

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock,
Council Chamber, City Hall,

January 8th., 1925.

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

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

Alderman Rains asked that the order of business be suspended to allow him to submit a Resolution.

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PASTURIZATION OF MILK.

Moved by Alderman Daw, seconded by Alderman O'Toole, that the order of business be suspended to allow Alderman Rains to submit a resolution. Motion passed.

The following Resolution is submitted:-

WHEREAS the Board of Health has ordered the pasturization of the whole milk supply of the City of Halifax to take effect in June 1925;

AND WHEREAS many citizens are opposed to this arbitrary action of the Board, in saying in effect as it does, that after the above date house-holders and their families must drink pasturized milk and none other;

AND WHEREAS many citizens have a preference for "raw milk" delivered to their homes in as short a space of time as possible after production and have a decided disinclination to the pasturized product;

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AND WHEREAS many if not the majority of our medical practitioners are strongly opposed to the compulsory pasturization of milk and contend that such legislation is not in the best interests of the public and in fact may be detrimental to the health of infants, children and invalids, who are the largest consumers of milk;

AND WHEREAS the enforcement of such legislation will necessitate the employment of a staff of trained milk inspectors, to be paid for by the City and will undoubtedly raise the price of milk and thus add an increased burden on the poor who under present economic conditions are unable to procure anything like an adequate quantity of this necessary commodity for their children;

THEREFORE RESOLVED that in the opinion of this Council the Board of Health should reconsider their action before forcing on the people such a drastic and radical piece of legislation as the compulsory pasturization of our whole milk supply;

AND FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event of the Health Board failing to reconsider their action a request be made by this Council to the Governor in Council or to the Legislature when in session for disallowance of said by-law or ordinance respecting such compulsory pasturization.

Moved by Alderman Rains, seconded by Alderman Daw,
and passed unanimously.

WORKS DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS.

Read report Committee on Works recommending accounts chargeable to Capital expenditure \$406.63, Current Appropriation \$1970.11, Water Department Capital account \$426.51 and Water Department Maintenance \$948.24 - a total of \$3,751.49.

City Work's Office,
Halifax, January 8, 1925.

His Worship The Mayor and City Council.

Sirs,

At a meeting of the Works Committee held to-day, Accounts as follows for the month of December were approved and recommended to Council for payment:-

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Works Department -
Capital Account \$ 406.63
Current
Appropriation 1970.11 \$ 2376.74

Water Department -
Construction 426.51
Maintenance 948.24 1374.75
\$ 3751.49

A. F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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

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CITY HOME AND TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL
ACCOUNTS.

Read report Charities Committee recommending for payment accounts chargeable to the City Home \$6445.07 and to the Tuberculosis Hospital \$4714.16.

Halifax, January 6, 1925.

His Worship the Mayor
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen,

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

Members present, the Chairman, Aldermen O'Toole, Rains, Gastonguay and Daw.

City Home Accounts, December 1924, amount \$6445.07.

City Home accounts for the month of December 1924 amounting to \$6445.07 are recommended for payment.

Tuberculosis Hospital Accounts, December 1924,
amount \$4714.16.

Tuberculosis Hospital accounts for the month of December 1924 amounting to \$4714.16 are recommended for payment.

H. S. Colwell,
Chairman.

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

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CITY HEALTH BOARD ACCOUNTS.

Read report City Health Board recommending for payment accounts chargeable to General Account \$1,700.18 and to the Isolation Hospital \$1,028.12, making a total of \$2,728.30.

Office City Health Board,
Halifax, January 8, 1925.

His Worship the Mayor
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the City Health Board held on Wednesday, the 7th. instant, the attached list of accounts amounting to \$2,728.30 was passed as correct and are recommended for payment.

Arthur C. Pettipas,
Secretary
City Health Board.

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

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FIRE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS.

Read report Committee of Firewards recommending for payment accounts chargeable to the Fire Department \$11,790.34 and to Fire Alarm Maintenance \$364.89, making a total of \$12,155.23.

Committee Room, City Hall,
Halifax, January 6, 1925.

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; Rains, H. W. Cameron and Daw, the attached accounts - \$11,709.34 chargeable to the general account of the Fire Department and \$364.89 to Fire Alarm Maintenance, were passed as correct and recommended for payment.

W. J. O'Toole,
Chairman.

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

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CITY PRISON ACCOUNTS.

Read report City Prison Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$1449.86 and covering report of the Governor for the month of December 1924.

Committee Room, City Hall,
Halifax,
January 6, 1925.

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; Smeltzer, O'Toole and Colwell, the attached list of accounts amounting to \$1,149.86, was examined, found correct and recommended for payment.

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

L. A. Gastonguay,
Chairman.

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

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POINT PLEASANT PARK ACCOUNTS.

Read report Commissioners of Point Pleasant Park recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$7.90.

Halifax, January 7, 1925.

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

Gentlemen,

The Commissioners of Point Pleasant Park beg to recommend for payment the attached accounts for the month of December 1924 amounting to \$7.90.

John Murphy,
Mayor and Chairman.

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

CITIZEN'S FREE LIBRARY ACCOUNTS.

Read report Citizen's Free Library Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$352.30.

Halifax, January 8, 1925.

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

Gentlemen,

The Citizen's Free Library Committee beg to recommend for payment the attached accounts - \$352.30, for the month of December 1924.

A. J. Finlay,
Chairman.

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

PUBLIC GARDENS ACCOUNTS.

Read report Committee on Gardens, Parks and Common recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$29.84.

Mayor's Office, Halifax,
January 8, 1925.

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

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Gardens Parks and Common Committee, held this day, there being present His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen Sanford, O'Toole and Gastonguay, the attached list of accounts for the month of December 1924 amounting to \$29.84, was passed as correct and recommended to the City Council for payment.

John Murphy,
Mayor and Chairman.

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

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POLICE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS.

Read report Police Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$8044.84.

Committee Room, City Hall,
Halifax, January 8, 1925.

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

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Police Committee, held this day, the attached accounts amounting to \$8044.84 for the month of December 1924, were passed as correct and recommended for payment.

John Murphy,
Mayor and Chairman.

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

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GENERAL ACCOUNTS.

Read report Finance Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$1201.24.

Committee Room, City Hall,
Halifax, January 6, 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 list of accounts amounting to \$1201.24 - chargeable to various Appropriations, was submitted, approved 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.

✓ Alderman Power asked that in the purchase of supplies

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of Printing and Stationery all Printers doing business in the City be asked to tender on blank forms, etc.

✓ POLICE CLOTHING AND ULSTERS.

Read report Police Committee recommending for acceptance the tender of Messrs. Clayton & Sons at a price of \$22.00 per coat for ulsters for the Police Department.

Board of Police Commissioners,
Halifax,
January 8, 1925.

Extract from the minutes of a meeting of the Police Commission held on December 3, 1924.

Tenders for Police Ulsters.

Tenders for the making of Uniform Police Ulsters were opened this date, there being present His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen O'Toole and Hubley.

Tenders.

V. Tomarelli - Sample #1	\$50.00
#2	45.00
Claytons Ltd - Custom tailor made	33.00
" factory "	22.00
Scotia Tailors	21.85
Plus Sales Tax	

Motion.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman O'Toole, that Claytons' tender - price \$22.00 per coat, as per sample - cloth #14627, lining #10781 - be accepted and that forty nine coats be ordered. Carried.

John Murphy,
Mayor and Chairman.

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

✓ POLICE DEPARTMENT, ACCOUNT OF CLAYTON & SONS.

Read report Police Committee recommending for payment the account of Messrs. Clayton & Sons for Police Ulsters and Uniforms - \$909.75.

*Auditor
P. Clayton & Sons*

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Halifax,
January 8, 1925.

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

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Police Committee, held this day, the attached accounts of Messrs. Clayton & Sons for Ulsters and Uniform clothing as per their contract, amounting to \$909.75, were passed as correct and recommended for payment.

John Murphy,
Mayor and Chairman.

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

Read report of City Auditor submitting for payment accounts incurred in connection with the Bevis Arrest - \$138.00.

City Auditor's Office, Halifax,
January 8, 1925.

His Worship the Mayor
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen,

Re Bevis Matter.

I enclose herewith the undermentioned accounts which have been submitted to me for payment, for which there is no appropriation, and should be glad to receive your instructions regarding same:-

Three-ess Taxi Service	\$ 18.00	
J.W. Mullinger -		
Treatment Officer Kennedy -		
	<u>120.00</u>	\$138.00

H. F. Glass,
City Auditor.

Moved by Alderman Kenny, seconded by Alderman O'Toole, that the accounts submitted by the City Auditor be paid under authority of Chapter 60, Section 976 of the Legislation of 1924, the sum required to be borrowed from

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the Bank or any fund available and be included in and re-
paid out of the Estimates of 1925-26. Motion passed unan-
imously, the following Aldermen being present and voting
for it:-

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

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L. FRED. MONAGHAN VS CITY OF HALIFAX,
ACCOUNT HENRY ROGERS HARRIS & STEWART.

Read report Finance Committee in reference to pay-
ment of the account of Messrs. Henry, Rogers, Harris and
Stewart - \$525.00, for professional services in the suit
of L. Fred. Monaghan versus the City.

Committee Room, City Hall,
Halifax, January 6, 1925.

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

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day,
the attached letter from the City Auditor in reference
to the payment of the account of Messrs. Henry, Rogers,
Harris & Stewart, \$525.00 for Professional services in
the suit of L. Fred. Monaghan vs the City, was submitted.

Your Committee recommend that this account be paid
under authority of Chapter 60, Section 976, of the Leg-
islation of 1924, the sum required to be borrowed from
the Bank or any fund available and be included in and re-
paid out of the Estimates of 1925-26.

J. B. Kenny, Chairman.

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City Auditor's Office,
Halifax,
December 15, 1924.

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

Referring to the attached account - Henry, Rogers,
Harris & Stewart, re L. Fred. Monaghan versus the City,
which has been passed for payment to the extent of
\$525.55. There is apparently no appropriation out of
which this can be paid and I would therefore ask your
instructions regarding same.

H. F. Glass,
City Auditor.

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Moved by Alderman Kenny, seconded by Alderman W. O.
Cameron, that the report of the Finance Committee be ad-
opted. Motion passed unanimously, the following Aldermen
being present and voting for same:-

*W. O. Cameron
Treasurer*

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

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NOVA SCOTIA TEMPERANCE ACT PROSECUTIONS,
ACCOUNT MURRAY, MACKINNON AND INGLIS.

Read report Finance Committee in re account of
Messrs. Murray, MacKinnon and Inglis for Professional ser-
vices rendered Mr. E. S. Tracey in prosecutions under the
Nova Scotia Temperance Act.

Committee Room, City Hall,
Halifax,
January 6, 1925.

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

Gentlemen,

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At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, the attached account of Messrs. Murray, MacKinnon and Inglis of \$35.00 for Professional services rendered the Inspector under the Nova Scotia Temperance Act in prosecutions under said Act, was submitted.

Your Committee recommend that the account be paid out of the fines and fees collected for Prosecutions under the said Act during 1923-24.

J. B. Kenny,
Chairman.

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

✓ INSURANCE OF FIREMEN.

Read report Committee of Firewards on the account of the Sun Life Insurance Company of Canada - \$206.75, for 2 months extension of the Group Policy of insurance on Members of the Fire Department.

Committee Room, City Hall,
Halifax,
December 17, 1924.

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

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards, held this day, the attached account of the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada, \$206.75, covering two months extension on the Group policy of insurance on Members of the Fire Department, was submitted.

Your Committee has referred this account to the City Council for its consideration and action as the extension was ordered by resolution of Council.

W. J. O'Toole,
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman O'Toole, seconded by Alderman Daw, that this report be referred to the Finance Committee to ascertain if there are any funds available to pay same.

W. J. O'Toole
W. J. O'Toole
Motion passed.

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UNEMPLOYMENT SITUATION -
APPROPRIATION OF \$2,500.

Read report Committee on Works in reference to making a special Appropriation of \$2,500.00 to provide special work to relieve the unemployment situation.

City Work's Office,
Halifax,
January 8, 1925.

To His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.

Sirs,

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 7th. instant, it was moved by Alderman Power, seconded by Alderman Sanford and passed unanimously, that in view of the unemployment situation and the probable necessity for the City to provide special work to relieve the situation, the Council be asked to make arrangements for a special appropriation of \$2,500.00 to be placed at the disposal of the Works Committee to meet such a contingency in the event of its being necessary to act.

A. F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman Power, seconded by Alderman Sanford, that the report be adopted, the sum required to be raised under authority of Chapter 60, Section 976, of the Legislation of 1924, same to be borrowed from ^athe 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:-

*Incident
at
meeting*

Alderman Colwell
Munnis
Russell
Bissett
Sanford
Gastonguay
H.W.Cameron
Kenny
Rains
O^rToole
Drysdale
Power
Daw
W.O.Cameron
Smeltzer.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT TENDERS FOR BEDDING. ETC.

Read report Committee of Firewards recommending for acceptance tender of A. B. Emery for Pillows and Mattresses, and that of Messrs. Brander & Morris for Bedding for the Fire Department.

Committee Room, City Hall,
Halifax, December 17, 1924.

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

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards, held this day, tenders were submitted for the supply of Bedding, etc., required by the Department.

Your Committee recommend that the tender of A. B. Emery for 48 Pillows at \$1.50 each and 18 Mattresses at \$9.00 each, be accepted.

Also that the tender of Messrs. Brander Morris & Company be accepted for the following articles:-

8 dozen pillow slips	@	\$3.84 per doz
5 " sheets		19.80 " "
2 " comforters		48.00 " "
4 " towels		5.40 " "
6 pairs Blankets		6.75 per pair
3 Beds		8.90 each.

W. J. O'Toole,
Chairman.

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

FIRE DEPARTMENT TENDERS FOR JACKET HEATER.

Read report Committee of Firewards recommending for acceptance tender of Messrs. Mitchell & MacRae for Jacket Heater to be installed at Morris Street Engine House.

Committee Room, City Hall,
Halifax, December 17, 1924.

To His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

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At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards, held this day, tenders were received from the following firms for the installation of a Jacket Heater at Morris Street Fire Station:-

Longards Limited	\$ 119.13
W. M. Walker	105.42
Farquhar Bros Ltd	90.00
A. Summerhill	85.00
Mitchell & McRae	87.00
Fultz & Burford	102.00
C. R. Hoben & Co	98.00
Michael Day	88.00
D. A. Cummings & Co	96.00
C. H. Naylor	99.00
Lee & Brennan	96.54
F. W. McNally	100.00
Hillis & Sons Ltd	99.50
Geo. H. Kinsman	98.00 - 90.00
J. G. Crump	120.00

Your Committee recommend that the tender of A. Summerhill \$85.00 be accepted providing same is for installation with brass connections for the heater as specified; if brass connections are not included in this tender, then the contract be awarded to Messrs. Mitchell & McRae at \$87.00.

W. J. O'Toole,
Chairman.

*Moved by Alderman O'Toole
seconded by Alderman Daw
that the report be adopted.
Motion passed.*

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

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CITY HOME AND TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL,
REPORT DECEMBER 1924.

Read report Charities Committee re number of inmates in the City Home and Patients in the Tuberculosis Hospital on the 31st. of December.

Halifax, January 6th., 1925.

His Worship The Mayor
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen.

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

Members present: The Chairman, Aldermen O'Toole, Rains, Gastonguay and Daw.

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Superintendent's Report City Home,
December 1924, Number of Inmates 314.

The Superintendent's report shows that during the month of December 1924 there were 14 persons admitted into the City Home and 8 were discharged. Of the number admitted 7 were chargeable to the Province and 7 to the City.

The total number of inmates December 31, 1924 was 314 made up of 180 men, 130 women and 4 children. On the same date last year there were 173 men, 125 women and 5 children, a total of 303.

Superintendent's Report Tuberculosis Hospital,
December 1924, Number of Patients 33.

The Superintendent's report shows that during the month of December there were 3 patients admitted into the City Tuberculosis Hospital, 1 man and 2 women, and 3 men and 1 woman died.

The total number of patients December 31, 1924 was 33 made up of 16 men, 16 women and 1 child. On the same date last year there were 19 men and 16 women, a total of 35.

H. S. Colwell,
Chairman.

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✓ FIRES, THEIR CAUSES AND LOSSES.

Read report Committee of Firewards covering report of Chief Churchill of the Halifax Fire Department on Fires their causes and losses during the month of December 1924.

Committee Room, City Hall,
Halifax, January 9, 1925.

To His Worship the Mayor
and Members of the 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 December was submitted, approved and ordered to be sent to the City Council for its information.

W. J. O'TOOLE,
Chairman.

January 8th., 1925.

Office Chief Fire Department,
Halifax, January 6, 1925.

Board of Firewards.
Gentlemen,

Herewith I make the following report for the month of December during which there were 46 alarms from the following causes:-

Chimneys 24, defective electrical apparatus 1, overheated stove pipe 1, defective chimneys 3, boys set fire 1, unknown 1, false 2, poor construction 2, pressure on sprinkler system 2, supposed careless use of matches or careless smoking 1, unnecessary alarm 1, upset oil stove 1, hot coals from range 1, careless use matches 1, gas flame 1, smoke 1, sparks from chimney 1, back firing of car 1.

Property at risk	\$469,150.00	
Insurance losses		\$1,424.00
Losses not insured		8,455.00
		<u>\$9,879.00</u>

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

Filed.

FIRE DEPARTMENT, PURCHASE OF AUTO TIRES.

Read report Committee of Firewards recommending the purchase of two Dayton Airless Tires and one Play Pipe for the use of the Department.

Committee Room, City Hall,
Halifax, January 7, 1925.

His Worship the Mayor
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards, held this day, the attached report of Chief Churchill, recommending the purchase of two Dayton Airless Tires at \$145.00 each and one Play Pipe at \$45.00, for the use of the Department, was submitted.

Your Committee recommend that the Chief be authorized to order these articles.

W. J. O'Toole,
Chairman.

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

Wm. Churchill
Chief

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REGISTRATION OF VOTERS.

Read report Finance Committee covering letters of His Worship the Mayor and City Auditor in reference to the preparation of the Voters list under the Nova Scotia Franchise Act.

Committee Room, City Hall,
Halifax, January 6, 1925.

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

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, the attached correspondence between His Worship the Mayor and the City Auditor in reference to expenditures in connection with the Registration of Voters in the City, was read.

The City Solicitor, being asked for an opinion, stated that there was no authority under the Franchise Act for any expenditure for advertising or printing of these lists.

Your Committee being of the opinion that proper lists should be prepared and the City Solicitor having advised there is no provision for such expenditure, the matter is submitted to the City Council for its consideration and action.

J. B. Kenny,
Chairman.

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: Mayor's Office,
Halifax, December 30, 1924.

H. F. Glass, Esq.,
City Auditor,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir,

Registration of Voters.

In reply to your letter of this date, I do not particularly recall your having spoken to me on this matter. Mr. L. Fred. Monaghan, however, called on me on Tuesday last. The only request he made was for office accommodation in the city hall to conduct this registration.

I informed Mr. Monaghan at the time that I was not aware of his having been appointed Registrar for the coming year. His explanation to me was that he received this appointment some twenty years ago.

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So far as I am aware the only provision we have in present estimates is a sum of \$250.00. On discussing with City Treasurer I find that this amount is being paid monthly at the rate of \$20.

The question of the printing of these lists is one which requires some consideration. We may possibly be able to have the required number of copies, which I understand is six, typed at a material financial saving. This matter should be taken up with Finance Committee as well as the question of those who have passed away during the year.

I am writing you these particulars so that no question will be raised that there was any neglect on our part in giving this matter deserving attention.

John Murphy,
Mayor.

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City Auditor's Office,
Halifax, December 30, 1924.

His Worship the Mayor,
City.

Sir,

Mr. L. Fred. Monaghan, Registrar of Voters, has been in to see me several times regarding the expenses he wishes to incur in order to have the Register of Voters brought up to date. You will remember that I have spoken to you about this. He was in to see me again a few days back, and was very anxious to have the matter dealt with. He mainly wishes to obtain the authority to have the list of deaths prepared, which will cost in the neighbourhood of about \$20.00.

He further states that printing of Voters lists will cost around \$1200. to \$1400. and cards and forms \$25.

At the present time he is only asking for you to authorize him to incur expenses covering list of deaths. No doubt you are giving this matter your attention.

H. F. Glass,
City Auditor.

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9 o'clock P. M.

Alderman Hubley here arrives and takes his seat in Council.

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It was moved by Alderman Kenny, seconded by Alderman Power, that the Council seek the good offices of the Government of the Province of Nova Scotia in obtaining legislation at the next session of the Provincial Legislature to authorize the City to make the expenditures required to carry out the provisions of the Nova Scotia Franchise Act and ratifying any expenditure made or to be made prior to the said legislation. Motion passed.

*Warrant to Alderman Kenny
to be made
by the City Solicitor*

✓ WATER METER BILL, #58 GRAFTON STREET.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re Water Meter bill for the premises #58 Grafton Street.

City Work's Office, Halifax,
January 8, 1925.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council.
Sirs,

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 7th. instant, the City Engineer submitted a report on water meter bill for the premises #58 Grafton Street for the period ending March 1924, \$20.74. It was un-animously decided to recommend to Council that the bill be reduced one-third, thereby making the amount \$13.81 instead of as originally rendered.

A. F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, November 21, 1924.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir,

I beg to report on the attached water bill for the premises #58 Grafton Street, complained of as being excessive, that the period covered by the bill is the half year ending March 1924, and the bill amounts to \$20.74. A record of the consumption is as follows:-

	1923.		
September	87,800	- 20,300	W.C.wasting
October	107,000	19,200	
November	129,500	22,500	" " not 'f'd Dec 3, 23
December	146,200	16,700	" " Jan 4, 24

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	1924		
January	155,500	9,300	
February	164,900	9,400	
March	191,500	26,600-W.C.wasting	not 'f'd. Mar 31, 24

The half yearly bills at these premises for the past three years were as follows:-

	1922		1923		1924
March	\$5.10	March	\$ 6.70	March	\$ 20.74
September	15.78	September	11.44	October	3.84

I have had the meter tested and it registers accurately. At the date of inspection the 19th. inst., there was no waste found. There are twelve persons supplied with water through two taps and there is one closet. From the records it would appear that the large consumption was due to a leak in the closet which evidently was repaired in December. There was another leak in March and the records show that this was repaired, as the consumption from March to September 1924 was 16,800 gallons.

H. W. Johnston,
City Engineer.

*Amended
Engineer
Clerk of Works
1925*

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

WATER METER BILL #8 LOCKMAN AVENUE.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re Water Meter bill for premises #8 Lockman Avenue.

City Works Office, Halifax,
January 8, 1925.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council.
Sirs,

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 7th. instant, the City Engineer submitted a report on water meter bill for premises #8 Lockman Avenue, for the six months ending October 1924, and amounting to \$11.12. It was unanimously decided to recommend to Council that the consumption of water for the period mentioned in the bill be reduced to an average of 4,100 gallons per month there- by reducing the bill to \$5.72 instead of as originally rendered.

A. F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, January 5, 1925.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir,

I beg to report on the attached water bill for the premises #8 Lockman Avenue, claimed to be excessive, that the period complained of is for the period ending the 3rd. of October, 1924, and the amount of the bill is \$11.12. The meter readings and consumption during the period complained of were as follows:-

	Reading	Consumption
February	122,300	8,000 gals
March	131,200	8,900
April		
May		
June	160,600	29,400 closet wasting N. 10/6/24
July		
August	181,700	20,100 closet wasting
September	185,800	4,100 gals
October	186,800	1,000
November	188,000	1,200
December	189,000	1,000

The half yearly bills for the past two years have been as follows:-

March 1923	\$1.26
September	.98
March 1924	7.28
October	11.12

The owner informs that she had a plumber in August to repair the leak in the closet. Since that date the average monthly consumption has decreased from about 9000 gallons to 1000. A reference to the records shows that the larger consumption over the previous years for the half year ending March 1924, was due to a leaky closet.

I have had the meter tested, and it registers accurately, and the larger consumption is apparently due to the waste in the closet.

H. W. Johnston,
City Engineer.

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

ion passed.

*Amended
by
the
Collector*

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WATER METER BILL #206 GOTTINGEN STREET.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer
re Water Meter bill #206 Gottingen Street.

City Work's Office,
Halifax, January 8, 1925.

To His Worship the Mayor and
City Council.

Sirs,

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 7th. instant, the City Engineer submitted a report on water meter bill for premises #206 Gottingen Street for half year ending October 1924 amounting to \$18.12. The report is hereby attached.

On motion of Alderman Daw, seconded by Alderman Hubley, the report was unanimously approved and it was decided to recommend to Council that the consumption of water for the months of May and June be reduced to 4,900 gallons for each month, thereby making the bill \$5.48 instead of as originally rendered.

A. F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, January 5, 1925.

His Worship The Mayor.

Sir,

I beg to report on the attached water bill for the premises #206 Gottingen Street, claimed to be excessive, that the period complained of is that ending October 1924, and the amount of the bill is \$18.12. The consumption during the period complained of is as follows:-

March	1500 gals	
April	4000	
May	57400	- closet wasting N. 2/6/24
June	15600	
July	3300	
August	4500	
September	4900	
October	1900	

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

March 1922	\$4.90
September	3.12
March 1923	5.06
September	2.04
March 1924	2.90
October	18.12

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and from the last nine years have varied from 31¢ to \$5.06, until the period complained of. The large bill is due to the consumption in May from the wasting closet. The owner was notified on the 2nd. of June and the records show that the leak was immediately attended to and repaired. The average consumption for the five months of the period when there was no leak was 3000 gallons a month. As the leak was repaired immediately on receipt of the notice, it would appear to be a case for the committee to use its discretion in making a reduction, and if the committee decides so to do, I would recommend that the bill be made up on the consumption of 21,000 gallons for the seven months period.

H. W. JOHNSTON,
City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Daw,

that the report of the Committee on Works be adopted.

Motion passed.

WATER METER BILL #236 HOLLIS STREET.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer
re Water Meter bill #236 Hollis Street.

City Work's Office,
Halifax, January 8, 1925.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council.

Sirs,

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 7th. instant, the City Engineer submitted a report on water meter bill for premises #236 Hollis Street for the period ending October 1924, and amounting to \$24.10. It was unanimously decided to recommend to Council that the bill be amended by making the average consumption for each of the four last months of the account the same as the month of April thereby reducing the bill to \$12.38 instead of as originally rendered.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, December 18, 1924.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir,

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I beg to report on the attached water bill for the premises #236 Hollis Street and claimed to be excessive, that the amount of the bill is \$24.10 and the period covered by it is from March to October 1924. The monthly consumption during this period was as follows:-

March	8,300	
April	8,500	
May	7,400	
June	7,400	
July	18,600	
August		
September	58,400	-W.C.wasting-not'f'd 18/9/24.
October	15,600	

It will be noticed that apparently the leak in the closet started in July. There was no reading in August and the first notification that was had of the leak was in September. The owner claims that on receipt of notice he had the plumbing repaired and the consumption in October bears this out.

H. W. Johnston,
City Engineer.

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

Motion passed.

✓ WATER METER BILL #215 CREIGHTON STREET.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer in re Water Meter bill for the premises #215 Creighton Street.

City Work's Office,
Halifax, January 8, 1925.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council.

Sirs,

At a meeting of the Works Committee held the 7th. instant, the City Engineer submitted a report on water meter bill for the premises #215 Creighton Street for the period half year ending October 1924 and amounting to \$35.64. It was decided to recommend to Council that the water consumed for March to June inclusive be reduced one-half, thereby making the bill \$20.30 instead of as originally rendered.

A. F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax,
December 20, 1924.

His Worship The Mayor.
Sir,

I beg to report on the attached water bill for the premises #215 Creighton St., claimed to be excessive, that the period complained of is the seven months ending October 1924, and the bill amounts to \$35.64. The consumption during this period was as follows:-

March -	45,600	- tap and closet wasting , N.5/4/24
April	56,700	" " "
May	73,500	Notified 18/6/24
June	23,200	Pipe burst
July	5,500	
August	5,500	
September	4,700	
October	5,100	

The present owner came into possession of this property at the end of June, since which time the consumption for the four months amounts to 24,800 gallons. The consumption for the previous three months under the former owner was 153,400 gallons, the consumption in this case being due to broken pipes and leaky fixtures which have been repaired by the new owner.

H. W. Johnston,
City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman ³Daw,

that the report of the Committee on Works be adopted.

Motion passed.

✓
WATER RATES, HOME FOR AGED MEN.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer
re Water meter rates of the Home for Aged Men.

City Work's Office,
Halifax, January 8, 1925.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council.

Sirs,

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 7th. instant, the City Engineer submitted a report on a

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letter received from the Secretary, Home for Aged Men, asking that that institution be granted the minimum rate of 10¢ per thousand gallons as accorded to other institutions of a similar character. The report recommending that the minimum rate be granted, was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

A. F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax,
December 27, 1924.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir,

I beg to report on a letter from the Secretary of the Home for Aged Men, claiming that the rates for water consumed at the Home should be made up on the basis of 10¢ a thousand gallons, instead of 20¢, the former being the minimum rate and the latter the maximum.

All other institutions in the City of a similar character to the Home have been charged the minimum rate under authority of the City Council, as the same were deemed to be charitable institutions.

I have enquired into the circumstances of this Home, and find that while a charge is made to inmates, it is not sufficient to pay the expenses and the difference is made up by private subscriptions.

It would therefore appear to be in fact, while possibly not in name, a charitable institution within the meaning of the words, as laid down by the Council in matters of this kind, and as long as the minimum rate is applied to these institutions, there is no reason why it should not apply to the Home for Aged Men.

H. W. Johnston,
City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman W. O.

Cameron, that the reports be adopted. Motion passed.

✓ COAL WEIGHERS REPORT NOVEMBER 1924.

Read report of the Supervisor of Coal Weighers for the month of November 1924 showing each of the permanent Weighers to have received \$115.58 in fees.

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CITY AUDITOR'S MONTHLY STATEMENT OF
DEPARTMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Read Report H. F. Glass, City Auditor, covering State-
ments of various Departmental Appropriations.

City Auditor's Office,
Halifax, January 8, 1925.

His Worship the Mayor
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen,

I enclose herewith monthly reports as at the 30th.
November last, as to the state of the various Depart-
mental appropriations. Copies of these statements have
already been submitted to the Chairman of the various
committees for the information of the Departments.

These reports do not call for any particular com-
ment at the present time.

H.F.Glass,
City Auditor.

Filed.

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CITY AUDITOR'S STATEMENT OF TAXES COLLECTED
FOR MONTH OF DECEMBER 1924.

Read report City Auditor covering Statement of taxes
collected as at 31st. December 1924.

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

His Worship the Mayor
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen,

I enclose herewith Statement as to the collection
of taxes as at 31st. December 1924, and have the follow-
ing remarks to make in elaboration of same.

It will be seen that the collections on account of
Tax arrears, i. e., other than those for the current
year, during the month of December 1924 amounted to
\$39,670.02, as compared with \$36,527.39 for the month
of November, thereby reducing the arrears of back years
taxes as at 31st. December 1924 to \$1,827,366.36.

The collections during the seven months of the pres-
ent civic year to 31st. December 1924 on account of back
years taxes total \$366,395.35.

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It is some satisfaction to note that the collections during the month of December on account of the present year's taxes total \$112,529.56, as compared with \$32,179.60 for the month of November.

The total collections on account of current year's taxes during the seven months ending 31st. December last, total \$1,147,379.16 out of an estimated assessment of \$1,836,063.62.

Although the collections during December show a marked improvement over those of October and November, and the collections of back years taxes have been maintained, it must be borne in mind that there still remains the large sum of \$688,684.46 of the current year's taxes to collect in the four months that remain of the civic year. This requires an average monthly collection of \$172,171.00 in order to offset the expenditure that will be required to be made during those months. Therefore, it is absolutely necessary that the pressure to get in the taxes that was made in December be maintained during the remaining months of the civic year.

I would reiterate that to the extent the collections during the next four months on account of current year's taxes fall short of \$688,684.46 the City will have to correspondingly increase its borrowings. In this regard the City must not lose sight of the fact, that there is a limit to its borrowings on account of unpaid taxes, and that it cannot indefinitely expend on current operations more than it collects on account of annual taxation.

The City's financial position cannot be straightened out until such time, as it collects except say for a small margin, each years taxes within the year, and a substantial proportion of the back years taxes in addition until the latter are disposed of.

H. F. Glass,
City Auditor.

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STATEMENT AS TO COLLECTIONS OF TAXES
AS AT 31ST. DECEMBER 1924.

<u>General Tax Arrears (Exclusive of current year)</u>	
Balance as at 30 November 1924	\$1,867,036.38
<u>Less collections during month December 1924</u>	<u>39,670.02</u>
<u>Total Tax Arrears outstanding 31st December 1924 exclusive of current year's taxes</u>	<u>\$1,827,366.36</u>

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Current Year General Taxes (Exclusive of Poll Tax
and Licenses)

Balance as at 30 November 1924	\$801,214.02
<u>Less Collections during month December 1924</u>	<u>112,529.56</u>
<u>Total Current Taxes outstanding 31 December 1924</u>	<u>\$688,684.46</u>

Poll & Dog Taxes

Estimated outstanding 30 November 1924	\$ 2,574.50
<u>Less collections during month of December 1924</u>	<u>350.00</u>
<u>Total Estimated Poll & Dog Taxes outstanding 31st. December 1924</u>	<u>\$ 2,224.50</u>

Water Rates

Balance as at 30 November 1924	\$196,039.24
<u>Add Water Rates, etc., for half year</u>	<u>61,898.81</u>
	\$ 257,938.11
<u>Less Collections during month December 1924</u>	<u>39,888.30</u>
<u>Total Water Rates outstanding 31st December 1924</u>	<u>\$ 218,049.81</u>

*See Memorandum
of Council*

<u>Total Cash collected on account of above Taxes and Rates during month of December 1924</u>	<u>\$ 192,437.88</u>
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Filed.

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CITY COLLECTOR'S STATEMENT OF
UNPAID TAXES.

Read Report City Collector re preparation of State-
ment of Unpaid Taxes and Rates called for by Legislation
of 1924.

City Collector's Office,
Halifax, January 6, 1925.

His Worship the Mayor
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen,

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Re Statement of Unpaid Taxes
and Rates called for by Statute.

Referring to Section 33 of the Acts of 1924 which calls for the presentation to each Alderman on 1st. February and 1st. May of a Statement showing the names of all persons who have not paid Taxes and Rates due from them. I would state I have given this matter considerable thought and whilst I have every desire to carry out the Statute, I fail to see how it is practicable to do so, as, apparently, this addition to the Statute was made without due regard to the work the required statements call for.

In order to make the situation clear, it is necessary to point out that in the past no consolidation of Tax Arrears was ever made. As Taxes were paid they were recorded on the Tax Rolls and in order to arrive at the outstanding taxes, lists of each of the sixteen years outstandings had to be taken off. This work was done by Price Waterhouse & Company and the lists comprise sixteen books containing thousands of names. The work entailed in consolidating these outstandings has proved a very arduous task, as, naturally, during the sixteen years numerous changes of ownership and residence have occurred which have to be traced, and, furthermore, many sub-divisions of properties have taken place which have to be gone into, etc. The consolidation of the Personal Tax arrears is practically complete, and comprises about twenty thousand names. Considerable work has been done in consolidating the Property Tax arrears, but a lot of work has yet to be done which will take considerable further time. The Water Rates have been consolidated and the outstandings are also very voluminous and mostly of small amounts.

It will therefore be seen that in view of the thousands of names involved to make a list that would be of practical use the outstanding taxes must be consolidated. Therefore, such a list cannot be made at present as our records are not in shape to do so and will not be for some time owing to the mass of detail that has to be gone over relating to past years.

Further, it is very desirable that all outstandings be investigated before such a list as the acts contemplate is given out, as it may very well be in view of past defalcations that taxes have been paid to the late collector but the city's records show same as outstanding.

Even assuming that it was practicable to compile the required statements from our records it is difficult to estimate how long it would take stenographers to prepare twenty lists containing about twenty-five thousand names of outstanding tax-payers. That it would take a considerable time is without question, and, during the time occupied in doing this, many payments of taxes would be received daily which would necessitate in each instance changes in the lists.

I estimate that to compile unconsolidated lists of outstanding taxes, which lists in my opinion would not be of practical use, would coast as far as I can judge two thousand dollars. I am not estimating the cost of consolidated lists as it is impracticable at present to give same.

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In view of the foregoing, I would report that in my opinion it is impracticable to carry out the provisions of the Statute above referred to.

If our tax situation was normal and we had say ten per cent or twenty per cent of our taxes outstanding at the end of any period, it would not be impracticable to carry out the requirements of the Statute but it is a very different state of affairs when it is necessary to deal with such an unfortunate mass of arrears relating to back years' taxes as at present exists.

R. V. Dimock,
City Collector.

Alderman Daw submits the following resolution, seconded by Alderman Rains:-

THAT the City Collector be requested by this Council to carry out the Provisions of Section 321 of the City Charter as amended by Chapter 60, Section 33, Acts of 1924, and submit a list of the persons whose rates and taxes are unpaid at the first meeting of Council to be held in February next.

Alderman Rains asked permission to withdraw his name as "Seconded" to the resolution as he did not think it possible to have the list prepared by February. Permission granted.

Moved by Alderman Bissett, seconded by Alderman Colwell, that the report be filed. Motion passed, Alderman Daw asking to be recorded against the Motion.

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PEDLARS AND CANVASSERS.

Read letter Secretary Board of Trade re licensing of Solicitors and Canvassers in the City.

Board of Trade,
Halifax, December 9, 1924.

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

The matter of "certified advertising and soliciting" has been receiving the attention of this Board of Trade for some time past and by resolution I have been desired to write and ask that the City Ordinance relating to Pedlars be amended so as to include non-resident "solicitors and canvassers", whereby the latter must obtain a certificate from the License Clerk which will not be issued until he (the License Clerk) has been satisfied the representation is genuine.

The form of licensing or certifying is now in vogue in a number of cities in Canada and the United States and is found to be a considerable measure of protection.

Trusting this matter will receive your favourable consideration, etc.

E. A. Saunders,
Secretary.

*E. A. Saunders
City Clerk*

Moved by Alderman Colwell, seconded by Alderman Sanford, that same be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges for report. Motion passed.

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✓
FIRE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNT 1923-24.

Read report Committee of Firewards recommending for payment the account of the Northern Electric Company - \$2.19, chargeable to Fire Alarm Maintenance 1923-24.

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

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

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards, held this day, the attached account of the Northern Electric Company, \$2.19, chargeable to Fire Alarm Maintenance, was submitted.

Your Committee recommend that said amount be paid out of the Appropriation for 1923-24 if funds are available.

W. J. O'Toole,
Chairman.

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

✓
CITY HOME EXTENSION.

Read report of the special Committee appointed to consider and report on the proposed extension to the City Home covering report of the City Engineer on same.

Halifax, January 8, 1925.

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

Gentlemen,

The Special Committee on proposed extension, met today. Members present Alderman Colwell, Chairman; Aldermen O'Toole, Hubley and Kenny.

This Committee is of opinion that increased accommodation is necessary at the City Home and are forwarding for the information of Council, the report of the City Engineer with sketches of alternate proposals.

H. S. Colwell,
Chairman.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, January 7, 1925.

Alderman H. S. Colwell,
Chairman, Extension to City Home.

Dear Sir,

Herewith is submitted a sketch plan of the proposed additions and extensions to the City Home.

Your Committee after an inspection of the premises and conditions obtaining at present were of the opinion that some changes were necessary.

The utilization of the upper story for patients met with the unanimous disapproval of those present, and it was thought that this space should be reserved for hospital purposes in case of an outbreak of mild epidemic disease.

Various means of giving the increased accommodation needed at the Home have been considered, and it is thought that the wants of the institution can be best met by building a central wing on the north side of the main building, extending over the present boiler room, kitchen and bakery; and also by erecting a two flat or double dwelling near the corner of Robie and South Streets for the accommodation of the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent and their families, utilizing the building at present occupied by the Superintendent for the accommodation of married couples. Under this scheme, the quarters on the second floor now occupied by the Assistant Superintendent will be made available for a parlour, dining room and kitchen for the nurses and a bedroom and private parlour for the matron, and also a private ward for dying persons. The space on the third floor used as a nurses kitchen and dining room, will be altered into bedrooms giving a separate room for each nurse. At present the nurses are crowded two in a room and have no sitting or recreation room to use when off duty. Anyone acquainted with the trying and arduous duties performed by them, will require little argument to convince him of the almost imperative necessity of providing improved accommodation for the nursing staff.

The chapel will be enlarged considerably more than double its present size, and will then provide proper accommodation for the inmates of the Home, both for religious ceremonies and for entertainments. At present it is much too small for these purposes.

The extension will provide twelve wards, accommodating six patients in each ward, or a total of seventy-two. The southern parts of the existing wards on the first floor will be used as day rooms, the sleeping quarters being in the north sides. At present patients sleep, eat and live in one room. No yard room will be taken away by this proposed scheme.

The preliminary estimate of carrying out this scheme including the new wing, alterations, and the erection of the double dwelling is about \$75,000.

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The proposed improvement will give accomodation for thirty-two new patients in the harmless insane wards. The Superintendent informs me that there are, and will likely always be, a greater number than this at the Nova Scotia Hospital, chargeable to the City, who could be taken care of at the Home. The cost to the City at the Nova Scotia Hospital of patients chargeable to it, is Seven dollars and Fifty cents (\$7.50) each per week or Three Hundred and Ninety dollars (\$390.00) a year. The cost at the City Home is Three dollars (\$3.00) a week or One Hundred and Fifty-six dollars (\$156.00) a year. If thirty-two patients for whom the City is now paying Three Hundred and Ninety dollars (\$390.00) a year were removed to the Home, the saving would be Two Hundred and Thirty-four dollars (\$234.00) each, or a total of Seven Thousand Four Hundred and Eighty-eight dollars (\$7,488.00) per annum, to pay the interest and sinking fund on the money invested. The interest on \$75,000. at 5½% would be \$4,125.00 per annum, and the annual payment to a sinking fund at 4% to redeem the principal at the end of thirty years \$1,337.00, or a total annual charge of \$5,462. for thirty years.

If increased accomodation should be required in the future, an additional story can be built over the wing.

If it is required to provide extra accomodation for the patients only, neglecting the needs of the officers, nursing staff and married couples, the central wing can be built at an estimated cost of \$58,000.

If wings were built at the east and west ends of the building with one in the centre to enlarge the Assembly Hall, the estimated cost is \$67,000.00.

All estimates are based on preliminary studies and may vary when detailed plans are prepared.

H. W. Johnston,
City Engineer.

It was decided to defer the consideration of these Reports until a special meeting of the City Council is called for this purpose; in the meantime copies of the Reports to be sent to each Member of Council.

Alderman Kenny submits the following Resolution:-

THAT the City Auditor report as to whether the carrying out of the City Engineer's report respecting proposed addition to the City Home will entail any increase in the City Home Estimates.

Moved by Alderman Kenny, seconded by Alderman Colwell and passed.

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TAXATION OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY.

Read letter Secretary Board of Trade calling attention of the Council to their previous letter of October 16th. last in re taxation of Government property.

Board of Trade -
Halifax, January 7, 1925.

His Worship the Mayor
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen,

On October 18th. last by instructions of the Council of the Board of Trade, I wrote you a letter in reference to Taxation of Government property, but, so far, without your reply.

I am directed by the Council of the Board of Trade to call your attention to this matter and ask for your earliest consideration as it is now over four years, according to any records we have, since the matter has been discussed by your Council.

E. A. Saunders,
Secretary.

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Board of Trade -
Halifax, October 18, 1924.

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

Gentlemen,

The Council of the Board of Trade deem it most important that your honorable body make a final effort and have it settled for all time the matter of the Dominion Government contributing to City Taxation.

We feel the City Council and Board of Trade should prepare and present to the Dominion Government a new memorial calling the latter's attention to the fact that no answer has been received to the memorial presented by the Halifax delegation, dated January 22nd. 1920.

We find the memorial presented to the City Council by the late Mayor Parker on June 24th. 1919 - (see Minutes of Council of 1919-20, page 100), and his report in connection to Council on October 27th. 1920 is apparently the last effort made by the City in this connection; also, that the information obtained by questions asked Parliament by W. A. Black, Esq., M.P., regarding amounts paid by the Canadian National Railways in other places gives a striking contrast to the absence of any payments whatever on similar properties held in the City of Halifax.

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It would appear that, in the year 1922 over \$5,000,000 in taxes was paid by the Canadian National Railways throughout Canada, and while it is true that these were paid on properties formerly held by the Grand Trunk and Canadian Northern but acquired by the Canadian National, our Committee considers that, as the properties in Halifax were acquired precisely in the same way, and for the same purpose, and also, from the fact that a large amount of the property acquired was for Railway purposes, but not used as such, and, further, that portions of said properties are rented at rentals practically in line with privately owned properties on which taxes are being paid, and also from the fact the Government is obtaining police, fire and other City services costing the City large amounts of money, that the Management of the Railway can hardly justify its position in not recognizing a claim made upon it in this connection.

From replies received in Parliament, it would appear the rentals received by the Railway for the dwellings referred to since exappropriation in 1913 to 1923 totalled \$194,620., and that the only taxes paid - and these paid without prejudice and as a compassionate allowance after the Explosion of 1917, has only been \$18,795.

Our Committee understands the properties are assessed each year in the usual way, taxes charged against the Management of the Railway and that the sum paid by the Railway referred to, duly credited.

It is the further understanding of our Committee that the present Minister of Railways has expressed himself willing to discuss the matter, owing to the peculiar situation that obtains in Halifax, and the Council of the Board of Trade would respectfully ask that the matter be energetically followed up and if any assistance can be given by our Committee, I am desired to say, their services are at your disposal.

Trusting this matter will receive your favourable consideration, etc.

E. A. Saunders,
Secretary.

Old Russell
Referred to the Special Committee on Taxation-Exemptions Governments contributing toward Civic Revenue for report.

✓ SCHOOL APPROPRIATION - TECHNICAL EDUCATION.

Read letter from Miss S. J. Wilson, Secretary of the Board of School Commissioners, asking for an additional appropriation of \$668.00 to supplement the salaries of Teachers of Technical education.

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Board of School Commissioners,
Halifax, January 8, 1925.

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

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the School Board held this afternoon, a letter was received from Dr. F. H. Sexton, Director of Technical Education, advising that our appropriation of Three Thousand dollars would not be sufficient to pay our proportion of the teachers' salaries and asking for an additional Six Hundred and Sixty-eight dollars (\$668.00) to cover same.

As we have not this amount in our estimates, we would respectfully request that you take necessary steps to supply this deficit.

S. J. Wilson,
Secretary.

Moved by Alderman Gastonguay, seconded by Alderman W. O. Cameron, that the same be referred to the Finance Committee for report.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Daw, seconded by Alderman Munnis, that the application be referred back to the Board of School Commissioners with the suggestion that the amount be taken out of their Contingent Account of Three Thousand (\$3000.) dollars. Amendment put and lost, 2 voting for the same and 12 against it as follows:-

For the Amendment:-

Against it:-

Alderman Munnis
Daw.

Alderman Colwell
Russell
Sanford
Bissett
Gastonguay
Kenny
H.W. Cameron
Rains
Hubley
Power
Drysdale
W.O. Cameron

The original Motion is put and passed, Alderman Daw asking to be recorded as voting against the Motion.

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✓
LEGISLATION.

Alderman Power submits the following Notice of Motion:-

That at the next ensuing meeting of the Council he will move that Legislation be obtained at the next session of the Legislature repealing sub-section (2) of Section 321 as amended by Section 33 of Chapter 60 of the Acts of 1924 relating to the presentation to the Council of the names of taxpayers in arrears.

✓
POLICE OFFICER CHARLES FULTON,
ANNUITY TO WIDOW.

Read Message of His Worship the Mayor re annuity to the Widow of the late Police Officer Charles Fulton.

Mayor's Office, Halifax,
January 8, 1925.

To Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Claim
Widow Police Officer Chas. Fulton.

At a meeting of the Council held on the 4th. ult., the report of the Police Commission on the above was dealt with and the majority recommendation that a Special Grant of \$1,000. be tendered Mrs. Fulton in full settlement, was passed.

There is, apparently, a strong public opinion that the circumstances of this case justify a settlement in the form of an annual grant, rather than a lump sum. By consent of Council this matter can be reopened, and if this is agreed to, I would ask the Council's adoption of the writer's minority recommendation, as submitted in the original report of November 6th. and grant Mrs. Fulton at least the amount which she would be entitled to if the Police Force came under Compensation Act. The Act provides that in a case of this nature where the Widow is left without children, a monthly allowance of \$30.00 be made until such time as she re-marries.

For the information of Council, I would say that Mrs. Fulton has delayed accepting the grant of \$1,000. made in the hope that Council would see its way clear to give this matter further consideration.

John Murphy,
Mayor.

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His Worship the Mayor informs the Council that this matter could be reopened by the unanimous consent of the Council.

Moved by Alderman Power, seconded by Alderman Colwell, that the resolution passed at a meeting of the City Council held on December 4th. last recommending that a special Grant of \$1,000. be paid to the Widow of the late Police Officer Charles Fulton, be now rescinded.

Alderman Daw objected to the adoption of this Motion.

Read letter Board of Trade recommending that Legislation be obtained to enable the City to pay an adequate Pension to Mrs. Fulton until she is otherwise provided for.

Board of Trade -
Halifax, December 11, 1924.

His Worship the Mayor
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Council of the Board of Trade held on the 9th., the following resolution was unanimously passed:-

"The Council of the Board of Trade respectfully request His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council reconsider their vote passed at the meeting held on the 4th. instant respecting the grant to the widow of the late Police Officer Fulton;

"Further that in the opinion of the Council of the Board of Trade the City Council should seek Legislation at the coming session of the Legislature to enable the City to pay Mrs. Fulton an adequate pension until otherwise provided for".

In discussing the matter, it was the opinion of all present that Mrs. Fulton should receive an amount equal to the provisions made in such cases by the Nova Scotia Compensation Board.

Trusting the matter will be favourably considered by your honorable body, etc.

E. A. Saunders,
Secretary.

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NOTICE TO RESCIND.

✓ Alderman Power gives notice that at a future meeting of this Council he will move to rescind the resolution of Council passed on December 4th. 1924 recommending that a Special Grant of \$1,000. be paid to the Widow of the late Police Officer Charles Fulton.

✓ CIVIC REVENUE -
TAXATION OF LIQUOR STORED IN HALIFAX.

Read Message of His Worship the Mayor re taxation of Liquor stored in the various warehouses throughout the City.

Mayor's Office, Halifax,
January 8, 1925.

To Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen,

Tax on Liquor stored in Halifax.

In view of the financial situation in which we find ourselves at present, it is very necessary that special study be given to find some new sources of revenue.

Real Estate can stand nothing more, and the various channels from which we should be receiving some revenue are already tapped.

Large quantities of liquors are being stored in various warehouses throughout the City. In other places where this business is being conducted storage tax is charged. It seems quite in order that this City derive some revenue from this source. I would therefore recommend that legislation be sought to enable us to impose storage charge of 25¢ per case on all such liquors. This should bring us a revenue of possibly \$150,000.00 or upwards, and would materially help out the City's position.

I trust this recommendation will receive the favorable consideration of Council.

John Murphy,
Mayor.

Moved by Alderman Bissett, seconded by Alderman Power, that said Message be referred to the Committee on Laws &

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Privileges and the City Solicitor, and that they be requested to draft Legislation to enable the City of Halifax to impose a tax on all liquor stored in warehouses in the City of Halifax. Motion passed.

NOVA SCOTIA PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION RE-ESTABLISHMENT.

Alderman Gastonguay asked His Worship the Mayor what progress was being made with regard to the re-establishment of the Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition.

His Worship informed the Council that he had had several conferences with the Honorable Attorney General and the Provincial Secretary, and will have, at an early date, some information to give the Council on this subject.

✓
HOUSING COMMISSION.

Read report Finance Committee with reference to obtaining funds to make repairs necessary for the protection of houses owned by the Housing Commission.

Committee Room, City Hall,
Halifax, January 6, 1925.

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

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, Alderman Kenny, Chairman, reported verbally that the Special Committee appointed by the City Council at the request of the Housing Commission, to interview the Governor in Council with reference to obtaining funds to make repairs necessary for the protection of houses owned by the Commission, met the Executive Council and that assurance was given that Legislation will be sought at the next Session of the Legislature to obtain the funds necessary.

Your Committee recommend that the Housing Commission be requested to submit data covering the number and location of the houses requiring repairs and the amount of money required for same.

J.B.Kenny,
Chairman.

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Wants Housing Com.
Moved by Alderman Kenny, seconded by Alderman W. O. Cameron, that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

The following resolution is submitted by Alderman Russell:-

WHEREAS the Council has applied to the Government of Nova Scotia on behalf of the Housing Commission of the City of Halifax, with respect to houses originally sold under agreements of sale as provided by the Housing Act and Regulations made thereunder, which agreements of sale have been cancelled and which houses have been repossessed by the said Housing Commission, for permission to sell the same under new agreements whose provisions as to the amounts of installments and the period within which the same are payable may be inconsistent with the provisions of the said Act and Regulations regarding sales to original purchasers;

AND WHEREAS the Government of Nova Scotia has intimated its willingness to grant such permission provided that this resolution be passed for the purpose of preventing such permission from prejudicing the Government of Nova Scotia in respect to the collection of installments payable by the said Housing Commission to the Government of Nova Scotia or in respect to the right of sale or realization of the debentures of the City of Halifax held by the Government of Nova Scotia as security for the payment of such installments;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council undertake and it does hereby undertake by the passing of this resolution that no permission which shall at any future time be given to the said Housing Commission by the Government of Nova Scotia or by the Director of Housing to sell houses repossessed by the said Housing Commission under new agreement of sale whose provisions may be as set forth in the first recital hereto, shall be deemed to have waived or in any way prejudiced any of the rights or remedies which the Government of Nova Scotia may now possess or which would in the ordinary course accrue to the Government of Nova Scotia with respect to the sale or realization of debentures of the City of Halifax held by the Government of Nova Scotia as security for the payment of such installments.

Wants Housing Com. Resolution
Moved by Alderman Russell, seconded by Alderman Kenny and passed unanimously.

Alderman Kenny submits the following Resolution:-

THAT the Council authorize the expenditure by the Housing Commission of a sum not exceeding \$1500. for the purpose of effecting repairs as may be

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determined by the Finance Committee, and that the City Treasurer be authorized to borrow such sum from the Royal Bank of Canada or any available fund.

Moved by Alderman Kenny, seconded by Alderman Russell and passed conditional on its being in order to pass the same without a two third vote of the Council, ten Aldermen only being present when the vote is taken.

*Amended by
the Finance
Committee*

WAR MEMORIAL.

Read report of Special Committee on the erection of a War Memorial.

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

To His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.

Gentlemen,

Your Special Committee consisting of Aldermen Russell, Kenny and Daw, appointed to confer with representatives of various Clubs and Organizations with reference to the erection of a suitable War Memorial in this City, held a meeting this evening at 8 o'clock, there being present Aldermen Russell, who was appointed Chairman; Kenny and Daw; Miss G. Faulkner representing the I. O. D. E.; Major Edwards - St. George's Society; G. E. Hagan the Commercial Club; and V. G. Worth Progressive Club.

The Committee after hearing the opinions expressed by the Representatives present and after a general discussion, passed unanimously the following resolution:-

RESOLVED that this Committee recommend to the City Council and to the various Clubs and Organizations interested in the matter of a War Memorial, that a Memorial be erected taking the form either of a monument or memorial arch, at an approximate cost of \$25,000.; that a Committee be appointed consisting of four members of the City Council and one representative from each Club or Organization that undertakes to raise funds for the project, which committee shall, first, draw up details as to site, plans, cost, etc.; secondly, raise necessary funds by a grant from the City of Halifax and subscriptions from citizens; and, finally, carry the project to completion; and that after completion of the Memorial the City of Halifax be charged with its care and maintenance.

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the various Clubs and Organizations inter-

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ested and to the City Council with a request for its adoption and for undelayed action thereon.

B. W. Russell,
Chairman.

Consideration deferred in the absence of a Quorum in Council.

11.50 o'clock P. M.

Moved by Alderman Colwell, seconded by Alderman Russell, that this Council do now adjourn a Quorum not being present. Motion passed.

Council adjourned.

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JOHN MURPHY,
M A Y O R.


H. S. RHIND,
CITY CLERK.

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

to

HIS HONOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR GRANT.

Halifax, N. S.,
January 30th., 1925.

At the Legislative Council Chamber in the Province Building at 3 o'clock on Tuesday, the 30th. day of January 1925, there assembled His Honor the Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. Grant; His Grace Archbishop McCarthy; His Grace Archbishop Worrell; General Thacker and Officers of his Staff; Honorable E. H. Armstrong and Members of the Government; the Chief Justice of Nova Scotia; Senator Martin; the President and Members of the Board of Trade; Mrs. Agnes Dennis and Members of the Local Council of Women; His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council; and a large body of Citizens, for the purpose of presenting to His Honor Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. Grant an expression of their regard in the illuminated Address which had been prepared and the presentation of a handsomely inscribed Silver Salver.

THE HONORABLE MACCALLUM GRANT, L.L.D., D.C.L.,
Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia, Halifax, N. S.

Your Honour,

The occasion of your retirement from office, presents an opportunity to your fellow citizens of giving expression to some thoughts that have long been in their minds.

January 30th., 1935.

You have held the high office of Lieutenant Governor of this Province for two consecutive terms. That period included three years of the Great War, during which all public men were subjected to a strain exceptionally severe, and to a trial exceptionally searching. It is our unanimous judgment that you brought to the duties of the position just that blend of qualities which the time and the circumstances required. Your tactfulness was unflinching. Your native sympathy was your guide through difficulties. Your cheerful confidence helped to lighten many an anxious hour. Your zeal for public service was at once an inspiration and an example. These are the sources of that general sense of approval and gratitude which will follow your retirement.

As Halifax people we recall with pleasure, and even with civic pride, how the preparation for such effective public work was a career of quiet success in the usual business life of our own city. Long before you were called to the responsibilities of Lieutenant Governor, all men had learned to recognize the high integrity of your commercial life, the spirit of co-operation with which you bore your part of every municipal task, and the enthusiasm you both aroused and exhibited for the finer enterprises of our City's charitable and benevolent work.

With these words of good will to yourself, your fellow citizens cordially associate their tribute to Mrs. Grant whose share in your official duties has been so constant, so notable and so gracious. They count this Province fortunate in the atmosphere of dignity, kindness and charm that has thus marked Government House.

It is our desire that at the close of a long active career spent in our City you should receive some token of appreciation with which the men and women of Halifax regard duty so well done. We ask you to accept this piece of plate in memory of our cordial relations, wishing you the joys of a long leisure that you have so amply earned.

Signed on behalf of our Citizens,

John Murphy,
Mayor.

H.S. Rhind,
City Clerk.

His Honor replied as follows:-

January 20th., 1925.

Such a fervent expression of good will, together with this accompanying magnificent token of appreciation of my humble services as your Lieutenant Governor during the last eight years, leaves me with words altogether too inadequate to express to one and all of you, whom I love so well, my most sincere and heartfelt thanks in this, one of the most trying moments of my life. Throughout this long period and more especially during the years of the war and the time of stress following the Explosion, the successful administration of this office was rendered possible only by the manifestations of good will and fortitude of friends, the courage of our citizens and the generous measure of patience extended to me on every occasion.

In Mrs. Grant, on whom the real burden of the task has not lightly fallen, let me say, I have at all times had a true help-mate and a tireless worker for the many causes with which we have had the honour to associate our names. If we have together contributed in any manner to maintain the quiet dignity and charm of this old home of all the people of the Province, then we will rest content with the sense of duty well done.

Our regret at leaving Government House is tempered by the pleasing thought that what further years may lie in store for us will, with the grace of God, be spent amongst you as citizens working for the common good.

From the depths of our hearts we thank you one and all for your kind words and for these beautiful tokens of your good will, which we shall cherish as an ever precious memorial.

MACCALLUM GRANT.

Government House,
January 20th., 1925.

EVENING SESSION

8:10 o'clock,

Council Chamber, City Hall,

February 5th, 1925.

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

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

NOTICE TO RESCIND \$1000.00 GRANT TO WIDOW OF LATE CHARLES FULTON-

Alderman Power submits the following Resolution, of which he gave notice at a meeting of the City Council held on January 8th last:

Moved by Alderman Power, seconded by Alderman Smeltzer that the Resolution of Council passed on December 4th, 1924 recommending that a Special Grant of \$1000.00 be paid to the Widow of the Late Police Officer Charles Fulton, be now rescinded. Motion put and passed, nine voting for the same and five against it as follows:-

For the Motion

Alderman Colwell
Russell
Bissett
Gastonguay
Rains
Whelan
O'Toole
Power
Smeltzer -9

Against it

Alderman Munnis
Sanford
H.W. Cameron
Hubley
Daw.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS

Read report Committee on Fire Wards recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$12,076.73 against the Fire Department and \$366.81 against Fire Alarm Maintenance.

*Auditor
Treasurer
Collector*

FEBRUARY 5th, 1925

Committee Room, City Hall,
Halifax, February 5th, 1925

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards held this day, the attached accounts- \$12076.73 chargeable to the general account of the Fire Department and \$366.81 to Fire Alarm Maintenance were passed as correct and recommended for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

W.J. O'Toole,
CHAIRMAN.

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

CITY PRISON ACCOUNTS

Read report of the City Prison Committee for the month of January recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$1038.90. Also submitting a report of the Governor for the month.

Committee Room,
City Hall,
Halifax, Feb., 4th, 1925

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the City Prison Committee, held this day the attached list of accounts amounting to \$1,038.90 was examined, found correct and recommended for payment.

The monthly report of the Governor showing a total of 39 Prisoners in custody on the 31st of January 1925 was submitted and filed.

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. Gastonguay,
CHAIRMAN.

February 5th, 1925

City Prison Report

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

Gentlemen:-

I beg to submit the Report of City Prison for month ending January 31st 1925, as follows:-

Admitted during the month Thirteen Males, and One Female. Discharged. Five Males and one Female, In custody thirty two Males, and Seven Females. Total Thirty Nine Prisoners.

As compared with this date last year there were twenty -one in Custody made up of Nineteen men and two women.

Respectfully submitted,

George Grant.

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

✓
GARDENS PARKS AND COMMON ACCOUNTS

Read report of Committee on Gardens Parks and Common, recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$137.84.

Committee Room, City Hall,
February 4th, 1925

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Gardens, Parks and Common committee, held this day, there being present His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen Hubley, Sanford, Munnis, Daw, Gastonguay, Whelan and O'Toole, the attached list of accounts- \$137.84 for the month of January 1925, was passed as correct and recommended to the City Council for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

John Murphy,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Feb. 5th, 1925

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

✓
WORKS DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Committee on Works
recommending for payment accounts chargeable to the Works
Department \$2,462.44 and to Water Department \$953.18.

City Work's Office,
Halifax, N.S.
Feb. 5th, 1925

ACCOUNTS FOR JANUARY 1925

His Worship the Mayor and City Council.

Sirs:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held
on the 4th instant, the following accounts for January
were approved and recommended to Council for payment:-

Works Department

Capital-	\$15.10	
Appropriations-	<u>2447.34</u>	\$2,462.44

Water Department

Capital-	\$229.47	
Appropriation-	<u>723.71</u>	<u>953.18</u>

Respectfully submitted,

H.F. Messervey,

CLERK OF WORKS.

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

✓
CITY HOME AND T.B. HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Charities Committee re-
commending for payment accounts chargeable to the City
Home \$7,993.08 and to the T.B. Hospital \$2,415.62.

Halifax, N.S. Feb. 4th, 1925

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

Gentlemen:-

The Charities Committee met this day and beg

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to submit the following report.

MEMBERS PRESENT:- The Chairman, Alderman O'Toole, Rains, Daw and Gastonguay.

CITY HOME ACCOUNTS, JANUARY 1925, AMOUNT \$7993.08

City Home accounts for the month of January 1925 amounting to \$7993.08 are recommended for payment.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL, ACCOUNTS, JANUARY 1925, AMOUNT \$2415.62

Tuberculosis Hospital accounts for the month of January 1925 amounting to \$2415.62 are recommended for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

H.S. Colwell,

CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Colwell, seconded by Alderman Munnis 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 of the Board \$1,624.78, and to the Isolation Hospital \$637.35.

Halifax, N.S. Feb. 4th, 1925

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the City Health Board held on Tuesday, Feb. 3rd, 1925, the following named accounts amounting to \$2262.03 were passed as correct and are recommended for payment.

Respectfully,

Arthur C. Pettipas,
SECRETARY C.H.B.

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

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✓
POLICE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Police Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$605.22.

Committee Room, City Hall,
Halifax, Feb. 5th, 1925

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Police Committee, held this day, the attached accounts amounting to \$605.22 were passed as correct and recommended for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

John Murphy,

MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

✓
CITIZENS' FREE LIBRARY ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Committee of Citizens' Free Library recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$222.15.

Committee Room, City Hall,
Halifax, N.S. Feb. 5th, 1925

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

Gentlemen:-

The Citizens' Free Library Committee beg to recommend for payment the attached accounts amounting to \$222.15.

Respectfully submitted,

A.J. Finlay,
CHAIRMAN.

Feb. 5th, 1925

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

✓ CAMP HILL CEMETERY ACCOUNTS

Read report Committee of Camp Hill Cemetery recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$23.18.

Committee Room, City Hall,
Halifax, Feb. 5th, 1925

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

Gentlemen:-

The Camp Hill Cemetery Committee beg to recommend for payment the attached accounts amounting to \$23.18.

Respectfully submitted,

Sgd. W.O. Cameron,

CHAIRMAN.

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

✓ GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Read report Finance Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$3,828.67.

Committee Room, City Hall,
Halifax, Feb. 4th, 1925

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, the attached list of accounts amounting to \$3,828.67 and chargeable to the following services, was passed as correct and recommended for payment:-

Printing and Stationery.	\$333.24
Installation of new Accounting System	248.38
Tax Arrears Expense	96.19
Grants	<u>3150.86</u>

Respectfully submitted,

J.B. Kenny

CHAIRMAN

Feb. 5th, 1925

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

✓
CITY AUDITOR'S MONTHLY STATEMENT OF DEPARTMENTAL
APPROPRIATIONS

Read report H.F. Glass City Auditor
covering statements on various Departmental Approp-
riations.

Auditor's Office,
Feb. 5th, 1925

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

Sirs:-

I enclose herewith monthly statements
of appropriations covering the various Departments,
copies of which have already been handed to various
Chairmen of Committees.

Yours truly,

H.F. Glass,
CITY AUDITOR.

Filed.

✓
CITY AUDITOR'S STATEMENT OF TAXES
COLLECTED FOR MONTH OF JANUARY-25

Read report City Auditor covering
Statement of Taxes collected as at January 31st 1925.

City Auditor's Office,
Halifax, N.S.
Feb. 2nd, 1925/

The Mayor & Councillors,
City of Halifax.

Sirs:-

Re Tax Collections

I herewith enclose monthly statement
as at 31st January 1925 covering the collections of
Taxes, and have to supplement same with the following
remarks:-

Feb. 5th, 1925

It will be seen that there is a marked increase during the month of January in the collection of Tax Arrears, apart from Current Years Taxes, they having amounted to \$70,933.69. This is the largest monthly collection during the present Civic Year of back years Taxes. The total Collections of these arrears during the Current Year amount to \$437,329.04. The total arrears of back years Taxes now amount to \$1,756,432.67.

The collections of Current Years Taxes for the month of January total \$60,731.12 as compared with \$32,179.60 in November and \$112,529.56 in December. The falling off during the month of January as compared with December was more or less to be expected as January is generally conceded to be a poor collection period. The total collections on account of Current Years Taxes during the nine months ending 31st January total \$1,208,110.28 out of a total assessment of \$1,836,063.62.

In my last report I stated it was necessary to collect \$172,171.00 per month, during the remaining months of the Civic Year in order that the City might meet its expenditures. It will be seen that the collections for January have fallen short of the above amount by the large sum of \$111,440.00 consequently it has been necessary for the City to borrow from its Bankers, in anticipation of the collection of Taxes, the necessary funds to meet its expenditures.

It will be seen that the arrears of Current Years Taxes now total \$627,948.85. That the City is improving its situation as to taxes is evidenced by the fact that at the close of the last Civic Year there remained outstanding taxes for the Current Year now amount to \$627,948.00 and there are still three months collections to come in. Although this is an improvement over past conditions the collections must be considerably increased before the City can extricate itself from its present financial difficulties.

Yours truly,

Sgd. H.F. Glass,
CITY AUDITOR.

STATEMENT AS TO COLLECTIONS

OF TAXES AS AT

31st Jan. 1925

General Tax Arrears (Exclusive of Current Year)

Balance as at 31st December 1924.	\$1,827,366.36
<u>Less</u>	
Cash collections during month Jan./25	<u>70,933.69</u>
Total Tax Arrears outstanding 31st January 1925, exclusive of Current Year	<u>\$1,756,432.67</u>

February 5th, 1925

Current Year General Taxes (Exclusive of Poll Tax Licenses etc)

Balance as at 31st December 1924.	\$688,684.46
<u>Less</u>	
Cash collections during Jan. 1925	\$60,731.12
Adjustment.	<u>4.49</u>
	60,735.61
<u>Total Current Taxes outstanding</u> 31st Jan. 1925	<u>\$627,948.85</u>

Poll & Dog Taxes etc

Estimated outstanding 31 December 1924	2,224.50
<u>Less</u>	
Collections during January 1925.	<u>87.00</u>
<u>Total Estimated Poll & Dog Taxes out-</u> standing 31 Jan. 1925	<u>\$2,137.50</u>

Water Rates & Taxes

Balance outstanding as at 31st Dec. 1924	\$218,049.81
<u>Add</u> Additional Water Rates charged	<u>2,379.59</u>
	\$220,429.40
<u>Less</u> cash collections during month of January 1925.	<u>16,273.62</u>
Total Water Rates, etc. outstanding 31st January 1925.	<u>\$204,155.78</u>
<u>Total Cash Collected</u> on account of above Taxes and Rates during Month of January 1925-	\$148,025.43

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HOUSING COMMISSION APPROPRIATION FOR REPAIRS

The following Resolution is submitted:-

THAT the Council authorize the expenditure by the Housing Commission of a sum not exceeding \$1500 for the purpose of effecting repairs as may be determined by the Finance Committee, and that the City Treasurer be authorized to borrow such sum from the Royal Bank of Canada or any available fund.

February 5th, 1925

Moved by Alderman Munnis seconded by Alderman Russell that the said Resolution be adopted, and that this amount be paid under authority of Section 976 of the City Charter, as enacted by Chapter 60 of the Acts, 1924. The sum required to be borrowed from the Royal Bank of Canada or any fund available, and be included in and repaid out of the estimates of 1925-26/

Motion passed unanimously, the following named Aldermen being present and voting for same:-

Aldermen, Colwell, Russell, Munnis, Sanford,

Bissett, Gastonguay, H.W. Cameron, Rains, Hubley, Whelan, O'Toole, Power, Smeltzer and Daw.

*Mayor
Treasurer
Secy Housing
Com.*

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REGISTRATION OF VOTERS

Read letter Arthur S. Barnstead, Esq., Deputy Provincial Secretary, acknowledging on behalf of the Premier the extract from minutes of City Council of January 8th, 1925 in respect to the provisions required for preparation of list of voters under the Nova Scotia Franchise Act.

Halifax, 29th, January 1925.

Dear Sir:-

I am directed by the Premier and Provincial Secretary to acknowledge your communication of the 15th instant enclosing extract from Minutes of the meeting of the City Council held on the 8th of January, in respect to provision required for preparation of list of voters under the Nova Scotia Franchise Act.

Under this Act there is an obligatory duty upon the City Council to make the necessary arrangements for carrying out its provisions.

Rather than resort to any mandatory proceeding, the Premier will be glad to use the good offices of the Government in the passage of legislation which may be proposed by the City authorizing any expenditure necessary either before or after said legislation.

Yours truly,
Arthur S. Barnstead,
Deputy Provincial Secretary.

The City Clerk,
Halifax,

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Director

February 5th, 1925

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HOUSING COMMISSION LEGISLATION

Read letter Hon. D.A. Cameron, Provincial Secretary acknowledging receipt of a copy of the Resolution passed at a meeting of the City Council held on the 8th January 1925 affecting houses originally sold under agreement of sale and which have been cancelled etc.

Halifax, 20th January 1925

Dear Sir:-

I acknowledge receipt of your favour of the 17th instant, enclosing copy of resolution passed by the Housing Commission,

This will receive consideration in due course.

Yours truly,

Sgd. D.A. Cameron,
Provincial Secretary

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

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REFUND SUPERANNUATION F.C. WARD

Read report Finance Committee, and City Treasurer recommending a refund of \$59.32 to Frank C. Ward, late night engineer at the City Home, the allowance he is entitled to receive from the Official Superannuation Fund.

Committee Room, City Hall,
Halifax, Feb. 4th, 1925

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held

Feb. 5th, 1925

this day, the attached letter of the City Treasurer showing the amount that Frank C. Ward, late Night-engineer at the City Home, is entitled to receive from the Officials' Superannuation Fund- he having resigned from that position, to be \$59,32 was read.

Your Committee recommend that the Trustee of the Superannuation Fund be authorized to refund to Mr. Ward the sum mentioned being one half of his contributions to said Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

W.S. Munnis, Vice Chairman,
J.B. Kenny, Chairman.

City Treasurer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. Jan. 7th, /25

His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Attached please find resignation papers of Frank C. Ward which has been accepted by the Charities Committee. He has paid into the Official Superannuation Fund \$118.64.

Under Section 300 Chap. 74 Acts of 1914 he is entitled to a return of one half the amount so paid which will be \$59.32.

Respectfully submitted,

Jas. T. Hopewell,
CITY TREASURER.

Moved by Alderman Munnis, seconded by

Alderman Hubley that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

✓
PRICE-WATERHOUSE COMPANY ACCOUNT

Read report of Finance Committee recommending for payment the account of Messrs. Price-Waterhouse Company for services of Mr. D.R. Riach in closing the accounts of the City to April 30th, 1924, and supervising the revision of the accounting system and preparing a report on same.

February 5th, 1925

Committee Room, City Hall,

Halifax, Feb. 4th, 1925

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, the attached account of Messrs. Price Waterhouse & Company, \$365.15- Balance due for services of Mr. D.R. Riach in closing the accounts of the City to April 30th, 1924 and supervising the revision of the accounting system and preparing report on same, was submitted.

Your Committee recommend that the account of Messrs. Price Waterhouse & Company be paid.

Respectfully submitted,

W.S. Munnis
Acting CHAIRMAN.

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

HOUSING COMMISSION APPROPRIATION

Read report of the Finance Committee
recommending for payment the balance of the appro-
priation of the Housing Commission for 1924-25
Office of the Housing Commission.
Feb., 4th, 1925

To the Chairman of the Finance Committee,
City Hall

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed herewith you will please find State-
ment of Account of the City of Halifax with the Housing
Commission which shows an unpaid balance of appropriation
of \$715.00.

At the present time we have a balance of
\$21.96 in the bank, and I have been instructed to re-
quest your Committee to approve of the payment of the bal-
ance of our appropriation. At the same time the
Commission wishes to draw your attention to the fact that
they will be unable to operate with the appropriation as
granted for the year.

February 5th, 1925

Attached please find a statement showing the receipts and disbursements to date, also the estimated expenditures to complete the current year. You will note that there is an amount of \$191.24 required in addition to the balance of appropriation to carry us through to the end of the year. In connection with this over-expenditure I have been operating expenses for the year 1924-25 did not make any allowance for insurance. This was due to the fact that in previous years it had been the custom of the Commission to include in their current account the amount of interest received from the bank for moneys held on deposit between periods of transfer to the Provincial Government.

After the estimates had been approved and passed by the Provincial Government, the Auditor, Mr. Riach of Price Waterhouse and Company pointed out that as this money was held in trust and as the Provincial Government would undoubtedly be charging us interest, this amount should be set up as a reserve and not used as an operating account. As a result of this the Commission has placed \$376.34 to the reserve account, being interest earned for the nine months of the present year, which amount as explained above would have been used as an operating account and would have been more than enough to meet our expenditures.

The Commission would further like to point out that the Insurance amounts to \$363.20, and that this amount constitutes Insurance premiums paid for in this year, and the policies written for a period of three years.

Respectfully submitted,

E.K. Fielding,
Secretary to Commission.

Committee Room, City Hall,
Halifax, Feb. 4th, 1925

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, the attached letter of Eric K. Fielding Secretary of the Housing Commission, asking for payment of the balance of their Appropriation for 1924-25 was read.

Your Committee recommend that the request be granted and the City Treasurer authorized to pay the balance of the Appropriation for the present year.

Respectfully submitted,
W.S. Munnis,
Acting- CHAIRMAN.

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February 5th, 1925

Moved by Alderman Munnis seconded by

Alderman Hubley that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

✓ CITY PRISON UNDER-KEEPER

Read report of the City Prison Committee covering applications for the position of under-keeper or night-guard made vacant by the resignation of Jas. G. Oldham, and recommending the appointment of Arthur Cooper to the position.

Committee Room,
City Hall, Halifax, N.S.
Feb. 4th, 1925

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the City Prison Committee, held this day, the attached resignation of James Gordon Oldham from the position of Night-guard at the City Prison was submitted and accepted.

Applications were received for the position from Arthur Cooper, Jack Williams, Stewart B. Harvy, Arthur Pitts, Ernest F. Morton, R.E. Bouchauf and Wm. A. Isner.

Your Committee recommend the appointment of Arthur Cooper to the position made vacant by the resignation of Mr. Oldham.

Respectfully submitted,

L.A. Gastonguay,

CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Gastonguay seconded by Alderman Sanford that the report be adopted and Mr. Arthur Cooper appointed to the position. Motion passed.

*Auditor
Inspector
Duty Hours
Comm*

*Gov. Grant
Arthur Cooper*

February 5th, 1925

✓ CITY HOME AND T. B. HOSPITAL

REPORT FOR JANUARY 1925

Read report Charities Committee for the month of January 1925 showing the number of inmates in the City Home to be 323, and the number of patients in the T.B.Hospital to be 44.

Halifax, N.S. Feb. 4th, 1925

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

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

MEMBERS PRESENT:- The Chairman, Aldermen O'Toole, Rains, Daw and Gastonguay.

SUP'T. REPORT CITY HOME, JANUARY 1925, NUMBER OF INMATES 323

The Superintendent's report shows that during the month of January 1925 there were 15 persons admitted into the City Home 1 born, 1 still-born, 2 were discharged and 4 died. Of the number admitted 4 were discharged and 4 died. Of the number admitted 4 were chargeable to the Province and 11 to the City.

The total number of inmates Jan. 31st 1925 was 323, made up of 185 men, 133 women and 5 children. on the same date last year there were 176 men, 126 women and 4 children a total of 306.

SUPT. REPORT T. B. HOSPITAL, JANUARY 1925, NUMBER OF PATIENTS 44

The Superintendent's report shows that during the month of January 1925 there were 15 patients admitted into the City Tuberculosis Hospital, 8 men and 7 women, 1 man was discharged and 2 men and 1 woman died.

The total number of patients January 31st, 1925 was 44, made up of 21 men, 22 women and 1 child. On the same date last year there were 20 men and 18 women and a total of 38.

Respectfully submitted,

H.S. Colwell,

CHAIRMAN.

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Filed.

February 5th, 1925

CITY HOME AND T. B. HOSPITAL

TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES

Read report Charities Committee covering
Tenders for supplies of Groceries, meat, etc., for
three months from February 1st 1925 and flour for six
months from February 15th, 1925:-

Halifax, N.S. Jan. 27th, 1925

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

Tenders for supplies for a period of three
months from February 1st 1925, with the exception of
Flour which was for a period of six months from February
1st 1925, for the City Home and Tuberculosis Hospital,
were opened as follows:-

CITY HOME

Meats. -	The Maritime Market	\$910.00	
	W. S. Maling & Co.	942.75	
<u>FRESH FISH</u>	H. Bowman	.05 $\frac{1}{2}$	lb.
Dry Goods.	T. J. Whalen & Co.	955.00	
Butter & Eggs.	Smith & Proctor - Butter	.33 ϕ	"
	Eggs.	.40	doz
	Farmers Limited Butter	.36	lb.
	C. B. Colwell, Ltd. Butter	.34 $\frac{1}{2}$	"
	Eggs.	.48	doz.
<u>Mess Pork</u>	Davis & Fraser	.15	lb.
<u>Flour</u>	Howards Ltd. Beaver	10.25	bbL.
	Reindeer	11.00	"
	Renown	10.25	"
	Wentzells Ltd. Beaver	11.50	"
	Five Roses	12.75	"

(Continued)

February 5th, 1925

<u>Flour</u>	Scotia Flour & Feed Co. Ltd.	Victory	\$12.00 per bbl
		Prarie	
		Blossom	11.60 "
		Gold Medal	11.50 "
<u>Milk</u>	A.D. Johnson.		11 $\frac{1}{4}$ qt.
	Fraser & Casey		.11 $\frac{1}{4}$ "
	Ideal Dairy Ltd.		.11 $\frac{1}{4}$ "
	Farmers Ltd.		.11 $\frac{1}{4}$ "
<u>Groceries</u>	M.J. Ritcey & Co. Ltd.		2193.56
	Howards Ltd.		2234.89
	Wentzells Ltd.		2343.98

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

<u>Groceries</u>	M.J. Ritcey & Co., Ltd.		\$914.46
	Wentzells Ltd.		955.16
	Howards Ltd.		898.57
<u>Meats</u>	The Maritime Market.		367.75
<u>Laundrywork</u>	Globe Laundry Co., Ltd. per 100 pcs.		1.90
<u>Milk & Cream</u>	Ideal Dairy Ltd.	-Milk	.11 $\frac{1}{4}$ Qt.
		L. Cream	.50 "
		H. Cream	.65 "
	A.D. Johnson.	Milk	.11 $\frac{1}{4}$ "
		L. Cream	.50 "
		M. Cream	.65 "
	Farmers Ltd.	Milk	.11 $\frac{1}{4}$ "
		L. Cream	.50 "
	Fraser & Casey	H. Cream	.65 "
		Milk	.11 $\frac{1}{4}$ "
		L. Cream	.57 "
		H. Cream	.65 "
<u>Bread</u>	John Fry	Per 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ Lb. Loaf	.08 "
	Moirs Ltd.	"	.08 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
	J.J. Scriver & Sons	"	.08 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
<u>Butter & Eggs</u>	Smith & Proctor	Butter	.34 lb.
		Eggs	.40 Doz
	R.B. Colwell, Ltd.	Butter	.34 3/4 lb
		Eggs.	.48 Doz
	Farmers Ltd.	Butter	.36 lb.
<u>Fresh Fish</u>	H. Bowman		60.50

RECOMMENDATIONS- CITY HOME

<u>Meats</u>	The Maritime Market	910.00
<u>Fresh Fish</u>	H. Bowman	.05 $\frac{1}{2}$ lb.

February 5th, 1925

<u>Dry Goods</u>	T J. Whalen & Co.	\$955.00
<u>Butter & Eggs</u>	Smith & Proctor.	694.00
<u>Mess Pork</u>	Davis & Fraser	.15¢ lb
<u>Flour</u>	Wentzells Ltd.	11.50 bbl.
<u>Milk</u>	A.D. Johnson	11¢ Qt
<u>Groceries</u>	M.J. Ritcey & Co., Ltd.	2193.58.

RECOMMENDATIONS-TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

<u>Groceries</u>	Howards Ltd.	898.57
<u>Milk & Cream</u>	Ideal Dairy Ltd. Milk	.11¢ Qt.
	L.Cream	.50 "
	H.Cream	.65 "
<u>Meats</u>	The Maritime Market	367.75
<u>Laundrywork</u>	Globe Laundry Co. Limited-@100 pcs	1.90
<u>Bread</u>	John Fray-per 1½ lb loaf	.08¢
<u>Butter & Eggs</u>	Smith & Proctor.	452.00
<u>Fish.</u>	H. Bowman.	60.50

Note: Howards Ltd. having withdrawn tender for Beaver Flour at \$10.25 per bbl. the tender was awarded to the next lowest tenderer Wentzells Ltd. at \$11.60 per bbl.

Respectfully submitted,

H.S. Colwell,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Colwell, seconded by Alderman Daw, that the report of the Charities Committee be adopted.

Read letter from the Scotia Flour and Feed Company, Ltd., in re awarding of the flour contract for the City Home.

Halifax, N.S. Feb. 3rd, /25

His Worship the Mayor,
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Sir:-

In reference to our Tender dated Jan. 23rd to supply the City Home with flour, same was as follows:

"Victory" highest Manitoba Patent (Wood)	\$12.00 per bbl.
"Prairie Blossom", Choice Manitoba Patent (Wood)	11.60 "
"Gold Medal" Blended (Wood)	11.50 "

February 5th, 1925

We noted by the Halifax papers our price was 75¢ per barrel cheaper on "Victory" than "Five Roses" and we claim "Victory" is better than "Five Roses". They are supposed to be the same grades of flour, and known as such by the "Millers' Association. Our Price was exactly the same price on "Gold Medal" viz \$11.50 per barrel, wood, as "Beaver". These two grades viz "Beaver" and "Gold Medal" are the same grade of flour. We, therefore, cannot see why our Tender did not have consideration by the Board.

We attach two clippings, "A" and "B". You will note by "B" it reads as though the Tender asks for "Beaver" flour, which is not the case, and we ourselves think that the cheapest flour would have been "Victory" - not that we are anxious for the contract, but we would like to see the City give contracts on their merits.

Yours respectfully,

SCOTIA FLOUR & FEED COMPANY LTD.
Per R.T. Gibson,

The motion to adopt the report of the Charities Committee is put and passed.

Alderman Rains asked to be excused from

voting. Granted.

Alderman Cameron asking to be recorded as against the adoption of the report.

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CANCELLATION OF CITY DEBENTURES

Read report of the Finance Committee covering report of the City Treasurer in re cancellation of certain debentures of the City of Halifax, viz., -2193, 2194, 2195, 2196, 2197.

Committee Room, City Hall,
Halifax, Feb. 4th, 1925

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day, the attached letter of the City Treasurer in reference to the cancellation of certain Debentures of the City of Halifax, namely 2193, 2194, 2195 and 2196 and 2197 was read.

February 5th, 1925

Your Committee recommend that the City Council order that said Debentures be destroyed under authority of Section 7, Chapter 24, Acts 1880 Vic. 43.

Respectfully submitted,

W.S. Munnis,
Acting- CHAIRMAN.

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

SCHOOL TEACHERS PENSION FUND APPROPRIATION

Read report of the Finance Committee covering report of the City Auditor in re application of the School Teachers' Pension Fund, Trustees for an additional appropriation of \$501.97 to supplement pensions due on February 1st.

Committee Room, City Hall,
Halifax, February 4th /25

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, the attached letter of the City Auditor recommending the payment of the sum of \$510.97 to the Board of School Commissioners- this amount being required to supplement the Halifax Teachers' Pension Fund due on February 1st, was read.

Your Committee recommend that the City Treasurer be authorized to pay to the Board of School Commissioners the said sum of \$510.97, said sum to be borrowed from the Royal Bank of Canada or any fund available and, with interest, included in the Civic Estimates for the year 1925-26.

Respectfully submitted,

J.B. Kenny,
CHAIRMAN.

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

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February 5th, 1925
TRANSFER SAFE TREASURERS OFFICE

Read report of the Finance Committee
re Transfer of the safe Treasurer's Office to the
Police Department.

Committee Room, City Hall,
Halifax, Feb., 4th, 1925

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee,
held this day, the attached letter from His Worship
the Mayor re transferring the safe in the City
Treasurer's Office to the Police Department and stat-
ing that the Police Department had decided to offer
the sum of \$50.00 for the same, was read.

Your Committee recommend that this
transfer be made and that "City property account"
be credited with the amount of the purchase price.

Respectfully submitted,

W.S. Munnis,
Acting Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Munnis seconded

Alderman
Treasurer by Alderman Hubley that the report be adopted.

Motion passed

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ENGINE HOUSE-3-5 Sp. Garden Road

Read report Committee on Works re
lease on property 3-5 Sp. Garden Road, formerly the
Spring Garden Road Engine House, covering notice of
Peter Laba of his intention to vacate the premises.

February 5th, 1925

Notice to Vacate # 3-5 Sp. Garden Road.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council.

Sirs:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee
held on January 28th, Notice from Peter Laba was read,
stating that he proposed to vacate the premises now
occupied by him # 3-5 Sp. Garden Road, on May 1st,
next.

February 5th, 1925

At a meeting of the Committee held February 4th, a further letter was read from Mr. Laba giving in part his reasons for deciding to vacate said premises. The notice and letter were ordered forwarded to Council for their information.

Respectfully submitted,

A. F. Messervey,
CLERK OF WORKS.

A. F. Messervey
By unanimous consent of Council the report was referred back to the Committee on Works for further consideration and report.

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MAINTENANCE OF JOS. KAVANAGH A
PAUPER PATIENT

Read report of the City Clerk covering a notice of the hearing before the Minister of Public Works and Mines, re settlement of Jos. Kavanagh a pauper patient at the Nova Scotia Hospital.

Halifax, N.S.
February 5th, 1925

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

Gentlemen:-

I beg to report that on January 30th, ult., I received the attached Notice of a Hearing before the Honorable Minister of Public Works and Mines into a dispute between the Municipality of the County of Richmond and the City of Halifax as to the settlement of one, Joseph Cavanagh, a Pauper Patient at present detained in the Nova Scotia Hospital at Dartmouth.

I have forwarded copies of this Notice to the Chairman of the Charities Committee, the Superintendent of the City Home and the City Solicitor for their action.

Respectfully submitted,

H. S. Rhind,
CITY CLERK.

Filed.

February 5th, 1925

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INSURANCE POLICE PATROL

Read report of the Police Committee in
re renewal of Insurance on the Police Patrol.

Police Department,
Halifax, N.S. Feb. 4th, /25

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Police Commission held on the 10th day of January 1925, the question of renewal of the Policy on the Police Motor Patrol was brought up. Mr. Carten of the Imperial Accident and Guarantee Co., in which company the Patrol is insured, was present. The Premium on the patrol for 1925, amounted to \$198.15.

The Commission took exception to the fact, that there was no clause in the policy, which in case of accident to the Patrol, would give the City any claim for damages, the policy being only for liability to others.

On these grounds, the Commission was not willing to renew the policy and have referred it to Council for decision.

After considerable discussion, it was decided to have the car covered until such time as the matter could be disposed of by Council and authorized Mr. Carten to continue under Policy # 80325 at a rate of 10% of the present monthly indemnity.

Respectfully submitted,

John M. Murphy,
Mayor and Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Daw, seconded by Alderman Bissett that no insurance be placed on the Police Patrol at present.

Alderman Colwell suggested that the Patrol be insured against fire only. His Worship the Mayor offers a suggestion to the Council that it is only necessary to have one accident to save more than the price of the Policy to the City. By consent of the Mover and Seconder of both the motion and amendment they are withdrawn.

Moved by Alderman Cameron, seconded by Alderman Colwell that the matter of insuring of the Police Patrol be referred back to the Police Committee for further report. Motion put and lost, six voting for the same and seven against it as follows:-

For the Motion

Alderman Colwell
Sanford
Gastonguay
H.W. Cameron
Whelan
Smeltzer

-6

Against it

Alderman Russell
Munnis
Bissett
Rains
Hubley
O'Toole
Daw. - 7

Moved by Alderman Colwell, seconded by Alderman Russell that the Police Committee be instructed to insure the Police Patrol under Section A of the Policy Offered for legal liability for bodily injury, or death at a premium of \$125.00 - one person \$5000.00 and one Accident \$10,000.00.

Motion put and passed, nine voting for the same and five against it as follows:-

For the Motion

Alderman Colwell
Russell
Sanford
Gastonguay
H.W. Cameron
Rains
Whelan
O'Toole
Smeltzer - 9

Against it

Alderman Munnis
Bissett
Hubley
Power
Daw.

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*Mayor
Director
Recorder*

SCHOOL APPROPRIATION FOR TECHNICAL EDUCATION

Read report of the Finance Committee re application of the School Board for additional appro-

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priation of \$668.00 to pay the School Board's proportion of the Teacher's Salaries in connection with Technical education.

Committee Room, City Hall,
Halifax, Feb. 4th, 1925

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, the attached extract from Minutes of meeting of the City Council held on the 8th, of January last covering letter of Miss S.J. Wilson, secretary of the school Board, asking for an additional appropriation of \$668.00 to pay the School Board's proportion of the Teachers' Salaries in connection with Technical Education, was read.

Your Committee report that on account of their being no funds available for this purpose the request be not granted.

Respectfully submitted,

Sgd. W.S. Munnis,
Acting Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Munnis, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the report be adopted. His Worship the Mayor calls upon Deputy Mayor Bissett to take the Chair and addresses the Council on the subject, recommending that a small Committee be appointed to go into this matter and report exact circumstances.

Moved an amendment by Alderman Smeltzer, seconded by Alderman Sanford that a Committee of Three who are not members of the School Board be appointed to investigate and report on this matter.

Motion put and passed, ten voting for the same and four against it as follows:-

For the Motion

Alderman Colwell
Russell
Sanford
Gastonguay
H.W. Cameron
Hains
Whelan
O'Toole
Smeltzer
Daw. -10

Against it

Alderman Munnis
Bissett
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The following Committee was then nominated and approved of:

Red Kenny
Aldermen Kenny, Hubley and Daw.

BEVIS ARREST ACCOUNTS

Read report of the City Auditor covering accounts for Hospital treatment of Police Officer Kennedy in connection with the Bevis arrest \$120.00

City Auditor's Office,
Halifax, N.S.
Feb., 4th, 1925

To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.

Sirs:-

Re Bevis Matter

The attached account for treatment Officer Kennedy has been presented ~~me~~ for payment, and, as there is no Appropriation out of which to pay same, I shall be glad to have your instructions.

Yours truly,

H.F. Glass,
CITY AUDITOR

Moved by Alderman Munnis, seconded by Alderman Hubley that the accounts be paid under authority of Section 976 of the City Charter as enacted by Section 52 of Chapter 60 of the Acts of 1924, the sum required to be borrowed from the Royal Bank or any fund available and be included in and repaid out of the estimates for 1925-26.

Motion passed unanimously, the following Aldermen being present and voting for the same:

Aldermen, Colwell, Russell, Munnis, Sanford, Bissett

Auditor
Recorder Gastonguay, H.W. Cameron, Rains, Hubley, Whelan, O'Toole

Power, Smeltzer, and Daw.

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✓ INSURANCE OF FIREMEN

Read report of Finance Committee re account of the Sun Life Insurance Company \$206,75 for two months extension on Group Policy of Insurance on Members of the Fire Department.

Committee Room, City Hall,
Halifax, Feb. 4th, 1925

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held this day, the attached Extract from Minutes of the City Council, held on January 8th. last covering report of the Committee of Firewards with reference to the account of the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada- \$206.75 for two months extension on group policy of Insurance on Members of the Fire Department, was read.

Your Committee after carefully going into this matter report that there are no funds available to meet this account and refer it to the City Council to be dealt with by that body.

Respectfully submitted,

W.S. Munnis,
Acting Chairman.

*W.C. Dool
Clerk*
Referred to the Committee on Firewards
for further consideration and report.

✓ UNEMPLOYED RELIEF

Read report Committee on Works and City Engineer re additional appropriation of \$2,500.00 for unemployed relief,

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S. Feb. 5th, /25

UNEMPLOYMENT

His Worship the Mayor and
City Council.

Sirs:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on February 4th, the City Engineer submitted a report stating that the appropriation for relief of the unemployed would

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be exhausted Thursday, the 5th instant, and if the work were to be continued it would be necessary to have a further appropriation. It was moved by Alderman Munnis seconded by Alderman Sanford, that it be recommended to Council that they authorise the expenditure of a further sum of \$2,500. for the purpose above mentioned.

The Engineer report is attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted.

Sgd. A.F. Messervey,
CLERK OF WORKS.

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
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UNEMPLOYMENT

His Worship the Mayor,

Sirs:-

By To-morrow night the appropriation of \$2,500.00 voted for the relief of the unemployment situation will be exhausted and if the work is to continue it will be necessary to get a further appropriation from the Council.

Respectfully submitted,

H.W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER.

Moved by Alderman Munnis, seconded by Alderman Daw that the report be adopted, and that the amount be paid under authority of Section 976 of the City Charter as enacted by Section 52 of Chapter 60 of the Acts 1924, the sum required to be borrowed from the Royal Bank of Canada or any fund available and be included in and be repaid out of the estimates of 1925-26. Motion passed unanimously the following named Aldermen being present and voting for the same:-

Aldermen Colwell, Russell, Munnis, Sanford,
Bissett, Gastonguay, H.W. Cameron, Rains, Hubley, Whelan,
O'Toole, Power Smeltzer and Daw.

*Engineer
Munnis
Sanford*

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✓
STREET PAVING -BARRETT COMPANY BOND

Read report of Committee on Laws & Privileges
re Cancellation of the Bond of the Barrett Paving Company
covering report of the City Solicitor on same.

Committee Room,
City Hall,
Halifax, Feb. 3rd, 1925

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Laws and Privileges
Committee, held this day, the attached letter of the
City Solicitor in re cancellation of the Bond of the
Barrett Paving Company was under consideration.

Your Committee recommend that the request of
the Barrett Company be not complied with.

Respectfully submitted,

B.W. Russell,
CHAIRMAN.

*W. W. Russell
Clerk*
With consent of the Council reports are re-
ferred back to the Laws and Privileges Committee for
further consideration and report.

✓
WATER METER BILLS Y.M.C.A. BUILDING

Read report of Committee on Works and City
Engineer re Water Meter Bill Y.M.C.A. Building.
Clerk of Works Office,
Feb. 4th, 1925

Y.M.C.A. -Water Meter Bill

His Worship the Mayor and City Council.

Sirs:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on
January 14th, the City Engineer submitted a report on
water meter bill Y.M.C.A. for half year ending March 1923.
Copy of report is herewith attached.

It was unanimously decided to recommend to
Council that the amount be reduced to \$30.00 being the

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amount charged for the half year ending September 1923.

Respectfully submitted,

A.F. Messervey,
CLERK OF WORKS.

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S.
Jan. 12th, 1925

Y.M.C.A. WATER BILL

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the attached water bill for water supplied the Y.M.C A and claimed to be excessive, that the period covered by the bill is from September 1922 to March 1923, and the amount of the bill is \$129.90. The readings and consumption during the period complained of are as follows:-

	<u>Readings</u>	<u>Consumption</u>
September	2,120,000	
October	2,292,000	172,000
November	2,522,000	230,000
December	2,757,000	235,000
January	2,982,000	225,000
February	3,154,000	172,000
March.	3,344,000	190,000

The total consumption for the period was 1,224,000. It will be seen that the large consumption was regular throughout the period. At this late date I am unable to give any reason for these large consumptions. On looking back over the records, I find that for several years previous to 1922 the half yearly consumption was considerably over a million gallons. The only reason I can advance that the consumption for the past year and a half has been less than the bill complained of, is that greater care has been taken with regard to the use of water. There is a swimming pool in the building, and shower baths and a large number of fixtures. I am satisfied that the water has passed through the meter, and am unable to recommend any reduction in the bill.

I might draw your attention to the fact that these premises are charged the minimum rate of .10¢ per thousand gallons.

Respectfully submitted,
H.W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER.

Moved by Alderman Colwell, seconded by Alderman Gastonguay that the report of the Committee on Works be adopted. Motion put and passed, Alderman Daw asked to be recorded as against the motion.

*Alderman
Gastonguay
Alderman Daw
Alderman Colwell*

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✓
WATER METER BILL 231 BRUNSWICK STREET

Read report Committee on Works re Water
Meter Bill for the premises 231 Brunswick St.

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S.
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231 Brunswick St.-Water Meter Bill

His Worship the Mayor and City Council.

Sirs:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on
January 14th, the City Engineer submitted a report on
Water Meter Bill for #231 Brunswick Street. Total amount
of bills including arrears to October 1924, \$186.24
Copy of report is attached hereto.

It was unanimously decided to recommend to
Council that the bill for year ending March 1924, \$34.92
be reduced to \$17.46.

Respectfully submitted,

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S.

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No. 231 Brunswick St., Water Bill.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the attached water bill
for the premises No. 231 Brunswick Street, claimed to be
excessive, that the amount of the bill is \$186.24 of
which \$26.52 is for the period ending October 1924, and
the balance being made up as follows:-

Half year ending	September	'21	\$29.80	
"	"	"	March. '22	62.56
"	"	"	September '22	9.84
"	"	"	March. '23	22.60
"	"	"	September '23	13.98
"	"	"	March. '24	20.94

The record of the consumption at these premises
since March 1921, has been as follows:-

		Readings	Consumption		
April	'21	165,800	72,300	W.C.W.	N.
May.		216,400	50,600	"	"
June		249,400	33,000	"	"
July		276,900	27,500	"	"

(contd)

	Readings	Consumption	
August	No Reading.	62,600	W.C.W. N.
September	339,500	33,900	" "
October	373,400	45,700	" "
November	419,100	25,900	" "
December	445,000	19,100	" "
January '22	464,100	51,300	" "
February	515,400	136,900	" "
March.	652,300	8,000	" "
April	680,300	2,800	
May	690,800	3,400	
June	692,000	3,300.	
July	695,400	3,300	
August.	698,700	2,800	
September	701,500	2,600	
October.	704,100	2,800	
November	706,900	4,800	
December	711,700	26,300	T. running.
January. '23	738,000	29,200	" "
February	767,200	47,300	W.C.W
March.	814,500		N.10-3-23
April .	830,500	16,000	
May.	838,400	7,900	
June.	864,400	26,000	W.C.W. N.26-6-2
July	874,800	10,400	
August.	879,800	5,000	
September	884,400	4,600	
October.	889,200	4,800	
November	894,200	5,000	
December	901,300	7,100	
January '24	924,200	22,900	W.C.W.
February	964,600	40,400	N.2-2-24
March.	989,100	24,500	W.C.W.
April	992,900	3,800	N-26-3-24
May.	996,900	4,000.	
June,	1,006,900	10,000	
July	No reading.		
August.	1,043,900	37,000	
September	1,076,800	32,900	
October.	1,121,700	44,900	W.C.W.
November	1,152,300	30,600	N.-6-10-24
December	1,177,800	25,500	N.11-12-24

*and also
Engineer
Clerk of Works
Collector* Moved by Alderman Colwell, seconded by Alderman Gastonguay that the report of the Committee on Works be adopted. Motion passed.

✓ WATER METER BILL 427, BRUNSWICK STREET

Read report Committee on Works re Water Meter Bill for the premises 427 Brunswick Street.

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City Engineer's Office.
January 12th, 1925

No. 427, Brunswick St., Water Bill

His Worship the Mayor,

Sir:-

I beg to report on the attached water bill for the premises No. 427 Brunswick Street, and complained of as being excessive, that the total amount of the bill is \$53.98 which includes \$44.82 of arrears. These amounts are made up as follows:-

Half year ending March 1923	\$8.50
" " " Sept. "	15.64
" " " March. 1924	20.68

The consumptions over the two half years ending March 1924 are as follows:-

April	13,900	
May.	13,400	
June	12,600	
July	No reading.	
August.	22,800	
September	15,500	
October.	11,500	
November	32,000	Closet Wasting N.12-23
December	17,200	
January	17,200	
February	13,800	
March.	11,100	

From this it will be seen that during the year there was a large average consumption over each and every month. The meter has been tested and found to register accurately, and under the circumstances, I can see no justification for making any reduction in the bill.

Respectfully submitted,

H.W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER.

City Work's Office,
Halifax, N.S. Feb. 5-25

427 Brunswick St- Water Meter Bill

His Worship the Mayor,

Sirs:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on January 14th, 1925, the City Engineer submitted a report on Water Meter Bill for #427 Brunswick Street. The total amount of the bill including arrears to October 1924, \$53.98. Copy of report is attached hereto.

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It was unanimously decided to recommend to council that the consumption for November 1923 be reduced 15,000 gals. or a reduction of \$3.00 off the total amount of the bill.

Respectfully submitted,

A.F. Messervey,
CLERK OF WORKS.

*and also
Engineer
Clerk of
Works
Collector*

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

WATER METER BILL #435 BRUNSWICK STREET

Read report Committee on Works re Water Meter Bill for the premises 435 Brunswick Street.

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S.
Feb. 4th 1925.

435 Brunswick Street-Water Meter Bill

His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.

Sirs:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on January 14th, the City Engineer submitted a report on water meter bill for #435 Brunswick Street. Total amount of bills including arrears for year ending October 1924, \$64.20. Copy of report is attached hereto.

It was unanimously decided to recommend to Council that the bill for the half year ending March 1924, \$21.98 be reduced to \$10.49.

Respectfully submitted,

A.F. Messervey
CLERK OF WORKS.

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S.
January 12th, 1925

No. 435 Brunswick St. Water Bill

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

February 5th, 1925

I beg to report on the attached water bill for the premises No. 435 Brunswick Street, and claimed to be excessive, that the total amount of the bill is \$64.20 of which \$3.74 for the period ending October, 1924 and the balance is for

Half year ending	Sept. '22	\$10.06
" "	March '23	22.00
" "	Sept. '23	10.48
" "	March. '24	21.98

I presume the complaint is with regard to the bill ending March 1924. The readings and consumption for this period are as follows:-

	Readings	Consumption
September	348,200	14,300
October.	377,500	29,300 N-12-10-23
November	397,900	20,400
December	408,600	10,700
January	410,300	1,700
February	418,200	7,900 T.W.N-11-2-24
March.	458,100	39,900 T.W.

It will be seen that with the exception of two months there was large average consumption during the whole period. When the meter was read on February 7th, the reader noticed a waste and the owner was notified on the 11th. Apparently no action had been taken up to the 8th March when the next reading was taken, and the waste was still found going on. I have had the meter tested and it registers accurately.

As the large consumption was in my judgment due to the negligence or default of the owner or occupant, I am unable to recommend any reduction in the bill.

Respectfully submitted,

H.W. Johnston,

CITY ENGINEER.

Moved by Alderman Colwell, seconded by

Alderman Gastonguay that the report of the Committee

on Works be adopted. Motion passed.

✓ Water METER BILL # 835 BARRINGTON ST-

Read report Committee on Works re Water
Meter Bill for the Premises 835 Barrington St.

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City Work's Office,
Halifax, N.S.
Feb. 5th, 1925

835 Barrington St.-Water Meter Bill

His Worship the Mayor and City Council.

Sirs:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 4th instant, the City Engineer submitted a report on water meter bill # 835 Barrington Street for the half year ending October 1924, amounting to \$24.92.

It was unanimously decided to recommend to Council, that the said amount be reduced one-half making the bill \$12.46 instead of as originally rendered.

Respectfully submitted,

A.F. Messervey,

CLERK OF WORKS.

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S.
Jan. 31st 1925

835 Barrington Street- Water Bill

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the attached Water Bill for the premises # 835 Barrington Street claimed to be excessive, that the period complained of is the seven months ending October 1924, and the amount of the bill is \$24.92. The readings and consumption for this period are as follows:-

March-	218,800	-	19,200	Pipe Burst.
Apr.-	No reading.			
May-	"		"	
June-	300,100-		82,300	
July-	337,000-		36,900	Pipe Burst Notified 5-7-24
Aug.	339,200-		2,200	
Sept.	341,500-		2,300	
Oct.-	343,400-		1,900	

The house was vacant in April and May.

It will be seen that the large consumption was due to the fact that a pipe had burst. Notice of this