

M I N U T E S

OF THE
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FOR THE

CIVIC YEAR 1928-29

LOUIS AMABLE GASTONGUAY

JAMES W. McCARTHY

H. S. RHIND,

MAYOR

DEPUTY MAYOR

CITY CLERK

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL

CIVIC YEAR 1928-1929

LEWIS AMABLE GASTONGUAY.....MAYOR

Office of the City Clerk,

City Hall,

Halifax, N.S.,

May 1st 1928

LEWIS AMABLE GASTONGUAY having been on the 26th day of April A.D. 1928, by the City Clerk in the presence of the City Council, publicly declared duly elected Mayor of the City of Halifax for the Civic Year 1928-1929, I do hereby certify that before entering upon the duties of the office of Mayor he was on the 30th day of April A.D. , 1928 sworn before His Honor the Lieutenant Governor at Government House by subscribing and taking the Oath of Allegiance and the Oaths of Office of Mayor in the presence of Aldermen Shannon, Smith, McCarthy, Ryan, O'Toole, Robinson and the City Solicitor.

And that upon the said 30th day of April he was sworn as a Justice of the Peace for the City of Halifax before the City Clerk.

H. S. Rhind

CITY CLERK

A L D E R M E N

Office of the City Clerk,
City Hall,
Halifax, N.S.,
May 2nd 1928

Frederick Warren Dickie for Ward No. 1,
William Edward Donovan for Ward No. 2, Edward Joseph
Cragg for Ward No. 3, Stephen Harry Enoch Rains for
Ward No. 4, William Joseph O'Toole for Ward No. 5 and
Alex. Alfred Robertson for Ward No. 6, having been
on the 26th day of April A.D. 1928 by Henry S. Rhind,
City Clerk, in the presence of the City Council
publicly declared duly elected Aldermen of the City of
Halifax for the Wards for which they were severally and
individually respectively elected at the election held
on the 25th day of April A.D. 1928.

I do hereby certify that before
entering upon the duties of Aldermen the following
named Candidates, Frederick Warren Dickie, William
Edward Donovan, Edward Joseph Cragg, Stephen Harry
Enoch Rains, William Joseph O'Toole and Alex. Alfred
Robertson were each and severally sworn before His
Worship Mayor Gastonguay by subscribing and taking
the Oath of Allegiance and the Oaths of Office of
Aldermen and Justice of the Peace for the City of
Halifax, and signed the Roll of Aldermen in the presence
of the City Clerk on the 1st day of May 1928.

H. S. Rhind

CITY CLERK

ALDERMAN-CASUAL VACANCY

Office of the City Clerk,
City Hall,
Halifax, N.S.,
May 17th 1928

THOMAS WILLIAM MULLANE for Ward No. 5
having been on the 10th day of May A.D. 1928 by Henry
S. Rhind, City Clerk, in the presence of the City Council,
publicly declared elected Alderman of the City of Halifax
for Ward No. 5 to fill the vacancy caused by the re-
signation of Alderman John J. Power at the election
held on the 16th day of May 1928.

I do hereby certify that before entering
upon the duties of Alderman, Thomas William Mullane was
sworn before His Worship Mayor Gastonguay by subscribing
and taking the Oath of Allegiance and the Oaths of
Office of Alderman and Justice of the Peace of the City
of Halifax, and signed the Roll of Alderman in the
presence of the City Clerk on the 11th day of May 1928.

H.S. Rhind

CITY CLERK

GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF HALIFAX

1928-1929

MAYOR
DEPUTY MAYOR

LOUIS AMABLE GASTONGUAY
JAMES W. McCARTHY

ALDERMEN

<u>Ward 1.</u>	S. Leonard Shannon 1929	<u>Ward 4</u>	John F. Ryan 1929
	Walter Mitchell 1930		Harold H. Corbin 1930
	Frederick W. Dickie 1931		S. H. E. Rains 1931
<u>Ward 2</u>	Arthur W. Redden 1929	<u>Ward 5</u>	Albert A. Drysdale 1929
	Charles E. Smith 1930		Thos. W. Mullane 1930
	Wm. E. Donovan 1931		Wm. J. O'Toole 1931
<u>Ward 3</u>	James W. McCarthy 1929	<u>Ward 6</u>	Thomas Robinson 1929
	J. Leslie McDuff 1930		Arthur J. Smeltzer 1930
	Edward J. Cragg 1931		Alex. A. Robertson 1931

H. S. Rhind, CITY CLERK

EVENING SESSION

8'10 O'Clock,
Council Chamber,
City Hall, May 10th ,1928

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Shannon, Dickie, Redden, Smith, Donovan, McCarthy, MdDuff, Cragg, Corbin, Rains, Drysdale, O'Toole, Robinson, Smeltzer and Robertson.

The meeting was called specially for the appointment of the various Boards and Committees for 1928-1929.

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APPOINTMENT OF BOARDS AND COMMITTEES
1928-1929

Before proceeding with the business for which the meeting was called His Worship the Mayor welcomed the newly elected Aldermen and expressed a wish that during their term of office their work would be both beneficial to the City and a pleasure to themselves.

His Worship then submits his nominations to the various Boards and Committees:-

May 10th, 1928

LIST OF COMMITTEES

1928-1929

1. ANNUAL REPORT & PRINTING

Alderman Corbin,
Cragg
Mullane

2. BOARD OF ARBITRATION BETWEEN
THE CITY, COUNTY & DARTMOUTH

For the City of Halifax:

His Worship the Mayor.
Alderman Shannon
Cragg
Donovan
Smeltzer

For the County of Halifax:

Warden Brenton
Councillor Kennedy
Peverill
Power
Higgins
Martin.

Town of Dartmouth

The Mayor of Dartmouth -
Councillor Pettipas
R.H. Murray, K.C.
G.Parker Archibald, Secy.

3. BUILDING LAWS REVISING COMMITTEE

Alderman Rains
Corbin
Robertson

4. CABS COMMITTEE

His Worship the Mayor,
Alderman Rains
Robinson.

5. CAMP HILL CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Alderman Mitchell
Smith
MacDuff
Rains
Drysdale
Smeltzer

6. CHARITIES COMMITTEE

Alderman Drysdale
Dickie
Redden
McCarthy
Ryan
Robertson

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7. COMMERCIAL & SPORTS
CARNIVAL

Alderman MacDuff
Ryan
Robertson

Alderman MacDuff,
Dickie
Donovan.

8. COURT HOUSE COMMISSION:

Provincial Government:
The Attorney General
Barristers Society
J.L. Barnhill
Municipality of Halifax
Warden Brenton
Councillor C.E. Smith
Town of Dartmouth
R.H. Murray, K.C.
City of Halifax
His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen MacDuff
Dickie
Mullane
G. Parker Archibald, Sec'y.

11. FIRE ESCAPES COMMITTEE

Alderman Rains
Mullane
Robertson

12. FIRE WARDS COMMITTEE

Alderman Shannon
Smith
Cragg
Rains
O'Toole
Robinson

9. EXHIBITION COMMISSION

Appt. by Governor in
Council
Hon J.A. Walker, Halifax
W. Saxby Blair Kentville
Harry D. Biden Amherst
Willard S.
Thompson N. Sydney
John Little Yarmouth

13. GARDENS PARKS & COMMON

Alderman Shannon
Donovan
McDuff
Ryan
O'Toole
Robinson
W.H. Hall, Superintendent
H.C. Powell, Secretary

Appt. by N.S. Farmers
Assn.

S.A. Logan, Tnabo
D.B. Nicholson, Coxheath C.B.

Appt. by City Council

His Worship the Mayor.
Alderman Rains- 1928
O'Toole 1929
Robinson 1930
McCarthy 1931
MacF. Hall., Secretary

14. GOVERNMENTS CONTRIBUTING
TOWARD CIVIC REVENUE

His Worship the Mayor

Aldermen Mitchell
Donovan
Corbin
Robinson.

10. FINANCE COMMITTEE

Alderman Shannon,
Redden
McCarthy

15. GOVERNMENT PROPERTIES
TRANSFER TO CITY

His Worship the Mayor
Alderman Rains
Smeltzer.

16. HARBOUR CHAMPIONSHIP
COMMITTEE

Alderman Drysdale
Donovan
Corbin

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- 17 HEALTH BOARD
Dr. W. D. Forrest
Alderman O'Toole
Mitchell
Cragg
Corbin
Smith
Robinson
Arthur C. Pettipas,
Secty.
18. JURIES LISTS REVISERS
Alderman O'Toole
Smeltzer
City Clerk
- 19 LAWS & PRIVILEGES COMMITTEE
Alderman MacDuff,
Dickie
Cragg
Ryan
Drysdale
Robertson
F. H. Bell, K.C. City Solicitor
H. C. Powell, Secretary
- 20 HOUSING COMMISSION
Major H. E. Gates 1930
W. O. Cameron 1930
N. Norris. 1930
R. D. Guildford. 1930
W. W. Hoyt. 1929
Charles Topple, Secty.
- 21 LIBRARY COMMITTEE
Alderman Shannon
Donovan
MacDuff
Ryan
Mullane
Robinson
Miss Lizzie Barnaby,
Librarian.
- 22 POINT PLEASANT PARK DIRECTORS
W. A. Black, M.P. Chairman
His Worship the Mayor. 28
Hon. R. G. Beazley,
Hector McInnes, K.C.
C. H. MacKinlay
Alderman Dickie,
Redden
McCarthy
Mullane
Rains
Robertson
- 23 POLICE COMMITTEE
His Worship the Mayor
Alderman O'Toole
Smeltzer
- 24 PRISON COMMITTEE
Alderman Rains
Mitchell
Donovan
MacDuff
Mullane
Robertson
- 25 SCHOOLS COMMRS. PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Wm. Tapp. 1928
H. Oxley 1928
Col. H. Flowers 1929
J. D. Walsh 1929
W. P. Buckley 1930
F. R. Little 1930
Alderman Gastonguay 1928
Power 1928
Shannon 1928
MacDuff 1928
Robinson 1928
Corbin 1928
Miss S. J. Wilson, Secty.
26. TENDERS COMMITTEE
Alderman Mitchell
Smith
Cragg
Rains
Mullane
Robinson.
- 27 TOWN PLANNING BOARD
His Worship the Mayor
Alderman Redden
Smeltzer
John B. Douglas
E. J. Kelly
J. E. Godwin
City Engineer.
- 28 WORKS COMMITTEE
His Worship the Mayor
Alderman Shannon
Smith
McCarthy
Corbin
O'Toole
Smeltzer

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His Worship announced that if there were no objections to his nominations the Committee as nominated by him would stand approved.

There being no objections to any of the Committees nominated by His Worship except that Alderman Drysdale requested to be relieved from the Laws and Privileges Committee and Alderman Drysdale nominated Alderman Mullane to take his place on that Committee seconded by Alderman Robertson. This with the several nominations submitted by His Worship the Mayor were finally approved.

ELECTION OF ALDERMAN
CASUAL VACANCY
WARD FIVE

The City Clerk submits his return of the election in Ward 5 to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Alderman John Joseph Power.

Read return of the City Clerk covering nomination papers of Thomas William Mullane for the casual vacancy in the office of Alderman for Ward 5 to fill the vacant office in said Ward for the unexpired term of two years caused by the resignation of Alderman Power:

City Clerk's Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
May 9th 1928

His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Agreeably to the provisions of the Halifax City Charter, and Acts in amendment thereof in respect to the election of Mayor and Aldermen for the City of Halifax, I herewith submit the original nomination papers of Thomas Wm. Mullane, for the office of Alderman for Ward No. 5 of the City of Halifax, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Alderman Power, he being the only candidate nominated to fill the vacant office of alderman in said Ward at the election to be held on May 16th, 1928.

Respectfully submitted,
H. S. Rhind
CITY CLERK

May 10th 1928

The City Clerk declared Thomas William Mullane duly elected Alderman for Ward 5 to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Alderman Power for the term for which the election was held.

TAG DAY
HALIFAX SUPERVISED PLAYGROUNDS

Read letter of George J. Lynch Secretary of the Halifax Supervised Playgrounds Commission asking permission to hold a Tag Day on a date during the summer to be agreed upon:-

Halifax, N.S., May 7th, 1928

His Worship the Mayor,
City.

Your Worship:-

Following the practice of the previous years, it is the intention of the Halifax Supervised Playgrounds to hold a Tag Day, in order to assist in the accumulation of the necessary funds for the operation of the various Playgrounds throughout the City, during the holiday season. I am, therefore, directed to respectfully request that the City Council grant us permission to hold a Tag Day on a date that will be satisfactory. Will you kindly bring this matter before the City Council at the first coming meeting.

Yours faithfully,
Geo. J. Lynch
HON. SECRETARY

G. J. Lynch
Moved by Alderman Smeltzer,
seconded by Alderman Donovan that the request be granted. Motion passed.

LIST OF HEADLINES:

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Election of Alderman -Casual Vacancy Ward Five	10
Tag Day	11

Moved by Alderman Redden,
seconded by Alderman Dickie that this meeting do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned
L. A. Gastonguay
MAYOR

H. S. Rhind
H. S. RHIND
CITY CLERK

L. A. Gastonguay

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EVENING SESSION

8.10 o'clock,
Council Chamber,
City Hall,
May 17th, 1928

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Shannon, Mitchell, Dickie, Redden, Smith, Donovan, McCarthy, McDuff, Cragg, Ryan, Corbin, Rains, Mullane, O'Toole, Robinson, Smeltzer and Robertson.

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

His Worship the Mayor before commencement of business welcomed Alderman Mullane the newly elected Alderman for Ward No. 5.

The following named papers were submitted:

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APPLICATION NEW ARENA LIMITED
FOR EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION----

Referred to the Laws & Privileges

and Mr Duff
Clerk
Committee. ✓

LETTER BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS COVERING RE-
SOLUTION IN REFERENCE TO THE TAXING OF
NON-RESIDENT EMPLOYEES

Referred to the Laws & Privileges

and Mr Duff
Clerk
Committee.

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PETITION FOR EARLY CLOSING OF BARBER SHOPS

Referred to the Laws and Privileges
Committee.

✓
WORKS DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Committee on Works
recommending for payment accounts amounting to
\$16,433.09:

City Works Office,

Halifax, N.S., May 17-28

ACCOUNTS WORKS AND
WATER DEPT. APRIL 1928

His Worship the Mayor and
City Council.

Sirs:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee
held this day, accounts attached hereto, chargeable
to the following services were approved and recommended
to Council for payment-

Water Dept.	Capital	\$102.64	
	Maintenance	<u>709.14</u>	\$811.78
Works Dept.	Current.	15,321.31	
	Capital	<u>300.00</u>	15,621.31
			<u>\$16,433.09</u>

Respectfully submitted
M.A. Hunter
CLERK OF WORKS

Moved by Alderman Shannon, seconded
by Alderman Smith 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 accounts chargeable to
various services amounting to \$13,112.20; also the
account of Mrs. Lois Longley for Stenographic services
at the investigation into the Fire Department,

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May 17th, 1928

amounting to \$118.80:

Committee Room,
City Hall,
May 16-1928

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 \$13,112.20 including the quarterly payments for maintenance of children in the various Institutions was passed as correct and recommended for payment.

Your Committee also recommend that the account of Mrs. Lois Longley for Stenographic services at the investigation into the Fire Department before the late Committee of Firewards, and referred by the City Council to this Committee for report be paid out of the appropriation of the Fire Department for 1927-28.

Respectfully submitted,
S. L. Shannon
CHAIRMAN

Auditor

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

Aldermen Ryan and O'Toole dissenting

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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 \$6,168.53 and to the T.B. Hospital \$3,395.40:

Halifax, N.S. May 16th 1928

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 Robertson, Drysdale and Dickie.

CITY HOME ACCOUNTS APRIL 1928 AMOUNT \$6,168. 53

May 17th, 1928

City Home accounts for the month of April 1928 amounting to \$6,168.53 are recommended for payment.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS APRIL 1928 AMOUNT
\$3,395.40

Tuberculosis Hospital accounts for the month of April 1928 amounting to \$3,395.40 are recommended for payment.

Respectfully submitted

James W. McCarthy
CHAIRMAN

Moved by Alderman McCarthy,
seconded by Alderman Robertson that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Committee of Firewards recommending for payment accounts chargeable to the Fire Department \$12,737.49 and chargeable to Fire Alarm Maintenance \$457.29;

Committee Room,
City Hall,
May 15th, 1928

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Firewards Committee held this day the attached lists of accounts, chargeable to Fire Department \$12,737.49 and chargeable to Fire Alarm Maintenance \$457.29 were passed as correct and recommended to the City Council for payment:

Respectfully submitted
Thomas Robinson
CHAIRMAN

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

May 17th, 1928

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CITY HEALTH BOARD ACCOUNTS

Read report of the City Health Board recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$2,427.04:

Halifax, N.S. May 17th, 1928

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members, City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the City Health Board held on Wednesday May 16th, 1928, the following named accounts amounting to \$2,427.04 were passed as correct and are recommended for payment

Respectfully submitted
Arthur C. Pettipas
SECRETARY

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

✓
LIBRARY ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Library Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$257.11:

Halifax, N.S. May 17th, 1928

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

Gentlemen:-

The Library Committee begs to submit the following accounts for payment.

City of Halifax.	Salaries	\$221.65
T.C. Allen & Co.	Books	27.20
Canadian Review Co. Ltd.	"	8.26
		<u>\$257.11</u>

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

May 17th, 1928

CITY PRISON ACCOUNTS

Read report of the City Prison Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$1,811.24:

Committee Room,
City Hall,
May 17th, 1928

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The City Prison Committee beg to recommend payment of the attached list of accounts amounting to \$1,262.34 passed by the Committee at a meeting held April 27th, also accounts amounting to \$548.90 for supplies in connection with the construction of the City Prison wall passed at a meeting of that Committee held this day.

Report of the Governor for the month of April showing 23 males and 4 females in custody at the end of April is submitted for information of Council.

Respectfully submitted
Alex. Robertson
CHAIRMAN

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

GARDENS PARKS AND COMMON ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Committee on Gardens Parks and Common recommending for payment accounts, chargeable to the Public Gardens \$284.85 and to Fleming Park \$192.32

Committee Room,
City Hall,
May 15th, 1928

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

May 17th, 1928

At a meeting of the Committee on Gardens, Parks and Common held this day the attached list of accounts, chargeable to Public Gardens \$284.85 and to Fleming Park \$193.32; were passed as correct and recommended to the City Council for payment.

Respectfully submitted

S.L. Shannon
CHAIRMAN

Moved by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Alderman Ryan 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 \$7,585.11:

Halifax, N.S.
May 14th, 1928

His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Police Committee held this date attached accounts, amounting to \$7,585.11 were passed and recommended for payment.

Respectfully submitted,
L.A. Gastonguay
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN

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

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May 17th, 1928

UNION N.S. MUNICIPALITIES SUBSCRIPTION FEE

Read report of the Finance Committee recommending for payment the subscription fee of \$116.00 to the Union N.S. Municipality for 1928:

Committee Room,
City Hall,
May 16th, 1928

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day it was decided to recommend payment of the subscription fee of \$116.00 to the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities for 1928-29:

Respectfully submitted
S. L. Shannon
CHAIRMAN

Auditor

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

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OVERTIME WORK CITY COLLECTOR'S DEPARTMENT

Read report of the Finance Committee recommending for payment the sum of \$107.00 for overtime work to Officials in the City Collector's Department in connection with preparing the list of voters for Civic Elections:

Committee Room,
City Hall,
May 16th, 1928

His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

May 17th, 1928

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the City Collector submitted the attached accounts amounting to \$107.00 for overtime work in connection with preparing the lists of voters for the Civic Elections.

Your Committee recommend that this account be allowed and paid out of the balance in salary account for 1927-28.

Respectfully submitted
S. L. Shannon
CHAIRMAN

Auditor
Moved by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Alderman Robertson that the report be adopted.
Motion passed.

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LOANS
TEMPORARY LOAN
IN ANTICIPATION OF TAX COLLECTIONS

Read report of the Finance Committee in reference to obtaining a temporary loan from the Royal Bank of Canada for the purpose of financing the affairs of the City in anticipation of the collection of taxes for the current year:

Committee Room,
City Hall,
May 16th, 1928

His Worship the Mayor and
City Council.

Gentlemen:-

TEMPORARY LOAN ROYAL BANK

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the Chairman submitted the attached Resolution dealing with a temporary loan from the Royal Bank to meet current expenses of the City until the taxes for the Current Year are collected.

Your Committee recommend that said Resolution be adopted and the City Treasurer authorized to negotiate this loan on behalf of the City.

Respectfully submitted
S. L. Shannon
CHAIRMAN

May 17th, 1928

Moved by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Alderman Ryan that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

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The following Resolution is submitted:

WHEREAS it is considered advisable for the purpose of defraying expenditures for which the taxes of the current year 1928-29, would, if now collected, be applied, that the City of Halifax do borrow, under Section 346 of the City Charter as amended by Section 44, Chap. 60 of the Acts of 1924, from the Royal Bank of Canada an amount not exceeding thirty per cent of the taxes for the Current Year 1928-29.

AND WHEREAS the taxes for the current year 1928-29, amount to the sum of \$1,961,071.46 of which amount upwards of ninety per cent is outstanding and uncollected:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Halifax do borrow from the Royal Bank of Canada up to the sum of \$588,300, from time to time in such sums as may be required to be applied in defraying expenditures for which the taxes for the current year 1928-29, would, if now collected be applied to be repaid to the said Royal Bank of Canada out of the taxes when collected, and that the City Treasurer be and is hereby authorized on behalf of the City of Halifax to negotiate the said Loan and to pledge the credit of the City of Halifax therefor.

The interest to be paid on current balances not to exceed $5\frac{1}{2}\%$ per annum

*Auditor
Treasurer*
Moved by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Alderman Ryan and passed unanimously.

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APPOINTMENT DEPUTY MAYOR

His Worship the Mayor asks for nominations for the position of Deputy Mayor for the Current Civic Year:

Alderman Shannon nominates Alderman McCarthy, seconded by Alderman Robertson.

May 17th, 1928

Alderman Smeltzer nominates Alderman Rains seconded by Alderman Ryan.

On the ballot being taken there appeared for Alderman McCarthy nine and for Alderman Rains six as follows:

ALDERMAN McCarthy

Alderman Shannon
Mitchell
Dickie
Redden
Donovan
MacDuff
Cragg
Corbin
Robertson- 9

ALDERMAN Rains

Alderman Smith
Ryan
O'Toole
Mullane
Smeltzer
Robinson

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His Worship the Mayor declares
Alderman McCarthy duly elected Deputy Mayor of the
City of Halifax for the Current Civic Year.

Appointment of City Officials

The City Clerk submits a list of
applications of Officials for re-appointment:-

City Clerk's Office.	Clerk.	H.C. Powell
	Stenographer	B.M. Reid
City Treasurer's Office.	Clerk	Geo. J. Allen
City Engineer's Office.	Asst. City Eng.	H.W.L. Doane
	Cl. Works	M. A. Hunter
	Asst. " "	Thos. Moore
	Supt. Water	
	Dept.	W. H. Daniels
	Asst. Building	
	Insp.	W.R. Fegan
	Supt. of	
	Streets.	James Downey
Assessor's Office	Deputy	
	Assessor.	C.R. Rosborough
	1st Clerk	C.G. Corbett
	2nd Clerk	Hattie Doyle
	Stenographer	Marion Thompson.

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City Electrician		G.H. Durling
Stenographer Mayor's Office.		Vera L. Street
Acting City Medical Officer.		W.B. Almon M.D.
Supt. Public Gardens		W.H. Hall
Registrar Camp Hill Cemetery		W.A. McKenzie
City Prison	Governor	Geo. Grant
	Matron	Mrs. Geo. Grant
	Underkeepers:	
		Walter H. Handsley
		John W.N. Grant
		Jas F. McGill
		Roy W. Crowell
		Arthur Cooper
City Home	Supt.	John Buchanan
	Secretary	Jas O'Bryan
	Matron	Catherine Graves
	Gen. Asst.	Saml. E. Brown
	Engineer	Frank C. Ward
City Hall	Janitor.	James E. Lynch
	Matron Police	
	Station.	Mrs. Lynch
Coal & Coke Weighers	Supervisor	A.H. Cullymore
	Weighers	Robt. P. Burns
		D.J. Sampson
		Patrick Leahy
		C.S. Davison
		D. McDonald
		Wm. Wood
		Robt Rudland
		J.F. McDonald
		L.D. Murrans
		A.D. Currie
		W.H. Rains.
City Health Board Officials	Secretary	A.C. Pettipas
	Asst. "	Eileen Healy
	Dairy and	
	Food Insp.	H.S. McFatridge
	Asst "	J.F. Dempster
	Inspector	J.F. Colwell
	"	F.C. Craig
	"	S.E. Parker
Surveyors of lumber		W.A. McKenzie
		Edw. Gibson
		Carl Fox
Fence Viewer Ward 1,2,3,4,5, and 6		
Insp. Painters Work		Frank Reardon
		Jas Harrison
Insp. of Masons Work		Jas A Marshall
		Jas Taylor
Pound Keepers.	At City Stables	
	Bell Road	City Stablemen
	Incinerator	Eng. at Incinerator
Weighers of Hay-Bundles or loose		L.E. Goodwin
Librarian		Lizzie E. Barnaby
" Asst.		Mary Durney
" "		Florence Hilton

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Auditor's Office	Clerk	Thomas A. Shields
	"	M. L. Bellew
	"	T. J. Murphy
City-Collector's Office.	Adjustors	C. F. Young
	"	Jas R. Fox
	Office Staff.	Miss M. Hopewell
	"	E. King
	"	J. C. Dingle
	"	S. G. Cook
	"	Jas F. Henrion
	"	Jas Williamson
	"	J. W. Caldwell
	"	R. B. Scriven
	"	D. D. Wallace
	"	R. J. Campbell
	"	Miss E. M. Doyle
	Sub-Collectors	J. M. Joyce
		H. Rising
		H. J. Norris
		J. R. Merrick

His Worship the Mayor submits a letter received just previous to the meeting from the City Collector in reference to re-appointment of the Staff in his Department:-

City Collector's Office,
Halifax, N.S.
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His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

You have before you applications from the members of my staff for re-appointment for the year 1928-29

As the liens on Real Estate for the years 1921-22 to 1925-26 inclusive, expire on the 31st instant, the detail work of the office will be lessened for the coming year, so I feel I can carry on successfully with a smaller staff and would therefore recommend that the services of J. R. Fox, Adjuster and J. F. Henrion, Clerk, be dispensed with, and that they be given notice to this effect.

As the position of Assistant City Collector which was held by me and that of Sub-Collector, held by Mr. Clancey are not to be filled, these together with the above will show a reduction of four in the personnel of my staff.

Trusting this recommendation will receive your approval.

Yours truly,
W. H. Morrow
CITY COLLECTOR

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Moved by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Alderman Robinson that the applications of Officials as read by the City Clerk be received, and that the said applicants be appointed to the various positions for which they have applied for the current year, with the exception of the applications of the Staff in the City Collector's Office, and that these applications be referred to the Finance Committee for further consideration and report. Motion passed

*Alderman Shannon
Clerk*

The following Resolution is submitted:

RESOLVED that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare an amendment to the City Charter for presentation to the next session of the legislature to provide for the creation of the offices of assistant Treasurer and Assistant City Clerk and to enable the Council to appoint a suitable person to fill each of such offices

*City Solicitor
Clerk*

Moved by Alderman Cragg, seconded by Alderman Dickie and passed.

Moved by Alderman Smeltzer, seconded by Alderman Robertson that Mr. Henry Getley be appointed a Fence Viewer for Wards 1,2,3,4,5 and 6 for the ensuing year Motion passed.

Henry Getley

Moved by Alderman Cragg, seconded by Alderman O'Toole that Andrew M. Hunter be appointed a Fence Viewer for Wards, 1,2,3,4,5 and 6 for the ensuing year. Motion passed.

*Andrew M.
Hunter*

NOVA SCOTIA TEMPERANCE ACT
APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY INSPECTOR

Read application of Marshall A. Gammon for re-appointment to the position of Deputy Inspector for the City of Halifax under the Nova Scotia Temperance Act.

May 17th, 1928

Moved by Alderman Smeltzer, seconded by Alderman Rains that Mr. Gammon be reappointed to the position of Deputy Inspector under the Nova Scotia Temperance Act for the City of Halifax. Motion passed.

Mr. Gammon

POLICE DEPARTMENT MOTOR CYCLE

Read report of the Police Committee recommending the purchase of a Harley-Davidson motor cycle for the use of the Police Department:

Halifax, N.S. May 14th 1928

His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Police Committee, held this date, the purchase of a motor cycle for the use of the Police Department was under consideration.

Your Committee recommends the purchase of a Harley Davidson from the Eastern Bicycle Co. Halifax at a cost of \$490.00

Respectfully submitted

L. A. Gastonguay
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN

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

*✓ Mayor
✓ Auditor
✓ Chief of Police*

CITY HOME AND T. B. HOSPITAL-TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES

Read report of the Charities Committee covering tenders for supplies for the City Home and T.B. Hospital:

Halifax, N.S. Apr. 27th 1928

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council,

Gentlemen:-

May 17th, 1928

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: The Chairman, Aldermen McCarthy, Robertson, Drysdale and Ryan.

Tenders were opened and considered for supplies, City Home and Tuberculosis Hospital for periods of 12 months and 6 months from May 1st 1928 as follows:

FRESH FISH, CITY HOME

H. Bowman 6 months $4\frac{1}{2}$ per lb. 12 months 5¢ per lb.
Boutilliers Ltd. 6 months 6¢ per lb. 12 months $6\frac{1}{2}$ per lb.

MESS PORK, CITY HOME

Davis & Fraser 6 months $16\frac{1}{2}$ per lb. 12 months $16\frac{1}{2}$ per lb.

MEATS, CITY HOME

W.A. Maling & Co. 6 months \$3996.00 12 months \$8,671.00
Scotia Market 6 months \$4542.00 J.A. Leaman & Co. Ltd.
6 months \$4008.00 A McDonald 6 months \$4600.50 12 months \$8993.50.

BUTTER AND EGGS CITY HOME

Smith & Proctor Ltd. 6 months \$1585.00 12 months \$3560.00
R.B. Colwell Ltd. 6 months \$1595.00 12 months \$3460.00
Ideal Dairy Ltd. 6 months \$1,760.00 12 months \$4,080.00

MILK CITY HOME

Fraser & Casey 6 months \$1104.00 12 months \$2346.00
Ideal Dairy Ltd. 6 months \$1207.50 12 months \$2691.00

FLOUR CITY HOME

Howards Ltd. in Barrels \$8.40 in Jute \$7.70 12 months on 1

DRY GOODS CITY HOME

T.J. Whalen & Co. 6 months \$1776.62 12 months \$3578.75

GROCERIES, CITY HOME

M.J. Ritcey & Co. Ltd. 6 months \$3388.00 12 months \$8081.99
Howards Ltd. 12 months \$7588.90.

BUTTER & EGGS TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

R.B. Colwell Ltd. 6 months \$899.00 12 months \$1996.00
Smith and Proctor Ltd. 6 months \$909.00 12 months \$2040.00
Ideal Dairy Ltd. 6 months \$1,000.00 12 months \$2336.00

MILK AND CREAM TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

Fraser & Casey 6 months \$769.50, 12 months \$1629.00
Ideal Dairy Ltd. 6 months \$831.60, 12 months \$1848.00

FISH TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

H. Bowman 6 months \$104.85, 12 months \$209.70
Boutilliers Ltd. 6 months \$107.70 12 months \$215.40.

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BREAD, TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

John Fry 6 months \$236.25, 12 months \$525.00 J. J. Scriven & Son 6 months \$315.00 12 months \$630.00

MEATS, TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

W.A. Maling & Co. 6 months \$1,004.00 12 months \$2039.50
J.A. Leaman & Co. 6 months \$1,129.25, A. McDonald 6 months \$1,306.75 12 months \$2,559.00 Scotia Market 12 months \$2,219.50 G.C. Hartlen & Co. 6 months \$1,130.00

GROCERIES, TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

M.J. Ritcey & Co. Ltd. 6 months \$1,671.76, 12 months \$3,305.32 Howards Ltd. 12 months \$3,201.07.

LAUNDRYWORK, TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

Globe Laundry Ltd. 6 and 12 months \$2.00 per 100

The following tenders are recommended for acceptance

CITY HOME

Fresh Fish	12 months	H. Bowman
Mess Pork	12 "	Davis & Fraser
Meats	12 "	W.A. Maling & Co.
Butter & Eggs.	12 "	R.B. Colwell Ltd.
Milk	12 "	Fraser & Casey
Flour	12 "	Howards Ltd.
Dry Goods	12 "	T.J. Whalen & Co.
Groceries	12 "	Howards Ltd.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

Butter & Eggs.	12 "	R.B. Colwell Ltd.
Milk & Cream	12 "	Fraser & Casey
Fish	12 "	H. Bowman
Bread	12 "	John Fry
Meats	12 "	W.A. Maling & Co.
Groceries.	12 "	Howards Limited
Laundrywork	12 "	Globe Laundry Ltd.

The tender of The Frank Reardon Co. Limited for cleaning and whitewashing ceilings and cleaning and refinishing floors at Tuberculosis Hospital for the sum of \$489.00 is recommended

Respectfully submitted

B.A. Weston
CHAIRMAN

*Auditor
City Home*

Moved by Alderman McCarthy,
seconded by Alderman Robertson that the report be adopted.
Motion passed. ✓

CITY PRISON- TENDER FOR SUPPLIES

Read report of the City Prison Committee recommending for acceptance tenders for the supplying of groceries, bread, meat and fish for the

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City Prison for six months ending October 31st 1928:

Committee Room,
City Hall,
Apr. 19th, 1928

His Worship the Mayor.
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the City Prison Committee held this day the following tenders for supplies for six months ending October 31st 1928 were submitted.

These tenders were referred to the City Auditor's Department for checking up and your Committee recommend the acceptance of the lowest tender for each service as follows:

Firth-Thurlow & Co.-	Groceries as per schedule
J.A. Leaman & Co.	Beef 4 quarters of the Minimum weight 150 lbs. at 13 3/4 c per lb.
H.E. Hamilton	For Bread 7 1/2 per loaf
H. Bowman-Fresh Fish	5¢ per lb.

Respectfully submitted
H.E. Rains
CHAIRMAN

Moved by Alderman Robertson, seconded by Alderman Rains that the report be adopted. Motion passed. ✓

*Auditor
Gov. City Prison*

STREET OILING

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re Street Oiling and covering Schedule of Streets that have not been treated before with this material to be now given a treatment:

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
May 15th, 1928

Street Oiling
His Worship the Mayor

Sir:-

I beg to recommend that all streets that have previously been treated with a bituminous covering be re-treated this year where necessary. The area to be oiled on some of these streets is small but on others the whole street will have to be done.

It is also recommended that the following streets that have not been treated before be given a treatment.

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	<u>Estimated Cost</u>
Charles St- Robie St. to Windsor St.	525.00
College St. Summer St. to Robie St.	450.00
Mott St. Oxford St. to Preston St.	330.00
Robie St. South St. to Morris St.	400.00
Victoria Rd. Inglis St. to Tower Road	925.00
Willow St. Agricola St. to Windsor St.	725.00

It is recommended that all the work mentioned herein be ordered and the City Engineer be instructed to proceed with it immediately.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER

CITY WORKS OFFICE,
Halifax, N.S. May 17th 1928

Street Oiling

His Worship the Mayor and
City Council

Sirs:-

The accompanying report of the City Engineer re Street Oiling was approved at a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 16th instant and recommended to Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted

M. A. Hunter
CLERK OF WORKS

Engineer

Moved by Alderman McCarthy, seconded by Alderman Smeltzer that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

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WATT STREET EXTENSION

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer in reference to the purchase of land owned by the Estate of F.C. Stevens for the extension of Watt Street:

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. May 15-28

WATT STREET EXTENSION

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir: The recommendation of the Committee on Works that the land owned by the Estate of F.C. Stevens required for the extension of Watt Street be purchased for the sum of \$527.56 was referred back for further report. I do not know that I can add anything to my former report.

This land is a part of Watt Street as projected from Vernon Street to Henry Street, Last year a portion of the extension was purchased from the estate of Hon. Wm. Dennis for the sum of \$850.00 which is at the rate of 12 cents per square foot. The Price suggested for the Stevens property is at the same rate.

As previously reported this rate per square foot is considerably below the present market value of the land.

The extension will be a big improvement and I would recommend that the land be purchased.

Respectfully submitted

H.W. Johnston
CITY ENGINEER

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S.
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Watt Street Extension

His Worship the Mayor and City Council.

Sirs:-

The Works Committee at a meeting held on the 16th instant, considered the resolution of Council of April 27th, 1928, which referred back to the Committee on Works for further consideration and report their recommendation that the property belonging to F.C. Stevens be purchased for the sum of \$527.56 to complete Watt Street.

A further report of the City Engineer attached hereto, was approved and the Committee decided to adhere to their former recommendation that the said property be acquired by the City.

Respectfully submitted,

M.A. Hunter
CLERK OF WORKS

Moved by Alderman McCarthy, seconded by Alderman Redden that the reports be adopted. Motion put and passed, nine voting for the same and eight against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Shannon
Dickie
Redden
Smith
Donovan
McDuff
McCarthy
Smeltzer
Robinson- 9

AGAINST IT

Alderman Mitchell
Cragg
Rains
Ryan
Corbarn
O'Toole
Mullane
Robertson
-8

*Auditor
Engineer*

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STREET PAVING

REPAIRS TO PAVED STREETS

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer in re purchase of material required for the repairs to paved streets:-

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S.
May 15th 1928

REPAIRS TO PAVED STREETS

His Worship the Mayor

Sir:-

Considerable repairs have to be made to our paved streets and it will be necessary to either purchase the material, as we have no plant for mixing the same, and do the work ourselves, or let a contract for the whole work. The only plant in the near vicinity is that of the Stephen Bros.Ltd. at Dartmouth. His price for material at the plant in Dartmouth is the same as last year viz \$7.90 a batch.

Last year the average cost of patching small areas with this material amounted to about \$2.72 per square yard, work being done by City workmen

Stephen Bros.Ltd., offer to do the work for \$2.64 per square yard for surfaces exceeding 300 yards in area. As in most cases our patches are smaller, the price would be higher and it will be more satisfactory to do the work ourselves and I would recommend that the City Engineer be authorized to purchase the material required from Stephen Bros.Ltd.

Respectfully submitted

H.W. Johnston
CITY ENGINEER

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
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Repairs to Paved Streets

His Worship the Mayor and City Council.

Gentlemen:- Attached hereto is report of the City Engineer on repairs to paved streets which was approved at a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 16th instant and recommended to Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted
M.A. Hunter
CLERK OF WORKS

*Auditor
Engineer*

Moved by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Alderman Smeltzer that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

FIRE STATIONS-REPAIRS TO TOWER STRIKERS

Read report of the Committee of Fire wards recommending the acceptance of the tender of D.A. Cummings and Company for repairs to Tower Strikers Quinpool Road, Central and West Street engine houses:

Committee Room, City Hall,
May 15th, 1928

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee of Fire-wards held this day, tenders for repairing Tower Strikers at Quinpool Road, Central and West St. Engine Houses were considered as follows:

Longards Ltd.	\$80.00
D.A. Cummings & Co.	73.00

Your Committee recommend that the tender of D.A. Cummings & Co. being the lowest tender for this work be accepted.

Respectfully submitted
Thomas Robinson
CHAIRMAN

*Auditor
Chas H J D
and Robinson*

Moved by Alderman Robinson seconded by Alderman Shannon that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

FIRE DEPARTMENT -TENDERS FOR CHASSIS

Read report of the Committee of Fire-wards recommending the acceptance of the tender of Nova Motors Limited for a one ton Chevrolet chassis to be used as a service car in the Fire Department:

Committee Room, City Hall
May 15th, 1928

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee of

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Firewards held this day, tenders for the supplying of one 1 Ton Chassis to be used as a service car were considered as follows:-

Tubman Motors (Durant)	\$795.00
Nova Motors Ltd. (Chevrolet)	745.00

Your Committee recommend that the tender of the Nova Motors Ltd., for one 1 Ton Chevrolet chassis at \$745.00 be accepted.

Respectfully submitted
Thomas Robinson
CHAIRMAN

*Conceded to
Chas. J. D.
and Robinson*

Moved by Alderman Robinson seconded by
Alderman Smith that the report be adopted. Motion passed

FIRE DEPARTMENT-TENDERS FOR REPAIRING FORD CAR

Read report of the Committee of Firewards re the acceptance of the tender of F.C. Manning and Company for repairs to the Ford Car used by the Fire Alarm Maintenance Department:

Committee Room, City Hall,
May 15th 1928

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards held this day, the attached tenders for repairs to the Fire Alarm Service Truck, were considered as follows:

Scotia Garage Queen St.	\$97.00
Fred C. Manning Co. Ltd.	72.00

Your Committee recommend that the tender of Fred C. Manning Co. Ltd at \$72.00 being the lowest tender be accepted.

Respectfully submitted
Thos. Robinson
CHAIRMAN

*Conceded to
Chas. J. D.
and Robinson*

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

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FIRE DEPARTMENT-CLAIM W.F. HEALY

Read report of the Committee of Firewards on the claim of W.F. Healy for damages to his car when in collision with apparatus of the Fire Department on Brunswick Street March 10th last, together with a report of the City Solicitor and Chairman of the Fire Department on the subject:

Fire Department,
Halifax, N.S. March 22-28

Board of Firewards

Gentlemen:-

On Saturday March the 10th, shortly after 1 p.m. while the combination hose and chemical car from the West St. S station was responding to Box 326 an accident occurred at the intersection of Brunswick and Cornwallis Streets in which our car was damaged to the extent of approximately \$250.36.

This accident occurred with a Willeys Overland Coach #40,411 Model 93, owned by A.I. Drummond. This car sustaining severe damages to the right side, rear panel, axle, wheel, mudguard etc., I have no knowledge of the actual cost of this damage.

The impact with the car caused our truck to swerve and the end of the ladders mounted on the left side of our car side swiped a Chevrolet sedan owned by Wm.F. Healy, which was parked on Brunswick St., south of Cornwallis St., causing damage to side, doors and breaking two panes of glass. I have carefully inquired into this accident and it is described to me as follows:

Our truck was proceeding south on Brunswick Street, sounding the siren and the Willeys Overland car was proceeding north on Brunswick St., At the intersection of Cornwallis St., the Willeys Overland attempted to turn west into Cornwallis. The driver of our truck claims he was not driving at an excessive rate of speed and endeavored to avoid the accident by inclining his car to the left but was unable to avoid a collision and the result of this impact was the direct cause of the damage to Mr. Healy's car.

I have endeavoured to have an interview with Mr. Drummond, owner of the Willeys Overland and he advises me that any interview with him would be of no benefit, in fact he declined to discuss the matter at all, stating that he was acting on the advise of his Solicitor, although he had previously arranged an appointment with me.

I would recommend that this matter be referred to the City Solicitor

Respectfully submitted
J.W. Churchill
CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT

May 17th, 1928

Office of City Solicitor
Halifax, N.S.,
April 19th 1928

His Worship the Mayor,
City.

RE: CLAIM OF HEALY

Sir:-

This claim arises out of a collision between one of the City's combined chemical engine and ladder carts and the car of the claimant. The City is not liable unless the driver of our car was in some way guilty of negligence. That depends on the facts.

I have interviewed the driver of our car, Edward Gilfoy, and also two others of the department, who were on the car with him at the time, W. Rafuse and E. Eisan. The facts as stated by them are as follows:

Our car was going south on Brunswick St., in response to a third alarm of fire in the Herald Building. It was travelling on the right side of the street, at a rate not exceeding 25 miles an hour (which is permitted by the Motor Vehicle Act Sec. 16 (4) in the case of a piece of municipal fire apparatus) and sounding its siren. The claimant's car was parked on the east side of Brunswick Street, a few feet south of Cornwallis Street. Just as our car came to Cornwallis St., another car coming north on Brunswick St., turned suddenly to go up Cornwallis St., thus crossing directly in front of our car, at a distance of not more than 15 or 20 feet with imminent risk of collision. The driver of our car at once put on his brakes and shut off the power. He also swung his car sharply to the left, obviously the only way in which he could hope to avoid a collision or minimize its danger. As it was he struck the other car on the rear mudguard, doing some damage to the other car and also damaging the City car to the extent of about \$250. As our car was then heading for the east sidewalk and the claimant's car, our driver, to avoid a further collision swung his car back to the right and probably the drag of the other car helped swing our car in the same direction. In this way our driver succeeded in not striking claimant's car with his own but the ladders projecting at the back of our car struck the claimant's car doing the injury complained of

Assuming these to be the facts, I am unable to see what more our driver could have done when suddenly faced with the emergency caused by the other car improperly crossing him, and consequently there is no liability unless the law is that the owner of the car immediately causing the accident is liable, irrespective of negligence on his part. Notwithstanding any popular belief to the contrary, this certainly is not the law. The law is concisely stated in Clerk & Lindsell on Torts p. 8 as follows: "If "A" driving along a highroad and seeking to avoid a collision with "B" comes into contact with "C" he may be liable to "C"

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if he be negligent, but not otherwise" Holmes v Mather L.R.10, Ex. 261 is always referred to as a leading case on this point. That was a case in which the damage was done by a vehicle whose horse had been caused to run away by a barking dog. At p. 267 Bramwall B. said :- "Now what do we find to be the facts? The driver is absolutely free from all blame in the matter, not only does he not do anything wrong but he endeavours to do what is best to be done under the circumstances. For the convenience of mankind in carrying on the affairs of life people as they go along the roads must expect or put up with such mischief as reasonable care on the part of others cannot avoid".

For these reasons assuming the facts to be as they are represented to me, I am of opinion that the City is not in any way liable for the damage of Mr. Healey's car.

The responsibility both for the damage to the claimant's car and also to our own in my opinion rests on the owner of the car whose improper attempt to cut across our car was the sole cause of the injury.

Respectfully submitted
F.H. Bell
CITY SOLICITOR

Committee Room, City Hall,
May 15th, 1928

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards held this day, the attached letter from Nichols & Flavin, Solicitors of W.F. Healy, claiming damages to an automobile owned by W.F. Healy when in collision with Fire apparatus on Brunswick Street, while responding to an alarm of fire on March 10th last, amounting to \$136.25, also the report of Chief Churchill and opinion of the City Solicitor was considered and recommended to the City Council for its information and action.

Respectfully submitted
Thomas Robinson
CHAIRMAN

Moved by Alderman O'Toole, seconded by Alderman Smeltzer that the claim of W.F. Healy for \$136.25 for damages to his car be paid.

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Moved in amendment by Alderman
McCarthy seconded by Alderman Robertson that this
matter be referred to the Committee on Laws & Privileges
for further consideration and report

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

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Alderman Shannon
Mitchell
Donovan
MacDuff
McCarthy
Cragg
Corbin
Robertson -8-

AGAINST IT

Alderman Dickie
Redden
Smith
Rains
Ryan
O'Boole
Mullane
Smeltzer
Robinson- 9

The original motion is put and
passed nine voting for the same and eight against it
as follows:-

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Dickie
Redden
Smith
Rains
Ryan
O'Toole
Mullane
Smeltzer
Robinson- 9

AGAINST IT

Alderman Shannon
Mitchell
Donovan
MacDuff
McCarthy
Cragg
Corbin
Robertson -8-

Auditor

Moved by Alderman Dickie, seconded
by Alderman Smeltzer that the City Solicitor be in-
structed to investigate the claim of the City against the
3rd party in this collision and report same to this
Council at its next meeting. Motion passed

*Solicitor
and Robinson*

DEPARTMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Read report of the City Auditor
covering statements of Departmental appropriations
as at February 29th, 1928:

City Auditor's Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
May 17th 1928

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed herewith you will find
Statements of Appropriation as at February 29th, 1928,
copies of which have been supplied the Heads of the
various Departments.

Yours truly,

A.M. Butler,
CITY AUDITOR

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TAX COLLECTIONS

Read report of the City Auditor
covering statements of Tax Collections for the month
of April 1928:

City Auditor's Office,
May 17th, 1928

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Report on Tax Collections for the
Month of April, 1928 is submitted. Collections of
Current Taxes during the Civic Year 1927-28 amounting
to \$1,514,904.22 have been very satisfactory and show
78.7% of the Roll. This is an increase of 6.3% over
collections of Current Taxes in the preceding year
which amounted to \$1,367,180.34.

Collections on account of arrears
have also been satisfactory. Tax receipts of refunded
taxes for all years up to and including 1924-25 have
exceeded the most optimistic expectation and the City
finds itself with an adequate Sinking Fund for the
redemption in 1961 of the Refunding Loan for
\$1,508,000.00. In addition a surplus of \$170,800.00
was available to meet deficiencies in the Reserve for
short collection of taxes set up for the three years
beginning with 1925-26, so that on April 30th, last,
we owed our Bankers only \$31,000.00 for 1925-26, and
only \$16,000.00 for 1926-27, and our 1927-28 indebted-
ness was substantially reduced from its average year-
end level due to increased collections of Current taxes.
Our position will be noted as favourable when comparrison
is made of our bank indebtedness for the years referred
to with the outstanding taxes, and with the collection

of further taxes it only remains for the City to liquidate its 1927-28 overdraft and any surplus then established will be available to afford relief on account of the annual interest of \$75,400.00 on the refunding loan.

It is difficult to estimate the value of taxes which will be collected from the outstandings of years 1925-26 and 1926-27. At the close of the present civic year we shall be in a better position to know this. However, it is fairly well established that the item "Arrears of Taxes Civic Years prior to 1925 \$797,347.13" should not produce more than 12% itself, and that our final write-off in connection with this group will approximate \$700,000.00

A comparrison of collections for April 1927 with April 1928 follows: It should be noted that in April 1927, the Halifax Relief Commission paid \$87,305.79, which accounts for the heavy collection in that month.

TAX COLLECTIONS

	APRIL 1927	APRIL 1928	INCREASE	DECREASE
Arrears	\$113,623.92	\$61,806.50		\$51,817.42
Current.	59,895.17	58,948.22		946.95
Water	19,282.80	23,274.37	3,991.57	
	\$192,801.89	\$144,029.09	\$3,991.57	\$52,764.37
	144,029.09			3,991.57
DECREASE	\$48,772.80			\$48,772.80

Respectfully submitted
A.M. Butler
CITY AUDITOR

CITY OF HALIFAX

STATEMENT OF TAX COLLECTIONS

AS AT APRIL 30th 1928

ARREARS TAXES	OUTSTANDING BALANCE PREVIOUS MONTH	APRIL 1928 Collections	Amounts Written Off and Misc. Credits.	Outstanding Balance April 30th 1928
Civic Year prior to May 1 1925	\$822,401.27	\$24,431.59	\$622.55	\$797,347.13
Civic Year 1925-26	145,440.21	17,817.84	181.18	127,441.19
Civic Year 1926-27	226,347.64	19,557.07	167.03	206,623.54
	\$1194,189.12	\$61,806.50	\$970.76	\$1,131,411.86

CURRENT TAXES

Civic Year 1927-28	\$469,515.23	\$58,948.22	\$1,714.97	\$ 408,852.04
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Carried Forward

\$1,663,704.35 \$120,754.72 \$2,685.73 \$1540,263.9

WATER DEPARTMENT

Rates and Taxes

March 31-28 \$103,976.41

Add monthly charges 1,643.67

Add Motor rates for 6 mos. (Approx) 60,000.00

\$165,620.08 23,274.37 467.38 141,878.7
\$1,899,324.43 \$144,029.09 \$3,155.11 \$1682,142.2

FILED.

✓
COAL WEIGHERS REPORT

Read report of the Superintendent of Coal Weighers showing the Permanent Weighers to have received the sum of \$65.25 each in fees during the month of April.

FILED.

✓
CITY HOME AND T. B. HOSPITAL-MONTHLY REPORT

Read report of the Charities Committee for the month of April 1928, showing 272 inmates in the City Home and 48 patients in the T.B. Hospital

FILED

✓
HIGHWAY TAX

Read report of the Finance Committee recommending the payment of the sum of \$9,449.58 interest on the Highway Tax for 1927 up to May 1st last; also the appointment of a Special Committee to arrange for a conference with the local government to discuss the question of the Government's share for local improvements.

Committee Room,

City Hall, May 16-28

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the City Auditor brought to the attention of the Committee that the Department of Provincial Treasurer was pressing for a settlement of the balance due on the Highway Tax for 1927, the interest of which amounts to \$9,449.58 up to May 1st.

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In May of last year a Special Committee consisting of His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Weston, Shannon and Redden was appointed to arrange for a conference with the Local Government to discuss the question of the Governments share for local improvements, but for some unknown reason failed to function.

Your Committee recommend that before any action is taken in this matter a special committee consisting of His Worship the Mayor and the Finance Committee be appointed to arrange for a conference with the Government on the matters under dispute.

Respectfully submitted,
S.L. Shannon
CHAIRMAN

City Auditor's Office,
Halifax, N.S.
May 16th, 1928

The Chairman
Finance Committee,
City Hall.

Dear Sir:-

The Deputy Provincial Treasurer has written me a long letter in connection with the account of the Province of Nova Scotia against the City of Halifax for Highway Tax.

At the April meeting of Council the payment of \$37,279.69 was authorized which according to our records would pay the balance of the principal of the Tax.

The records of the Province show that after crediting this payment there is an amount of \$9,499.58 due for interest up to May 1st 1928. The Province has the right by statute to charge interest on Highway Tax after June 30th, of the year in which it is due.

You will recall that on May 12th, 1927, upon receipt of a request from the Province for a settlement of the Account the Finance Committee appointed a Special Committee consisting of the Mayor as Chairman and Aldermen Weston, Shannon, and Redden to arrange for a conference with the Local Government to discuss the question of the City's charge for Local Improvements.

On August 11th, upon receipt of a request from the Auditor to be allowed to make payment of the province the matter was referred to this special Committee to confer with the Local Government.

On July 14th, a payment of \$41,074.38 was authorized

May 17th, 1928

On November 17th, upon receipt of a request by the Auditor to make a payment the matter was referred to the special Committee to confer with the Local Government.

On April 2nd, 1928 a payment of \$37,279.69 was authorized.

I would impress upon your Committee the fact that this matter is important. If we are ever to receive an adjustment from the Local Government of our claim for Local Improvements we can only receive it by interviewing them and requesting favourable consideration of our case. As I see it we cannot delay payment of the Highway Tax and say that our Local Improvement charge is a set-off. Both stand by themselves.

The Government in redrafting the Highway Act in 1926 inadvertently (they say) omitted the clause allowing Cities and Towns $1\frac{1}{2}\%$ for short collection. The Minister of Highways when this matter was discussed before the Convention of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities at Lunenburg last year wired that the clause has been inadvertently omitted, and that Cities and Towns which had already paid the tax in full would be granted a rebate. The catch is that the City of Halifax which had not paid its current tax will not receive an allowance of $1\frac{1}{2}\%$ but will be called upon to pay 6% interest on the arrears. You will see the importance of this and how our position will react on the payment to be made for the present Civic Year. If we have not paid our account in full on or before June 30th, we will not receive the allowance of $1\frac{1}{2}\%$. As the allowance in question is close to \$700.00, and as interest is accumulating on this account every day the settlement of it is delayed you will appreciate the importance of the whole matter.

Respectfully submitted
A.M. Butler
AUDITOR.

Auditor
Moved by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Alderman Robertson that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

✓
CASH DISCOUNT ON ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Finance Committee recommending the adoption of the following resolution dealing with cash discount on trade accounts:

Committee Room,
City Hall,
May 16th, 1928

His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the City Auditor brought to the attention of the Committee the necessity of making provision for taking advantage of the discount on Trade Accounts. He informed the Committee that

the City was losing money by not being able on account of lapse of time between purchase of goods and payment to make these payments.

Your Committee recommend the adoption of the following Resolution prepared by the City Auditor subject to the approval of the City Solicitor.

Respectfully submitted
S.L.Shannon
CHAIRMAN

Moved by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Alderman Robinson that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

The following Resolution is submitted:

RESOLVED that the City Treasurer upon receipt of a voucher signed by the City Auditor is hereby authorized to pay any account for supplies in order to deduct therefrom any cash discount allowed by the vendor for payment of the account on or before a specified date when such date proceeds the regular monthly meeting of Council; provided however any such payment authorized under this Resolution shall not exceed \$40.00 unless authority for a purchase of supplies has been duly approved and sanctioned by a Committee for its Department at a specified price, and the Department Head certifies that the goods have been received and are in accordance with the standard required. All accounts paid under this Resolution shall be submitted to Council for ratification of payment along with the regular accounts for the month"

Auditor
Moved by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Alderman Robinson and passed unanimously.

✓
APPOINTMENT OF DOG CATCHER AND POUND KEEPER

Read report of the Police Committee recommending the appointment of a dog catcher and pound keeper, and covering resolution authorizing a loan for this purpose not exceeding \$800.00, under the provisions of Section 976 of the City Charter:

The following Resolution is submitted:

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WHEREAS the City requires money for the following purposes;-

To cover the necessary expense in connection with the appointment of pound keeper and dog catcher,

AND WHEREAS no appropriation has been made by the City in respect to this matter, and no provision has been made in respect to it by legislative authority,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City do under authority of Section 976 of the Halifax City Charter as amended by Section 53 Chapter 50 of the Acts of 1924 borrow from the Royal Bank of Canada or any fund available the amount required not exceeding \$800.00 for the purposes aforesaid, and that the amount when so borrowed be included in the Civic Estimates for 1929-30 and rated and collected along therewith.

Moved by Alderman O'Toole seconded by Alderman Smeltzer that said resolution be adopted.

The resolution on being put is lost it not receiving the necessary two-third vote of the Council.

✓
SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON COLLECTION OF TAX ARREARS

Alderman Redden submits the following Resolution:

RESOLVED that in view of the excellent work performed by the Special Committee on Collection of Tax Arrears, appointed under a Resolution of Council dated May 5th, 1927, during the past year that the same Committee be and it is hereby restored for the purpose for which it was appointed.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the name of Alderman Shannon be substituted for Alderman Weston on said Committee

Moved by Alderman Redden, seconded by

Alderman Robertson and passed unanimously.

*and Redden
" Shannon
W. Morrow*

May 17th, 1928

✓
APPLICATIONS FOR SALARY INCREASES

Read report of the Finance Committee on the application for increase of salary from Miss Vera L. Street, Stenographer Mayor's office and Miss Marion Thompson, Stenographer in the City Assessors Department.

Committee Room,
City Hall,
May 16th, 1928

His Worship the Mayor
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the attached applications of Miss Street and Miss Thompson, Stenographers in the Mayor's Office and Assessors Office, respectively were submitted.

Your Committee report that in view of the fact that the Civic Estimates are closed for the present year it cannot recommend the granting of the requests.

Respectfully submitted
S. L. Shannon
CHAIRMAN

Moved by Alderman Smeltzer,
seconded by Alderman O'Toole that the report and applications referred back to the Finance Committee for the purpose of obtaining an opinion from the City Solicitor on the subject. Motion passed

*Act Shannon
C. Clerk*
✓
SALE OF MORRIS STREET LOTS

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer on the sale of lots corner Morris Street and Summit Street deferred for consideration at a meeting of the City Council held on April 26th.

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Moved by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Alderman O'Toole that this report be referred back to the Committee on Works for further consideration.

Motion passed.

*Engineer
Com. of Works*

✓
PUBLIC LANDINGS

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer covering ordinance to regulate public landings, this report being **deferred** at a meeting of the City Council held on the 26th April last.

Moved by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Alderman McCarthy that this report be referred back to the Committee on Works for further consideration, and that the different ferrymen be invited to attend the meeting of the Committee on Works when the matter is under consideration. Motion passed.

*Engineer
Com. of Works*

✓
AVIATION

Alderman Robinson brought to the notice of Council the matter of providing suitable landing fields for aeroplanes etc.

The following resolution is submitted:

RESOLVED that the Committee on Works together with the City Engineer be appointed a Special Committee on Aviation to take immediate steps to ascertain suitable landing fields and submit a report on the cost of same at the next meeting of this Council.

Moved by Alderman Corbin seconded by Alderman Robinson and passed.

*Mayor
Engineer*

✓
PEDDLERS AND PETTY CHAPMAN

Alderman Robinson brought to the notice of Council that under the Acts passed at the last session of the Legislature, provision was made for the passing of an Ordinance regulating persons carrying on petty trades coming into the City by auto who are not assessed.

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*Asst MCDuff
C. Clark*

Referred to the Laws & Privileges Committee

for report

✓
POLL TAX ASSESSMENT

Alderman Robinson brought to the attention of Council the legislation passed at the last session of the Legislature in reference to the assessment of poll tax in the City.

*Asst MCDuff
Clark*

Referred to the Laws & Privileges Committee.

✓
NOTICE OF MOTION

Alderman Ryan submits the following notice of motion:

RESOLVED that this Council place itself on record as being in favor of the adoption of the resolution passed by the Board of Trade of the City of Halifax with reference to the operation of steam trawlers in connection with the fishing industry of this Port.

Council

11.15 o'clock.

Moved by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Alderman Mitchell that this meeting do now adjourn.

Motion passed.

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Meeting adjourned

L.A. Gastonguay,
MAYOR

H.S. RHIND
CITY CLERK