder	28.00
Citizen	8.40
The Halifax Herald - Application City Auditor	14.70
Chronicle	12.60
Recorder	10.50
The Halifax Herald - License Dog Tax	24.50
Chronicle	21.00
Recorder	17.50
Citizen	7.00
Recorder - Qualifications of Voters	2.80
Citizen	4.20
United Typewriter Co. - Insp. City Collectors Dept	3.75
Ross Print - Cards Reg. of Voters	17.50
C.E.Tyler Mfg. Co. - Rep. Stamp	2.15
London Rubber Stamp Co. - Engraving Badges	.70
Frank E. Kelly do	9.20
T.O.Allen & Co.-Stationery etc -	
City Collector's Dept	\$ 11.15
Clerk's	58.20
Mayor's	<u>4.85</u>
	74.20

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A. & W. MacKinlay, Ltd.	- Books, City Collector	7.90
F. M. O'Neill	Stationery	3.90
Wm. MacNab & Son	Printing -	
	City Clerk's Dept	\$132.25
	Assessors	124.50
	Collector's	41.50
	do	<u>44.50</u>
		345.75
N. S. Undertaking Co.	- Hire of Hearse	10.00
James Hall	Sheriff's fees	37.95
A. G. Cummings	Prothonotary's fees	4.70
King's Printer	- Printing City Bills -	
	Bill #84	57.00
	65	21.00
	98	9.00
	99	3.00
	137	& <u>7.00</u>
		97.00
Dr. C. S. Morton	- Certificate of death G. W. Rhind -	4.00
Violet R. Rafuse	- Stenographic services	13.13
Robert Eccles	do	58.10
Halifax Industrial School	- maintenance of boys for quarter ending April 30, 1924 -	
	Truants	37.25
	Delinquents	<u>480.35</u>
		517.60
Maritime Home for Girls	- Maintenance of girls 1 year to April 30, 1924, and of paroling Gladys Redmond	329.24
Children's Aid Society	- maintenance of children 4 months to April 30, 1924	777.09
E. H. Blois	- Supt. of Neglected and Delinquent Children - maintenance of children 1 month to April 30, 1924 -	<u>178.11</u>
		\$2,902.55

W. O. CAMERON,  
Acting Chairman.

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

✓  
SUPERANNUATION F. W. W. DOANE, JAMES A.  
LIDLAW AND JOHN EGAN. ✓

Read report Finance Committee in reference to the  
payment of the City's portion of the Superannuation to  
F. W. W. Doane, late City Engineer. James A. Laidlaw, late

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Clerk of the Water Department, and John Egan late of the Halifax Fire Department.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
May 13, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, the necessity of providing for the payment of the amount payable from the General Assessment towards the Superannuation of F. W. W. Doane, late City Engineer, James A. Laidlaw, late Clerk of the Water Department, and John Egan, late of the Fire Department, was considered.

Your Committee recommend that as there is no provision made in the Estimates for 1924-25 for these payments that the amount required to pay the City's portion of such Superannuations be paid out of the current account for the year or any fund available and included in the Estimates for 1925-26.

W. O. CAMERON,  
Acting Chairman.

Moved by Alderman W. O. Cameron, seconded by Alderman Finlay, that the report be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Munnis, that the report be referred back to the Finance Committee and that the City Solicitor be requested to file an opinion, in writing, as to the power of the City to pay this amount out of the current year's account.  
Amendment put and passed.

ROYAL BANK OF CANADA, TEMPORARY LOAN.

Read report Finance Committee re temporary loan from the Royal Bank of Canada for the purpose of defraying current expenses of the City until the taxes for the current year are collected.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
May 13, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

May 22nd., 1924.

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, the City Treasurer appeared before the Committee and stated it was necessary for the purpose of defraying current expenses of the City until the taxes for the current year are collected to obtain a loan from the Royal Bank of Canada - he had been negotiating with Mr. B. L. Mitchell, Manager of the Bank, with respect to this loan and submitted the following letter from Mr. Mitchell:-

Halifax, May 12, 1924.

The City Treasurer,  
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir,

With reference to our conversation of to-day I return herewith the draft resolution submitted by you. I made a little change in the third paragraph, otherwise, it appears to be quite in order. The reading of the paragraph referred to as I would suggest is as follows:-

"Therefore be it resolved that the City of Halifax do  
"borrow from the Royal Bank of Canada the sum of \$536,500.  
"from time to time in such sums as may be required to be  
"applied to defraying expenditures for which the taxes for  
"the current year would if now collected be applied, to  
"be repaid to the said Royal Bank of Canada out of the  
"said taxes when collected, and that the City Treasurer be  
"and is hereby authorized, on behalf of the City of  
"Halifax, to negotiate the said loan and to pledge the  
"credit of the City of Halifax therefor."

B. L. Mitchell,  
Manager.

Your Committee recommend that the offer contained in the letter of the Manager of the Royal Bank be accepted, and that the attached Resolution be adopted.

W. O. CAMERON,  
Acting Chairman.

The following Resolution is submitted:-

WHEREAS it is considered advisable for the purpose of defraying expenditures for which the taxes of the current year would, if now collected, be applied, that the City of Halifax do borrow under Section 346 of the City Charter from the Royal Bank of Canada an amount not exceeding thirty per cent of the taxes for the current year;

AND WHEREAS the taxes for the current year amount to the sum of \$1,788,479.72;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Halifax do borrow from the Royal Bank of Canada the sum of \$536,500. from time to time in such sums as may be required to be applied in defraying expenditures for which the taxes for the current year would if now collected be applied, to be repaid to the said Royal Bank of Canada out of the said taxes when collected, and that the City Treasurer be and is hereby authorized, on behalf of the City of Halifax, to negotiate the said loan and to pledge the credit of the City of Halifax therefor.



May 22nd., 1924.

*City Treasurer  
City Auditor*

Moved by Alderman W. O. Cameron, seconded by  
Alderman Power, and passed.

✓ FRANK HANRAHAN, SUPERANNUATION.

Read report Finance Committee re payment of Super-  
annuation of Frank Hanrahan, late Chief of Police.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
May 13th., 1924.

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

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day,  
the attached Extract from Minutes of meeting of the City  
Council held May 1st. 1924, re Superannuation of Frank  
Hanrahan, Chief of Police, was read.

Your Committee report that it will not be necessary  
to make any recommendation in this matter as the amount  
of the superannuation is provided for in the Police  
Superannuation Act.

W. O. CAMERON,  
Acting Chairman.

Filed.

✓ ANGUS MCDONALD, EX-POLICEMAN, SUPERANNUATION.

Read report J. J. Hopewell, City Treasurer, in  
reference to a refund to Ex-Policeman Angus McDonald of  
the amount he is entitled to receive from the Police Super-  
annuation Fund.

Office of City Treasurer,  
Halifax, May 22nd., 1924.

The Mayor  
and  
Members of the City Council.  
Gentlemen,

I beg to report that Ex-Policeman Angus McDonald  
has applied for a refund of one half the amount he has con-  
tributed to the Police Superannuation Fund.

Under Section 53 of Bill 64, passed by the Legis-  
lature of Nova Scotia May 9th. 1924, Section 274 of the  
Halifax City Charter 1914 is repealed and the following sub-  
stituted therefor:-

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"274. Any member of the force who has contributed to the fund for not less than two years who voluntarily retires from the force or is compelled to retire through illness or incapacity shall be entitled to receive from the fund an amount equal to one half of his contributions without interest".

He has contributed since January 1920 the sum of \$293.80 and is therefore entitled to a refund of \$146.90.

James J. Hopewell,  
City Treasurer.

Referred to the Finance Committee for report.

WORKS DEPARTMENT. TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES.

Read reports Committee on Works and Assistant City Engineer in re supplies to the Works Department for the current civic year.

City Works Office,  
May 22nd., 1924.

His Worship The Mayor  
and City Council.  
Sirs,

At a meeting of the Works Committee held May 21st., the Acting City Engineer submitted a report on tenders for supplies for the Works Department for the current civic year as per report attached hereto.

The report was approved and recommended to Council with the exception of that portion referring to crushed stone upon which it was decided action should be deferred and the matter left with the new Works Committee to dispose of.

A. F. MESSERVEY,  
Clerk of Works.

City Engineer's Office,  
May 17, 1924.

His Worship The Mayor.

Sir,  
I beg to report on the tenders received for supplies for the Works Department as follows:-

Gasoline and Oils.

The only tender received was from the Imperial Oil Co Ltd., who offer to supply kerosene oil and gasoline at current rates, and the prices in their tender for the lubricating oils are fair and reasonable and it is rec-

*Old Kenny  
City Treasurer  
City Clerk*

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ommended that this tender be accepted.

Purchase of Scrap Iron.

Tenders were received from -

John Simon	\$ 18.00
J.M.Garson	17.25

It is recommended that the tender of John Simon being the highest, be accepted.

Special Castings.

Tenders were received from -

Hillis & Sons	Schedule rates
Fleming Bros	do

It is recommended that the tender of Fleming Bros. being the lowest, be accepted.

Crushed Stone.

The only tender received was from the Fairview Crushed Stone Co., their price for stone from dust to that passing a one inch screen is \$3.50 a cu. yard delivered anywhere within the City and for large size, the price ranges down to \$2.75 a cu. yard.

A letter was received from Heber Hartlen in connection with the operations of the City Crusher, but no tender for the stone as required by the specification was submitted.

It is recommended that the tender of the Fairview Crushed Stone Co., be accepted.

Sand and Gravel.

Tenders were received from -

	<u>Sand</u>	<u>Gravel</u>
The Musgrave Lumber Co.	\$ 1.36 cu. yd delivered on city wharf.	\$ 1.68 delivered on city wharf.
T.A.S.DeWolf & Son	.9 $\frac{1}{2}$ per bus. delivered on wharf	.10 $\frac{1}{2}$ per bus. delivered on wharf.
Eager, Coombes	1.45 per ton delivered f.o.b.cars Halifax.	1.50 per ton delivered f.o.b.cars Halifax.
Terminals Supply Co Ltd	2.30 cu. yd. for fine sand 3.00 cu. yd. for coarse sand.	3.10 cu. yd.

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A representative of the latter Company was present when the tenders were opened and stated that his tender included delivery to any point within the City limits.

The tender of the Musgrave Lumber Co., being the lowest, is recommended for acceptance.

A recommendation with regard to the Hardware tenders will be made in a separate report.

H. W. JOHNSTON,  
Asst. City Engineer.

*City Engineer ✓  
Clerk of Works ✓*

Moved by Alderman Munnis, seconded by Alderman Finlay, that the reports be adopted. Motion passed.

WATER METER BILL. #10 ARMOURY PLACE.

Read reports Committee on Works and Assistant City Engineer on Water Meter bill #10 Armoury Place owned by Park Street Church.

City Works Office,  
May 23rd. 1924.

His Worship the Mayor.  
Sir,

At a meeting of the Works Committee held May 21st. the attached report of the Acting City Engineer on water meter bill for #10 Armoury place, was read.

After hearing an explanation from a representative of Park Street Church, owners of the property, it was decided that the bill be reduced to \$20.54 instead of \$33.74 as originally rendered.

A. F. MESSERVEY,  
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,  
May 16th., 1924.

His Worship The Mayor.  
Sir,

I beg to report on the attached water bill for the premises #10 Armoury Place claimed to be excessive, that the bill is for the half year ending March 31st. 1924, and amounts to \$33.74.

A reference to the records shows that the meter readings and consumption at the premises during the period complained of were as follows:-

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1923

September	345,000	
October	253,600	- 8,600 W. O. Wasting
November	260,700	7,100
December	274,900	14,200

1924

January	346,400	- 71,500 W. O. Wasting
February	393,300	46,900 Pipe burst
March	413,700	20,400

The large consumption is evidently due to the fact that a closet was wasting and a pipe burst, notice was sent on the 2nd. of February, following the large reading on the 30th. of January.

The half yearly bills for these premises for the past three years have been as follows:-

	1921	1922	1923	1924
March	.61	..... \$1.40	..... \$1.58	..... 33.74
May	.13	Sept 1.60	..... 2.84	
August	.32			

From this it will be seen that the consumption was moderate until the period complained of.

As I am satisfied that the water went through the meter and was consumed or wasted I am unable to recommend any reduction in the bill.

H. W. JOHNSTON,  
Assistant City Engineer.

*City Engineer's  
Clerk of Works  
City Collector*

Moved by Alderman Finlay, seconded by Alderman Smeltzer that the report of the Committee on Works be adopted. Motion passed.

QUINN STREET WATER EXTENSION.

Read reports Committee on Works and Assistant City Engineer re Water Extension Quinn Street.

City Works Office,  
May 22nd., 1924.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council.  
Sirs,

At a meeting of the Works Committee held May 21st., the Acting City Engineer submitted a report on water extension Quinn Street, which is attached hereto. The Committee approved of the report and ordered it to be sent to Council.

A. F. MESSERVEY,  
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,  
May 21, 1924.

His Worship The Mayor.  
Sir,

At the request of Ald. Hubley I beg to report on the extension of the water service on Quinn Street from Chebucto Road to the south side of #42. The extension will supply eleven houses and the estimated cost is \$4,178.40, including the cost of services.

The water pipe is not yet laid in Chebucto Road from Westmount Street to Quinn Street, this extension is on the order paper to be done with the extension of the sewer.

When the water pipe is laid in Chebucto Road I would recommend that the extension be made on Quinn Street from Chebucto Road southwardly to property No. 42, on the special rate of \$22.80 for each of the eleven houses.

H. W. JOHNSTON,  
Asst. City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Colwell, that the reports be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Munnis, seconded by Alderman Daw, that the report be referred back to the Committee on Works.

The Amendment being put, there appeared for it 8 and against it 8, tie vote, as follows:-

For the Amendment:-

Against it:-

Alderman Munnis  
Finlay  
H.W. Cameron  
Whelan  
O'Toole  
Power  
W.O. Cameron  
Daw.

Alderman Colwell  
Russell  
Sanford  
Gastonguay  
Kenny  
Hubley  
Drysdale  
Smeltzer.

*City Engineer  
Berk of Works*  
The Chairman gives his casting vote FOR the Amendment and declares it passed.

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ANNUAL REPORT. CITY ELECTRICIAN.

Read report Committee of Firewards covering Annual Report of the City Electrician for the year ending April 30th., 1924.

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Committee Room,  
City Hall, May 21st.,  
1924.

To His Worship The Mayor  
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards held this date, the City Electrician submitted the annual report on his Department for 1923-24.

It was decided to report the same to the City Council for its information.

H. W. CAMERON,  
Chairman.

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City Electrician's Office,  
May 13th., 1924.

To the Chairman and Members of the Board of Firewards.  
Gentlemen,

I beg to submit the annual report with reference to the Fire Alarm Telegraph system for the year ending April 30th. 1924.

The service during the past year has been satisfactory there being no severe elect storms to interfere with the line wires.

Four new additional Fire Alarm Signal Boxes were added to the system, namely -

231	-	Located	at	the	corner	of	Edward	and	Binney	Sts.		
48	-	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	Proctor	&	Barrington	Sts.
49	-	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	Grafton	&	Buckingham	Sts.
129	-	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	Franoklyn	&	Clarence	Sts.

The following two replacements of old type boxes were also made:-

67	-	Located	at	the	corner	of	Oxford	&	Chebucto	Road.		
9	-	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	Windsor	&	Almon	Streets.

The total number of Signal Boxes connected to the system to date is 115.

All the Fire Alarm Signal circuits were overhauled and put in good condition. In a considerable number of locations where the Power Company and Telephone Company's lines were changed to any extent the Fire Alarm lines were rearranged and placed in such condition as to conform with requirements of good standard construction.

Formerly the fire alarm lines were located on the top of poles but more modern construction requires signal lines to be placed on the lower arm.

A considerable number of fire alarm boxes were brought into the workroom and thoroughly overhauled and corrected timed.

In any locations where the fire alarm box keys were

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kept in nearby houses the same were removed and placed under glass fronts on the boxes; the keeping of keys at points distant from the boxes on different occasions having resulted in the delay of sending in the signals.

A regular monthly inspection and test of all fire alarm signal boxes has been carried out and where any serious defects are found to exist these boxes are immediately brought into the workroom and remedied.

A careful record is kept daily of the conditions of the system.

I wish to point out the fact that there are considerable portions of the city where additional Fire Alarm Signal Boxes should be installed to cover same. Also some of the older type boxes still in service should be replaced with new ones.

In respect to the Tower Strikers I may say that on account of their age they are always to be considered unreliable, which fact has been pointed out in various reports submitted in the past.

G. H. DURLING,  
City Electrician.

*C. F. Anderson*

Filed.

SUPERNUMERARY COAL WEIGHERS.

Read report Laws and Privileges Committee in re complaint of Supernumerary Coal Weigher P. Cummings.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
May 19th., 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Laws and Privileges Committee, held this day, the attached letter of P. Cummings complaining that he had been unfairly dealt with in the matter of apportioning the work to Supernumeraries, was read.

Your Committee after careful investigation found that there was no foundation for the complaint and that Mr. Cullymore, the Supervisor, is now carrying out the wishes of the Council as expressed in a report of this Committee of January 24th. last.

JOHN J. POWER,  
Chairman.

*P. Cummings*  
*A. Cullymore*

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