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EVENING SESSION

8.10 o'clock,

Council Chamber,

City Hall,

December 16-1926

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Russell, Weston, Shannon, Sanford, Halliday, McDuff, McCarthy, Hubley, Rains, Power, O'Toole, Drysdale, Daw and Robinson.

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

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NOTICE OF RE-CONSIDERATION

Alderman Power's notice of reconsideration of the Resolution to adopt the report of the Committee on Laws & Privileges, passed at a meeting of Council held on November 11th, 1926, in re early closing of Barber Shops.

Moved by Alderman Power, seconded by Alderman Daw that the said Resolution be now reconsidered.

Motion put and passed twelve voting for the same and one against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

AGAINST IT

Alderman Weston  
Shannon  
Sanford  
McDuff  
McCarthy  
Hubley  
Rains  
O'Toole  
Power  
Drysdale  
Robinson  
Daw- 12

Alderman Halliday

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The motion submitted by Alderman Russell, and seconded by Alderman Rains that the report of the Laws & Privileges Committee in re early closing of Barber Shops is now before the meeting.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Power, seconded by Alderman O'Toole that the report be referred back to the Laws & Privileges Committee for further consideration and report.

Amendment put and lost six voting for the same and eight against it as follows:-

FOR AMENDMENT

AGAINST IT

Alderman Weston  
Shannon  
Sanford  
Hubley  
O'Toole  
Power- 6

Alderman Russell  
Halliday  
McDuff  
McCarthy  
Rains  
Drysdale  
Robinson  
Daw - 8

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hubley seconded by Alderman O'Toole that the report

be referred back to the Laws & Privileges Committee with instructions to draft an ordinance and submit same to this Council at its next meeting.

Amendment put and lost four voting for the same and ten against it as follows:-

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Alderman Sanford  
Hubley  
O'Toole  
Power -4

AGAINST IT

Alderman Weston  
Russell  
Shannon  
Halliday  
MacDuff  
McCarthy  
Rains  
Drysdale  
Robinson  
Daw- 10

The original motion is put and on names being taken there appeared:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Weston  
Russell  
Shannon  
Halliday  
McDuff  
Rains  
McCarthy- 7

AGAINST IT

Alderman Sanford  
Hubley  
Ryan  
Power  
Drysdale  
Robinson  
Daw - 7

TIE VOTE

His Worship the Mayor gives his casting vote in favor of the motion and declares it carried.

*Sanford*

FIRE PROTECTION FOR RURAL AREAS

Read letter Arthur Roberts, K.C., Secretary Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities in re fire protection for Rural areas and covering a Questionnaire from the Fire Prevention Board

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Referred to the Committee of Fire-wards.

APPLICATION FOR POSITION OF SUB-COLLECTOR

Read application of W.A. Frawley for appointment to the position of a Sub-Collector in the City Collector's Office.

FILED

WORKS DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS

Read report Committee on Works recommending for payment accounts chargeable to the Works Department \$6,936.01 and to the Water Department \$1,105.33:

City Works' Office,  
Halifax, N.S. Dec. 15-26

ACCOUNTS-WORKS AND WATER DEPT

His Worship the Mayor and  
City Council.

Sirs:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 15th inst., the undermentioned accounts were approved and recommended to Council for payment:

Works Dept-	Capital	\$277.13	
	Current	<u>6,659.88</u>	\$6,936.01
Water - Dept.	Maintenance		1,105.33
	Capital	-	<u>\$8,041.34</u>

Respectfully submitted

A.F. Messervey  
CLERK OF WORKS

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

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GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Finance Committee recommending for payment General Accounts and quarterly instalments of Civic Grants amounting to \$5,564.85.

Committee Room,

City Hall,

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His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the attached list of accounts amounting to \$5,564.85 was passed as correct and recommended for payment. This list includes the quarterly City grants to various Institutions.

Respectfully submitted,

B.A. Weston,  
CHAIRMAN

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

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FIRE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Committee of Firewards recommending for payment accounts chargeable to the Fire Alarm System \$802.93 , and Fire Department General Account \$13,143.30:

Committee Room,  
City Hall,  
Dec. 13th, 1926

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards held this day the attached lists of accounts amounting in all to \$13,946.23 were submitted and recommended to the City Council for payment:

Fire Alarm-	Capital	\$289.00	
	Current	<u>513.93</u>	\$802.93
Fire Department			<u>13,143.30</u>
			<u>\$13,946.23</u>

Respectfully submitted

H. E. Rains  
CHAIRMAN.

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

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CITY HOME AND T. B. HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Charities  
Committee recommending for payment accounts chargeable  
to the City Home \$7,747.00, and to the T.B.Hospital  
\$2,475.33:

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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, Alderman Hubley, Drysdale,  
Daw, Sanford and Gastonguay.

CITY HOME ACCOUNTS, NOVEMBER, 1926, AMOUNT \$7,747.00

City Home accounts for the month  
of November 1926, amounting to \$7747.00 are recommended  
for payment.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS, NOVEMBER 1926, AMOUNT  
\$2475.33

Tuberculosis Hospital accounts  
for the month of November 1926, amounting to \$2475.33  
are recommended for payment.

Respectfully submitted

B.A. Weston,  
CHAIRMAN

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

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CITY HEALTH BOARD ACCOUNTS

Read report of the City Health Board, recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$1,745.17:

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His Worship the Mayor,  
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the City Health Board held on Wednesday, December 15th, 1926, the following named accounts amounting to \$1,745.17 were passed as correct and are recommended for payment.

Respectfully yours  
Arthur C. Pettipas  
SECRETARY C.H.B.

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

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CITY PRISON ACCOUNTS

Read report of the City Prison Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$1,152.02:

Halifax, N.S. Dec. 9th, 1926

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the City Prison Committee held this day, the attached list of accounts



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amounting to \$1,152.02 was passed as correct and recommended to the City Council for payment.

Your Committee submit the report of the Governor for the month of November showing there were thirty- three prisoners in custody- twenty three males and ten females.

Respectfully submitted

I.E. Sanford  
CHAIRMAN

Halifax, N.S.  
City Prison

Chairman  
and Members of City Prison Committee.

Gentlemen:-

I beg to submit the report of the City Prison for month ending November 30th, 1926 as follows:

Number admitted during month eight males and four females . Number discharged six males and two females. Number in custody Nov. 30th, 1926, Twenty-three males and ten females a total of thirty three inmates.

Included in this number there are five males and four females convicted under the N.S. T Act, at this date last year there were forty four in custody made up of thirty five men and nine women.

Respectfully submitted

George Grant  
GOVERNOR.

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

POLICE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Police Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$7,587.77:

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His Worship the Mayor,  
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Police  
Committee held on the 13th day of December 1926,  
the following accounts amounting to \$7,587.77  
were examined found correct and recommended for  
payment.

Respectfully submitted,

J.B. Kenny  
MAYOR & CHAIRMAN

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

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LIBRARY COMMITTEE ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Library  
Committee recommending for payment accounts amount-  
ing to \$652.81, and recommending the tender of  
Phillips and Marshall for binding of books:

City Hall,  
Halifax, N.S. Dec. 15-26

His Worship the Mayor and  
City Council.

Gentlemen:-

A meeting of the Library  
Committee was held this day, Those present being  
Alderman Power, Chairman, Halliday and McCarthy.  
Accounts amounting to \$652.81 were examined, found  
correct and recommended for payment.

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Tenders for binding from T.C. Allen & Company, H. Blakeney, and Phillips and Marshall were considered. It was unanimously recommended that the tender of Phillips & Marshall be accepted

Respectfully submitted

John J. Power  
CHAIRMAN

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

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CAMP HILL CEMETERY ACCOUNTS

Read report of Camp Hill Cemetery Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$1,031.64:

Committee Room,  
City Hall, Dec. 13-26

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee of Camp Hill Cemetery held this day, the attached list of accounts amounting to \$1,031.64 was submitted and recommended to the City Council for payment.

Respectfully submitted

I. E. Sanford,  
CHAIRMAN

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

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GARDENS PARKS AND COMMON ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Committee on Gardens, Parks and Common recommending for payment accounts chargeable to Fleming Park \$71.69 and to Public Gardens \$566.21:

Mayor's Office,  
City Hall,  
Dec. 10th, 1926

His Worship the Mayor,  
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Gardens, Parks and Common held this day, the attached list of accounts were passed as correct and recommended to the City Council for payment:

Fleming Park	\$71.69
Public Gardens	<u>566.21</u>

Respectfully submitted

J.B. Kenny  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN

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

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CITY HOME TENDERS FOR VEGETABLES

Read report of the Charities Committee covering tenders for the supply of potatoes and turnips to the City Home and T.B. Hospital:

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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, Alder-  
man Sanford, Daw, Drysdale, Hubley and Gastonguay.

Tenders were opened for supplying  
the City Home and Tuberculosis Hospital with 1200  
Bushels of Potatoes and 100 Bushels of Turnips, as  
follows:

Wentzells Ltd.	Potatoes, Calicos	.89	per bus
	Turnips	.60	"
J.R. Pineo	Potatoes, Reds	1.00	"
	do Calicos	.95	"
	Turnips	.60	"
Ideal Dairy Ltd.	Potatoes, Calicos	.86	"
	Turnips	.60	"
Nickerson & Crease Limited-	Potatoes, Reds.	.94	"
	do Calicos	.83	"
	Turnips	.60	"

The tender of Nickerson and Crease  
Limited being the lowest was accepted and is recommended  
to Council for approval.

Respectfully submitted

B.A. Weston,  
CHAIRMAN

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

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JOSEPH HOWE SCHOOL  
LOAN FOR SANITARY IMPROVEMENTS

Read report of the Finance  
Committee covering tender for a loan of \$11,320.00  
for sanitary improvements at Joseph Howe School:

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day, the City Treasurer submits tenders received in response to advertisement for a loan of \$11,320.00 to pay for sanitary improvements at Joseph Howe School as follows:-

Messrs. Johnston & Ward-	5% 30 year stock- 100.52%
	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % Stock 30 year 92.76%
Eastern Securities Co.	5% -30 year stock 99.83%
	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % - 92.83
W.F. Mahon & Co.	5% 30 year stock 99.78
	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 92.09
Royal Securities	5% - 30 year stock 99.16
	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % -
J.C. McIntosh	5% - 30 year stock 99.13
	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % - 91.63

Your Committee consider the offer of Messrs Johnston & Ward of 100.52 for 5% - 30 years stock to be the most advantageous to the City and recommend the said tender for acceptance.

Your Committee further recommend that the accompanying Resolution authorizing the issue of stock of the City of Halifax to an amount sufficient to produce the sum of \$11,320.00 be adopted.

Respectfully submitted

B. A. Weston,  
CHAIRMAN

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

The following Resolution is submitted:-

WHEREAS Messrs. Johnston & Ward have offered to lend the City of Halifax \$11,320.00 under the authority of Section 901 City Charter for the purpose of providing modern sanitary additions to the Joseph Howe School at the rate of 100.52 of par, the stock to be of the Consolidated Fund 1905, to bear interest at the rate of 5% per annum; to be dated January 1st 1927, and to be repayable on the 1st day of January 1957.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the said sums be borrowed for the purposes in this resolution recited; that the offer of Messrs. Johnston & Ward be accepted and that stock of the City of Halifax sufficient to produce the said sum of \$11,320.00 be issued by the City Treasurer ( Sec. 345 cc) therefor.

*Treasurer  
Auditor  
Miss Johnson*

Moved by Alderman Weston, seconded by

Alderman Power and passed unanimously.

8.55 o'clock p.m.

(Alderman Smeltzer arrives and takes his seat in Council)

FIRE DEPARTMENT TENDERS FOR RUBBER BOOTS

Read report of the Committee of Firewards covering tenders for twelve pairs of Rubber Boots for the Department:

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards held this day the following tenders for 12 pairs Rubber Boots were considered.

Dominion Rubber Co. (mar) Ltd.	Peerless Storm-	
	King @	\$6.20
do	Pilgrim	5.60
Cutta Percha & Rubber Co., Ltd	Stormking	5.60

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Gutta Percha & Rubber L td.	Hip Boots	\$5.85
R.E. Blois	Peerless Stormking	6.00
do	" (Straights)	6.00
do	Tuff Foot	5.50

Your Committee recommend that the Tender of R.E. Blois for the purchase of 12 pairs Mens Peerless Stormking (Duck lining) \$6.00 per pair be accepted.

Respectfully submitted

H.E. Rains  
CHAIRMAN.

*Chas J Dyer*  
Moved by Alderman Rains, seconded by Alderman O'Toole that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

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WATER SUPPLY-WATER SHED  
ROCKLIFFE HEIGHTS LAND COMPANY-

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer recommending the purchase of land on the Water shed of the Water Supply owned by the Rockcliffe Heights Land Company:

City Works Office,  
Halifax, N.S. Dec. 16-26

LANDS ON WATERSHED

His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Sirs:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on November 24th, Mr. L.A. Forsythe, representing the Rockcliffe Heights Land Company, Limited a portion of whose lands are situated on the Watershed of Long Lake and Chain Lakes, interviewed the Committee stating that as he was leaving the City permanently, he was desirous of re-opening negotiations for the sale of said lands to the City which was under consideration



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in 1921, but broken off on account of not being able to arrive at a price satisfactory to the Company the City Engineer and City Solicitor were requested to report on the matter and a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 8th instant, the former submitted a report which is attached hereto.

At a further meeting held on the 15th instant, the report of the City Solicitor in connection with several points raised by Mr. Forsythe and also as to whether any surplus in the Water Emergency Fund over \$20,000.00 provided under Chapter 77 of the Acts of 1921, can be appropriated for improvement of the water supply, was submitted. In answer to the last named question, he replied as follows:-

"I see no reason why the sum referred to should not be used for the purchase of lands for the improvements of the watershed the sum of \$20,000.00 provided in the Acts of 1921, Chapter 77, has been reached and a considerable sum of interest has accumulated on same"

It was moved by Alderman Daw, and seconded by Alderman Hubley and passed unanimously that the Rockcliffe Heights Land Company be offered without prejudice the sum of \$9,000.00 for all lands owned by them on the Watershed of Long Lake and Chain Lakes as laid down on the plan prepared by the City Engineer:

Attached hereto is a communication from the Rockcliffe Heights Land Company agreeing to accept the sum of \$9,000.00 for the lands in question.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

A. F. Messervey,  
CLERK OF WORKS

City Engineer's Office,  
Halifax, N.S. Dec. 8-26

LAND ON WATERSHED  
OF LAKES-ROCKLIFFE HEIGHTS  
LAND COMPANY

His Worship the Mayor

Sir:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on the 24th ult., Mr. L.A. Forsyth appeared asking that the question of the City's acquiring lands owned by the Rockcliffe Heights Land Company situated on

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the watersheds of Long Lake and Chain Lake be re-opened.

The property in question was formerly known as the Kline Property and lies between Chain Lakes and Long Lake and the portion required is shown on the accompanying plan No. 5931. In 1919 the building lots which were in this property were advertised for sale. A letter was written the owners drawing their attention to Section 675 of the City Charter notifying them that the City would do all in its power to prevent the erection of any dwelling houses on the watershed of the Lakes. The above section provides that no person shall place or permit to escape upon any land on the watershed any matter or thing of an offensive or deleterious nature, or calculated to impair the quality of the water for use for domestic purposes.

In 1920 the Company approached the City and offered to sell the lands. The price quoted was considered unreasonably high and was not accepted. After further negotiations on November 3rd, the Committee on Works decided to write the Rockcliffe Heights Land Co., offering them without prejudice the sum of \$10,000. for all the lands owned by them on the watershed. This offer was rejected by the Company.

There can be very little question of the advisability of the City's owning the property in the immediate vicinity of the lakes forming part of its water supply, and as opportunity offered, such property has in the past been bought.

It is true that the section of the Charter quoted above, apparently gives sufficient protection, but this would not be to the same extent as if the property were actually owned by the City.

Under the present financial situation, the City is practically barred from making any heavy capital expenditure, but I can see no objection to discussing the question of price with Mr. Forsyth, and if it is considered reasonable and within the means of the City, it would be advisable to acquire the lands. There are approximately 380 acres of land belonging to the Company on the watershed.

Respectfully submitted

H.W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER

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A.F. Messervey, Esq.,  
Clerk of Works  
Halifax.

Dear Sir:-

With reference to the resolution passed at the Board of Works meeting held yesterday

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to offer clients represented by me the sum of \$9000.00 for that portion of the John Kline property situated on the Water-shed of the City Water supply as defined by the City Engineer's plan, containing, if my memory serves me right, some three hundred and eighty acres, I may say that my clients, who comprise all those having any interest in this land or in the mortgage, are willing to accept this proposition and to give the City title for the sum mentioned, namely \$9000.00

Yours very truly,

L.A.Forsyth.

By unanimous consent of Council

*Council*  
the consideration of this report is deferred until the next meeting of Council.

9.05 o'clock p.m. (Alderman Gastonguay arrives and takes his seat in Council)

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WATER SUPPLY-SALE OF TIMBER ON WATERSHED

Read report of the City Engineer recommending the sale of timber at the Birch Cove on Watershed of water supply to Moirs Limited for the sum of \$165.00:

City Engineer's Office,

Halifax, N.S.

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SALE OF TIMBER TO MOIRS LTD.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I have an offer from Moirs Ltd., to buy some standing timber on land owned by the City on the Birch Cove watershed. This land is part of a property purchased in 1917 with a view to acquiring all the land on the watershed of the lakes forming the City's water supply. The particular part on which the timber is situated is not on the watershed.

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I have had an expert timber cruiser examined the land and timber thereon and he reports that there is a small area of about twelve acres in extent on which there is standing about 50,000 feet board measure, of fair quality spruce and fir if cut to six inch limit on the stump and is worth about \$3.00 per thousand.

The Moirs have a contractor cutting on leased land immediately adjoining this who are just about finished their work, and they offer \$165.00 for the timber above mentioned.

The City paid \$300.00 for the whole lot and it would seem to me that for various reasons this offer should be accepted and the amount received credited to water construction fund from which the money was taken originally to pay for the property.

If this timber were on the watershed I would strongly oppose its being cut down, but as it is not, it would seem to be good business to accept the offer.

Respectfully submitted  
H.W. Johnston,

CITY ENGINEER.

Moved by Alderman Daw, seconded by Alderman Power that this report be referred to the Committee on Works for consideration and report.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Russell, seconded by Alderman McDuff that the report of the City Engineer be adopted, and the offer of Moirs Limited accepted.

Amendment put and passed eight voting for the same and seven against it as follows:-

*Engineer  
and  
auditor*

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Alderman Russell  
Shannon  
Sanford  
Halliday  
Gastonguay  
McDuff  
Drysdale  
Robinson- 8

AGAINST IT

Alderman Weston  
Hubley  
Rains  
O'Toole  
Power  
Smeltzer  
Daw- 7

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CITY HOME AND T. B. HOSPITAL

MONTHLY REPORT

Read report of the Charities  
Committee showing the number of inmates in the City  
Home and T.B.Hospital during the month of November:

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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 Hubley, Drysdale, Daw, Sanford, and Gastonguay.

SUPT. REPORT, CITY HOME NOV. 1926, NUMBER OF INMATES  
271

The Superintendents report shows  
that during the month of November 1926, there were  
7 persons admitted into the City Home, 8 were discharged  
and 1 died. Of the number admitted 1 was chargeable  
to the Province and 6 to the City.

The total number of inmates  
November 30th, 1926 was 271, made up of 153 men and  
118 women. On the same date last year there were  
157 men, 132 women and 3 children a total of 292.

SUPT. REPORT T. B. HOSPITAL, NOV. 1926, NUMBER OF  
PATIENTS 45

The Superintendents report shows  
that during the month of November 1926, there were  
5 patients admitted into the City Tuberculosis Hospital,  
2 men, 2 women and 1 child, 2 women were discharged  
and 2 men and 3 women died.

The total number of patients  
November 30th, 1926 was 45, made up of 21 men, 22  
women and 2 children. On the same date last year there  
were 18 men and 16 women a total of 34.

Respectfully submitted  
B. A. Weston,  
CHAIRMAN

FILED

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MARKET STREET TRAFFIC

Read report of the Committee on  
Laws and Privileges on the application for an amend-  
ment to the traffic Ordinance exempting both sides  
of Market Street between Duke and Buckingham Street  
from the Provisions of the Traffic Ordinance;

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on  
Laws and Privileges held this day the attached extract  
of Minutes from City Council meeting of 16th day of  
September 1926 re Market Street Traffic was submitted;

After consideration of the matter  
your Committee are of the unanimous opinion that re-  
quest should not be entertained.

Respectfully submitted

B.W. Russell,  
CHAIRMAN

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

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FIRES THEIR CAUSES AND LOSSES

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

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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 during the month of November was submitted and ordered to be forwarded to the City Council for its information.

Respectfully submitted

H.E. Rains,  
CHAIRMAN

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Board of Firewards.

Gentlemen:-

During the month of November there were 30 alarms from the following causes:

Chimneys 20, spontaneous ignition 2,  
sprinkler system 1, false 3, hot ashes 1, defective wiring 1, sparks 1, incendiarism 1.

Property at risk	\$213,750.00
Insurance Losses	\$3,242.00
Losses not insured	5.00
	<u>\$3,247.00</u>

Respectfully submitted

J.W. Churchill,  
CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT.

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COAL WEIGHERS REPORT

Read report Supervisor of Coal Weighers for the month of November 1926 showing that the permanent Weighers received \$110.01 in fees during the month for their services.

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CITY AUDITOR'S REPORT RE TAX COLLECTIONS FOR NOVEMBER

Read report of the City Auditor covering Statement of Tax Collections during the month of November 1926:

City Auditor's Office,  
Halifax, N.S. Dec. 16-26

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

Dear Sir:-

RE TAX COLLECTIONS

I enclose herewith my usual monthly statement of Tax Collections during the month of November and the outstandings as at 30th November last and supplement same with the following further information.

The Collections on account of back years taxes during the month under review including those in respect of the year ending 30th April last amounted to \$35,344.59 as compared with \$39,946.32 for the previous month.

The following is a comparison of the Collections on account of back years taxes this year as compared with last year:



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	<u>1925</u>	<u>1926</u>
Collections for six months to 30 Oct.	\$276,721.65	\$309,184.13
November Collections	51,070.28	35,344.59
	<u>\$327,791.93</u>	<u>\$344,528.72</u>

which shows that although there is a falling off of \$15,725.69 in the collection of back years taxes this November as compared with the same month last year still the collections on account of these taxes for the seven months to 30th November last are \$16,736.79 better than last year. I would point out that during the last three months the collections of back years taxes have been falling off as compared with last year and furthermore if there is not an improvement in the collections of these taxes this present month our collections are likely to be less than last year by the end of December, as the collections of December 1925 were much larger than our present monthly collections.

The collections on account of the taxes of the Current Civic Year during November amounted to \$27,607.09. The Collections on account of Current Years Taxes compare with last year as follows:

	<u>1925</u>	<u>1926</u>
Collections for six months ending 31 Oct.	\$1,114,258.43	\$1,141,430.58
November Collections	27,125.00	27,607.09
	<u>\$1,141,383.43</u>	<u>\$1,169,037.67</u>

which shows that there is an increase this year in the collection of current taxes for the seven months ending 30th November of \$27,654.24.

It will therefore be seen that although the back and current years tax collections, together are \$15,243.60 less this November than the same month last year, still these Collections for the seven months to 30th November last are \$44,391.03 better this year than last.

You will observe that there is still \$427,136.41 remaining uncollected of the taxes of the Civic Year ending 30th April last which arrears are not embraced in our Tax Refunding Scheme and which sum will have to be repaid the City's Bankers whether collected or not. It is alarming to note that the collections on account of this years taxes during November were only \$15,376.74. Further there is still

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the large sum of \$718,669.65 outstanding for the Current Year with Collections last month of Only \$27,607.09 and only five months remaining of the Civic Year.

I cannot impress upon you too strongly the seriousness of this situation as whatever is not collected on account of these taxes will have to be provided by additional taxation at a later date. In this regard I would state there is already evidence of other heavy charges to go into future estimates apart from this, especially in connection with settlement of our Explosion Damages resulting from the pending adjustment of the Relief Commission.

Yours truly,  
H.F. Glass,  
CITY AUDITOR.

STATEMENT OF TAX COLLECTIONS  
AS AT 30th NOVEMBER, 1926

General Tax Arrears prior to 30th April 1924

Balance as at 31 October 1926	\$1,070,813.23
<u>Less</u>	
Cash Collections during month of November 1926 - \$15,057.40	
Written off to Reserve & Defalcation account 1,074.78	16,132.18
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<u>Total Tax Arrears outstanding 30th Nov., 1926 years prior to April 30th, 1924</u>	<u>\$1,054,681.05</u>
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General Tax Arrears year ending 30th  
April 1925

Balance as at 31 October 1926	\$261,305.68
<u>Less</u>	
Cash Collections during month of November 1926- \$ 4,910.45	
Written off to Reserve 31.40	4,941.85
<u>Total Tax Arrears outstanding 30th November 1926 year 1924-25</u>	<u>\$256,363.83</u>

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General Tax Arrears year ending 30th April 1926

Balance as at 31 Oct. 1926		\$442,524.49
<u>Less - Cash Collections during</u> month of November 1926 -	\$15,376.74	
Written off to Reserve	<u>11.34</u>	<u>15,388.08</u>
<u>Total Tax arrears outstanding 30th</u> <u>November 1926- year 1925/6</u>		<u>\$427,136.41</u>

Total Arrears of Back Years General Taxes  
at 30th November 1926 as above \$1,738,181.29

General Taxes for Current Year ending  
30th April 1927

Balance as at 31 Oct. 1926		\$746,276.74
<u>Less Cash Collections during month of</u> November 1926		<u>27,607.09</u>
<u>Total Taxes outstanding 30th November</u> <u>1926- for Current Year ending 30th</u> <u>April 1927</u>		<u>\$718,669.65</u>

Poll Tax for Current Year ending 30th  
April 1927

Total Estimated Poll Tax Outstanding 31st Oct. 1926-		2,308.00
<u>Less Cash Collections during month</u> of November 1926		<u>275.00</u>
<u>Total Estimated Poll Tax outstanding 30th</u> <u>November 1926</u>		<u>\$2,033.00</u>

Dog Tax Current Year ending 30th April 1927

Total Collected in excess of estimates for year at 31 Oct. 1926		505.05
<u>Add Cash Collected in November</u>		<u>4.00</u>
<u>Total Collected in excess of Estimates for</u> <u>Year</u>		<u>\$509.00</u>

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WATER RATES & TAXES

Total outstanding at 31 Oct. 1926	\$168,826.34
<u>Add-Additional charges</u>	<u>8,039.69</u>
	\$176,866.03
<u>Less -Cash Collections during month of November</u>	<u>21,719.27</u>
<u>Total Water Rates outstanding 30th November 1926</u>	<u>\$155,146.76</u>
<u>Total Cash Collections on account of above rates and taxes for month of November 1926</u>	<u>\$84,949.95</u>

Moved by Alderman Power, seconded by Alderman Hubley that the consideration of this report be deferred, and that a Special meeting of Council be called to consider the same on Thursday Evening December 30th, at 8 o'clock.

Motion put and lost four voting for the same and twelve against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Hubley  
Power  
Smeltzer  
Daw- 4

AGAINST IT

Alderman Weston  
Russell  
Shannon  
Sanford  
Halliday  
Gastonguay  
MacDuff  
McCarthy  
Rains  
O'Toole  
Drysdale  
Robinson- 12

His Worship the Mayor ordered  
that the report be filed.

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DEPARTMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Read report of the City Auditor covering statements of Departmental Appropriations as at October 31st, 1926;

City Auditor's Office,  
Halifax, N.S.  
Dec. 16th, 1926

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

I enclose herewith the usual statements of Departmental Appropriations, copies of which have already been supplied the Heads of Departments.

You are no doubt aware of the state of the Fire Department Maintenance Appropriation. I understand the Fire Department are taking this matter up with you direct.

Yours truly,

H.F. Glass,  
CITY AUDITOR.

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INFECTIOUS DISEASE AND ISOLATION HOSPITAL

Read report of the City Health Board notifying the City Council that the Board proposes to spend money as authorized under Sub-Section 2, Section 9, Chapter 83, Acts 1925 for the purposes of controlling and wiping out the outbreak of infectious diseases in Halifax;

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His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Acting on instructions from the City Health Board, I herewith report in brief on the existing situation with respect to an outbreak of Infectious Diseases in the City of Halifax.

Statistics for November compiled by the City Health Department, shows the following number of infectious diseases reported:

Scarlet fever	25
Diphtheria	17
Tuberculosis	2
Measles	33
Thphoid Fever	1

The situation since then has not improved as statistics compiled by this Department of the number of infectious diseases reported clearly shows by the following table:

Diphtheria	5
German Measles	79
Scarlet Fever	10
Chicken Pox	2
Whooping Cough	28

Several deaths have resulted from these diseases during the past two months

The City Health Board is not in a position to properly care for those suffering from Infectious Diseases, especially those in poor families. The reason is that the Isolation Hospital is in such a dilapidated state of repair that not more than five patients can with safety be accommodated. This serious condition was reported to the City Council in the spring of this year when a special report was submitted pointing out the hazards to which the patients and the staff were subjected during the winter. Since then the situation has become far worse.

During the comparatively cold snap part of the Hospital had to be abandoned; patients occupying certain rooms had to be removed owing to the uninhabitable state of the building and the impossibility of keeping the wards at a reasonable temperature of heat. In fact the building is in such a bad condition that even with the furnace going full blast a part of the heating system became frozen

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The acting City Medical Officer, Dr. Almon, and the matron in charge have repeatedly complained of the condition of the building.

In view of the fact that hospital accommodation cannot be afforded to certain patients suffering from Infectious Diseases it is impossible for the Health Department to control the spread of it as the ordinary precautions cannot be enforced in apartment and tenement houses. Several very distressing cases requiring hospital treatment have come to the attention of the Department and on several occasions requests for admittance has had to be refused. This is well known to the Medical men of Halifax.

It is essential that temporary repairs as previously recommended, be made to the Hospital, otherwise it is possible that the entire building may have to be abandoned for the treatment of patients during the present winter.

It is estimated that \$200.00 will be required to make the repairs necessary.

Funds are also badly needed to buy Diphtheria Anti-toxin absolutely essential for use of patients in poor families if they are to enjoy a minimum measure of protection to insure recovery and guard against loss of life. The supply has long since been exhausted and it is known that patients have suffered as a result. Practitioners can substantiate this.

The existing situation is a serious one and requires the exercise of every precaution to deal with it in an effective and satisfactory manner.

Respectfully submitted

Arthur C. Pettipas  
SECRETARY C.H.B.

City Health Board  
Halifax, N.S. Dec. 16-26

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the City Health Board held on Wednesday December 15th, 1926 a serious situation with respect to an outbreak of Infectious Diseases in Halifax, was discussed with a view of deciding what proper steps should be taken to cope with it.

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It was disclosed that the regular appropriations made no provision to deal with an epidemic as it is cared for under authority of Sub-Section 2, Section 9, Chapter 83, Acts 1925, which reads as follows:

"If any expenditure in addition to the amount so appropriated is required by reason of the outbreak or threatened outbreak of any epidemic disease in the City, the Board, may, for that purpose, expend an amount not exceeding Five Thousand Dollars in addition to the amount so appropriated, and the Council may on the request of the Board grant such further reasonable amount as it deems fit, and any amounts so expended may be borrowed by the City and repaid as directed in the next succeeding sub-Section For the purpose of dealing with any request of the Board under this section a meeting of the Council may be summoned forthwith and two days notice thereof shall not be required".

The Board instructed me to forward for your information a copy of the following Resolution which was unanimously passed

"WHEREAS in view of the fact that the City is at present suffering from an outbreak of Infectious Diseases of serious proportion which threatens to become epidemic.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council be notified that the Board proposes to spend money as authorized under Sub-Section 2, Section 9, Chapter 83, Acts 1925, for the purpose of controlling and wiping out such conditions re-ferred to in the attached report"

Respectfully submitted

Arthur C. Pettipas  
SECRETARY

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Alderman Daw, owing to the urgency of the matter, on behalf of the City Health Board appeals to the Council, and requests that the City Engineer prepare plans for an Infectious Disease Hospital on the City Home property Morris Street without further delay.



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WATER METER BILL 105 ALMON STREET

Read report Committee on Works and  
City Engineer re Water Meter Bill 105 Almon Street:

City Engineer's Office,  
Halifax, N.S.  
Nov. 26th, 1926

105 Almon St.-Water Bill

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the attached letter from Miss B.A. MacDonald claiming that she should not be compelled to pay large water bills for the past few years on the ground that the bills were never rendered her.

I find that in making up the new water ledger in the Works Department that these premises were charged in the Collector's old ledger to a Mr. Cross who lives next door. Bills and notice of the large consumption were sent to him and no notice was taken of them. The error was not discovered until lately when the Clerk of Works sent instructions that the water would be turned off for non-payment. Mr. Cross then notified him that he was not the owner. The bills as follow, were then sent Miss MacDonald.

Meter Rates from	Aug. 1922 to Sept. 1922	.46
do	Sept. 1922 to Mar 1923	19.78
do	Mar. 1923 to Sept. 1923	39.18
do	Sept. 1923 to Mar. 1924	3.86
do	Mar. 1924 to Oct. 1924	5.38
do	Oct. 1924 to Apr. 1925	1.46
do	Apr. 1925 to Oct. 1925	1.58
do	Oct. 1925 to Apr. 1926	.80

Miss MacDonald states that she is willing to pay the amount of last year's rates \$2.38 for each of the previous years unpaid.

The total amount of the bills against the property is \$72.50 included in which will be noticed a very large consumption for the two half years, one ending March 1923 and the other Sept. 1923

At this late date it is difficult to make any intelligent report of the cause of the large consumption during this period.

It is unfortunate that the error occurred, at the same time, the property owner knew that water was being supplied to the premises and therefore that there would be charged against the property

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Under the law I am unable to recommend any reduction in the bill.

Respectfully submitted

H.W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER

City Works Office,  
Halifax, N.S.  
Dec. 15-26

105 ALMON STREET, WATER METER ACCOUNTS

His Worship the Mayor and  
City Council.

Sirs:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 8th inst., the City Engineer submitted a report in connection with Water Meter Accounts for the above mentioned premises.

It was decided to recommend to Council that owing to Special Circumstances, that the bills for four years be reduced to \$2.38 for each year, that being the amount charged for the last year in question.

Respectfully submitted

A.F. Messervey,  
CLERK OF WORKS

*under  
Engineer  
Clerk of Works  
Collector*

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

WATER METER BILL 39 BAUER STREET

Read report Committee on Works and  
City Engineer re Water Meter Bill 39 Bauer Street:

Dec. 16th, 1926

City Engineer's Office,  
Halifax, N.S.  
Nov. 1st 1926

39 BAUER STREET  
WATER BILL

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the attached water Bill for the premises # 39 Bauer Street claimed to be excessive, that the period complained of is the half year ending April 1926, and the amount of the bill for the water consumed is \$43.70. The monthly consumption during the period was as follows:

1925	Nov. 30th,	1,300	
	Dec.	-	
1926	Jan.	-	
	Feb. 4th	77,500	Tap and Closet Wasting (N) 17-2-26 House Locked
	Mar. 12th		
	Apr. 22nd	145,300	Tap and closet wasting pipe burst (N) 27-4-26

The owner states that on receipt of Notices in February and April he had a plumber repair the taps and closet and the receipted bills submitted would show that this statement is correct. Under these circumstances it would appear to be a case for the Committee to exercise its discretion and I would recommend that the consumption at these premises be reduced to an average of 5,000 gallons per month from December to April

Respectfully submitted  
H.W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER

City Works Office  
Halifax, N.S. Dec. 16-26

# 39 Bauer St.-Water Account

His Worship the Mayor and  
City Council.

Sirs:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 15th inst., the City Engineer submitted a report on Water Bill for premises 39 Bauer St. for half year ending April 1926, which is attached hereto, also bill. The Committee approved of the report and recommended it to Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted

A.F. Messervey,  
CLERK OF WORKS

Dec. 16th, 1926

*Auditor  
Engineer  
Chief of Works  
Collector*

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

WATER METER BILL 249 BRUNSWICK STREET

Read report Committee on Works and  
City Engineer re Water Meter Bill 249 Brunswick St:

City Engineer's Office,  
Halifax, N.S.  
Nov. 16th, 1926

249 Brunswick St.-  
Water Bill

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:

I beg to report on the attached  
water bill for the premises # 249 Brunswick Street  
claimed to be excessive, that the amount of the bill  
is \$122.62 of which \$83.98 is for arrears. A re-  
duction was made in the bills for this property in  
August 1923. The consumption for the past half year  
complained of was as follows:

1925	Oct. 8-	700	
	Nov. 6	1,600	
	Dec. 8	7,100	
1926	Jan. 11	50,000	W.C.W.
	Feb. 12	59,500	"
	Mar. 25	56,200	
	Apr. 29	5,700	

There was a large consumption  
during January, February and March. The consumption  
for the subsequent two months was larger and I am  
unable to recommend any reduction in the bill.

Respectfully submitted  
H.W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER.

City Works Office  
Halifax, N.S.  
Dec. 15-26

249 Brunswick St.-  
Water Meter Bill

His Worship the Mayor and  
City Council.

Sirs:

At a meeting of the Works

Dec. 16th, 1926

Committee held on the 8th instant, the City Engineer submitted a report on Water Meter Bill for the above mentioned premises, for half year ending April 1926 \$36.02

It was decided to recommend to Council that the consumption for January, February and March, amounting to 165,700 gallons be reduced to 100,000 gallons.

Respectfully submitted

A.F. Messervey,  
CLERK OF WORKS

*Auditor  
Engineer  
Clerk of Works  
Collector*

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

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WATER METER BILL 1-1½ Charles St.

Read report Committee on Works and City Engineer re Water Meter Bill 1-1½ Charles Street:

City Engineer's Office  
Halifax, N.S.  
Nov. 16-26

1-1½ Charles St. Water Bill

His Worship the Mayor

Sir:-

I beg to report on the attached water bill for the premises 1-1½ Charles Street claimed to be excessive, that the period complained of is the half year ending April 1926, and the amount of the bill for water consumed during that period is \$25.40. There are also arrears amounting to \$49.56. The record of consumption during the period complained of and subsequently is as follows:

Dec. 16th, 1926

1926	Oct. 23-	4,600	New Meter
	Nov. 23	18,100	( N) 25-11-25
	Dec. 22	24,300	W.C.Wasting
1926	Jan. 23	18,000	
	Feb. 20	24,600	
	Mar. 23	24,000	
	Apr. 23	18,000	
	May 22	18,400	W.C.Wasting
	June 23	11,300	"."."
	July -	-	
	Aug. 24	18,000	( N) 1-9-23
	Sept. 23	2,800	
	Oct. 22	2,700	

It will be seen that there has been a continuous consumption at these premises from November 1925 to August 1926, due apparently to a leaky closet.

I can see no reason for recommending any reduction in the bill.

Respectfully submitted

H.W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER.

City Works Office  
Halifax, N.S.  
Dec. 15-26

1-1 $\frac{1}{2}$  Charles St. Water Consumption

His Worship the Mayor and  
City Council.

Sirs:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 8th instant, the City Engineer submitted a report on Water consumption for the above mentioned premises amounting to 66,600 gallons during the months of January, February and March. It was decided to recommend to Council that said amount be reduced one-third.

Respectfully submitted

A.F. Messervey  
CLERK OF WORKS

Dec. 16th, 1926

*Inspector  
Engineer  
Clerk of Works  
Collector*

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

✓  
Water Meter Bill 2 Creighton St.

Read report Committee on Works  
and City Engineer re Water Meter Bill # 2 Creighton  
Street:-

Halifax, N.S.  
Nov. 22nd, 1926

# 2 CREIGHTON STREET  
WATER CONSUMPTION

His Worship the Mayor

Sir:-

I beg to report on the complaint  
of large water consumption at the premises # 2  
Creighton Street, that the monthly record since the  
beginning of the year has been as follows:-

Jan.	4	6,900
Feb.	6	7,200
Mar.	15	8,000
Apr.	17	10,900
May.	17	9,400
June	-	-
July	14	No key
Aug.	-	-
Sept.	18	65,400 (N) 25-9-26
Oct.	20	8,000

The meter was not read during  
June, July and August as the premises were locked when  
the meter reader went there. The large consumption  
recorded in September 65,400 is for four months or  
an average of about 16,000 gallons per month. This  
was due to a waste. Notice was sent the owner and  
conditions were remedied as the consumption for  
October was back to normal. The meter was tested and  
found to register accurately. On the date of inspection  
the 17th inst., no waste was found. Under the cir-  
cumstances I would recommend that the average  
monthly consumption for the months of June, July,  
August and September be taken at 9,000 gallons and the  
bill made up on this basis.

Respectfully submitted

H.W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER

Dec. 16th, 1926

Halifax, N.S.  
City Works Office,  
Dec. 16-26

# 2 CREIGHTON ST-WATER CONSUMPTION

His Worship the Mayor and  
City Council

Sirs:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 15th inst., the City Engineer submitted a report in connection with the consumption of water for premises # 2 Creighton Street, which is attached hereto, and which was approved by the Committee and recommended to Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted

A.F. Messervey,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Daw, seconded by

*Auditor  
Engineer  
Clerk of Works  
Collector*

Alderman Smeltzer that the report of the Committee on Works be adopted. Motion passed.

✓  
WATER METER BILL 136 CREIGHTON ST

Read report Committee on Works and  
City Engineer re Water Meter Bill 136 Creighton St:

City Engineer's Office,  
Halifax, N.S. Sept. 23-26

136 Creighton St-Water Bill

H.W. Johnston, Esq.,  
City Engineer.

Sir:-

I beg to report on a claim for a reduction in the bill for the premises No. 136 Creighton Street, that the period complained of is from October 1925 to April 1926. The consumption for this period is as follows:-



Dec. 16th, 1926

Oct. 12	800	
Nov. 11	1,900	
Dec. 11	2,100	
Jan. 12	20,800	T & W.C.W. N. 14-1-26
Feb.	-	
Mar. 18	60,700	
Apr. 16	300	

A notice was sent on January 14th, 1926 and the premises were inspected on September 13th, 1926 at which time there was no waste on the premises. The meter reader reports that a W.C. Wasted during the months of January and February, and the tenant stated that the owner said to let the water run in cold weather to prevent freezing.

As the consumption during the months of February and March after the notice was sent averaged more than that during January, the notice evidently did not have much effect. A reduction was granted to this account on November 12th, 1925.

As the water actually passed through the meter and was either used or wasted on the premises, I cannot recommend any reduction.

Respectfully submitted

H. W. L. Doane,  
ASST. CITY ENGINEER.

City Works Office,  
Halifax, N.S.  
Dec. 15-26

136 CREIGHTON ST. WATER  
METER BILL

His Worship the Mayor and  
City Council.

Sirs:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 8th inst., the City Engineer submitted a report on Water Meter Bill for half year ending April 1926, \$17.16. It was decided to recommend to Council that the consumption for January, February and March amounting to 81,500 gals. be reduced one-half.

Respectfully submitted  
A. F. Messervey,  
CLERK OF WORKS

Moved by Alderman Daw, seconded by

*Alderman  
Engineer  
Clerk of Works  
Collector*  
Alderman Smeltzer that the report of the Committee on Works be adopted. Motion passed

DEC. 16th, 1926

WATER METER BILL no.138 Creighton St

Read report Committee on Works  
and City Engineer re Water Meter Bill No.138 Creighton St:

City Engineer's Office  
Halifax, N.S.  
Nov.2nd, 1926

138 Creighton St-Water Bill

His Worship the Mayor,

Sir:-

I beg to report on the attached water bill for the premises # 138 Creighton St., claimed to be excessive, that the period complained of is Sept., 1925 to January 1926. The record of consumption during this period is as follows:-

Aug. 11-	1,100
Sept. 11	4,000
Oct. 12	Net Meter Zero 10-15-25
Nov. 15	11,500 (N) 20-11-25
Dec. 11	3,600
Jan. 6	4,200 Meter Removed 1-6-26

The old meter was found to be not registering on October 12th, it was removed and a new meter installed on the 15th. When the meter was read in November the meter reader reported a closet wasting and notice was sent the owner when steps were evidently taken immediately to repair the plumbing. I would recommend that the consumption for November be reduced to 4,000 gallons.

Respectfully submitted

H.W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER.

Dec. 16th, 1926

City Works Office,  
Halifax, N.S. Dec.15-26

138 Creighton St.  
Water Meter Bill

His Worship the Mayor and  
City Council.

Sirs:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 8th inst., the City Engineer submitted a report on Water Meter Bill for premises # 138 Creighton Street for half year ending April 1926.

It was decided to recommend to Council that the consumption for November 11,500 gals. be reduced to 4,000 gallons.

Respectfully submitted,

A.F. Messervey,  
CLERK OF WORKS

*Auditor  
Engineer  
Clerk of Works  
Collector*

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

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WATER METER BILL 139-141 Creighton St.

Read report Committee on Works and  
City Engineer re Water Meter Bill 139-141 Creighton  
Street:-

City Engineer's Office,  
Halifax, N.S. Sept.24-26

139-141 Creighton St.-Water Bill

H.W. Johnston, Esq.,  
City Engineer.

Sir:- I beg to report on the complaint of excessive water bill for the premises No.139-141 Creighton St., that the amount of the bill is \$17.54 and covers the period from Oct. 1925 to April 1926, the records show the consumption as follows:-

Dec. 16th, 1926

1925	Oct. 15-	12,000	
	Nov. 16	7,900	
	Dec. 14	12,800	W.C.W. 15-12-25
1926	Jan. 15	16,400	
	Feb. 12	15,200	
	Mar. 12	6,700	
	Apr. 14	10,500	

In December 1925 a W.C. was wasting and a notice was sent on the 15th of the month but the consumption for the two following months, January and February, was higher than before the notice was sent.

The premises were inspected on September 13th, 1926. The meter reader reports a W.C. wasting from September 15th, 1925 to February 12th, 1926, and this W.C. was still wasting on September 13th of this year.

As the water actually passed through the meter and was either used or wasted on the premises I am unable to recommend a reduction.

Respectfully submitted

H. W. L. Doane,  
ASST. CITY ENGINEER

City Works Office,  
Halifax, N.S.  
Dec. 15-26

139-141 Creighton St.,  
Water Meter Bill

His Worship the Mayor and  
City Council.

Sirs:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 8th inst., the City Engineer submitted a report on Water Meter Bill for the above mentioned premises for half year ending April 1926, \$13.90

It was decided to recommend to Council that the consumption for January, February and March amounting to 44,600 gals. be reduced one-third.

Respectfully submitted

A. F. Messervey,  
CLERK OF WORKS

Dec. 16th, 1926

*Under  
to Engineer  
City Works  
Collector*

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

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WATER METER BILL 2 CUNARD COURT

Read report Committee on Works  
and City Engineer re Water Meter Bill # 2 Cunard  
Court:-

City Engineer's Office,  
Halifax, N.S.  
Nov. 25-26

# 2 Cunard Court-Water Bill

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the large  
water consumption at the premises # 2 Cunard Court  
that the complaint is made of the large consumption  
taking place during September, The monthly con-  
sumption for the half year is as follows:-

May 26-	900
June 29	1000
July 30	1000
Aug. -	-
Sept. 1	7500
Oct. 1	15,700 W.C. Wasting (N) 710-6

The owner immediately on receipt  
of notice had a plumber repair the leak. Under the  
circumstances I would recommend that in making up the  
bill the consumption for October be taken at 2,500  
gallons

Respectfully submitted

H.W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER.

City Works Office  
Halifax, N.S.  
Dec. 15-26

# 2 Cunard Court-Water Meter  
Bill

Sirs:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held

Dec. 16th, 1926

on the 8th inst., the City Engineer submitted a report on consumption of water for premises # 2 Cunard Court

It was recommended that the consumption for October 1926, 15,700 gallons, be recommended to Council to be reduced to 2,500 gallons.

Respectfully submitted

A.F. Messervey,  
CLERK OF WORKS

*Handed to  
Engineer  
Clerk of Works  
& office for*

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

WATER METER BILL 119-119½ GOTTINGEN ST

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re Water Meter Bill 119-119½ Gottingen St.:

City Engineer's Office,  
Halifax, N.S. Nov. 16-26

119-119½ Gottingen St.,  
WATER BILL

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the attached Water Bill for the premises 119-119½ Gottingen St., claimed to be excessive, that the total amount of the bill is \$28.12 of which \$103.00 is arrears. In 1923 a bill for these premises was reduced and is included in the arrears, as it has never been paid. The consumption at these premises for the past year has been as follows:-

1925-	Oct. 10-	2300	
	Nov. 13	2300	
	Dec. 10	4300	
1926	Jan. 13	10700	W.C. Wasting (N) 15-1-26
	Feb. 10	39000	
	Mar. 10	33700	

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Apr. 12-	8,400	
May. 11	4,500	
June 14	2,500	
July 14	15,800	W.C.Wasting ( N )
		19-7-26
Aug. 12	1,000	
Sept. 14	900	
Oct. 13	5,400	

The cause of the large bill for the half year ending April was due to a very large consumption in January, February and March. Notice was sent on the 15th but apparently no steps were taken to remedy conditions as the consumption for the two succeeding months was larger than for the first. I am unable to recommend a reduction in the bill.

Respectfully submitted

H.W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER.

CITY WORKS OFFICE,  
Halifax, N.S.  
Dec. 15-26

119-119½ Gottingen St.,  
Water Consumption

His Worship the Mayor and  
City Council.

Sirs:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 8th inst., the City Engineer submitted a report on the above mentioned premises for water consumption. It was decided to recommend to Council that the consumption for January, February and March, 1926 amounting to 83,400 gallons, be reduced one-third.

Respectfully submitted

A.F. Messervey,  
CLERK OF WORKS

Moved by Alderman Daw, seconded by

Alderman Smeltzer that the report of the Committee on Works be adopted. Motion passed

*Auditor  
& Engineer  
C. L. H. H. H.  
Collector*

Dec. 16th, 1926

WATER METER BILL 121 GOTTINGEN STREET

Read report Committee on Works and  
City Engineer re Water Meter Bill 121 Gottingen Street:

City Engineer's Office,  
Halifax, N.S.  
Nov. 16-26

121 GOTTINGEN STREET-WATER BILL

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the attached water bill for the premises # 121 Gottingen Street claimed to be excessive, that the total amount of the bill is \$116.53 of which \$91.31 is for arrears, the balance being for the half year ending April 1926. The records show that a reduction in the bill for these premises was made in August 1923. The consumption during the period complained of was as follows:

1925	Oct. 10-	1,200	
	Nov. 13	2,800	
	Dec. 10	7,200	
1926	Jan. 13	25,500	T & W.C. Wasting (N) 15-1-26
	Feb. 10	27,700	
	Mar. 10	31,000	
	Apr. 12	6,100	

The large consumption took place during January, February, and March. Notice was sent on the 15th of January, but no steps were apparently taken to remedy conditions, as the consumption for the next two months was larger. I am unable to recommend any reduction in the bill.

Respectfully submitted

H. W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER

City Works Office,  
Halifax, N.S. Dec. 15-26

121 Gottingen St.  
Water Meter Bill

His Worship the Mayor and  
City Council

Sirs:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 8th instant, the City Engineer submitted a report on Water Meter Bill for the above mentioned premises. It was decided to recommend to Council that the consumption for January February and March, 1926 amounting to 94,200 gallons, be reduced one-third.



Dec. 16th, 1926

Respectfully submitted

A.F. Messervey,  
CLERK OF WORKS

*Assistant  
Engineer  
Care of Works  
Collector*

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

WATER METER BILL 213 GRAFTON STREET

Read report Committee on Works  
and City Engineer re Water Meter Bill 213 Grafton  
Street:-

City Engineer's Office,  
Halifax, N.S.  
Sept. 10th, 1926

213 Grafton St.-Water Bill

H.W. Johnston, Esq.,  
Asst. City Engineer.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the attached  
Water Bill for the premises # 213 Grafton St.,  
claimed to be excessive, that the amount of the  
bill is \$51.68 and the period complained of is  
from Oct. 1925 to April 1926. The consumption  
during this time was as follows:-

1925	Oct. 16-	300	
	Nov. 13	300	
	Dec. 14	1900	
1926	Jan. 16	96, 100	W.O. Wasting (N)
			17-1-26
	Feb. 20	82, 200	
	Mar. 30	78, 500	
	Apr. 30	6, 000	

Dec. 16th, 1926

A W.C. was wasting and notice was sent on January 17th, 1926. The owner states that he has the plumbing system repaired after receiving the notice, but the consumption for the following months shows very little decrease from that month in which the notice was sent.

The meter reader reports that the W.C. was wasting from December 14th, 1925 to March 30th, 1926, during the cold weather.

As the water actually went through the meter and was either used or wasted, I cannot recommend any reduction in the bill.

Respectfully submitted

A.W.L. Doane,  
ASST. CITY ENGINEER

APPROVED CITY ENGINEER

WATER METER BILL 213 GRAFTON ST

City Works Office,  
Halifax, N.S. Dec. 15-26

213 GRAFTON ST-WATER  
METER BILL

His Worship the Mayor and  
City Council.

Sirs:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 8th inst., the City Engineer submitted a report on the above mentioned premises for half year ending April 1926 \$51.68.

It was decided to recommend to Council that the consumption for January, February and March amounting to 256,800 gallons be reduced twenty-five per-cent.

Respectfully submitted

A.F. Messervey,  
CLERK OF WORKS

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

*auditor  
Engineer  
Clerk of Works  
Collector*