

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock,  
Council Chamber, City Hall,  
November 6th., 1924.

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

8.10 o'clock.

Moved by Alderman Colwell, seconded by Alderman H. W. Cameron, that the time of meeting be extended until a Quorum was present or until 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8.30 o'clock.

Roll called, present the above named and Aldermen Finlay, Kenny, Hubley, W. O. Cameron and Smeltzer.

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

✓ NOTICE OF RECONSIDERATION.

Read Alderman Daw's Notice of Reconsideration in re resolution of Council authorizing the Committee of Firewards to continue in force the Group policy of Insurance on Members of the Halifax Fire Department for thirty (30) days from the date of expiry of such policy.

His Worship the Mayor stated that as Alderman Daw was not present, it was not necessary to move the res-

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olution to reconsider this matter as the Insurance would automatically expire on the 10th. instant.

✓ WORKS DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS.

Read report Committee on Works recommending for payment accounts chargeable to the Works Department \$2,970.88 and to the Water Department \$1,075.97.

City Works Office, Halifax,  
November 6th., 1924.

His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Sirs,

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 5th. instant, the following accounts were approved and recommended to Council for payment:-

Works - Capital	\$	145.71	
Current		<u>2,825.17</u>	\$2,970.88
Water - Capital		1.45	
Current		<u>1,074.52</u>	1,075.97

A. F. MESSERVEY,  
Clerk of Works.

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

✓ CITY HOME AND TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL  
ACCOUNTS.

Read report Charities Committee recommending for payment accounts chargeable to the City Home amounting to \$ 6,226.27, and to the Tuberculosis Hospital \$ 3,455.46 and to Tuberculosis Hospital Capital account \$40.00.

Halifax, November 5, 1924.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen,

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

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Members present The Chairman, Aldermen Finlay and O'Toole.

City Home Accounts, October 1924, Amount \$6226.27.

City Home accounts for the month of October amounting to \$6226.27 are recommended for payment.

Tuberculosis Hospital Accounts, October 1924, Amount \$3455.46.

Tuberculosis Hospital accounts for the month of October 1924, amounting to \$3455.46 were recommended for payment.

Tuberculosis Hospital, Capital Account, \$40.00.

Tuberculosis Hospital Capital Account amount \$40.00 was recommended for payment.

H. S. COLWELL,  
Chairman.

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

✓ CITY HEALTH BOARD ACCOUNTS.

Read report City Health Board recommending for payment accounts chargeable to General Account \$2,054.38, and to the Isolation Hospital \$734.07, making a total of \$2,788.45.

City Health Board Office,  
Halifax, November 5, 1924.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the City Health Board held on Wednesday November 5th. 1924, the attached accounts amounting to \$2,788.45 were passed as correct and recommended for payment.

Arthur C. Pettipas,  
Secretary.

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

✓ FIRE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS.

Read report Committee of Firewards recommending for

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payment accounts amounting to \$16,930.11 - \$16,408.90 chargeable to the General Account of the Fire Department, \$372.16 to Fire Alarm Maintenance current account, and \$149.04 to Fire Alarm Maintenance capital account.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
Halifax, November 5, 1924.

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

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards, held this day, there being present Aldermen O'Toole, Chairman; H. W. Cameron, Finlay and Munnis, the attached accounts - \$521.21 chargeable to Fire Alarm Maintenance, and \$16,408.90 to the general account of the Fire Department, were passed as correct and recommended for payment.

W. J. O'TOOLE,  
Chairman.

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

✓ CITY PRISON ACCOUNTS.

Read report City Prison Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$1,153.58.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
Halifax, November 5, 1924.

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

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the City Prison Committee, held this day, there being present Aldermen Colwell, Whelan and Smeltzer, the attached list of accounts amounting to \$1,153.58, was examined, found correct and recommended for payment.

The monthly report of the Governor, showing a total of 27 Prisoners in custody on the 31st. of October 1924, was submitted and filed.

H. S. COLWELL,  
Acting Chairman.

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

Motion passed.

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✓ CITIZEN'S FREE LIBRARY.

Read report Library Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$225.25.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
Halifax, November 6, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen,

The Citizen's Free Library Committee beg to recommend the attached accounts amounting to \$225.25 for the month of October 1924, for payment.

A. F. Finlay,  
Chairman.

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

✓ GARDENS, PARKS AND COMMONS ACCOUNT.

Read report of the Committee on Gardens, Parks and Commons recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$347.76.

Mayor's Office, City Hall,  
Halifax, November 4, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Committee on Gardens, Parks and Commons, held this day, the attached list of accounts amounting to \$347.76, was passed as correct and recommended to the City Council for payment.

I. E. Sanford,  
Acting Chairman.

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

✓ POLICE ACCOUNTS.

Read report Police Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$181.11.

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To His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Police Committee, held this day, the attached accounts, amounting to \$181.11 for the month of October, were passed as correct and recommended for payment.

John Murphy,  
Mayor and Chairman.

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

✓  
GENERAL ACCOUNTS.

Read report of the Finance Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$2,335.68, also an account of Climo, the Photographer, \$26.50

Committee Room, City Hall,  
November 4, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, the attached accounts amounting to \$2,335.68, for the month of October 1924, were passed as correct and recommended to the City Council for payment.

Also account of Climo for Photographs - \$26.50.

J. E. Kenny,  
Chairman.

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

✓  
POLICE OFFICER CHARLES FULTON,  
REFUND SUPERANNUATION TO WIDOW.

Read report of the Finance Committee covering reports of the Police Committee, the Chief of Police and the City Treasurer, recommending that the widow of the late Police Officer Fulton be refunded the sum of \$471.00, being the

amount she is entitled to receive from the Police Superannuation Fund.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
Halifax, November 4, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, the attached reports of the Police Committee and City Treasurer, recommending that the Widow of late Police Officer Charles Fulton be refunded the sum of \$471.00, being the amount she is entitled to receive from the Police Superannuation Fund, were read and recommended to the City Council for adoption.

J. B. KENNY,  
Chairman.

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EXTRACTS from a meeting of the Police Commission held on Monday the 3rd. day of November 1924.

Read report from City Treasurer Hopewell re Superannuation late Police Officer Charles Fulton, amount payable to his widow.

In compliance with the City Charter governing such amounts, the sum of \$471.00 is payable to the widow.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman O'Toole, that the report be adopted and recommended to Council for payment. Carried.

A true extract,  
JOHN MURPHY,  
Chairman, Police Commission.

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Police Headquarters, Halifax,  
October 6, 1924.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members Police Commission.

Gentlemen,

In line with your request for a report on the late Police Officer Charles R. Fulton, I beg leave to submit the following.

The late Charles Fulton made application to the Police force on April 30th. 1920 and was appointed and sworn in on May 5th. 1920.

On May 15th. 1924, Fulton was assigned to "plain clothes duty", and, as such, was in the hunt for L. Bevis who shot and killed him. Bevis is now on trial for his life for the shooting of Charles Fulton.

I attach herewith application and record of Fulton for your information.

WM. E. PALMER,  
Chief Police.

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Office of City Treasurer,  
Halifax, October 25, 1924.

His Worship Mayor Murphy  
and Police Committee.

Gentlemen,

In re Deceased Policeman Fulton.

Sec. 272 of the City Charter reads - "If any member  
"of the force before retirement dies from any injury re-  
"ceived while in the discharge of his duty and leaves a  
"widow, or if no widow, any child or children under the  
"age of sixteen years the Council may on the recommendat-  
"ion of the Board, by resolution, direct that such widow  
"or the guardian of such child or children, shall be  
"paid out of the fund a sum equal to a months pay for  
"each year such member contributed to the fund, but not  
"exceeding in any case more than one years full salary  
"for such member".

The deceased Policeman was attested on May 5th. 1920,  
died July 14th. 1924, a period of 4 $\frac{1}{2}$  years, and his widow  
would be entitled under a resolution of the Board to  
\$471.00.

James J. Hopewell,  
City Treasurer.

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Moved by Alderman Kenny, seconded by Alderman Finlay,

that the report be adopted and the City Treasurer authoriz-

*authorized* ed to pay to Mrs. Fulton the sum of \$471.00 out of said  
*Treasurer* Fund. Motion passed.

*Mrs. Fulton*

EX-POLICE OFFICER PARKER, -  
SUPERANNUATION REFUND.

Read report of the Finance Committee covering reports  
Police Committee, Chief of Police and the City Treasurer  
in reference to the application of Ex- Police Officer  
Parker for a refund of the amount he is entitled to receive  
from the Police Superannuation Fund.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
Halifax, November 4, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day,  
the attached reports of the Police Committee and City  
Treasurer, recommending a refund of \$111.73 to Ex-



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Police Officer Parker, being one half of the amount he has contributed to the Police Superannuation Fund, were read and are recommended to the City Council for adoption.

J. B. KENNY,  
Chairman.

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EXTRACT from a meeting of the Police Commission, held on Monday the 3rd. day of November 1924.

Read report from City Treasurer Hopewell re Ex-Police Officer Parker's claim on the Police Superannuation Fund.

The claim is for \$111.73 being half the amount paid into the fund by him since appointment.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman O'Toole, that the report be adopted and recommended for payment. Carried.

A true extract,  
JOHN MURPHY,  
Chairman Police Commission.

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Police Headquarters,  
Halifax, October 20th., 1924.

Payments made by Ex-Police Officer Wm. Parker to the Police Superannuation Fund as from the 11th. day of June 1921 to the 15th. day of October 1924.

June 1921		\$3.32	
July 1st. 1921 to April 30th. 1922		50.00	
May 1st 1922	April 30th. 1923	69.84	
May 1st. 1923	April 30th. 1924	69.84	
May 1st 1924	October 15th. 1924	<u>30.47</u>	\$223.47

Parker claims  $\frac{1}{2}$  of \$223.47 as passed by the N. S. Legislature 1924.

His claim is for the sum of \$111.73.

WM. E. PALMER,  
Chief of Police.

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City Treasurer's Office,  
Halifax, October 25, 1924.

His Worship Mayor Murphy  
and Police Commission.

Gentlemen,

In re Ex-Policeman Parker.

Section 274 of the City Charter 1914 is repealed and

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and the following substituted therefor by Sec. 53 Chap 60 Acts 1924:- "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".

This Officer was attested June 6th. 1921, retired October 15th. 1924, a period of 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> years, has paid into the Superannuation fund \$223.47 and is entitled to a refund under the Acts of 1924 to the sum of \$111.73.

JAMES J. HOPEWELL,  
City Treasurer.

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Halifax,  
October 10, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and Members Police Committee.

Gentlemen,

In accordance with legislation passed this year, I wish to make application for rebate of one half the amount paid by me to the Police Superannuation Fund since my appointment.

Hoping, Sirs, that my application will pass your approval,

WM. F. PARKER.

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Moved by Alderman Kenny, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the report be adopted and the City Treasurer authorized to refund to Ex-Police Officer Parker the sum of \$111.73 out of said Fund. Motion passed, 12 voting for the same and 2 against it as follows:-

For the Motion:-

Against it:-

Alderman Colwell  
Russell  
Munnis  
Finlay  
Sanford  
Kenny  
H.W. Cameron  
Hubley  
Whelan  
O'Toole  
Smeltzer  
W.O. Cameron.

Alderman Bissett,  
Power.

*Auditor*  
*Treasurer*  
*W. F. Parker*

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CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY, and  
NEGLECTED AND DEPENDENT CHILDREN.

Read report Finance Committee recommending for payment the accounts of E. H. Blois, Esq., Superintendent of Neglected and Dependent Children, for maintenance of children for three months ending September 30th. 1924 - \$470.84, and that of the Children's Aid Society for the same period \$643.64.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
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To His Worship the Mayor  
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, the attached account of E. H. Blois, Esq., Superintendent Neglected and Dependent Children, for maintenance of children for three months ending September 1924, \$470.84, and that of the Children's Aid Society - \$643.64, for the same purpose same period, were passed as correct and recommended for payment.

J. B. KENNY,  
Chairman.

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

✓  
PRICE WATERHOUSE & COMPANY. ACCOUNT.

Read report Finance Committee recommending for payment account of Messrs. Price Waterhouse & Co., \$780.00, for services of D. R. Riach in connection with the supervision of the new accounting system, etc., for the month of September.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
November 4, 1924.

To His Worship The Mayor  
and Members City Council.

Dear Sir,

At a meeting of the Committee on Finance, held this day, the attached account of Messrs. Price, Waterhouse & Company - \$780.00, for services of D. R. Riach, in connection with the closing of the accounts of the City and sup-

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revision of the revision of the new accounting system for the month of September, was passed and recommended to the City Council for payment.

J. B. KENNY,  
Chairman.

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

✓ CITY HOME AND TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL REPORT  
OCTOBER 1 9 2 4.

Read report Charities Committee showing the number of Inmates in the City Home to be 297, the number of Patients in the Tuberculosis Hospital 32.

Halifax, November 5th., 1924.

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 Finlay and O'Toole.

Superintendent's Report, City Home, October 1924,  
Number of Inmates 297.

The Superintendent's report shows that during the month of October 1924 there were 17 persons admitted into the City Home, 4 discharged and 1 died. Of the number admitted 1 was chargeable to the Province and 16 to the City. The total number of inmates October 31st. was 297, made up of 163 men, 130 women and 4 children. On the same date last year there were 159 men, 123 women and 7 children, a total of 289.

Superintendent's Report, Tuberculosis Hospital, October 1924,  
Number of Patients 32.

The Superintendent's report shows that during the month of October 1924, there were 6 patients admitted into the City Tuberculosis Hospital, 4 men and 2 women, 1 man and 2 women were discharged and 1 man and 2 women died. The total number of patients October 31st. was 32, made up of 17 men, 14 women and 1 child. On the same date last year there were 13 men, 19 women and 2 children, a total of 34.

H. S. COLWELL,  
Chairman.

Filed.

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✓ CITY HOME AND TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL,  
TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES.

Read report Charities Committee in re tenders for supplies for the City Home and Tuberculosis Hospital for a period of three months from November 1st. 1924., also recommending that the Council take immediate action to alleviate the overcrowded condition existing in the Wards at the City Home set apart for the Insane.

Halifax, October 29th., 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 Rains, O'Toole, Finlay and Gastonguay.

Tenders for supplies for a period of three months from November 1st. 1924 for the City Home and Tuberculosis Hospital were opened as follows:-

City Home.

Meats	The Maritime Market	\$837.50
	W.A.Maling & Co	884.00
Groceries	Wentzells Ltd	2412.58
	Howards Ltd	2337.25
	M.J.Ritcey Co Ltd	2168.21
Flour	Howards Ltd - Beaver	8.90
	Renown	8.90
	Reindeer	9.65
	Wentzells Ltd Beaver	8.90
	Victor	9.00
	Five Roses	9.75
Butter & Eggs	P. T. Shea Butter - lb.	.39
	Eggs - doz.	.50
	Smith & Proctor Ltd - Butter lb	.37
	Eggs doz.	.52
	R.B.Colwell Ltd - Butter, lb	.38 $\frac{1}{4}$
	Eggs doz.	.45
Mess Pork	Davis & Fraser, lb.	.13 $\frac{1}{4}$
Milk	Ideal Dairy Ltd, qt.	.11 $\frac{1}{4}$
	Fraser & Casey, qt.	.11 $\frac{1}{4}$
	Farmers Ltd qt.	.11 $\frac{1}{4}$

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City Home (Ctd.)

Dry Goods	T. J. Whalen & Co	\$1017.60
Fresh Fish	H. Bowman, per lb.	.05½

Tuberculosis Hospital.

Groceries	Wentzells Ltd	1007.70
	Howards Ltd	936.41
	M. J. Ritcey & Co Ltd	909.85
Butter & Eggs	Smith & Proctor Ltd	570.00
	P. T. Shea	553.00
	R. B. Colwell Ltd	520.50
Bread	J. J. Scriven & Sons, per loaf	\$ .10
	Moirs Ltd	.08½
	John Fry	.08½
Milk & Cream	Ideal Dairy Ltd - Milk, qt	.11½
	L. cream	.50
	H. cream	.65
	Fraser & Casey - Same prices	
	Farmers Ltd Same prices	
Meats	The Maritime Market	364.45
Fish	H. Bowman	60.90
Laundry work	Globe Laundry Co Ltd, per 100 pcs.	\$1.90

RECOMMENDATIONS, City Home.

Meats	The Maritime Market	837.50
Groceries	M. J. Ritcey & Co Ltd	2168.21
Flour	Howards Ltd., Beaver, per bbl	8.90
Butter	Smith & Proctor Ltd, per lb	.37
Eggs	R. B. Colwell Ltd per doz	.45
Mess Pork	Davis & Fraser per lb	.13½
Milk	Ideal Dairy Ltd per qt	.11½
Dry Goods	T. J. Whalen & Co	1017.60
Fresh Fish	H. Bowman per lb	.05½

RECOMMENDATIONS, Tuberculosis Hospital.

Groceries	M. J. Ritcey & Co Ltd	909.85
Butter & Eggs	R. B. Colwell Ltd	520.50
Bread	John Fry per loaf	.08½

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Milk & Cream	Ideal Dairy Ltd. -	Milk, qt.	\$11 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>
		L.cream	.50
		H.Cream	.65
Meats	The Maritime Market		\$ 364.45
Fish	H. Bowman		60.90
Laundry Work	Globe Laundry Co Ltd,		
	Per 100 pcs		1.90

Your Committee would recommend that immediate action be taken to alleviate the overcrowded condition existing in the Wards set apart for the Insane at the City Home, there being now 70 females in one ward and 59 males in the other. Allowing proper air space these wards should not accomodate more than 40 patients each.

H. S. Colwell,  
Chairman.

The report is considered Clause by Clause, the first Clause to include all recommendations in regard to the awarding of tenders for supplies.

Clause 1. Moved by Alderman Colwell, seconded by Alderman Finlay, that the recommendations of the Committee with respect to the tenders for supplies, be adopted. Motion passed unanimously.

Clause 2. Overcrowded conditions of the Wards in the City Home set apart for Insane Patients.

Moved by Alderman Colwell, seconded by Alderman Finlay, that a Special Committee composed of the Charities Committee and the Committee on Finance, together with the City Engineer and Assistant Building Inspector, be requested to report on the best ways and means of relieving the overcrowding.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman H. W. Cameron, that this matter be referred to a Special Committee of six (6) Members of the Council, the City Engineer and the Assistant Building Insp-

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ector, for report. The Amendment is put and passed, 10 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  
O'Toole  
Power  
Smeltzer.

Alderman Colwell  
Finlay  
Whelan  
W.O.Cameron.

His Worship the Mayor nominates as such Committee -

Alderman Colwell  
Bissett  
Kenny  
Hubley  
O'Toole  
W.O.Cameron.

✓ REGISTRAR OF VOTERS. ACCOUNT L. M. GREEN.

*By J. B. Buchanan  
City Auditor*

Read report Finance Committee recommending for payment the account of Miss L. M. Green, \$17.12, for supplying the Registrar of Voters with a list of the names of 489 deceased persons during the year 1923.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
Halifax, November 4, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, the attached account of Miss L. M. Green - \$17.12, for supplying the Registrar of Voters with a list of the names of 489 deceased persons in 1923, was recommended for payment, subject to the City Auditor finding sufficient funds in the appropriation of 1923 to meet same.

J. B. KENNY,  
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Kenny, seconded by Alderman W. O. Cameron, that the report be adopted and account paid.

Motion passed.

*Carroll*



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CITY PRISON, TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES.

Read report of the City Prison Committee re tenders for Supplies for a period of six (6) months ending April 30th. 1925.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
October 28th., 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

Your Committee on City Prison beg to report on tenders received for Supplies for six (6) months ending April 30th., 1925, as follows:-

Bread - Moirs Ltd. -	1½ lb. loaf, fresh	- 10¢	per loaf
	do 1 day old	6¢	do.
Bens Ltd	1½ lb. loaf	10¢	do
Scrivens Bakery -	1 lb. loaf, fresh	6½¢	do
	do 1 day old	6	do
O'Malley's Bakery	fresh	10¢	do
	1 day old	9¢	do
Meat - W.A.Maling & Co,	forequarters not		
	under 150 lb.	6.70	per cwt
Maritime Market	do	.07	per lb
J.A.Leaman & Co	do	.07½	do
Groceries - Firth Thurlow & Co.		570.00	
Howards Limited		565.24	
M.J.Ritcey & Co		585.01	

Your Committee recommend that the following tenders be accepted, they being the lowest for the quantities to be supplied:-

For Bread -	MOIRS LIMITED
Meat	W. A. MALING & COMPANY
Groceries	FIRTH THURLOW & COMPANY.

L. A. Gastonguay,  
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Colwell, seconded by Alderman

Finlay, that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS. PENSION PAYMENTS.

Read report of the Finance Committee covering report

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of the City Auditor on the application of the Secretary of the Board of School Commissioners for payment of the sum of \$1780.00 required to pay Pensions on November 1st.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
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To His Worship the Mayor  
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, the attached report of the City Auditor on the application of the Secretary of the School Board for payment of the sum of Seventeen Hundred and Eighty (\$1780.00) dollars required to pay Pensions due November 1st., was read.

Your Committee recommend that the sum of Nine Hundred and Fifty-seven Dollars and Ninety-one cents (\$957.91), the amount fixed by the City Auditor as being payable to the Board for this purpose, be paid as provided for by the Acts of 1923, Chapter 69, Section 27.

J. B. KENNY,  
Chairman.

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City Auditor's Office,  
Halifax, October 28th., 1924.

J. B. Kenny, Esq.,  
Chairman, Finance Committee.

Dear Sir,

Referring to the attached application of the Board of School Commissioners for the sum of \$1780.00 required to pay pensions due November 1st. in connection with the Halifax Teachers Pension System.

I would report that I have audited the Halifax Teachers Pension System accounts for their fiscal year ending 30th June 1924. As a result of my audit, I find that the Board of School Commissioners have in the past overpaid the proportion that is due by them to the Pension System by the sum of \$822.09. I would recommend that this amount be deducted from the \$1780.00 which is needed to pay the Pensions and a cheque issued for the net figure of \$957.91, as provided for by Acts 1923, Chap 69 Sec 27.

I would state that when the accounts for the fiscal year ending 30th. June 1925 are audited, the proportion that is due by the Board of School Commissioners will be finally ascertained and adjustment made for any over-payment.

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

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Moved by Alderman Kenny, seconded by Alderman Power, that the report of the Finance Committee and that of the City Auditor be adopted and the sum of Nine Hundred and Fifty-seven dollars and Ninety-one cents (\$957.91), the amount fixed by the City Auditor as being payable to the Board for this purpose, be paid. Motion passed.

*Auditor  
Treasurer  
S. J. Wilson*

✓ BUSCH VERSAS CITY OF HALIFAX.

Read report Committee on Works, also Alderman J. J. Power and the City Solicitor re payment of the Judgment and costs in the suit of Busch versas the City of Halifax.

City Works Office,  
Halifax, October 16th., 1924.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council.  
Sirs,

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 15th. instant, the question of payment of judgment and costs in connection with the suit of Busch versas City of Halifax, was considered, and, after reading the City Solicitor's opinion and a minority report from Alderman Power re the above subject, it was moved by Alderman Power and seconded by Alderman Daw and passed unanimously, that it be recommended to Council that amount of judgment \$1,000.00 and costs \$1,031.00 be paid L. A. Lovett, Solicitor for plaintiff in said suit, payment to be made out of amount withheld on contract with Whalen & Cossman for North West Arm Sewer totalling \$1,016.70, the balance necessary to complete payment to be borrowed from any available source. A condition of said payment to be that the Plaintiff shall enter judgment and make and record an assignment to the City of Halifax of said judgment. Further, a copy of report to Council be immediately forwarded Finance Committee for their action, and a copy of the above resolution in respect to recommendation being made to Council be forwarded by registered mail to Messrs. Whalen & Cossman individually to their last known address, also to their Solicitor, L. A. Forsythe, and to the Bonding Company (through their Halifax Agents) who furnished the bond for the said North West Arm Sewer contract as sureties for said contractors.

A. F. MESSERVEY,  
Clerk of Works.

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Halifax, October 6th., 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the Board of Works, City.

Gentlemen,

Re BUSCH VS CITY OF HALIFAX.

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I have looked into this matter with some care and I am of the opinion that under the contract and specifications Whalen & Cossman are liable to indemnify the City for any loss it incurs in respect to the contract. They expressly and unqualifiedly said so by the unequivocal contract that they signed.

The Surety Company is by the express language of their Bond liable to the City for Whalen & Cossman's contract. They also expressly and unqualifiedly said so by the unequivocal language of their Bond. When the City is prepared to pay the judgment and costs, it should ask Mr. Lovett, K. C., to enter judgment and instead of taking a release of it, to take an assignment of it. I think the formality of entering Judgment is imperative; at all events it is safe - and this the City Solicitor should attend to, and Section 19 (7) of the Nova Scotia Judicature Act is his guide and mainstay. After the City pays Mr. Lovett and gets the Assignment, it should then notify the Surety Company to pay up the balance after retaining what is withheld from Whalen & Cossman and in default of their payment to bring action against the Surety Company. I am of opinion that Mr. Forsyth is not entitled to payment of any part of the money that is held back from Cossman & Whalen, he should be driven to sue for it because I do not think his clients have any claim on the fund, and if they have left Nova Scotia and have no property here they will have to put up security for costs to the City before they can go ahead with their suit. To use common language in this matter all the City has to do is to "stand pat" and look out for the citizens interests.

It appears to me to be a case of pretty plain sailing. If the City is not entitled to indemnity and payment in these premises, in view of the contract signed by Whalen & Cossman and the Bond of the Surety Company, there is little use hereafter for the City to attempt to protect itself by similar instruments.

If the majority of the Committee are not agreed to consent to this opinion, I wish it to be recorded as a minority report.

JOHN J. POWER.

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Office of City Solicitor,  
Halifax, October 14, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor.

Dear Sir,

Re Busch Versus City of Halifax.

In reply to your inquiry, in the above, I beg to say that there is no doubt that the City is liable for the amount of the Judgment given against both the Defendants for the sum of \$1,000. and taxed costs of \$1,031. in addition, which amount the City could be compelled to pay.

What the rights of the City are against the Contractors, its co-defendants, is another matter.

F.H. BELL,  
City Solicitor.

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Also read report of the Finance Committee on this subject.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
Halifax, November 6, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, the attached report of the Committee on Works in reference to the payment of the Judgment and costs in the suit of Busch versus City of Halifax, was approved and recommended to the City Council for adoption.

J. B. KENNY,  
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Power, seconded by Alderman

Hubley, that the reports of the Committee on Works and

the Finance Committee be adopted. Motion passed.

✓ STREET PAVING. BOND OF BARRETT COMPANY.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re cancellation and return of the Bond furnished by the Barrett Company in connection with the pavings laid by said Company in 1920.

City Works Office,  
Halifax, October 17, 1924.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council.  
Sirs,

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 15th. instant, the attached report of the City Engineer recommending the cancellation and return of the bond furnished by the Barrett Company in connection with pavements laid by said Company in 1919-20, was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

A. F. MESSERVEY,  
Clerk of Works.

City Engineer's Office,  
Halifax, October 6, 1924.

His Worship the Mayor.  
Sir,

I beg to recommend that the Bond furnished by the Barrett Company Limited for the maintenance of the pave-

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ments laid by that Company in 1919-20 and which expired on the 1st. of September 1924, be cancelled and returned to them, as they have completed all the necessary repairs to the pavements to the date specified.

H. W. JOHNSTON,  
City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Kenny, seconded by Alderman Power, that these reports be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges for a report from the City Solicitor as to whether this Bond should be cancelled and returned. Motion

*Walter Russell*  
*City Clerk*  
*Solicitor*  
passed.

FIRES, THEIR CAUSES AND LOSSES.

Read report Committee of Firewards covering report of Chief Churchill re Fires their causes and losses during the month of September.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
Halifax, November 5, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards, held this day, the attached report of Chief Churchill re Fires their causes and losses for the month of September, was submitted, approved and ordered to be sent to the City Council for its information.

W. J. O'TOOLE,  
Chairman.

Halifax, November 5th., 1924.

Board of Firewards.

Gentlemen,

Herewith I submit the following report for the month of September during which there were 12 alarms of fire from the following causes:-

Unknown 2, defective wiring 2, false 1, chimneys 3, electric iron 1, supposed spontaneous ignition 1, oil stove 1, ladies clothing coming in contact with open flame 1.

Property at risk	\$319,603.83	
Insurance losses		\$18,549.00
Losses not insured		8,303.83
		<u>\$26,852.83</u>

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

Filed.

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HOUSING COMMISSION HOUSES.

Read report of the Finance Committee in re application of the Housing Commission for funds for repairs to certain houses taken over by the Commission, covering resolution respecting this matter, also respecting the sale of a property taken over by the Commission from the late Secretary and proposed to be transferred to one, W. J. Ahern.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
Halifax, November 4, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, Mr. Eric Fielding, Secretary of the Housing Commission, appeared before the Committee and submitted the attached letters in reference to the necessity of providing funds for repairs to certain houses taken over by the Commission, and the sale by the Commission of the house #44 Dublin Street built by the late Secretary of the Commission.

The following resolution was submitted and approved and ordered to be sent to the City Council for action:-

RESOLVED that a representative of the Council be appointed to accompany a representative of the Housing Commission to wait on the Governor-in-Council and take up the matter of repayment by the Housing Commission to the Province, with the object of obtaining permission to postpone payment of sums collected and utilize the same in making necessary repairs on the properties of the Commission; and with the object of obtaining permission to re-sell houses taken over by the Commission when necessary for sums less than the same stand the Commission for principal and interest.

FURTHER RESOLVED that in the opinion of this Committee the transfer proposed to be made by the Housing Commission of property #44 Dublin Street, originally sold to T. M. Hayes, and now proposed to be transferred to W. J. Ahern, is desirable and should, if possible, be carried out.

J. B. Kenny,  
Chairman.

Office of the Housing Commission,  
Halifax, October 29, 1924.

To the Chairman and Members of  
the Finance Committee.

Gentlemen,

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At a meeting of the Housing Commission held September 4th. 1924 the residents of North Albert Street complained about the condition of their houses. Accordingly the Commission requested the Building Inspector of the City of Halifax to make a report, a copy of which is enclosed herewith, upon the condition of these houses. In this connection I would like to point out that the report states that in the opinion of the Assistant Building Inspector the roofs should be treated in the same manner as that of No. 1 North Albert Street.

In connection with the roof of No. 1 North Albert Street, when it first started to show evidence of leaks the former Board of Commissioners decided to make a test of this roof, and accordingly nailed the butt of each shingle. The shingle used is, as you know, a composition of fire-proof material, put out by the Brantford people. After the work was finished it was found that the roof leaked in a great many places, due in some cases, it was thought, to the nailing. The purchaser of the house, Mr. Horne, claimed that as the Housing Commission had made a test of his house and as a result the roof leaked worse than ever it was the duty of the Commission to make his roof water tight. As this roof had been nailed it was found to be impossible to treat it with paste or putty, and the only course left open to the Commission was to renew the roof. Accordingly this was done and the roof was covered with Art Craft Roofing. This roofing is a fire-proof material, and is put on in strips three feet wide and running the length of the houses. It has in this instance an advantage over shingling, in that the roof is not disturbed and the Art Craft Roofing is placed right over the old shingles, thus getting whatever value there is in the old roof and adding to it the new roofing.

The cost of this work amounted to \$75.00 for the single roof and the cost of renewing the other 19 roofs would be \$1400.

At a meeting of the Commission held October 21st. 1924, I was instructed to forward this report with the request that your Committee recommend that money be granted for this purpose.

E. K. Fielding,  
Secretary to Commission.

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Office of the Housing Commission,  
Halifax, October 30, 1924.

To the Chairman and Members  
of the Finance Committee.

Gentlemen,

I have been instructed to write your Committee in reference to a sale made by this Commission of the house #44 Dublin Street, built by the former Secretary, and being purchased under an Agreement for Sale.

The Housing Commission, 1920, provides that all such transactions must have the approval of the Director of



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Housing. In this instance we know from past experience that the Director of Housing will not give his consent. He withholds his consent for the reason that we have found it necessary to make a new agreement twenty years from the first of November 1924, whereas the original agreement was twenty years from April 1st. 1921.

There are some other phases of this proposed sale which the Commission would like to take up with your Committee, and I have been instructed to request that you permit the Secretary of this Commission to attend the next meeting of your Committee in order that he might take up this matter with you.

E. K. Fielding,  
Secretary to Commission.

Moved by Alderman Kenny, seconded by Alderman Finlay, that a Committee be appointed to act with a Committee from the Housing Commission to wait on the Government and the Housing Director to see what can be done to relieve the situation. Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor nominates as such Special Committee -

*E. K. Fielding*  
*Mayor*

The Mayor  
Alderman Russell, and,  
Alderman Kenny.

✓ COAL WEIGHERS, REPORT SEPTEMBER 1924.

Read report A. H. Cullymore, Supervisor of Coal Weighers, for the Month of September 1924 showing that the regular Coal Weighers received the sum of \$65.47 each in fees for their services.

Filed.

✓ INDEPENDENT AUDIT, COST OF

Read report Finance Committee covering report of His Worship the Mayor re cost of the Independent Audit to date.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
Halifax, November 4, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this

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day, His Worship the Mayor reported on the cost of the independent audit and installation of the new Accounting system by Messrs. Price Waterhouse & Company, when it was decided to submit same to the City Council for its information.

J. B. KENNY,  
Chairman.

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The Mayor stated that he appreciated the difficulty of individual members keeping in as close touch as they might desire with work of this nature as it was practically a day by day operation involving considerable detail and could only be supervised by those directly connected with it.

The total expenditure for the services of Price, Waterhouse & Company including not only the complete audit, but also the installation of modern systems throughout all departments, amounted to approximately \$32,000.

It had been found possible to relieve Mr. Riach after City Auditor, Mr. Glass, had spent some three weeks with him taking over the duties of office and securing a thorough grasp of the system installed. Mr. Riach having left for Montreal the early part of last month.

On the installation of the new system, the Mayor pointed out, that inasmuch as he had discharged, during that period, the duties of City Auditor, the City had effected a saving in this direction up to the time of the taking over by Mr. Glass.

The Committee were given full explanation of the progress of the work on outstanding taxes. To get a proper grasp of just what this involves, it would be necessary for members of Council, or any citizen interested, to go over it with the Collector and Auditor, covering as it does a period of more than ten years, and the problem of search of titles, due to the numerous transfers of properties which would have occurred during the period - all of which must be carefully traced before accounts can be rendered - would be readily appreciated by Council. Special staff has been employed on this work and it is hoped that a start will be made on the rendering of statements of these outstanding taxes during the month.

It was pointed out that the expenses involved for this particular work was provided for by legislation, which permits the City to stand up to one percent of the outstanding taxes in an effort to effect collection.

Up to the present time the cost has been \$9,182.00



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His Worship the Mayor declared Alderman W. O. Cameron and Alderman Sanford duly elected School Commissioners for the City of Halifax for the period ending November 1st. 1927.

*Miss  
J. Wilson  
Ald. Sanford  
J. W. Cameron*

MOTOR LICENSE FEES.

Read letter J. C. Pynn, Mayor of North Sydney, covering resolution re Motor License fees.

North Sydney, October 15, 1924.  
Office Town Clerk  
and Treasurer.

To the Mayor,  
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir,

The enclosed copy of a resolution passed by this town Council and carried unanimously speaks for itself.

Will you kindly have this matter brought before your Council at an early date and if you are in sympathy with the spirit of this resolution, take whatever steps you may deem advisable in protesting to the Local Government against the continuance of this policy.

We would be glad to have your views on the matter.

J. C. PYNN,  
M A Y O R.

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At a meeting of the Town Council of North Sydney held on June 20th. 1924, it was unanimously decided to adopt the following resolution:-

That this Town Council of North Sydney desires to protest to the Local Government at Halifax against the policy at present pursued by that administration of collecting all license fees from motor vehicles owned in the various incorporated towns and cities, and the diverting of such fees to the Provincial Treasury, thereby depriving said towns of revenue which is urgently required and should be available for street repair and maintenance in said towns and cities.

AND FURTHERMORE RESOLVED that this Town Council is of the opinion that in view of present depressed conditions obtaining in the various incorporated towns of the Province the time has arrived when the whole or part of such motor vehicle license fees should be rebated to the various towns and cities in which such motor vehicles are owned.

AND FURTHER RESOLVED that whereas each incorporated town and city in the Province is assessed at the rate

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10¢ per \$100. of Assessment, payable to the Province of Nova Scotia and known as the Provincial Highway Tax, this Town Council is of the opinion that the whole or part of such tax collected should be applied by the Provincial Highway Board to the repair and maintenance of those streets in the incorporated towns and cities which are used as the connecting links between different portions of the improved highways outside the said Town and Cities.

AND WHEREAS there are a number of said towns in the Province situated similarly as North Sydney in these respects;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Town Clerk be authorized and instructed to communicate with the Mayors of other Towns and Cities on this subject, and to request them to adopt a resolution in the terms of this resolution or in similar terms.

AND WHEREAS it may be necessary that some changes be made in the Legislation under which said Board is acting;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Town Clerk suggest to the Mayors of other towns, if necessary, that a resolution be sent to Halifax in respect to such legislation.

Moved by Alderman Colwell, seconded by Alderman Finlay, that the letter be acknowledged and the resolution referred to the Committee on Legislation for action. Motion

passed.

*J.C. Pynn Esq.  
Geo Russell*



ANNUAL APPOINTMENT OF OFFICIALS.

Read report Finance Committee recommending the re-appointment of Officials.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
Halifax, July 29, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, it was decided to recommend that the following Officials be recommended to the various positions they now hold for the balance of the Civic Year 1924-25:-

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| Clerk (City Clerk's Office) ..... | Marie Dustan   |
| Stenographer                      |                |
| Assistant Stenographer .....      |                |
| Assistant City Engineer .....     | A.F. Messervey |
| Clerk of Works                    | Minnie Hunter. |
| Assistant Clerk of Works          |                |

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Stenographer, Mayor's Office	Vera Street
Supt. Streets and Sewers	James Downey
Supt. Water Department	W. H. Daniels
First Clerk, Collectors Office	.....
Second Clerk do	.....
Stenographer do	
Sub-Collectors do	Chas.F.Traise, Henry Trenaman, J.W.Caldwell, John M. Joyce, George J. Allen
City Treasurer's Office-Clerk	.....
City Auditor's Office-Clerk	.....
Deputy Assessor	C.R.Rosborough
First Clerk, Assessor's Office	C. G. Corbett
Second Clerk do	Hattie Doyle
Stenographer do	Marion Thomson
City Electrician	G.H.Durling
Assistant Building Inspector	W.R.Fegan
Acting City Medical Officer	W.B.Almon
Weighers of Coal - Supervisor -	A.H.Cullymore.
	John F. Selig, D.J.Sullivan, Robert P. Burns, D.J.Sampson, Patrick Leahy, C. S. Davison, D. McDonald, Wm. Wood, P. W. Doyle, Robert Rudland, J. McDonald.
Superintendent Public Gardens	Wm. H. Hall
Registrar of Camp Hill Cemetery	Wm. A. McKenzie
Governor, City Prison	George Grant
Matron do	Mrs. Martha Grant
Underkeepers do	John W. Grant, Walter H. Handsley, George S. Grant, J. G. Oldham, James F. McGill.
Janitor, City Hall	James E. Lynch
Matron of Public Court	Mrs. Anastatia Lynch
Superintendent, City Home	J.H.Buchanan
Matron, City Home	Mrs. Mary McDonald
Secretary, City Home	James O'Bryan
City Home General Assistant	Samuel E. Brown
Surveyors of Lumber	Wm.A.MacKenzie, Edward Gibson, Carl Fox.
Fence Viewer, Wards 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6. -	Wm. T. Horton
Inspector of Painters' Work	Frank Reardon, James Harrison.
Inspector of Masons' Work	James A. Marshall, James Taylor.
Point-keepers - At City Stables, Bell Road -	City Stableman
Incinerator -	Engineer of Incinerator.

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Weigher of Bundle Hay and Loose Hay	L.E. Goodwin
Librarian, Citizens' Free Library	Lizzie E. Barnaby
Assistant Librarian do	Mary Durney
Assistant Librarian do	Florence Hilton
Gauger of Molasses	.....

J. B. KENNY,  
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Colwell, seconded by Alderman W. O. Cameron, that the report be adopted and the Officials mentioned therein re-appointed according to the Provisions of the City Charter, and that the appointment of W. T. Horton as "Fence-viewer" be for Wards 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 as required by Section 970 of the Charter. Motion passed.

*W. T. Horton*

Inspector under the Nova Scotia  
Temperance Act, Appointment of

Moved by Alderman Finlay, seconded by Alderman Smeltzer, that Mr. Edwin S. Tracey be re-appointed Inspector under the Nova Scotia Temperance Act. Motion passed.

*E. S. Tracey*

TRAFFIC REGULATIONS.

Read report Committee on Laws and Privileges dated September 25th. 1923, covering an Ordinance entitled "Ordinance No. 52, an Ordinance to regulate Traffic on "Streets".

Committee Room, City Hall,  
Halifax, September 25, 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Committee on Laws and Privileges held this day the attached Ordinance entitled "Ordinance No. 52, an Ordinance to regulate Traffic on Streets", was approved and recommended to the City Council for adoption.

JOHN J. POWER,  
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Russell, seconded by Alderman Colwell, that this report be referred back to the Laws &

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Privileges Committee for further consideration. Motion  
passed.

LATE CHARLES FULTON, SALARY.

Read report of the Finance Committee in reference to the payment of the salary of the late Police Officer Charles Fulton to his Widow.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
Halifax, October 15, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

Your Committee on Finance beg to report that at a meeting, held this day, the Committee had under consideration the matter of payment of the salary of the late Police Officer Fulton to his Widow.

The question having arisen that there was no appropriation from which this expenditure could be taken your Committee are of the opinion that the Legislation of 1924, Sec. 52, Sub-Sec. 976, Chap 60, may possibly be taken to provide for just such an emergency.

Your Committee recommend that the City Auditor be authorized to continue the payment of the salary of the late Police Officer Fulton to his Widow provided the City Solicitor is of opinion that this can be done under the authority of Sec. 976 of the Charter as incorporated in Chap. 60 Sec. 52 Acts 1924, and be included in the Estimates of 1925-26 and repaid.

J. B. Kenny,  
Chairman.

Read report of the Police Committee re Compensation allowance to the Widow of late Police Officer Fulton.

Mayor's Office, City Hall,  
Halifax, November 6th., 1924.

To the Members of the City Council.  
Gentlemen,

Widow of the late Police Officer Charles  
Fulton.

The Police Commission have had under consideration the question of an additional allowance to the Widow of the late Police Officer Charles Fulton over and above that provided for by the insurance carried on members of the police force as well as the amount payable under Section 272 of the City Charter 1914.

After fully weighing the circumstances surrounding



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the sad death of this Officer, members of the Commission feel they are justified in asking the consideration of Council to the granting to the widow of Officer Fulton a further special amount of \$1,000.

In the discussion of this matter and following a conference with Mrs. Fulton, the Mayor informed the Police Committee that she had expressed the hope that some amount would be granted her in the form of a pension. Some members of the Committee felt that this course would not alone establish a precedent, but would be contrary to the action taken by the city in previous cases where death resulted to men in the city employ while in the direct discharge of their duty.

Aldermen Hubley and O'Toole expressed themselves as favorable to the additional special grant of \$1,000. The Mayor felt that in view of the very exceptional circumstances surrounding the case, that the Council should favorably view the granting of a pension, the same to remain in effect until such time as the widow might re-marry, when it would cease. The amount of such pension to be left to the discretion of the Council.

JOHN MURPHY,  
Mayor and Chairman.

*Forward*  
Moved by Alderman Power, seconded by Alderman Finlay, that the report of the Police Committee be deferred until next meeting and that each Alderman be furnished with a copy of same. Motion passed.

*Inspector*  
*Treasurer*  
*Solicitor*  
Moved by Alderman Colwell, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that all payments made to the Widow of late Officer Charles Fulton up to the 31st. October 1924, be approved and confirmed by this Council and that the City Solicitor be directed to prepare Legislation to validate the same. Motion passed unanimously.

TAXATION OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY.

Read letter Board of Trade re taxation of Government owned Property in this City.

*Council*  
Action deferred.

✓ BEVIS ARREST, ACCOUNTS INCURRED IN

Read report City Auditor re accounts incurred through the arrest of Lewis Bevis.

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City Auditor's Office,  
Halifax, November 6, 1924.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Sirs, Re Bevis Matter.

I have to advise you that the following charges in connection with the Bevis matter have been paid and charged against the Police Miscellaneous Appropriation which is now almost exhausted:-

Nurse attending Officer Kennedy	\$180.00
Massage Treatment do	127.00
Taxi fares for Policewomen, etc.	47.00
Band at Funeral	11.00
Wreath, Fulton	20.00
Refreshments to Military, etc., during man hunt	30.80
Hire of Revolvers	37.25
	<u>\$453.05</u>

The undermentioned bills in connection with the same matter have been submitted to me for payment, and, as there is no appropriation out of which the same can be paid, I bring these accounts to your attention and ask for instructions:-

Massage Treatment, Officer Kennedy	\$120.00
Dr. McDonald re Officer Kennedy	330.00
Mrs. Fulton, allowance on account of salary to October 15, 1924	55.41
Snow & Company - burial charges re Officer Fulton	181.00
Flowers sent Officer Kennedy	6.00
	<u>\$692.41</u>

I would also point out that further liability is no doubt being incurred for medical treatment of Officer Kennedy.

H.F.Glass,  
City Auditor.

Moved by Alderman Colwell, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the accounts reported on by the City Auditor, amounting to \$1,145.46, be paid subject to the City Solicitor filing with the City Auditor an opinion in writing that these accounts can be paid under authority of Chapter 60, Section 976 of the Legislation of 1924; the sum required to be borrowed from the Bank or any fund available and be included in and repaid out of the Estimates of 1925-26. Motion passed unanimously.

UNEMPLOYMENT SITUATION.

His Worship the Mayor brought to the attention of the

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Council the unemployment situation in the City and stated that a conference had been held with the Local Government on the subject, and submitted the following telegrams and correspondence with the Honorable James Murdock, Minister of Labor; Honorable E. H. Armstrong and Honorable W. J. O'Hearn.

Halifax, October 30, 1924.

Hon. James Murdock,  
Minister of Labor,  
Ottawa.

Present conditions make necessary our taking early steps to deal with unemployment stop To enable us to place this matter fully before Council necessary to know what decision was reached by your Government on the recommendations of unemployment conference particularly with respect to paragraph Eleven covering the joint responsibility of Federal, Provincial and Municipal authorities on emergency relief stop Would you kindly telegraph me fully on receipt any information possible as conditions here demand prompt action.

John Murphy, Mayor.

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Ottawa, October 30, 1924.

John Murphy,  
Mayor, Halifax, N. S.

Wire received in Mr. Murdock's absence but will have same placed before him for his personal attention Saturday morning.

Private Secretary.

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Halifax, October 31, 1924.

Honorable James Murdock,  
Minister of Labor,  
Ottawa, Canada.

Dear Sir,

I telegraphed you yesterday as follows:-

"Present conditions make necessary our taking early steps  
"to deal with unemployment stop To enable us to place  
"this matter fully before Council necessary to know what  
"decision was reached by your Government on the recommend-  
"ations of unemployment conference particularly with res-  
"pect to paragraph Eleven covering the joint responsibil-  
"ity of Federal, Provincial and Municipal authorities on  
"emergency relief stop Would you kindly telegraph me  
"fully on receipt any information possible as conditions  
"here demand prompt action."

November 6th., 1924.

Have a telegraphic acknowledgement from your private Secretary advising of your absence from town and that the matter will be placed before you for personal attention on Saturday morning.

As indicated in my wire, conditions here are now such as to compel whatever measures we are to take being put into effect at once and before we can decide our policy it is necessary to know position of the Federal Government and what co-operation we might expect to receive.

I would appreciate your telegraphing fully after you have had an opportunity of considering this matter and would like specially to know the Government's attitude on Section 11 referred to in my wire.

Thanking you in anticipation of an early reply,

John Murphy,  
M A Y O R.

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Toronto, Ont., November 1, 1924.

John Murphy,  
Mayor, Halifax, N. S.

Your telegram thirtieth matter referred to was considered shortly after the September conference but no action has been taken suggesting change or modification in the policy of the Federal Government which was stated at the conference.

James Murdock.

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Halifax, N. S., November 3, 1924.

Hon. James Murdock,  
Minister of Labor,  
Ottawa.

Your telegram first from Toronto before reporting to Council am anxious there be no misunderstanding stop I interpret your telegram to mean that the position as set forth in statement read by you and embodied on pages forty-nine and fifty of report of conference still stands as the Government's attitude stop Further that the Government will not be a party to arrangement as outlined in paragraph eleven of contributing one quarter of any emergency expenditure made after full investigation stop Would appreciate your confirming the above if correct.

John Murphy,  
M A Y O R.

November 6th., 1924.

Ottawa, Ont., November 3, 1924.

John Murphy,  
Mayor, Halifax, N. S.

Your telegram to Minister of Labor in his absence referred to me and regret I can add nothing to his telegram of November first to you.

George P. Graham,  
Acting Prime Minister.

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Halifax, N. S.,  
November 3, 1924.

Hon. James Murdock, Esq.,  
Minister of Labor,  
Ottawa, Canada.

Dear Sir,

Your telegram of the 1st. addressed from Toronto was delivered me on Saturday afternoon last.

In order to be perfectly clear before reporting this matter to Council, I thought it well to wire you in this regard, and did so this morning as follows:-

"Your telegram 1st from Toronto before reporting to Council am anxious there be no misunderstanding stop  
"I interpret your telegram to mean that the position as set forth in statement read by you and embodied on Pages 49 and 50 of report of conference, still stands as the Government's attitude stop Further that the Government will not be a party to arrangement as outlined in Paragraph 11 of contributing one quarter of any emergency expenditure made after full investigation stop Would appreciate your confirming the above if correct.

Your telegram would indicate that the Government simply stand firm in the position as outlined in your message read to conference, and will accept no financial responsibility in dealing with this situation, the matter being one which the Municipalities must take up with their respective Provincial Governments.

I am sure those who attended the Conference entertained the hope that the Government, with the full facts before them would see its way clear to co-operate in some way.

To enable us to discuss the situation definitely with Premier Armstrong and Members of his Government here, it is necessary to know that the Federal Government will not entertain the suggested arrangement as covered by Paragraph 11 of the recommendations adopted, which lays down an arrangement, whereafter proper investigation emergency relief is found necessary, that the Federal, Provincial and Municipal authorities would share the burden on a basis of 50 per cent by the Municipality and 25 per cent each by Federal and Provincial Governments.

November 6th., 1924.

I trust, therefore, in your reply to my wire of this date, you will advise me on this particular Section.

I am sure you will appreciate the necessity of having this matter clear before asking City Council to discuss a policy for coming winter and will take the matter up with Provincial authorities as soon as your reply comes to hand.

John Murphy,  
M A Y O R.

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Halifax, N. S.,  
October 15, 1924.

Hon. E. H. Armstrong,  
Premier, Province of Nova Scotia,  
Province Bldg., Halifax, N. S.

Honorable and Dear Sir,

Re Unemployment.

I would be glad to have you advise what decision your Government has reached with respect to handling of the unemployment situation during the coming winter.

I presume the programme of co-operation as discussed at the conference held in Ottawa under dates of September 3rd. and 4th., has come before the Governor-in-Council for consideration.

I would be interested to know re decision reached respecting Paragraph 11 passed at this Conference, which reads as follows:-

"The conference desires, therefore, to recommend  
"that where after full and careful investigation  
"emergency relief is found to be necessary, such  
"relief should be extended. The expense involv-  
"ed to be borne by the Federal, Provincial and  
"Municipal authorities involved on the basis of  
"50 per cent to be taken care of equally by the  
"Federal and Provincial Government concerned.

In view of the weather conditions at present existing it is apparent that this matter will have to be dealt with considerably earlier this year than last. For this reason I would appreciate hearing from you at your earliest convenience so that we can know just what co-operation we are to have from your Government in handling this very important problem.

John Murphy,  
M A Y O R.

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Halifax, N. S.,  
October 15, 1924.

Hon. W. J. O'Hearn,  
Attorney General,  
Province of Nova Scotia,  
Province Bldg., City.

Honorable and Dear Sir,

Re  
Unemployment.

I am taking the liberty of enclosing herewith copy of a letter written the Honorable the Premier Mr. Armstrong, today. No doubt this has been a matter of discussion by Members of the Government.

To place us in a position to lay out our plans it is necessary that we have some definite word as to just what extent the Provincial Government plans to co-operate in the handling of this situation.

I am sure we can depend on your generous and sympathetic assistance in this matter.

John Murphy,  
M A Y O R.

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The Mayor informed the Council that it was the intention of the Works Department to open the Stone-shed at an early date which would probably give some relief to about one hundred and fifty men, and suggested that a Committee be appointed to confer with the Government on this subject. This was unanimously agreed to and the following Committee was then appointed:-

*all Mayor*

His Worship the Mayor,  
Alderman Munnis, and,  
Alderman Kenny.

✓ WORKS DEPARTMENT HORSES.

Read letter W. P. Buckley, Esq., re purchase of

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Works Department Horses.

Moved by Alderman Bissett, seconded by Alderman Sanford, that said letter be filed. Motion put and passed, 7 voting for the same and 4 against it as follows:-

For the Motion:-

Against it:-

Alderman Colwell  
Munnis  
Finlay  
Sanford  
Bissett  
Whelan  
W.O.Cameron.

Alderman Russell  
W.O.Cameron  
Hubley  
O'Toole.

J. D. O'CONNELL'S PICNIC FOR ORPHANS.

His Worship the Mayor submitted a memorandum of Agreement entered into between J. D. O'Connell, Esq., of Sussex, N. B., and the City of Halifax with respect to the transfer to the City of Halifax, through its Trustees, of a sum of Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) dollars, to be applied by the Trustees in accordance with the terms specified in the said Agreement.

Halifax, N.S., August 25, 1924.

John Murphy,  
Mayor, City of Halifax,  
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir,

We discussed on a number of occasions the question of placing Halifax on my permanent list of places at which my annual picnic for the Orphans is conducted. As previously explained I have had this in mind for some time.

I have always felt since coming to your City that my efforts on behalf of the Orphan children here have been appreciated and in view of the great personal interest which you have always shown in my work and the assistance rendered in carrying out these picnics, I decided to definitely arrange that this picnic be assured to your City and herewith turn over to you Bonds and cash totalling \$10,000. which is the amount I have had in mind. The interest on this amount will enable you to conduct annually an entertainment to be known as the O'Connell Orphan's Picnic for all time to come.

Thanking you for your assistance in the past and trusting this entertainment will give that measure of enjoyment and encouragement to the little ones for whom it is intended, I am, Yours truly,

JAMES D. O'CONNELL.



November 6th., 1924.

THIS MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

made this 10th. day of August 1924.

BETWEEN

J. D. O'Connell of Sussex, New Brunswick, Canada,  
hereinafter called THE DONOR of the First Part;

and,

The City of Halifax, a Body Corporate on whose behalf the following or their successors in their respective offices shall act as a Board of Trustees in the carrying out of the terms of this Trust:-

John Murphy, Mayor of the City of Halifax,  
James J. Hopewell, Treasurer of the said City, and,  
Joseph B. Kenny, Chairman of the Finance Committee  
of the said City;

The above shall hereinafter be called THE TRUSTEES  
and which expression shall include their said successors of the Second Part.

WITNESSETH AS FOLLOWS:-

1. The Donor hereby gives and transfers to the City of Halifax through its trustees as set out above, the sum of Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) dollars, said sum to be in the form of bonds and cash as hereinafter designated and to be paid to and applied by the Trustees in accordance with the terms specified in the following sections.
2. Terms of Payment. The sum of \$10,000.00 herein provided shall be paid in the form of bonds of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, to the par value of Two Thousand Pound Sterling, the difference between said par value and \$10,000.00 in Canadian currency amounting to \$280.00 to be paid in cash. The Grand Trunk Pacific bonds involved are guaranteed both as to interest and principal by the Dominion of Canada and will bear interest as from July 1st. 1924.
3. The Trustees shall invest any money received by them in good securities within which it is lawful to invest Trust moneys in the Province of Nova Scotia and may from time to time change such investments and re-invest the said moneys in other securities of the same character.
4. The Trustees shall yearly apply the income arising from the said trust investments in furnishing suitable entertainment and recreation, to be known as THE O'CONNELL PICNIC for the Orphan children of the City of Halifax. After the holding of the said yearly picnic the Trustees shall pay over the balance of interest remaining unexpended to the various Orphanages in the City of Halifax, said

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amount to be distributed on the Pro Rate basis of the number of children cared for by each. This disbursement to be made in the form of a Christmas cash gift to these institutions.

5. If, at any time by reason of any change in the Constitution of the City of Halifax, the offices held by said Trustees respectively are abolished or changed the duties herein specified to be performed by the said Trustees shall be discharged by such officers or officials of the City of Halifax as are discharging the duties now performed by the said officials and in case of any doubt or difficulty arising the Supreme Court or a Judge thereof may, on summary application by the City or any official thereof, declare by what officer or official the said duties shall be discharged.

6. This agreement and the payment of the sum herein provided is in full settlement of any undertaking and provision made in the will of the said Donor with respect to the City of Halifax.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Donor has hereto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written and the Trustees have also respectively executed the same in token of their acceptance of the Trust.

Executed in the Presence of )  
Vera L. E. Street. )  
H. S. Rhind. )

J. D. O'CONNELL (Seal)

JOHN MURPHY,  
MAYOR (Seal)

J. B. KENNY (Seal)

JAMES J. HOPEWELL,  
City Treasurer  
(Seal)

*Original  
agreement  
deposited  
with City  
Treasurer  
J. D. O'Connell*

Moved by Alderman Colwell, seconded by Alderman Finlay, that the Council accept with thanks this Gift from Mr. O'Connell and direct that the City Clerk be instructed to make a fitting acknowledgement of the same. Motion passed.

11.35 o'clock.


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


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Council adjourned 11.35 o'clock.

  
H. S. RHIND,  
CITY CLERK.

  
JOHN MURPHY,  
MAYOR.

✓  
EMERGENCY MEETING.

Council Chamber, City Hall,  
12 o'clock,  
November 10th., 1924.

An Emergency Meeting of the City Council was held this day at Noon, called for the special purpose of discussing the situation in the Town of Windsor, N. S., following the disastrous fire of Sunday the 9th. instant. There were present His Worship The Mayor, Aldermen Colwell, Russell, Munnis, Finlay, Sanford, H. W. Cameron, Hubley, Rains, Whelan, Power, O'Toole and Smeltzer.

His Worship the Mayor informed the Council that he had been in communication, by telephone, with Mayor Smith of Windsor and Mrs. P. M. Fielding of the Red Cross Society; that an appeal for aid had been made by the Town authorities, that there were about twenty families in destitute circumstances who would have to be temporarily looked after. He suggested a money grant would be more advisable than to send Supplies and that it could be made under authority of the Legislation passed at the last session of the Legislature.

It was moved by Alderman Colwell, seconded by Alderman Sanford, that this Council make a contribution of One Thousand (\$1,000.) dollars to the Relief Committee of the Town of Windsor, N. S., for the purpose of aiding in the relief of the suffering caused by the disastrous fire in that Town on Sunday the 9th. instant, said sum to be borrowed under authority of Section 976 of the City


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Charter from the Bank or any fund available and be included in and repaid out of the Assessment of 1925-26. Motion passed unanimously, the following Members of Council being present and voting for the same:-

Alderman Colwell  
Russell  
Munnis  
Finlay  
Sanford  
H.W. Cameron  
Hubley  
Rains  
Whelan  
Power  
O'Toole  
Smeltzer.

Council adjourned.

  
JOHN MURPHY,  
MAYOR.

  
H. S. RHIND,  
CITY CLERK.

EVENING SESSION

8.10 o'clock,  
Council Chamber, City Hall,  
December 4th., 1924.

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

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

✓ TOWN OF WINDSOR, N. S., FIRE.

Read letter Jesse P. Smith, Mayor of the town of Windsor, Nova Scotia, acknowledging grant of One Thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars towards the relief of the Sufferers from the fire of November 10th. last.

Windsor, November 12, 1924.

To  
His Worship Mayor Murphy,  
Halifax, N. S.

On behalf of the Citizens of Windsor, I beg to acknowledge your telegram of the 10th. instant advising us of your generous grant of \$1000.00, for the benefit of the Fire Sufferers. I can assure you it will be placed to the best possible advantage.

Jesse P. Smith,  
MAYOR.

The following Resolution was submitted by Alderman Kenny, Chairman of the Finance Committee.

December 4th., 1924.

RESOLVED that the following Resolution passed at an informal meeting of the City Council held on the 10th. of November 1924, viz. -

"Moved by Alderman Colwell, seconded by Alderman  
"Sanford, that this Council make a contribution  
"of One Thousand (\$1000.00) dollars to the Relief  
"Committee of the Town of Windsor, N.S., for the  
"purpose of aiding in the relief of the suffering  
"caused by the disastrous fire in that town on  
"Sunday the 9th. instant, said sum to be borrow-  
"ed under authority of Section 976 of the City  
"Charter from the Bank or any fund available and  
"be included in and repaid out of the Assessment  
"of 1925-26. Motion passed unanimously, the fol-  
"lowing members of Council being present and vot-  
"ing for the same:-

"Alderman Colwell  
Russell  
Munnis  
Finlay  
Sanford  
H.W.Cameron  
Hubley  
Rains  
Whelan  
Power  
O'Toole  
Smeltzer. " -

is hereby ratified and confirmed and declared to be of as much force and effect as though the same had been passed at a meeting of the Council regularly called.

Moved by Alderman Kenny, seconded by Alderman Munnis, and passed unanimously, the following named Aldermen being present and voting for the same:-

Alderman Colwell  
Russell  
Munnis  
Sanford  
Bissett  
Gastonguay  
Kenny  
Rains  
Hubley  
O'Toole  
Power  
Drysdale  
Smeltzer  
Daw.

*Auditor  
Treasurer*

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✓  
WORKS DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS.

Read report Committee on Works recommending for payment accounts chargeable to Capital Expenditure \$516.71, Current Expenditure \$3695.86; Water Department Capital account \$576.21 and Current \$901.73; making a total of \$5690.33.

City Works Office,  
Halifax, December 4, 1924.

His Worship the Mayor and Council.

Sirs,

At a meeting of the Works Committee held this day the undermentioned accounts for November were approved and recommended to Council for payment:-

Water Department - Capital Account	\$576.21	
Current	<u>901.73</u>	\$1,477.94
Works Department - Capital Account	\$516.71	
Current	<u>3695.68</u>	4,212.39

A. F. MESSERVEY,  
Clerk of Works.

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

✓  
POINT PLEASANT PARK - ACCOUNT.

Read report Commissioners Point Pleasant Park recommending for payment account Robert MacLeod \$39.70.

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

✓  
CITIZENS FREE LIBRARY ACCOUNTS.

Read report of Committee on Citizens Free Library recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$413.05.



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Committee Room, City Hall,  
Halifax, December 4, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen,

The Citizens' Free Library Committee beg to recommend for payment the attached accounts for the month of November 1924, amounting to \$413.05.

A. J. FINLAY,  
Chairman.

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

✓ CAMP HILL CEMETERY ACCOUNTS.

Read report of Committee on Camp Hill Cemetery recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$38.53.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
Halifax, December 4, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Camp Hill Cemetery Committee beg to recommend for payment the attached accounts for the month of November 1924 amounting to \$38.53.

W. O. CAMERON,  
Chairman.

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

✓ CITY HEALTH BOARD ACCOUNTS.

Read report City Health Board recommending for payment accounts chargeable to General appropriation \$1690.22 and to the Isolation Hospital \$739.61, making a total of \$2429.83.

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Office City Health Board,  
Halifax, December 1, 1924.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the City Health Board held on Monday, December 1st. 1924, the attached list of accounts amounting to \$2429.83 were passed as correct and are recommended for payment.

ARTHUR C. PETTIPAS,  
Secretary City Health Board.

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

✓  
FIRE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS.

Read Report Committee of Firewards recommending for payment accounts chargeable to Fire Alarm Maintenance \$568.66 and to Fire Department General account \$11,512.64.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
Halifax, December 3, 1924.

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

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards, held this day, there being present Aldermen O'Toole, Chairman; Daw, Munnis, H. W. Cameron and Rains, the attached accounts - \$568.66 chargeable to Fire Alarm Maintenance and \$11,512.64 to the general account of the Fire Department, were passed as correct and recommended for payment.

W. J. O'TOOLE,  
Chairman.

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

✓  
POLICE ACCOUNTS.

Read report Police Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$8187.87.

December 4th., 1924.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
Halifax, December 3, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Police Committee, held this day, the attached accounts, amounting to \$8167.87, for the month of November 1924, were passed as correct and recommended for payment.

JOHN MURPHY,  
Chairman.

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

✓ GARDENS, PARKS AND COMMON. ACCOUNT.

Read report of Committee on Gardens, Parks and Common, recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$198.96.

Mayor's Office, City Hall,  
Halifax, December 3, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Committee on Gardens, Parks & Common, held this day, the attached list of accounts amounting to \$198.96, was passed as correct and recommended to the City Council for payment.

JOHN MURPHY,  
Mayor and Chairman.

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

✓ CITY PRISON,  
MONTHLY REPORT AND ACCOUNTS.

Read report City Prison Committee for the month of November 1924, recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$1848.81, covering report of the Governor and also

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Committee Room, City Hall,  
Halifax, December 3, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Police Committee, held this day, the attached accounts, amounting to \$8167.87, for the month of November 1924, were passed as correct and recommended for payment.

JOHN MURPHY,  
Chairman.

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

✓ GARDENS, PARKS AND COMMON. ACCOUNT.

Read report of Committee on Gardens, Parks and Common, recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$198.96.

Mayor's Office, City Hall,  
Halifax, December 3, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Committee on Gardens, Parks & Common, held this day, the attached list of accounts amounting to \$198.96, was passed as correct and recommended to the City Council for payment.

JOHN MURPHY,  
Mayor and Chairman.

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

✓ CITY PRISON,  
MONTHLY REPORT AND ACCOUNTS.

Read report City Prison Committee for the month of November 1924, recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$1848.81, covering report of the Governor and also

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recommending that the Governor be directed to provide the usual dinner for the Inmates of the Prison on Christmas Day and to carry out the customary arrangements in respect to the Underkeepers.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
Halifax, December 3rd., 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the City Prison Committee, held this day, there being present Aldermen Gastonguay, Chairman; O'Toole, Colwell and Smeltzer, the attached list of accounts amounting to \$1,848.81, was examined, found correct and recommended for payment.

The monthly report of the Governor showing a total of 26 Prisoners in custody on the 30th. of November 1924, was submitted and filed.

The Governor was directed to provide the usual dinner for the Inmates of the Prison on Christmas Day and to carry out the customary arrangements in regard to the Underkeepers.

L. A. GASTONGUAY,  
Chairman.

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

✓  
CITY HOME AND TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL  
ACCOUNTS.

Read report Charities Committee recommending for payment accounts chargeable to the City Home amounting to \$6362.34 and to the Tuberculosis Hospital \$2268.83.

Halifax,  
December 3, 1924.

To 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 Rains, O'Toole, Daw, Gastonguay and Finlay.

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City Home Accounts, November 1924. Amount \$6362.34.

City Home accounts for the month of November 1924 amounting to \$6362.34 are recommended for payment.

Tuberculosis Hospital Accounts, November 1924.  
Amount \$2268.83

Tuberculosis Hospital accounts for the month of November 1924 amounting to \$2268.83 are recommended for payment.

H. S. COLWELL,  
Chairman.

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

Motion passed.

✓  
GENERAL ACCOUNTS.

Read report of the Finance Committee recommending for payment accounts covering the third quarterly payment on Civic Grants for the current year \$6,781.01, chargeable to various Departments \$371.74 and an account of \$11.09 chargeable to the Police Department 1923-24 account.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
Halifax, December 3, 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 accounts - \$6781.01 covering the third quarterly payment on civic grants for the current year, and \$371.74 chargeable to General Accounts, were passed as correct and recommended to the City Council for payment.

An account of the Police Department for telegrams - Western Union Telegraph, \$11.09, was submitted and payment recommended out of last year's Appropriation if funds are available.

J. B. KENNY,  
Chairman.

December 4th., 1924.

*Auditor*  
Moved by Alderman Kenny, seconded by Alderman Russell, that the report be adopted and accounts paid if funds are available. Motion passed.

Alderman Finlay here arrives and takes his seat in the Council.

✓  
ACCOUNTS, HENRY ROGERS HARRIS & STEWART,  
L. FRED. MONAGHAN versus CITY OF HALIFAX.

Read report Finance Committee recommending for payment account of Messrs. Henry, Rogers, Harris & Stewart for services of J. MacG. Stewart, Esq., K. C., in connection with the suit of L. Fred. Monaghan, Ex-City Clerk, versus the City of Halifax.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
Halifax, November 24th., 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, there being present Aldermen Kenny, Chairman; Finlay, Munnis and Power, the attached account of Messrs. Henry, Rogers, Harris & Stewart for Professional services of J. MacG. Stewart, Esq., on behalf of the City in the suit of L. Fred. Monaghan, Ex-City Clerk, versus the City, was read.

Your Committee recommend that said firm be paid the sum of Five Hundred (\$500.00) dollars and Disbursements amounting to \$25.55 in full settlement of the account.

J. B. KENNY,  
Chairman.

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:  
Halifax, November 6th., 1924.

H. S. Rhind,  
City Clerk,  
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Sir,

December 4th., 1924.

Dear Sir,

We are enclosing herewith our account re Monaghan the same having been taxed by the Taxing Master, CF Tremaine, K.C.; attached to the account is Mr. Tremaine's certificate.

Would you be good enough to bring this matter to the attention of the proper authorities in due course.

HENRY ROGERS HARRIS & STEWART.

: :

Henry, Rogers, Harris & Stewart  
vs  
City of Halifax.

Memo of Taxing Master.

This is a Solicitor and Client taxation for services performed by Mr. J. McG. Stewart on the City's retainer in connection with the dismissal of the ex-City Clerk and the legal proceedings following.

Mr. Bell appears for the City and Mr. Stewart in person. There is no tariff in force in Nova Scotia governing Solicitor and Client taxations, and following Paradis and Bossi, 21 S. C. R. 419, the solicitor is entitled to recover on a quantum meruit.

The services in question involved an examination of the reports of the expert accountants; the drafting of the charge against the official, consultations with the Finance Committee Chairman, attendance at meetings of that Committee and of the Council itself, the drafting of reports and the defence or opposing of the application to the Supreme Court made by Mr. Monaghan.

Taking into consideration the nature of the work performed, the importance of the matter, the time engaged and the result to the client, which are the matters governing the quantum of charges, I cannot accede to Mr. Bell's argument for a reduction of the account, and I allow it at \$558.65.

Halifax, November 4, A. D. 1924.

Charles F. Tremaine,  
Taxing Master.

Moved by Alderman Kenny, seconded by Alderman Daw,



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*Auditor*  
*summarized*

that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

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C. H. CLIMO,  
ACCOUNT AGAINST CITY HEALTH BOARD.

Read report of the Finance Committee re account of C. H. Climo, \$60.00, for a group photograph of the Board of Health of 1919-20.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
Halifax, December 3, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Dear Sirs,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, the attached report of the City Health Board covering an account of C. H. Climo, Photographer, \$60.00, for a group photo of the Members - taken in 1919-20 - was submitted.

Your Committee recommend that said account be referred back to the Board as there is no Appropriation out of which same can be paid.

J. B. KENNY,  
Chairman.

: :  
Office City Health Board,  
Halifax, December 3, 1924.

Chairman and Members  
Finance Committee.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the City Health Board held on October 8th., an account totalling \$60.00 in favor of Mr Climo, Photographer, for supplying one large photograph of the members and officials of the Board for the year 1919-20, was passed for payment. At the suggestion of the Auditor, the account is forwarded to your committee for approval before being sent to the City Council for payment.

Although no special appropriation was set aside in our estimates to cover this account, there will be sufficient money to meet it, if your Committee consider it is in order. Photograph has been supplied and is now in the possession of this department.

ARTHUR C. PETTIPAS,  
Secretary City Health Board.

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*A. C. Pettigrew*

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

✓  
BEVIS ARREST,  
ACCOUNTS INCURRED IN

Read report City Auditor in re further accounts incurred through the arrest of Lewis Bevis.

City Auditor's Office,  
Halifax, December 3, 1924.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of City Council.

Sirs,

Re Bevis Matter.

I enclose herewith the undermentioned further accounts totalling \$329.50 in connection with the above matter, which have been submitted for payment, but as there is no appropriation covering same, I would request your instructions regarding same:-

Halifax Taxi Co.	\$42.00
J.W. Mullenger - Massage Treatment Officer Kennedy -	120.00
Dr. Geo. Murphy - Consultations Officer Kennedy	40.00
Victoria General Hospital - X-Ray Officer Kennedy	30.00
Hospital Treatment do	97.50
	<u>\$329.50</u>

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

Moved by Alderman Colwell, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the accounts reported on by the City Auditor be paid subject to the City Solicitor filing with the City Auditor an opinion, in writing, that these accounts can be paid under authority of Chapter 60 Section 976 of the Legislation 1924, the sum required to be borrowed from the Bank or any fund available and be included in and repaid out of the Estimates of 1925-26. Motion passed unanimously, the fol-

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Following named Aldermen being present and voting for the same:-

*Monitor*  
Alderman Colwell  
Russell  
Munnis  
Finlay  
Sanford  
Bissett  
Gastonguay  
Kenny  
Rains  
Hubley  
O'Toole  
Power  
Drysdale  
Smeltzer  
W.O. Cameron  
Daw.

✓  
TEMPORARY LOAN - ABUTTERS' SHARE  
STREET OILING.

Read report Finance Committee in re temporary loan to finance the Abutter's share of oiling of Streets during 1924 season.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
Halifax, December 3, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, the attached resolution in re borrowing Forty-six Hundred and Eighty-three (\$4683.00) dollars on account of the cost of oiling Streets assessable against the Property owners abutting, as set forth by the letter of the City Engineer under date November 17th. 1924, was read.

It is recommended that the resolution be adopted.

J. B. KENNY,  
Chairman.

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City Engineer's Office,  
Halifax, November 17th., 1924.

The City Treasurer,  
City.

Sir,

December 4th., 1924.

This is to certify that the Assessment lists for Street oiling done in 1924 have been filed on this date in this office, and the proportion of the cost charged to the Abutting owners is \$4683.00.

H. W. JOHNSTON,  
City Engineer.

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

The following resolution is submitted:-

WHEREAS the City Engineer by letter dated November 17th. 1924, states that it is estimated that the Abutters' share of the cost of oiling Streets during 1924-25 assessable against the property owners abutting, will be \$4683.00;

AND WHEREAS it is now necessary to borrow the said sum of \$4683.00 under the authority of Section 12 of Chapter 86 Acts 1920, which reads:-  
"(1) The Council may direct that any street or portion of a street may be treated with oil or other liquid. One half the cost of such treatment shall be defrayed out of the street appropriation for the year and the other half shall be paid by the owners of properties abutting on the street or portion of a street so treated, and shall constitute a lien on such property and the provisions of the Charter in respect to Ejectment Liens shall apply thereto. The amount required to defray the proportion of the cost of such treatment to be borne by the property owners may be borrowed by the City from any bank or fund available and repaid when the same has been collected";

THEREFORE RESOLVED that the City of Halifax, through its Treasurer, do borrow from the Royal Bank of Canada or any fund available the sum of \$4683.00 to be repayable as soon as collected with Interest at the rate of five or five and one half per cent per annum;

FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to do and perform all such matters and things as may be reasonably required by the said Royal Bank of Canada in connection with the said Loan.

Moved by Alderman Kenny, seconded by Alderman Winlay, and passed unanimously.

*Auditor  
Treasurer  
Engineer*

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✓  
FIRES, THEIR CAUSES AND LOSSES.

Read report Committee of Firewards covering report of the Chief of the Department in re Fires their causes and losses during the month of November.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
Halifax, December 3, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards, held this day, the attached report of Chief Churchill re Fires their causes and losses for the month of November 1924 was submitted, approved and ordered to be sent to the City Council for its information.

W. J. O'TOOLE,  
Chairman.

:  
Office Chief Fire Department,  
Halifax, December 3, 1924.

Board of Firewards.

Gentlemen:-

Herewith I submit the following report for the month of November during which there were 26 alarms of fire from the following causes:-

Chimneys 15, sparks from locomotives 1, overheated grate 1, false 3, defective fire place 1, sparks from chimney 1, stove upset 1, overheated stovepipe 1, exposure 1, careless use matches 1.

Property at risk	\$ 154,950.00	
Insurance losses		\$ 5,981.02
Losses not insured		<u>1,125.00</u> \$7,106.02

J. W. CHURCHILL,  
Chief Halifax Fire Department.

Filed.

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CITY HOME AND TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL  
REPORT NOVEMBER 1924.

Read report Charities Committee showing the number of Inmates in the City Home on the 30th. of November, to be 309 and Patients in the Tuberculosis Hospital 34 and covering resolution re Christmas Day celebration.

Halifax, N. S.,  
December 3, 1924.

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 Rains, O'Toole, Daw, Gastonguay and Finlay.

Superintendent's Report, City Home -  
November 30, 1924, Number of Inmates 309.

The Superintendent's report shows that during the month of November 1924 there were 23 persons admitted into the City Home, 16 were discharged and 1 died. Of the number admitted 6 were chargeable to the Province, 1 to the Department of Indian Affairs and 16 to the City.

The total number of inmates November 30th. 1924 was 309, made up of 173 men, 132 women and 4 children. On the same date last year there were 163 men, 126 women and 7 children, a total of 296.

Superintendent's Report, Tuberculosis Hospital -  
November 30, 1924, Number of Patients 34.

The Superintendents report shows that during the month of November 1924 there were 6 patients admitted into the City Tuberculosis Hospital, 5 men and 1 woman and 4 men were discharged.

The total number of patients November 30th. 1924 was 34, made up of 18 men, 15 women and 1 child. On the same date last year there were 17 men, 18 women and 1 child, a total of 36.

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 arrangements in regard to the Officials and Nurses.

H. S. COLWELL, Chairman.

*John Anderson*  
*J. B. Buchanan*  
Moved by Alderman Colwell, seconded by Alderman Daw,  
that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

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WATER METER BILL, #163 MAYNARD STREET.

Read report Committee on Works and City Engineer re  
Water Meter bill for premises #163 Maynard Street.

Office City Works,  
Halifax, December 4, 1924.

His Worship the Mayor and Council.  
Sirs,

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on November 19th. the City Engineer submitted a report on Water Meter bill for premises No. 163 Maynard Street for half year ending March 1924 amounting to \$103.14 - no reduction was recommended. It was moved by Alderman Daw, seconded by Alderman Hubble, and passed, that the water consumption as shown for January, February and March amounting to 453,000 gallons be reduced one half, thereby making the amount of bill \$64.55 instead of as originally rendered. Engineer's report and original bill are attached hereto.

A. F. MESSERVEY,  
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,  
Halifax, November 11, 1924.

Mr. H. W. Johnston,  
City Engineer.

Sir,

I beg to report on the attached bill for water supplied the premises #163 Maynard Street and complained of as being excessive, that the period complained of is the half year from September 1923 to March 1924, and amounts to \$103.14.

The readings and consumption for that period are as follows:-

1923 -	August	34,800	New Meter
	September	37,100	- 2,300
	October	38,400	1,300
	November	39,500	1,100
	December	41,600	2,100
1924 -	January	226,300	- 184,700 W.C.wasting tap wasting (N)
	February	387,000	160,700 (N)
	March	594,600	107,600 (N)
	April	604,700	10,100
	May	611,900	7,200
	June	612,600	700
	July	613,600	1,000
	August	615,200	1,600
	September		
		615,700	500
	October	616,700	1,000

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There are thirteen people supplied through 1 tap, 1 W. C. The Meter Reader reports that the taps were let run and a closet was wasting in January and February, he also states that the owner or other people had a card placed in a room in the house instructing the tenants to let the water run.

The meter was tested and found to register accurately.

Under the circumstances I can see no justification for a reduction in the bill.

H. W. L. DOANE,  
Assistant City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Daw, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the report of the Committee on Works be adopted.

Motion passed.

ILLEGAL SALES OF MEATS AND POUNTRY.

Read letter Messrs. Robertson & Meagher, Solicitors, covering petition of several Meat Dealers complaining of violations of the City Ordinance forbidding the offering for sale of Meat from teams in the City. Also letter of A.C. Pettipas, Secretary Health Board, on this subject.

Halifax, April 16, 1924.

Secretary,  
Halifax City Board of Health,  
City Hall, City.  
Dear Sir,

We have been retained by a number of meat dealers doing business in the City of Halifax to call your attention to the fact that at the present time various persons are offering for sale within the City meat from automobiles and teams in violation of the Provisions of the By Law entitled "Of Inspection and sale of Food". This works very great injustice to our clients who are tax payers of the City and regularly licensed to operate a shop for the sale of food stuff in accordance with the By Law. We would respectfully request that this matter be brought to the attention of the Inspectors of the Board and of the Police of the City of Halifax so that further infringements of the By-Laws as above mentioned may be prevented.

Robertson & Meagher.

Halifax, N. S.,  
November 21, 1924.

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

The writers on behalf of the meat dealers of Halifax both wholesale and retail, are not satisfied to have the illegal sales of fresh meat and poultry winked at as has been the rule for several years past.

We believe the outside staff of the Board of Health will corroborate our statement if asked that the majority



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"of the trade have co-operated with them in seeing that  
"only healthy animals were offered for sale, and that  
"recommendations were carried out to the letter."

Consequently when persons are allowed to purchase goods in the country and sell to the largest consumers in the city, they do not contribute anything in the shape of taxes, rent, wages, advertising or charity, and are not even subject to Board of Health inspection.

It is only a few months ago, when a driver for Whelan & Ferguson was fined for selling at Chocolate Lake without a license, which reflects creditably on county officials, in looking after the sources of revenue, and protecting the interest of the tax-payers.

After several months effort without any encouragement, we have been advised to place our grievance before the City Council, as a matter which can only come under the supervising powers, and the foregoing explanation is an outline of some of the adverse conditions under which we have been doing business.

We feel that our request is reasonable and in self protection (although already covered by Board of Health regulations) and that the "Council", after reading the enclosed copies of correspondence, will grant us redress.

J. A. LEAMAN & COMPANY,  
Per J. Fred. Edwards, Atty.

W. A. MALING & COMPANY,  
Per J. H. Breen.

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:  
Office of Board of Health,  
November 20th., 1924.

Messrs. Robertson & Meagher,  
Barristers, Solicitors, etc.

Dear Sirs,

With reference to alleged violation of By-Law entitled "Of Inspection and sale of Food", by certain persons, I wish to say that the Chief of Police has been requested to co-operate with this Department in the enforcement of this law.

The Board will make a special effort to round up any violating the By-Law and upon receipt of sufficient evidence prosecutions will be made.

ARTHUR C. PETTIPAS,  
Secretary City Health Board.

Moved by Alderman Finlay, seconded by Alderman Sanford,

*Wm Russell*  
*City Clerk* that this matter be referred to the Laws and Privileges Committee to report. Motion passed.

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WAR MEMORIAL.

Read letters from St. George's Society, The Charitable Irish Society, Rotary Club of Halifax, I. O. D. E. Municipal Chapter of Halifax, the Progressive Club and the Overseas Club, offering their services in connection with any movement that may be begun to promote the erection of a suitable War Memorial for the City of Halifax to commemorate the prominent part taken by Halifax in the great struggle and to honor the memory of those who fell.

The Council is addressed on the subject by a majority of its members, including His Worship the Mayor, when, by unanimous agreement, it was decided that His Worship the Mayor nominate a Committee to co-operate with the various Societies and Clubs for a conference in connection with the matter.

*Carl Russell*  
*J P Edwards*  
*J F Mahoney*  
*R J O'Leary*  
*T J Worth*  
*H Bradford*  
*Arden Murray*

His Worship nominated as such Committee - Aldermen Russell, Kenny and Daw. Approved.

TAG DAY, SOCIETY PREVENTION CRUELTY.

Read letter R. H. Murray, President of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty, asking permission to hold a Tag Day on Saturday, the 20th. of December, in order to secure funds for the Work of the Society.

Halifax, December 4, 1924.

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

Dear Sir,

The Nova Scotia Society for the Prevention of Cruelty, which has humanely disposed of 1058 small animals and 19 large animals and has thus assisted the City quite materially during the past year, is very anxious to secure the privilege of having a Tag Day on Saturday, the 20th. of December instant, in order to secure funds that the Society may be able to exist. Would you, therefore, place before your Council the request that this day be granted to us for the 20th. instant.

R. H. MURRAY,  
President.

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Moved by Alderman Finlay, seconded by Alderman Smeltzer, that the request be granted. Motion passed.

✓ COAL WEIGHERS MONTHLY REPORT.

Read report of A. H. Cullymore, Esq., Supervisor of Coal Weighers, for month of October 1924, showing each of the permanent Coal Weighers to have received \$104.54 in fees during the month.

Filed.

✓ CITY HOME AND TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL,  
TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES.

Read report Charities Committee re tenders for the supply of Potatoes and Turnips.

Halifax, N. S.,  
November 19th., 1924.

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, Gastonguay and Finlay.

Tenders for Potatoes and Turnips,  
Black & Flinn, Potatoes 50¢ bushel,  
Turnips, 40¢ bushel.

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

Bushels Turnips as follows:-

Can. Exp. & Imp. Trading Co Ltd	Potatoes Reds	53¢ bushel
"	Potatoes Calicos	57¢
"	Turnips	50¢
Thomas Robinson	Potatoes Reds	50½ bushel
"	Potatoes Calicos	60
"	Turnips	45
Nickerson & Crease	Potatoes Reds	53 bushel
"	Potatoes Calicos	60
"	Turnips	45

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Black & Flinn	Potatoes Reds	50¢ bushel
" "	Turnips	40¢
John M. McLellan, F.O.B.Truro, N.S.	Potatoes	50¢ bushel
" "	Turnips	43¢
J.P. Hooper, Charlottetown, P.E.I.	Potatoes	53¢ bushel
" "	Turnips	55¢

The tender of John M. McLellan and J. P. Hooper not being according to specification were not considered.

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

H. S. COLWELL,  
Chairman.

*J. H. Buchanan  
Auditor* Moved by Alderman Colwell, seconded by Alderman Gastonguay, that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

✓ CITY HOME EXTENSION.

Read report of the Special Committee appointed to consider the matter of extension to the City Home to provide accomodation for the Harmless Insane.

Halifax, N. S.,  
November 11th., 1924.

His Worship The Mayor  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen,

The Special Committee appointed by the City Council met this day to consider report of Charities Committee regarding overcrowded conditions of the Wards set apart for the harmless insane at City Home.

Present Aldermen Colwell, O'Toole, Hubley, W. O. Cameron; City Engineer Johnston; Assistant Building Inspector Fegan; Superintendent Buchanan; and Secretary O'Bryan.

Alderman H. S. Colwell, Convenor, called the meeting to order and was unanimously elected Chairman.

Read report of Superintendent under date of January 8th. 1924.

The Committee investigated conditions as outlined in the report. Visited the wards and the exterior of the building and all were of the opinion that some means must

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be found to remedy the existing condition.

Moved by Aldermen W. O. Cameron and Hubley and passed unanimously that in the opinion of this Committee it is decided impracticable to place insane patients on top floor of centre building.

On motion of Aldermen Hubley and Cameron, City Engineer Johnston was requested to prepare plans of a proposed extension to be submitted at a meeting to be held on call of the Chairman.

H. S. COLWELL, Chairman.

Filed.

DEFERRED BUSINESS.

✓ REPORT POLICE COMMISSION RE COMPENSATION TO THE WIDOW OF THE LATE CHARLES FULTON.

Read report of the Police Committee dated November 6th. 1924, deferred for consideration at the last meeting of the Council in re payment of a gratuity to the widow of the late Police Officer Charles Fulton. (For report see Minutes Council meeting November 6th. 1924 - Page 281.)

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman O'Toole, that the majority report of Aldermen Hubley and O'Toole recommending that a special grant of One Thousand (\$1000.) dollars be paid to Mrs. Fulton, be adopted. Motion put and passed, 13 voting for the same and 2 against it as follows:-

For the Motion:-

Alderman Colwell  
Russell  
Munnis  
Finlay  
Sanford  
Gastonguay  
Kenny  
Hubley  
O'Toole  
Power  
Drysdale  
Smeltzer  
Daw.

Against it:\*

Alderman Rains,  
W.O.Cameron.

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10.10 o'clock.

Alderman H. W. Cameron arrives and takes his seat in Council.

Moved by Alderman Kenny, seconded by Alderman Sanford, that the special grant just voted to the Widow of the late Police Officer Fulton be paid under authority of Chapter 60 Section 976 of the Legislation of 1924, the sum required to be borrowed from the Bank or any fund available and be included in and repaid out of the Estimates of 1925-26. Motion passed unanimously, the following Aldermen being present and voting for the same:-

Alderman Colwell  
Russell  
Munnis  
Finlay  
Sanford  
Gastonguay  
Kenny  
H.W.Cameron  
Rains  
Hubley  
O'Toole  
Power  
Drysdale  
Smeltzer  
W.O.Cameron  
Daw.

Moved by Alderman Rains, seconded by Alderman O'Toole, that in addition to the special grant of One Thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars just voted to the Widow of the late Police Officer Fulton, she be further given a Pension of so much per month during her lifetime or until she remarries, the amount to be settled at a later date. Motion put and lost, 4 voting for the same and 12 against it as follows:-

For the Motion:-

Alderman Colwell  
Rains  
O'Toole  
W.O.Cameron

Against it:-

Alderman Russell  
Munnis  
Finlay  
Sanford

*\* Accident  
Insurance  
Mrs Fulton*

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Against It (Cont'd.):-

Alderman Gastonguay  
Kenny  
H.W. Cameron  
Hubley  
Power  
Drysdale  
Smeltzer  
Daw.

✓ NOVA SCOTIA PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION RE-ESTABLISHMENT.

Read letter Honorable E. H. Armstrong, Premier, in re the re-establishment of the Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition in Halifax.

Halifax, November 29th., 1924.

John Murphy, Esq.,  
Mayor,  
Halifax, N. S.

My Dear Mr. Mayor:-

Re Provincial Exhibition.

Owing to my having to leave for Ottawa this afternoon to be gone for a week as well as the absence of the Provincial Secretary and Minister of Highways, I regret that I am unable to make an appointment to meet your special Committee re above subject.

I think I may safely advise you -

(1) That the Government will be prepared to justify an expenditure as provided in the estimates in 1923 not exceeding \$200,000.

(2) That the Government is prepared to favorably consider entering into an agreement with the City of Halifax whereby up to the extent of \$200,000. the City will contribute an equal amount towards capital.

(3) I may say generally that the Government is not prepared to favorably consider a suggestion that the grandstand be rebuilt in anything less satisfactory than provided in the plans, i. e., reinforced concrete. Further the Government is not prepared to consider any substitute less substantial than the arena provided in the plans and specifications submitted by Mr. Cobb, the architect, and approved by the Provincial Exhibition Commission. The Government is disposed to adhere to these plans and specifications particularly in view of the fact that this arena was specially designed to respond to a public demand and nothing tangible has been suggested to replace it.

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(4) The Government is further of the opinion that in as much as the plans and specifications are now so complete that tenders should be called for at once in order to ascertain the probable cost. This could be done under the guarantees given by the architect. The undersigned is further advised that the nature of the work is such that it can be carried on during the winter months.

(5) The Government would be quite willing to have an early conference with your special Committee and yourself as to how the work could be most economically carried on under some basis of joint supervision so far as capital expenditure is involved.

E. H. Armstrong,  
PREMIER.

Moved by Alderman Kenny, seconded by Alderman Smeltzer, that the same be referred to the special committee of this Council appointed to consider the matter of the re-establishment of the Exhibition. Motion passed.

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UNEMPLOYMENT SITUATION.

His Worship the Mayor submits, for the information of the Council, the following correspondence between himself and the Honorable James Murdock, Minister of Labor for the Dominion of Canada, in reference to the Unemployment situation.

Mayor's Office, Halifax,  
November 14th., 1924.

Hon. James Murdock,  
Minister of Labor,  
Ottawa, Canada.

Dear Mr. Murdock:- Unemployment.

I have in to-day's mail your favor of the 11th. in which you state that Federal Government will not assume any financial obligation in dealing with the above problem during the coming winter.

This, for many reasons, is to be regretted, as I am quite sure the position taken by your Government will have very marked affect on Provincial Government dealing with this situation.

We have had the matter up with local Government during the past few weeks but up to the present time they have not indicated just what their attitude is. I have written Mr. Armstrong today, as per copy. As soon as we hear from them definitely I will be glad to



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advise you as requested in your letter.

JOHN MURPHY,  
Mayor.

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:  
Ottawa, November 18th., 1924.

His Worship the Mayor,  
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Mayor Murphy,

Acknowledging your letter of November 14th., you will I am sure have noted that my letter of November 11th. stated that the position of the Federal Government in the matter of unemployment relief, as indicated on Pages 49 and 51 of the report of the Conference held here in early September, was still the Government's attitude in regard to this matter.

The Prime Minister of British Columbia and the Mayor of Winnipeg have recently had correspondence before us which will no doubt be given the attention of the Government shortly, and I shall be glad to advise you if any action by the Government is indicated proposing a change in the position already stated.

J. MURDOCK,  
Minister of Labor.

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:  
Mayor's Office, Halifax,  
November 25th., 1924.

Hon. James Murdoch,  
Minister of Labor,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Sir,

Re Unemployment.

I beg to thank you for favor of the 18th. and note that correspondence is passing between your Department with the Premier of British Columbia and the Mayor of Winnipeg, on the question of unemployment, in which you advised me of any action taken by Government which might possible affect the position already laid down.

No arrangement has yet been reached with the Provincial Government and they will likely lay down their policy at a very early date.

Thanking you for keeping me advised and with kindest regards.

JOHN MURPHY,  
Mayor.

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Ottawa, December 1st., 1924.

His Worship  
Mayor Murphy,  
Halifax, N. S.

Your Worship,

Re Unemployment.

I have your letter of November 25th. and note that your City has not yet reached any arrangement with the Nova Scotia Provincial Government in the above matter but that the policy of that Government will likely be laid down at an early date.

It is noted also that you will keep me advised as to any further action taken and I thank you in advance for this information.

JAMES MURDOCK,  
Minister of Labor.

Filed.

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CITY AUDITOR'S STATEMENTS  
OF  
VARIOUS APPROPRIATIONS.

Read report of City Auditor covering Financial Statements of the various Departments as at October 31st., 1924.

City Auditor's Office,  
Halifax, December 3, 1924.

The Mayor and Councillors,  
City of Halifax.

Dear Sirs,

In compliance with Acts 1924, Chapter 60, Section 42 (c), I hand you herewith reports covering the position of the various Appropriations showing the expenditure up to October 31st 1924 of each Department. A copy of each of these reports has been sent to the Chairman of the respective Committees, who, I take it, will pass same over to the Heads of the Departments for their information.

The expenditure of the various Departments up to date, compares favourably with the Appropriations as per the annual estimates except that I would point out that the revenue estimated to be received in the Annual Estimates, in respect of maintenance at the City Home and Tuberculosis Hospital has not been forthcoming, and, furthermore, the appropriation for the maintenance of the Insane will not be sufficient for the year's charges. Therefore there is every probability that ultimately Council will have to consider what measures to adopt to meet the situation of the shortage of funds to meet these items which cannot very well be controlled.

December 4th., 1924.

I would state that I have audited the accounts of the Halifax Teachers' Pension Fund to the 30th. June 1924, the end of the last fiscal year of that Institution, and a copy of my report has been filed with the Finance Committee.

I would report that the continuous audit as outlined by Price Waterhouse & Company is in force and will be continued right along.

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

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Appropriation - CITY HOME,

as at 31st. October 1924.

Salaries - Appropriation		\$19015.	
Expended to date		<u>9128.34</u>	\$9886.66
Wages - Appropriation		439.	
Expended to date		<u>233.</u>	\$ 206.00
Maintenance - Appropriation		31586.90	
Expenditure \$	32218.02		
Less revenue	<u>8658.56</u>	<u>23559.46</u>	<u>\$8027.44</u>
UNEXPENDED BALANCE			\$18120.10
Deduct Open Orders			<u>3596.17</u>
NET AVAILABLE BALANCE			<u>\$14523.93</u>

Remarks:-

Attention is called to the fact that exclusive of the coal and wood appropriation there is an over expenditure and shortage of revenue for the half year totalling \$3971.93. As against this there are outstanding accounts receivable totalling \$2911.10 to be credited against this provided the accounts are collected. There will also probably be a profit from the wood yard operations and an overexpenditure of the coal appropriation due to higher cost of fuel.

It will be seen that there is a large increase in the cost of maintenance of the insane and a large shortage in revenue as compared with the estimate which will probably result in the appropriation for the year being short of requirements.

H. F. GLASS, City Auditor.

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December 4th., 1924.

Appropriation - TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL,

as at 31st. October 1924.

Salaries - Appropriation	\$13914.25	
Expended to date	<u>6808.86</u>	\$7105.39
Maintenance - Appropriation	11931.50	
Expenditure	\$8908.24	
Less revenue	<u>2169.80</u>	<u>6738.44</u> 5193.06
UNEXPENDED BALANCE		\$12298.45
Deduct Open Orders		<u>1002.26</u>
NET AVAILABLE BALANCE		<u>\$11296.19</u>

Remarks. See details of maintenance attached. Attention is called to the fact that there is a shortage in revenue and overexpenditure as compared with the appropriations for the half year of \$1984.44. As against this there are outstanding accounts receivable of \$1533.45 which will be credited against the item of \$1984.44 when collected. It will be seen that there is a considerable falling off in the revenue received from maintenance charges which may result in there being a shortage for the year. Consequently the curtailment of expenditure for the remaining six months should receive attention.

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

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Appropriation - PUBLIC GARDENS,

as at 31st. October 1924.

Salaries - Appropriation	\$1530.00	
Expended to date	<u>735.34</u>	\$ 794.66
Wages - Appropriation	7000.00	
Sundry credits	<u>238.25</u>	
Expended to date	<u>7238.25</u>	1485.41
Expended to date	<u>5752.84</u>	
Maintenance - Appropriation	1470.00	
Expenditure	\$2019.47	
Less revenue	<u>1068.65</u>	<u>950.82</u> 519.18
UNEXPENDED BALANCE		\$ 2799.25
Deduct Open Orders		<u>19.04</u>
NET AVAILABLE BALANCE		<u>\$ 2780.21</u>

Remarks.

There is a quantity of lumber left over from Carnival which when disposed of will be credited to Maintenance accounts.

H. F. GLASS, City Auditor.

December 4th., 1924.

Appropriation - Fleming Park Maintenance,  
as at October 31st. 1924.

Salaries - Appropriation	\$1140.00	
Expended to date	<u>570.00</u>	\$570.00
Wages - Appropriation	660.00	
Expended to date	<u>567.74</u>	<u>92.26</u>
UNEXPENDED NET AVAILABLE BALANCE		<u>\$662.26</u>

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

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Appropriation - Fleming Park Improvement,  
as at October 31st. 1924.

Wages - Appropriation	\$1000.00	
Expended to date	<u>1000.05</u>	
Overspent Balance	\$ .05	

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

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Appropriation - Point Pleasant Park,  
as at October 31st. 1924.

Salaries - Appropriation	\$1350.00	
Expended to date	<u>675.00</u>	\$675.00
Wages - Appropriation	2590.00	
Deduct transfer to Maintenance	<u>100.00</u>	
	2490.00	
Expended to date	<u>2136.20</u>	353.80
Maintenance - Appropriation	60.00	
Add Transfer	100.00	
Sundry credits	<u>72.50</u>	
	232.50	
Expended to date	<u>135.61</u>	<u>86.89</u>
UNEXPENDED BALANCE		\$1125.69
Deduct Open Orders		<u>39.10</u>
NET AVAILABLE BALANCE		<u>\$1086.59</u>

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

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December 4th., 1924.

Appropriation - Fleming Park Maintenance,  
as at October 31st. 1924.

Salaries - Appropriation	\$1140.00	
Expended to date	<u>570.00</u>	\$570.00
Wages - Appropriation	660.00	
Expended to date	<u>567.74</u>	<u>92.26</u>
UNEXPENDED NET AVAILABLE BALANCE		<u>\$662.26</u>

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

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Appropriation - Fleming Park Improvement,  
as at October 31st. 1924.

Wages - Appropriation	\$1000.00	
Expended to date	<u>1000.05</u>	
Overspent Balance	\$ .05	

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

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Appropriation - Point Pleasant Park,  
as at October 31st. 1924.

Salaries - Appropriation	\$1350.00	
Expended to date	<u>675.00</u>	\$675.00
Wages - Appropriation	2590.00	
Deduct transfer to Maintenance	<u>100.00</u>	
Expended to date	<u>2490.00</u>	
	<u>2136.20</u>	353.80
Maintenance - Appropriation	60.00	
Add Transfer	100.00	
Sundry credits	<u>72.50</u>	
Expended to date	<u>232.50</u>	
	<u>135.61</u>	<u>96.89</u>

UNEXPENDED BALANCE \$1125.69

Deduct Open Orders 39.10

NET AVAILABLE BALANCE \$1086.59

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

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December 4th., 1924.

Appropriation - Citizen's Free Library,  
as at October 31st. 1924.

Salaries - Appropriation	\$2660.00	
Expended to date	<u>1329.90</u>	\$1330.10
Maintenance - Appropriation	1100.00	
Sundry credits -		
Revenue	<u>49.53</u>	
	1149.53	
Expended to date	<u>97.59</u>	<u>1051.94</u>
UNEXPENDED BALANCE		2382.04
Deduct open orders		<u>170.95</u>
NET AVAILABLE BALANCE		<u>\$2211.09</u>

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

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Appropriation - Health Board,  
as at October 31st. 1924.

Salaries - Appropriation	\$17660.00	
Expended to date	<u>8742.82</u>	\$8917.18
Maintenance - Appropriation	2050.00	
Sundry credits	<u>6.50</u>	
	2056.50	
Expended to date	<u>1236.08</u>	<u>820.42</u>
UNEXPENDED BALANCE		\$9737.60
NET AVAILABLE BALANCE		<u>\$9737.60</u>

Remarks.

Attention is drawn to the fact that there apparently is an overexpenditure on maintenance account as per details attached.

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

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Appropriation - Isolation Hospital,  
as at October 31st. 1924.

Salaries - Appropriation	\$ 4237.00	
Expended to date	<u>2141.57</u>	\$2095.43

December 4th., 1924.

Isolation Hospital (Cont'd.)

Brought forward			\$2095.43
Maintenance - Appropriation	\$3260.00		
Expenditure	\$1450.14		
Less revenue	<u>413.42</u>	<u>1036.72</u>	<u>2223.28</u>
UNEXPENDED BALANCE			\$4318.71
Deduct open orders			<u>407.86</u>
NET AVAILABLE BALANCE			<u>\$3910.85</u>

Remarks. See details of Maintenance charges attached.

There are outstanding accounts receivable for Maintenance charges totalling \$996.49 which will be credited to appropriation account when collected - they are not included in revenue shown.

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

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Appropriation - Police

as at October 31st. 1924.

Salaries - Appropriation	\$100487.50		
Expended to date	<u>47886.49</u>		\$52601.01
Maintenance -			
Appropriation	5294.00		
Sundry credits -			
revenue prisoners			
meals and fees	<u>24.61</u>		
	5318.61		
Expended to date	<u>2937.49</u>		<u>2391.12</u>
UNEXPENDED BALANCE			\$54992.13
Deduct open orders			<u>337.88</u>
NET AVAILABLE BALANCE			<u>\$54654.25</u>

Remarks. See details of Maintenance attached.

Attention is called to the fact that the motor Maintenance expense is in excess of the half year's appropriation as also the miscellaneous expense. The proportion of the emergency expenditure re Bevis matter of \$453.05 paid at 31st. October 1924 has been transferred to deferred charges 1925-26.

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.



December 4th., 1924.

Appropriation - City Prison,

as at October 31st. 1924.

Salaries - Appropriation	\$8027.50	
Expended to date	<u>4095.03</u>	\$3932.47
Maintenance - Appropriation	4995.15	
Expenditure	\$ 2704.18	
Less revenue	<u>1112.03</u>	<u>3403.00</u>
UNEXPENDED BALANCE		\$7335.47
Deduct open orders (includes coal)		<u>1164.36</u>
NET AVAILABLE BALANCE		<u>\$6171.11</u>

Remarks.

See details of Maintenance attached.

Attention is drawn to the fact that the expenditure for Groceries has overrun the appropriation for the half year.

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

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Appropriation - Fuel,

as at October 31st. 1924.

Wages - Appropriation	\$ 500.00	
Expended to date	<u>90.87</u>	\$ 409.13
(Expended since \$22.25)		
Maintenance - Appropriation	2500.00	
Expended to date	<u>232.54</u>	<u>2267.46</u>
(Expended since \$355.00)		
UNEXPENDED BALANCE		\$2676.59
Deduct -		
Expended since 31st. October 1924, as above		<u>377.25</u>
NET AVAILABLE BALANCE		<u>\$2299.34</u>

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

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December 4th., 1924.

Appropriation - Insurance,  
as at October 31st. 1924.

Maintenance - Appropriation	\$2800.00
Expended to date	<u>2683.53</u>

NET AVAILABLE UNEXPENDED BALANCE \$ 116.47

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

: :

Appropriation - Internal Health,  
as at October 31st. 1924.

Wages - Appropriation	\$41000.00
Expended to date	<u>32809.74</u> \$8190.26
(Since paid \$3360.17)	

Maintenance - Appropriation	7000.00
Add-Transfers from deferred approp- riation	4841.87
Sundry credits	<u>929.00</u>
(Since paid \$931.01)	12770.87

Expended to date 7922.81 4848.06

UNEXPENDED BALANCE. \$13038.32

Deduct Expenditure since 31 October  
1924, as above 4291.18

NET AVAILABLE BALANCE \$ 8747.14

Remarks.

In addition to the above there is an appropriation of \$15,000. specially set aside for expenditure between January - April 30, 1925.

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

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Appropriation - Lighting, City Hall,  
as at 31st. October 1924.

Maintenance - Appropriation	\$1400.00
Expended to date	<u>349.33</u>

NET AVAILABLE UNEXPENDED BALANCE \$1050.67

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

December 4th., 1924.

Appropriation - Paved Streets Cleaning,  
as at October 31st. 1924.

Wages - Appropriation	\$15000.00	
Expended to date (Since paid \$1,497.25)	<u>10011.03</u>	\$4988.97
Maintenance - Appropriation	2000.00	
Expended to date	<u>536.49</u>	<u>1463.51</u>
UNEXPENDED BALANCE		\$6452.48
Deduct Expenditure since October 31st., 1924, as above		<u>1497.45</u>
NET AVAILABLE BALANCE		<u>\$4955.03</u>

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

: :

Appropriation - Public Baths,  
as at 31st. October 1924.

Wages - Appropriation	\$ 600.00	
Expended to date	<u>429.10</u>	\$ 170.90
Maintenance - Appropriation	400.00	
Expended to date	<u>77.30</u>	<u>322.70</u>
UNEXPENDED NET AVAILABLE BALANCE		<u>\$ 493.60</u>

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

: :

Appropriation - City Property,  
as at 31st. October 1924.

Wages - Appropriation	\$2000.00	
Sundry credits	<u>4.95</u>	
Expended to date	<u>2004.95</u>	\$ 1439.13
Maintenance - Appropriation	1000.00	
Sundry credits	<u>13.66</u>	
Expended to date	<u>1013.66</u>	<u>513.08</u>
UNEXPENDED BALANCE		\$ 1952.21
NET AVAILABLE BALANCE		<u>\$ 1952.21</u>

H. S. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

December 4th., 1924.

Appropriation - Sewer Maintenance,  
as at 31st. October 1924.

Wages - Appropriation	\$ 2,500.00
Expended to date	<u>969.56</u>
UNEXPENDED BALANCE	\$ 1,530.44
Deduct Expenditure since 31st. October 1924, as above	<u>427.83</u>
NET AVAILABLE BALANCE	<u>\$ 1,102.61</u>

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

Appropriation - Streets,  
as at 31st. October 1924.

Wages - Appropriation	\$4,9000.00
Sundry credits charged abutters for street oiling	<u>1569.99</u> 50569.99
Expended to date (Expended since 31st. October 1924 - \$1708.87)	<u>41969.20</u> \$8600.79
Maintenance - Appropriation	16000.00
Transfers from deferr- ed appropriation	3349.14
Sundry credits - in- cluding charges to abutters for street oiling	<u>5033.56</u> 24382.70
Expended to date	<u>17799.53</u> 6583.17
Open orders \$2026.35	
UNEXPENDED BALANCE	15183.96
Deduct Expended since 31st. October 1924 and open orders, as above	<u>3735.22</u>
NET AVAILABLE BALANCE	\$11448.74

Remarks.

There is in addition to the above an appropriation of \$10,000. covering work to be done January - April 30th. 1925.

In addition to the above there are also outstanding accounts receivable totalling \$1482.74 which will be credited to this appropriation when paid.

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

December 4th., 1924.

Appropriation - Street Lighting,  
as at 31st. October 1924.

Wages - Appropriation		\$2000.00	
Expended to date		<u>275.09</u>	\$1724.91
Maintenance -			
Tram Company Appropriation	\$60000.00		
Genl. Appropriation	<u>1000.00</u>	61000.00	
Expended to date -			
Tram Company	24115.41		
General Maintenance	<u>394.50</u>	<u>24509.91</u>	<u>36490.09</u>
(Expended since -			
Tram Company Oct. a-c.	4942.18		
General	<u>53.00</u>		
	\$4995.18		
UNEXPENDED BALANCE			\$38215.00
Deduct -			
Contracts	47.34		
Expended since 31st.			
October 1924,			
as above	<u>4995.18</u>		<u>5042.52</u>
NET AVAILABLE BALANCE			<u>\$33172.48</u>

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

: :

Appropriation - Teams Stables,  
as at 31st. October 1924.

Wages - Appropriation		\$ 14000.	
Expended to date		<u>7727.85</u>	6272.15
(Expended since \$1173.35)			
Maintenance - Appropriation		6500.	
Expended to date		<u>4237.78</u>	<u>2262.22</u>
(Expended since \$660.87)			
UNEXPENDED BALANCE			\$8534.37
Deduct Expended since 31st. October 1924,			
as above			<u>1834.22</u>
NET AVAILABLE BALANCE			<u>\$6700.15</u>

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

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December 4th., 1924.

Appropriation - Telephones,

as at October 31st. 1924.

Wages - Appropriation	\$200.00	
Expended to date	<u>77.00</u>	\$123.00
Maintenance - Appropriation	2250.00	
Expended to date	<u>1005.98</u>	<u>1244.02</u>
UNEXPENDED BALANCE		\$1367.02
NET AVAILABLE BALANCE		\$1367.02

The above does not include October account.

There is likely to be a shortage on this account of about \$200.00 at the end of the year.

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

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Appropriation - Town Clock,

as at October 31st. 1924.

Wages - Appropriation		\$ 65.00
Maintenance - Appropriation	\$ 35.00	
Expended to date	<u>.26</u>	<u>34.74</u>
UNEXPENDED BALANCE		\$ 99.74
NET AVAILABLE BALANCE		\$ 99.74

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

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Appropriation - Wiring Inspection

Wages - Appropriation	\$ 1700.00	
Expended to date	<u>760.50</u>	\$939.50
Maintenance - Appropriation	100.00	
Expended to date	<u>72.81</u>	<u>27.19</u>
UNEXPENDED BALANCE		\$966.69
NET AVAILABLE BALANCE		\$966.69

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

December 4th., 1924.

Appropriation - Fire Department,  
as at 31st. October 1924.

Salaries - Appropriation	\$135267.20	
Expended to date	<u>66950.16</u>	\$68317.04
Maintenance - Appropriation	14150.00	
Sundry credits	<u>21.95</u>	
	14171.95	
Expended to date	<u>4686.99</u>	9484.96
UNEXPENDED BALANCE		\$77802.00
Deduct open orders		<u>943.49</u>
NET AVAILABLE BALANCE		\$ <u>76858.51</u>

Remarks.

See details of Maintenance attached.

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

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Appropriation - Fire Alarm System,  
as at 31st. October 1924.

Salaries - Appropriation	\$ 4246.82	
Expended to date	<u>2089.78</u>	\$ 2157.04
Maintenance - Transfers	700.00	
Sundry credits	<u>30.67</u>	
	730.67	
Expended to date	<u>174.61</u>	556.06
UNEXPENDED BALANCE		\$ 2713.10
Deduct open orders		<u>236.70</u>
NET AVAILABLE BALANCE		\$ <u>2476.40</u>

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

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Appropriation - Camp Hill Cemetery,  
as at 31st. October 1924.

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Camp Hill Cemetery (Cont'd.)

Salaries - Appropriation	\$1140.00	
Expended to date	<u>570.05</u>	\$569.95
Maintenance - Appropriation	\$ 660.00	
Sundry credits	<u>1884.44</u>	
	<u>2544.44</u>	
Expended to date	<u>2171.67</u>	<u>372.77</u>
UNEXPENDED BALANCE		\$942.72
Deduct open orders		<u>34.98</u>
NET AVAILABLE BALANCE		<u>\$907.74</u>

Remarks.

There are outstanding accounts receivable totalling \$541.50 which will be credited the appropriation when collected, but would point out these are practically all of a doubtful nature. See separate letter on this point.

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

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STATEMENT RE MARKET REVENUE

as at October 31st., 1924.

Estimated net income per Estimates		\$2,500.00
Receipts for half year		
to October 31st. 1924 -	\$3100.23	
Deduct Expenditure	<u>962.59</u>	<u>2,137.64</u>
Balance of Revenue to be received for next six months to complete estimate		\$ 362.36

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

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STATEMENT AS TO RENTS CITY PROPERTY  
AS AT 31ST. OCTOBER 1924.

Estimated net revenue per estimates		\$2,500.00
Receipts for the half year ending		
October 31st. 1924	\$1541.39	
Deduct expenditure-do-	<u>54.11</u>	<u>1,487.28</u>
Balance of net revenue to be received during next six months to complete estimate		\$1,012.72



December 4th., 1924.

Statement of Rents (Ctd.)

Note.

There are outstanding accounts receivable of \$624.52 covering rents of City property which when collected will be credited to the above. These accounts, however, are practically all old and the collection thereof doubtful. See separate communication regarding this.

H.F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

Filed.

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PRINTING LIST OF PERSONS IN ARREARS  
FOR TAXES.

Moved by Alderman Kenny, seconded by Alderman W. O. Cameron, that the City Collector be instructed to report to this Council as to the probable cost of preparing and printing a list of persons in arrears for taxes as re-  
*Collector* quired by the 1924 Amendments to the City Charter. Motion passed.

Alderman Russell submits the following Resolution:-

Moved that the Finance Committee take under consideration the following matters and submit a report thereon to Council:-

1. The advisability of instituting legal actions for the recovery of the current year's taxes, both personal and on real property, and irrespective of whether the tax debtors are or are not in arrears for previous years' taxes.
2. The advisability of appointing a committee or commission charged with the duty of investigating the ability of persons in arrears for taxes of the years preceding the current year to pay such arrears, and empowered to make on behalf of the City such adjustments and compromises as in their opinion will enable the City to collect the greatest possible percentage of such arrears, and the securing of such legislation as may be necessary in the premises, including the power to summon witnesses and take evidence under oath.
3. The advisability of securing legislation prohibiting the operation on the City Streets of Motor Vehicles owned for pleasure purposes by persons indebted to the City for taxes.

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4. The advisability of appointing a committee or commission to review the work of the City Assessors with the object of checking up their working principles and ascertaining whether the burden of taxation is being fairly distributed.

5. The advisability of appointing an official who shall exercise a general superintendance over all departments of the City.

*Adm. Kenny?*  
*Adm. Kenny?*  
Moved by Alderman Russell, seconded by Alderman Kenny, that same be referred to the Finance Committee for report.

Motion passed.

STATEMENT TAX COLLECTIONS.

Read letter City Auditor covering Statement tax collections up to the 30th. November last.

City Auditor's Office,  
Halifax,  
December 4th. 1924.

The Mayor and Aldermen,  
City of Halifax.

Sirs,

Re  
Tax Collections.

I enclose herewith a report as to the collection of taxes as at 30th. November last, and have the following comments to make in regard thereto.

It will be seen that the General Tax arrears, apart from Current years taxes at 30th. November last, amounted to \$1,867,036.38, and that the sum of \$326,725.33 has been collected on back years taxes since April 30th. 1924.

I would particularly draw your attention to the position of the current years General Taxes. It will be seen that although the sum of \$1,034,849.60 has been collected during the seven months of the civic year, to date, there is still the large sum of \$801,214.02 outstanding. This situation is extremely unsatisfactory, when it is borne in mind that the collections during October and November show a marked decrease over those of the previous months. The Collections in round figures for October were \$26,000. and November \$32,000. so that it will be seen that unless the collections are considerably increased during the remaining five months of the civic year the City will be confronted with serious difficulty in meeting its obligations for the current year.

This matter was fully discussed at a special conference of the Finance Committee, called for the purpose of considering this matter a few days ago, and the Collector was instructed to concentrate on the collection of

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current taxes particularly, and also to call attention to the seriousness of the situation, by a final notice in the Newspapers notifying Taxpayers in arrears that drastic measures will have to be adopted unless taxes are paid, and that this be followed up by the issue of Warrants.

I would emphasize the fact that to the extent the City fails to collect its taxes during the civic year, to the same extent it is piling up its debt until the taxes are paid as of course expenditure goes on irrespective of the collection of taxes.

I would report that for the first time in many years Statements have recently been sent out in respect of Water Rates showing all arrears in respect to same, and it is intended that as soon as Taxpayers have had a reasonable time to adjust these arrears that stringent measures will have to be adopted to collect the Water arrears.

It will be noted that since May 1st. last, the sum of \$1,499,887.23 has been collected on account of General Taxes and Water Rates.

I am attaching sufficient copies of the Tax Statement so that any of the Aldermen who wish can have a copy of same.

H. F. GLASS,  
City Auditor.

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STATEMENT AS TO COLLECTIONS OF TAXES AS AT  
30TH. NOVEMBER 1924.

General Tax Arrears (exclusive of current year)		
Balance as at 30 April 1924		\$2,205,273.87
Collections to 30 Sept. 1924	\$250,970.07	
month Oct 1924	39,227.87	
month Nov 1924	36,527.39	
	<u>326,725.33</u>	
Transferred to Theakston defalcation a-c	9,911.39	
Transferred to Reserve acct	<u>1,600.77</u>	<u>338,237.49</u>
Total Tax Arrears outstanding 30 November 1924		\$ 1,867,036.38
General Taxes Current Year		1,836,063.62
Collections to 30 Sept 1924	976,621.78	
month Oct 1924	26,048.22	
month Nov 1924	<u>32,179.60</u>	<u>1,034,849.60</u>
Total Current taxes outstanding 30 November 1924		\$ 801,214.02

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Estimated Poll & Dog Taxes Current year		\$8,400.00
Collections to 30 Sept 1924	\$4,903.00	
month Oct 1924	754.50	
month Nov 1924	<u>168.00</u>	<u>5,825.50</u>
Total Poll & Dog Taxes estimated outstanding		
November 30, 1924		<u>\$2,574.50</u>

Water Rates

Balance as at 30 April 1924		\$236,046.86
Pipe Rates, etc., charged since		<u>92,582.17</u>
		328,629.03
Collections to 30 Sept. 1924	123,136.90	
month Oct 1924	5,364.78	
month Nov. 1924	<u>3,985.12</u>	
	132,486.80	
Transferred to Theakston		
defalcation a-o-	<u>102.99</u>	<u>132,589.79</u>
Balance outstanding 30th. November		\$ 196,039.24
1924		<u>                    </u>

Total cash collected on account of above taxes since 30th. April 1924. \$1,499,887.23

R. V. DIMOCK,  
City Collector.

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AUDITOR'S REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET,  
PRICE WATERHOUSE & COMPANY.

Alderman Kenny submits the following Statement in reference to the publication of the Balance Sheet prepared by Messrs. Price Waterhouse & Company.

To allay any apprehension which may have arisen with regard to the publication of the City's financial status, it may be well to recall the facts. Messrs. Price, Waterhouse & Company after examination of the City's finances, about the beginning of 1924, issued a Report containing recommendations for the future and attached to it a general balance sheet down to the end of the fiscal year, April 30th. 1923. The Report and Balance sheet were submitted to the press. The Balance sheet contains an immense mass of figures running into thousands of folios. The Report was published but the press did not publish the figures. The Report in itself gives

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a fairly comprehensive review of the City's financial position and should satisfy taxpayers in search of information. The figures are simply an elaboration of what is contained in the Report. In May of this year Mr. Riach of Messrs. Price, Waterhouse & Company started to carry out the recommendations contained in the Report. In September of this year the new City Auditor entered upon his duties. The situation, therefore, is that we have not yet had a complete fiscal year under the operation of the new system but on April 30th., 1925, the first year will be completed.

To make a comparison between the very imperfect financial statements of the earlier years with the up-to-date, thorough and exhaustive statement prepared by Messrs. Price, Waterhouse & Company could only produce confusion and misapprehension. It is therefore deemed advisable that the full publication of the City's Balance Sheet should be deferred until the first year's work under the new system has been completed.

This summary shows that there has been no failure to publish the Price Waterhouse & Company Balance Sheet, and that there is reason for deferring further action in the matter, and that the publication of the figures in extenso would involve heavy expense.

We believe that the financial administration of the City is now on a satisfactory basis and that intelligence and industry are being directed to the solution of our financial problems.

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11.35 o'clock, P. M.

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


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JOHN MURPHY,  
MAYOR.

  
H.S. RHIND,  
City Clerk.