

November 15th, 1928

Moved by Alderman Robinson, seconded by Alderman Donovan that the proposition submitted by the School Board in their letter of November 1st be approved. Motion passed.

*Auditor  
Miss S. Wilson*

CITY HEALTH BOARD CONTRACTS

Read letter of the City Auditor in reference to certain contracts entered into by the City Health Board for furnishings etc., for the new Infectious Diseases Hospital, without submitting the tenders for same to the City Council for approval:

City Auditor's Office,  
Halifax, N.S.,  
Nov. 15th, 1928.

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

I wish to call your attention to purchases made by the Board of Health for the new Infectious Diseases Hospital.

Under Section 341 of the City Charter, no Committee is permitted to enter into any contract or incur or authorize any expenditure without having first obtained the sanction of Council.

The tenders in the case of all purchases listed below were not previously submitted to Council for approval. Because they are of a capital nature I do not see that the situation is altered and that so far as capital appropriations are concerned the same regulations govern them as govern an ordinary current appropriation:

Robert Simpson Eastern Limited	\$715.16
Bragers Limited	533.20
S.P. Zive & Son	485.90
Wood Bros., Company	267.05
Cabot's Limited	117.64
Fuller Brush Company	79.61
T. Eaton & Co., Ltd	338.72
Gordon & Keath Limited	40.35

I would recommend that the above purchases be ratified by the Council.

Yours truly,

A.M. Butler

CITY AUDITOR

Moved by Alderman Dickie, seconded by Alderman Smeltzer that the contracts for the supplying of the articles noted in the City Auditor's report be ratified by this Council and the accounts paid.

That the Health Board be notified that in future all purchases over the sum of \$40.00 must be submitted to the Council for approval. Motion passed.

*Candidate  
Seaty C & B  
D. Forrest*

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WORKS DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Committee on Works recommending for payment accounts chargeable to the Works Department \$12,493.48 and to the Water Department \$938.35-

City Works Office,  
Halifax, N.S.,  
November 14th, 1928

ACCOUNTS-WORKS AND WATER DEPARTMENTS

His Worship the Mayor and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held this day accounts for the Works and Water Departments amounting to \$13,431.83 chargeable as follows, were approved and recommended to Council for payment:

Works Dept. -	Capital	\$668.43	
	Appropriations	<u>11825.05</u>	\$12,493.48
Water Dept. -	Maintenance		<u>938.35</u>
			<u>\$13,431.83</u>

Moved by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Alderman Smith that the report be adopted. 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 \$7,253.06 and to the T.B. Hospital \$2,506.41:

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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  
Redden and Drysdale.

CITY HOME ACCOUNTS OCTOBER 1928 AMOUNT \$7253.06

City Home accounts for the month of  
October 1928 amounting to \$7,253.06 are recommended  
for payment.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS OCTOBER 1928 AMOUNT:-  
\$2,506.41

Tuberculosis Hospital accounts for the  
month of October 1928 amounting to \$2,506.41 are re-  
commended for payment.

Respectfully submitted  
J.W. McCarthy  
CHAIRMAN

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

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Finance Committee re-  
commending for payment accounts chargeable to various  
services amounting to \$7,650.37:

Committee Room,  
City Hall,  
Nov. 14th, 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 chargeable  
to various services amounting to \$7,650.37 was passed  
as correct and recommended to Council for payment.

Respectfully submitted

S.L. Shannon  
CHAIRMAN

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

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FIRE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS

Read report Committee of Firewards recommending for payment accounts chargeable to Fire Alarm Service \$613.31 and chargeable to Fire Alarm Maintenance \$14,391.91:

Committee Room,  
City Hall,  
Nov. 13th, 1928

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards held this day accounts amounting in all to \$15,005.43 were passed as correct and recommended to Council for payment:

Fire Alarm Accounts	\$613.51
Fire Dept. Maintenance	14391.91
	<u>\$15005.43</u>

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Robinson  
CHAIRMAN

Moved by Alderman Robinson, seconded by Alderman Smith 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 \$4,871.95:

Halifax, N.S. Nov. 15th, 1928

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members City Council

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the City Health Board held on Wednesday, November 14th, 1928, the following named accounts amounting to \$4,871.95 were passed as correct and are recommended for payment.

Respectfully submitted,  
Arthur C. Pettipas,  
SECRETARY.

Moved by Alderman Smeltzer, seconded by Alderman Mitchell 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 \$10,551.17:

Halifax, N.S.,  
Nov. 14th, 1928

His Worship the Mayor,  
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Police Committee held this date, the attached accounts, amounting to \$10,551.17 were passed and recommended for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

L.A. Gastonguay,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN

Moved by Alderman Smeltzer, seconded by Alderman Cragg 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 Public Gardens \$1,080.44 and to Fleming Park \$209.37:

Committee Room,  
City Hall,  
Nov. 13th, 1928

His Worship the Mayor,  
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Gardens Parks and Common held this day the attached lists of accounts chargeable to Public Gardens \$1080.44 and to Fleming Park \$209.37 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 Donovan 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 \$1,771.11; and covering report of Governor Grant for the month of October:

Committee Room,  
City Hall,  
Nov. 6th, 1928

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 amounting to \$1,771.11 were passed as correct and recommended to the City Council for payment.

The report of Governor Grant was submitted showing there were twenty-six males and six females in custody October 31st.

Respectfully submitted,  
A.A. Robertson  
CHAIRMAN

City Prison,  
Nov. 6th, 1928

The Chairman  
and Members of City Prison Committee.

Gentlemen:-

I beg to submit the report of City Prison for month ending October 31st A.D. 1928. Eleven Males and three females. Number in custody at the end of October, twenty six males and six females. Total thirty-two inmates, included in this number there are seven males convicted under the N.S.T. Act.

At this date last year there were twenty-in custody made up of nineteen men and one woman

Respectfully submitted

GEORGE GRANT  
GOVERNOR

Moved by Alderman Robinson,

seconded by Alderman Donovan that the report be adopted and accounts paid. Motion passed

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CITIZENS FREE LIBRARY ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Library Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$258.33:

Halifax, N.S. Nov. 14th, 1928

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of the Library Committee.

Gentlemen:-

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

City of Halifax	Salaries	\$233.32
T.C. Allen & Co.	Books	12.60
Bibliotheca Sacra	Subscription	2.25
Canadian Review Co.	Book	8.26
R.W. Wright	Paper	1.90
		<u>\$ 258.33</u>

Respectfully submitted,  
L. F. Barnaby  
LIBRARIAN

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

LOANS - SHORT TERM BORROWINGS

Read report of the Finance Committee recommending the borrowing of \$2,900.00 on short term five year debentures and \$17,500.00 on fifteen year debentures:

Halifax, N.S. Nov. 14th, 1928

The Chairman,  
Finance Committee,  
CITY.

Dear Sir:-

RE: BORROWING

I beg to advise that draft of proposed borrowing is being brought before your Committee to-day and I beg to recommend it for your approval, it covers Short Term, or Five Year Debentures for \$10,900.00 for-

Spraying Machine, Gardens	\$900.00
Motor Patrol, Police	2,000.00
Contribution to War Memorial	8,000.00
	<u>\$10,900.00</u>

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and one for \$17,500 to be borrowed for Fifteen Year Term being one-half the cost of Ice Plant at Provincial Exhibition.

Some further borrowings will be required but I would recommend that these be deferred until after the New Year, larger sums will be required and the borrowing will be for longer term and by February or March we may perhaps hope to find a more receptive market than exists at the present time.

Respectfully submitted  
R.V. Dimock  
CITY TREASURER

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 report of the City Treasurer in reference to Short Term Borrowings was submitted and duly considered.

Your Committee recommend that the report with respect to the following items be adopted viz:

5 YEAR TERM DEBENTURES

Spraying Machine	\$900.00
Motor Patrol	2,000.00

15 YEAR TERM DEBENTURES

Artificial Ice Plant- Provincial Exhibition Arena $\frac{1}{2}$ Cost	17,500.00
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Your Committee further recommend that the accompanying resolution dealing with this matter prepared by the City Solicitor be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,  
S.L. Shannon  
CHAIRMAN

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

The following resolutions are submitted:



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WHEREAS by Section 42 of Chapter 60 of the Acts of the Legislature of Nova Scotia for the year 1928, the City of Halifax was authorized to borrow on the credit of the City the sums following for the purposes set opposite each item thereof respectively that is to day:

For a Spraying Machine for the Public Gardens  
Not exceeding.....\$900.00

For a Motor Patrol for the Police Department  
Not exceeding.....2,000.00

and to repay the same by five yearly instalments, the first thereof to be included in the yearly estimates for the Civic Year 1929-30, repayable 1st day of August 1929, and one on each succeeding 1st August until the same is repaid.

AND WHEREAS the City requires to borrow the said sums for the purposes aforesaid.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Treasurer do advertise for tenders for the loaning to the City of the said sum of \$2,900.00 at a rate not to exceed 5% per annum, and to report to the Committee on Finance the said tenders when the same have been received.

Moved by Alderman Shannon, seconded by  
Alderman Redden and passed unanimously:

(2)

WHEREAS by Chapter 61 of the Acts of the Legislature of Nova Scotia for the year 1928 the City of Halifax was authorized to borrow the sum of \$17,500.00 to pay one-half of the cost of installing an Artificial Ice Plant at the Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition, the said sum when so borrowed to be in addition to the amounts authorized by the Halifax City Consolidated Fund Act 1905 and to form part of that fund and to be secured by stock or debentures of the City.

AND WHEREAS the City is desirous of borrowing the said sum and applying the same to the purpose aforesaid.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Treasurer be instructed to advertise for tenders for the loaning to the City of the sum aforesaid the stock or debentures to be given as security therefor to be repayable in fifteen years from the second day of January 1929 and to bear interest at a rate not exceeding four and one-half per cent per annum and to report to the Committee on Finance the said tenders when the same have been received

Moved by Alderman Shannon, seconded by  
Alderman Redden and passed unanimously.

FIRE DEPARTMENT-COLLISION DAMAGES  
TO APPARATUS BY A I. DRUMMOND

Read report of the Committee of

*Auditor  
Treasurer*

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Firewards recommending a settlement for damages caused to apparatus of the Fire Department by Mr. A.I. Drummond:

Committee Room,  
City Hall,  
Oct. 9th, 1928

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards held this day the City Solicitor reported verbally on conference with Solicitor for Mr. A.I. Drummond who accepted responsibility for collision with the fire apparatus on Brunswick Street and agrees to pay \$75.00 damage.

Your Committee recommend that the offer of Mr. A.I. Drummond's Solicitor be accepted and that the City Solicitor be authorized to accept the \$75.00 in payment of damages.

Respectfully submitted  
Thomas Robinson  
CHAIRMAN

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

FIRE DEPARTMENT-REPAIRS TO FIRE ALARM SERVICE TRUCK

Read report of the Committee of Firewards respecting necessary repairs to the Fire Alarm Service truck;

City Electrician's Office,  
Halifax, N.S.,  
Nov. 13th, 1928

To the Chairman and  
Members of the Board of Firewards.

Dear Sirs:

The Ford car used for Fire Alarm service is out of commission due to the fact that considerable repairs are required to the rear end and transmission.

I have had the repairs necessary inspected by Fire Department motor mechanic, C J. Leahy, reports from whom are attached, and he recommends the work be done by the Fred C. Manning Co. Ltd., at the price of \$71.10. I approached the City Engineer about the City Work shop doing the work, but he informed me that this would not be possible at this time of the year.

*Auditor  
Solicitor  
Ald Robinson  
Chief R & D*

*Auditor  
Solicitor  
Chief R & D*

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It is almost impossible to carry on the Fire Alarm Maintenance without the use of this car and in case of emergency my own private car is the only one available.

It would be possible to take care of this expenditure within the Fire Alarm estimate for this year by using the balance of the amount set aside for truck expenses and part of unexpended balance for tower strikers. This is the only way I see this matter can be taken care of within the estimate and which the Auditor approves of.

Yours respectfully,

G.H. Durling  
CITY ELECTRICIAN

Committee Room,  
City Hall,  
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Gen. Export & Import  
Trading Co. Ltd.  
B.J. Whittan & Co. Ltd.  
Hickerson & Co.  
Ideal Dairy Ltd.  
Scotts Flour & Feed  
Thomas W. Robinson

His Worship the Mayor;  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards held this day the attached report of the City Electrician regarding necessary repairs to the Fire Alarm Service Truck at a cost of \$71.10 was submitted.

Your Committee recommend that the report be adopted and that the F.C. Manning Co., Ltd., make the necessary repairs at a cost of \$71.10.

Respectfully submitted,  
Thomas Robinson  
CHAIRMAN

*Auditor  
& G.H. Durling  
Chy 1872*

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

CITY HOME- - -TENDERS FOR VEGETABLES

Read report of the Charities Committee covering tenders for 1000 bus. potatoes and 100 bus. turnips:

Halifax, N.S. Nov. 6-28

His Worship the Mayor,  
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

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

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MEMBERS PRESENT: The Chairman, Aldermen Redden and Drysdale.

Tenders for Potatoes and Turnips, at the prices quoted were received, as follows:

	<u>POTATOES</u>			G.M. TURNIPS
	<u>REDS</u>	<u>WHITES</u>	<u>COB' LRS</u>	
Can. Export & Import Trading Co. Ltd.	.53½	53½		.50 Bushel
R.J. Whitten & Co. Ltd.	50	47		46 "
Nickerson & Crease	52	49		44 "
Ideal Dairy Ltd.	77	75		50 "
Scotia Flour & Feed	52¼	52¼		47½ "
Thomas W. Robinson		49		47 "

RECOMMENDATIONS

The tender of R. J. Whitten & Co., Ltd. being the lowest is recommended for acceptance.

Respectfully submitted

James W. McCarthy  
CHAIRMAN

Moved by Alderman McCarthy, seconded by Alderman Redden that the report be adopted and that the tender of Messrs. R. J. Whitten & Co., Ltd. for 1000 bus. "Cobblers" white potatoes at 47¢ per bus., and 100 bus. of turnips at 46¢ per bus. be accepted. Motion passed. ✓

*Auditor  
Supd City Hall  
W. McCarthy*

CITY PRISON-TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES

Read report of the City Prison Committee covering tenders for supplies for six months ending April 30th, 1929:

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

His Worship the Mayor,  
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the City Prison Committee held this day, the Chairman submitted the tenders received for the supply of bread, meat, groceries, and fish to the Prison for six months ending April 30, 1929 as follows:

APPROX. QUANTITY

BREAD

Moirs Ltd.	1½ Lb. Loaf	.07¼ cents per loaf
J. J. Scriven & Son		.05¼ " lb.
C. Malley's Ltd.	1½ "	.08 Per Loaf
Hamiltons Bakery	1½ "	.08 Per loaf

BEEF

W.A. Maling & Co. - fore quarters not under 150 lbs  
\$14.60 per cwt.

FISH

Fresh Codfish or Haddock  
H. Bowman 5¢ per lb.

GROCERIES

Firth Thurlow & Co.	\$663.03	Schedule Prices
Howards Limited	704.15	"
M. J. Ritcey & Co. Ltd.	707.62	"

Your Committee recommend that the lowest tender in each case, namely:

Moirs Ltd., for Bread at 7¼ cents per loaf; W.A. Maling & Co., beef at \$14.60 per cwt., H. Bowman for fish at 5¢ per lb., and Firth Thurlow for Groceries at Schedule Prices be accepted.

Respectfully submitted

A. A. Robertson  
CHAIRMAN

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

WORKS DEPARTMENT-TENDERS FOR FORAGE

Read report of the Committee on Works covering tenders for forage:

City Works Office,  
Halifax, N.S.,  
Nov. 7th, 1928

TENDERS FOR FORAGE

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held this day had under consideration the attached tenders for forage for six and twelve months supply from the Musgrave Lumber Company, the Scotia Flour and Feed Com., and S.C. Thompson.

It was decided to recommend to Council that the tender of S.C. Thompson for twelve months' supply (it being the lowest) be accepted, at the following prices:

*Auditor  
Gov City Council  
and Robertson*

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Approx. quantity

Quantity	Unit	Item	Price	Per	Unit
5000	bus.	# 1 Feed Oats	\$.81	Per	bus
100	tons	1 Timothy Hay	17.00	"	Ton
5	"	Ontario Wheat Bran	44.00	"	"
1	"	Crushed Feed	52.00	"	"
2	"	Straw-pressed	13.50	"	"
1	"	Middlings	52.00	"	"

Respectfully submitted

M. A. Hunter  
CLERK OF WORKS

*Auditor  
Engineer  
City of Halifax*

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

CITY HOME - APPOINTMENT OF ENGINEER

Read report of the Charities Committee  
covering applications for the position of Engineer at  
the City Home:

Halifax, N.S. Oct. 19th, 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  
Drysdale, Redden, Robertson, Dickie and Ryan.

Applications for the position of Engineer  
City Home were read from the following viz:

- Arthur Crouse
- James Doherty
- Wm. Power
- Thomas W. Fultz
- Wm. H. Bolhill
- Clarence F. Dodman
- Wm. A. Isnor
- Frank L. Brown
- Percy B. Sellars
- E. R. Johnson
- Wm. J. Devan
- F. W. S. Beattie
- H. Benouisen
- A. G. Duffy.

Your Committee having failed to agree  
on a recommendation herewith submit for consideration  
of Council the applications of the above named persons.

Respectfully submitted  
Jas W. McCarthy  
CHAIRMAN

*Auditor  
City of Halifax*

Moved by Alderman Cragg, seconded by

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Alderman Mitchell that the report covering the applications for this position be referred back to the Charities Committee for further consideration and report.

The Motion is put and lost six voting for the same and nine against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

AGAINST IT

Alderman Shannon  
Mitchell  
Donovan  
Cragg  
Corbin  
Mullane -6

Alderman Dickie  
Redden  
Smith  
McDuff  
McCarthy  
Drysdale  
Robertson  
Smeltzer  
Robinson- 9

His Worship the Mayor informed the Council that he would receive nominations for the position from the list of applicants.

Alderman Drysdale, nominates Mr. Percy B. Sellars

Alderman Robinson nominates E.R. Johnson

Alderman Redden nominates J. Doherty.

Moved by Alderman Robertson seconded by Alderman Shannon that the nominations cease. Motion passed.

On a ballot being taken for the position there appeared:

FOR MR. SELLARS

FOR MR. JOHNSON

FOR MR. DOHERTY

Alderman Shannon  
Mitchell  
Dickie  
Smith  
Cragg  
McDuff  
McCarthy  
Corbin  
Mullane  
Drysdale

Alderman Robertson  
Smeltzer  
Robinson-3

Alderman Redden  
Donovan -

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His Worship the Mayor declares Mr. Percy B. Sellars duly appointed Engineer at the City Home.

*Successor  
Supt City Home  
Percy B. Sellars*

✓  
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APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT IN CITY ENGINEER'S  
DEPARTMENT

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer recommending the appointment of Mr. R.V. Hart to the position of Assistant in the office of the City Engineer:

City Engineer's Office,  
Halifax, N.S.,  
November 13th, 1928

ASSISTANT IN ENGINEER'S OFFICE

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

In accordance with the resolution of the Committee on Works advertisements were inserted in the papers asking for applications to fill the vacancy in this office caused by the promotion of Mr. DeWolfe. In response two applications were received, one from Mr. A.C. Harris and the other from Mr. R.V. Hart.

Mr. Harris is a graduate of the Nova Scotia Technical College with the degree of Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering, in addition to this he has taken a course in book-keeping and business letter writing at the Maritime Business College. Before graduation he worked on survey work with the City of Halifax, since then he has been with the Dominion Bridge Company, the Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Company and the Eastern Car Company. He is 27 years old, Married and a native of Halifax.

Mr. Hart is a native of Halifax, 36 years old and has been employed in the District Engineer's office of the Department of National Defence at Halifax for the past seventeen years. His work there consisted chiefly of drafting and survey with transit and level.

I was authorized by your Committee to employ Mr. Harris temporarily and he has been working in the Office since October 15th, he having resigned his position with the Eastern Car Company in New Glasgow in order to accept this work. His work has been satisfactory. It is in the interest of the City that a graduate engineer should be employed and I would recommend that Mr. Harris receive the appointment.

Respectfully submitted  
H. W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER

City Engineer's Office,  
Halifax, N.S.  
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ASSISTANT IN ENGINEER'S OFFICE

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I regret that I was unable to attend the meeting of the Committee on Works yesterday when



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the question of an Assistant Engineer in this office was discussed. From reports of the discussion it would appear that my report on the matter was not sufficiently clear.

Mr. Hart's statements of his professional qualifications shows that it has consisted practically altogether of drafting work, surveying work and some designing of buildings. As far as can be learned he went into the District Engineer's Office of the Department of National Defence from High School and has not completed any course in engineering since then and is not a member of an Engineering Society.

Mr. Harris took the full course of three years at Dalhousie followed by two years at the Technical College leading to the degree of Bachelor of Science, which degree in Civil Engineering he obtained in 1926 and he has been a member of The Engineering Institute of Canada since that year. The securing of this degree means that he has passed satisfactory examinations in all branches of mathematics surveying, design of steel and reinforced concrete structures, physics, roads and pavements, sewerage, hydraulics, water supply steamboiler and engines and other branches of the profession. It is for this reason I consider him to be better qualified technically for the position and that the interests of the City would be better served by his appointment.

Respectfully submitted,  
H.W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER

City Works Office,  
Nov. 14th, 1928

ASSISTANT IN ENGINEER'S OFFICE

His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Attached hereto are applications from Mr. A.C.Harris and Mr. R.V.Hart, for the position to fill the vacancy in the office of the City Engineer caused by the promotion of Mr. W.J. DeWolfe, also a recommendation of the City Engineer that Mr. A.C.Harris receive the appointment.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on the 14th instant it was decided to recommend to Council that Mr. R.V.Hart be appointed to the position, Alderman Smith and Smeltzer voting against the recommendation.

Respectfully submitted  
M.A.Hunter  
CLERK OF WORKS

Moved by Alderman Donovan, seconded  
by Alderman Dickie that the report be adopted.

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Read letter Alderman O'Toole regretting his inability through illness to be present at this meeting and recommending the appointment of Mr. Harris to the position.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Smith seconded by Alderman Drysdale that Mr. Arthur C. Harris be appointed to the position of Assistant in the City Engineer's Department

Moved by Alderman Robertson, seconded by Alderman McCarthy that the position made vacant by the promotion of Mr. W. J. De'Wolfe in the City Engineer's Department be not filled and that an assistant be not appointed.

The motion on being put is lost **six** voting for the same and nine against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Redden  
Cragg  
McDuff  
Robertson  
Smeltzer  
Robinson- 6

AGAINST IT

Alderman Shannon  
Mitchell  
Dickie  
Smith  
Donovan  
McCarthy  
Corbin  
Mullane  
Drysdale -9-

*Amendment  
Engineer  
A. C. Harris*  
Alderman Smith's amendment that Mr. Arthur C. Harris be appointed is put and passed ten voting for the same and five against it as follows:

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Alderman Mitchell  
Redden  
Smith  
Cragg  
McDuff  
Mullane  
Drysdale  
Robertson  
Smeltzer  
Robinson -10

AGAINST IT

Alderman Shannon  
Dickie  
Donovan  
McCarthy  
Corbin

- 5

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His Worship the Mayor declares Arthur C. Harris duly appointed an assistant in the City Engineer's Department.

Moved by Alderman Dickie, seconded by Alderman Smith that the salary of Mr. A.C. Harris as assistant in the City Engineer's Office be fixed at \$2,500.00 per annum.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Robertson seconded by Alderman Smeltzer that the salary of Mr. A.C. Harris as assistant in the City Engineer's Office be fixed at \$2,200 per annum.

Amendment put and passed thirteen voting for the same and two against it as follows :

FOR THE AMENDMENT

AGAINST IT

Alderman Shannon  
Mitchell  
Redden  
Donovan  
Cragg  
McCarthy  
McDuff  
Corbin  
Mullane  
Drysdale  
Robertson  
Smeltzer  
Robinson-13

Alderman Dickie  
Smith

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✓ Auditor  
✓ Engineer  
✓ A.C. Harris

✓  
"NO PARKING" PROBLEM

Alderman Donovan asks permission to introduce a resolution.

By unanimous consent Alderman Donovan is permitted to introduce his resolution.

The following resolution is submitted:

Nov. 15th, 1928

RESOLVED that in the opinion of this Council a Special Committee be appointed to enquire into the conditions prevailing in the City in respect to the parking of automobiles and traffic generally and to report not later than the January (next) meeting what action or legislation is in their opinion required.

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

The following Aldermen were nominated and appointed to the Committee:-

Alderman Donovan, Mitchell and McCarthy.

MORRIS STREET-CONCRETE SIDEWALK, CURB AND GUTTER

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re concrete sidewalk, curb and gutter on the south side of Morris Street from Robie to Seymour Streets:

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

MORRIS STREET SIDEWALK

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on a request for a sidewalk on the south side of Morris Street, from Robie to Seymour Streets, that the estimated cost of this work is \$3,700.00

This street is closely built up and it is practically impossible to keep the sidewalk in fair shape without a curb and gutter, owing to the flatness of the grade. There is a sidewalk on this side of Morris Street from Water to Robie Streets.

This street is also on the main route to Dalhousie College and is traversed by a very large number of people throughout the year and should be improved by having a sidewalk built. I would recommend that it be placed on the order paper to be done when funds are available.

Respectfully submitted  
H. W. Johnston  
CITY ENGINEER

*Ald Donovan*  
*Mitchell*  
*McCarthy*

November 15th, 1928

City Works Office,  
Halifax, N.S.  
Oct. 26-28

MORRIS STREET SIDEWALK

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Attached hereto is report of the City Engineer recommending the construction of a permanent sidewalk, when funds are available, on the south side of Morris Street, from Robie to Seymour.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on the 24th instant, said report was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

M. A. Hunter  
CLERK OF WORKS

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

*Moved by  
Alderman  
Shannon  
&  
Engineer*

LEGISLATION RE GAS TANKS

Read report of the Committee on Works recommending certain legislation for the control within the City of tanks, pumps and other similar structures in which it is proposed to be stored or contained any inflammable oil etc:

City Works Office,  
Halifax, N.S.  
Nov. 2nd, 1928

LEGISLATION RE CONTROL  
OF TANKS PUMPS etc.

His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Sirs:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held October 31st, the following Resolution was passed and recommended to Council for approval-

RESOLVED that this Committee recommend to the Council that the Solicitor be instructed to prepare and submit to the Legislature legislation giving the City jurisdiction to control, and, if need be, prevent, the erection and use within the City of tanks, pumps or other similar structures or receptacles in which it is proposed to be stored or contained any inflammable oil or any other inflammable substance, whether liquid, solid, or gaseous.

*Moved by  
City Works  
Committee*

November 15th, 1928

Also if required, legislation to define the word "Building" as used in the City Building Act or in the legislation relating to a residential district as including such tank or other structure or receptacle.

Respectfully submitted,

M.A. Hunter  
CLERK OF WORKS

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

*Engineer  
Solicitor  
Clerk*

WATER METER BILL No. 23-25 SACKVILLE ST.

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re Water Meter Bill 23-25 Sackville Street:

City Works Office,  
Halifax, N.S.,  
Nov. 10th, 1928

23-25 SACKVILLE STREET  
WATER CONSUMPTION

His Worship the Mayor,  
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 7th instant, had under consideration a request from the owner of premises #23-25 Sackville Street for a reduction in meter readings at said premises.

*Inspector  
Clerk of Works  
Collector*

It was decided to recommend to Council that the said report be adopted and that the consumption for July and August 1928, be taken at 8,000 gallons for each month.

Respectfully submitted,  
M.A. Hunter  
CLERK OF WORKS

(Report of the City Engineer on file)

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

*Inspector  
Clerk of Works  
Collector*

Nov. 15th, 1928

WATER METER BILL 117 GERRISH STREET

Read reports of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re Water Meter Bill 117 Gerrish Street:-

City Works Office,  
Halifax, N.S.,  
Oct. 10th, 1928

117 GERRISH STREET  
WATER CONSUMPTION

His Worship the Mayor and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 7th instant, had under consideration a request from the owner of premises # 117 Gerrish Street for a reduction in water rates June 9th, 1928.

It was decided to recommend to Council that said Report be adopted and the July bill reduced to 2,000 gallons.

Respectfully submitted  
M.A. Hunter  
CLERK OF WORKS

(Report of the City Engineer on file)

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

WATER METER BILL No. 135 CUNARD STREET

Read reports of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re Water Meter Bill 135 Cunard Street:

City Works Office,  
Halifax, N.S.,  
Nov. 10th, 1928

135 Cunard Street Water Consumption

His Worship the Mayor and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 7th instant, recommended to Council that water consumption at premises # 135 Cunard Street for the month of June 1928 be reduced to 9,000 gallons.

Respectfully submitted  
M.A. Hunter  
CLERK OF WORKS

*Handwritten note:*  
Hunter  
Clerk of Works  
Collector

*Handwritten note:*  
Collector

November 15th, 1928

(Report of the City Engineer on file)

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

WATER METER BILL No. 891-3 BARRINGTON ST.

Read reports of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re Water Meter Bill 891-3 Barrington Street:-

City Works Office,  
Halifax, N.S.,  
Oct. 26-28

891-93 BARRINGTON ST  
WATER BILL

His Worship the Mayor and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Attached hereto is request for reduction in water meter bills at premises #891 -93 Barrington Street for the six months ending March 1928, also report of the City Engineer on same.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 24th instant resolved to recommend that 60,000 gallons be deducted from the quantity of water to be charged for from October 1927 to March 1928.

Respectfully submitted

M.A. Hunter  
CLERK OF WORKS

(Report of the City Engineer on file)

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

WATER METER BILL NO. 11 AGRICOLA ST.

Read reports of the Clerk of Works and City Engineer re Water Meter Bill No. 11 Agricola St:

*Successor  
Clerk of Works  
Collector*



November 15th, 1928

(Continued)

City Works Office,  
Halifax, N.S.,  
Oct. 29th, 1928

11 Agricola Street-  
Water Bill

His Worship the Mayor and  
City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 24th instant, had under consideration the accompanying report of the City Engineer in re water consumption at premises # 11 Agricola Street:

It was resolved to recommend to Council that the said report be adopted and that the consumption shown September 1928 be reduced to 7,000 gallons.

Respectfully submitted,  
M.A Hunter  
CLERK OF WORKS  
(Report of the City Engineer on file)

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

*and for  
Clerk of Works  
Collector*

TAX COLLECTIONS OCTOBER 1928

Read report of the City Auditor covering tax collections for the month of October 1928:

City Auditor's Office,  
November 15th, 1928

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Report on Tax Collections for the month of October 1928 is submitted. Collections from the usual sources reported each month amounted to \$91,252.78. During the same month last year an amount of \$90,212.13 was collected.

ARREARS TAXES	OUTSTANDING BALANCE PREVIOUS MONTH	NEW ACCOUNTS ADDED AND OTHER DEBITS	OCTOBER COLLECTIONS	AMOUNTS WRITTEN OFF AND OTHER CREDITS	OUTSTANDING BALANCE OCTOBER 31st 1928
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Civic Years  
Prior to May  
1st 1925

\$714,910.73	\$82.92	\$1,770.78	\$644.74	\$712,578.13
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(Continued)

November 15th, 1928

ARREARS TAXES	OUTSTANDING BALANCE PREVIOUS MONTH	NEW ACCOUNTS ADDED AND OTHER DEBITS	OCTOBER COLLECTIONS	AMOUNTS WRITTEN OFF AND OTHER CREDITS	OUTSTANDING BALANCES OCTOBER 31, 1928
Civic Year 1925-1926	\$96,736.55	\$ 60.00	\$2,302.32	\$6.56	\$94,437.67
Civic Year 1926-27	148,249.35		7,630.11		140,619.24
Civic Year 1927-28	294,367.24		14,912.49	27.12	279,387.63
	<u>\$1,254,223.87</u>	<u>\$142.92</u>	<u>\$26,615.70</u>	<u>\$678.42</u>	<u>\$1227,072.67</u>

CURRENT TAXES

Civic Year 1928-29	\$684,490.15	\$482.76	\$47,428.85	\$ 35.50	\$637,508.56
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WATER DEPARTMENT

Rates and Taxes	\$90,103.89	\$1557.61	\$ 17,208.23	\$297.12	\$ 74,176.15
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Respectfully submitted

A.M. Butler  
CITY AUDITOR

FILED. ✓

HOUSING COMMISSION MATTERS

Read report of the City Auditor on Housing Commission matters, copies of which had been distributed to the Aldermen previous to the meeting:

It was unanimously decided to defer consideration of this report until a special meeting of Council to be called for this purpose on Tuesday Evening November 27th, at 8 o'clock.

*Council*

DEPARTMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Read report of the City Auditor covering statements of Departmental Appropriations as at October 31st 1928.

FILED

✓  
November 15th, 1928

CITY HOME AND T. B. HOSPITAL MONTHLY REPORT

Read report of the Charities Committee for the month of October showing the number of inmates in the City Home to be 260 and the number of patients in the T.B.Hospital to be 45.

FILED

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COAL WEIGHERS REPORT

Read report of the Supervisor of Coal Weighers showing the amount received in fees by the permanent weighers during the month of October to be \$129.68 each.

FILED

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APPOINTMENT OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS

*Miss J. J. ...  
Alderman ...  
" Wool*

His Worship the Mayor asked for nominations to fill the two vacancies on the School Board caused by the retirement of Ex-Alderman Power and Ex-Alderman Gastonguay, whose terms expired on November 1st 1928.

The following nominations were received:

Alderman Donovan nominated by Alderman Dickie.

Alderman O'Toole nominated by Alderman Cragg.

Alderman Ryan nominated by Alderman Corbin.

*Eng...*

On ballot being taken there appeared for Alderman Donovan fourteen, Alderman O'Toole Ten and Alderman Ryan four as follows:

November 15th, 1928

FOR ALDERMAN  
DONOVAN

FOR ALDERMAN  
O'TOOLE

FOR ALDERMAN  
RYAN

Alderman Shannon	Alderman Dickie	Alderman Shannon
Mitchell	Smith	Mitchell
Dickie	Cragg	Redden
Redden	McCarthy	Corbin
Smith	McDuff	
Cragg	Mullane	
McCarthy	Drysdale	
McDuff	Robertson	
Corbin	Smeltzer	
Mullane	Robinson	
Drysdale		
Robertson		
Smeltzer		
Robinson		

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His Worship the Mayor declared Aldermen Donovan and O'Toole duly elected Commissioners of Schools for the City of Halifax for the next ensuing three years term.

Alderman Donovan thanks the Council for the unanimous expression of confidence placed in him by his appointment to the Board.

*Miss S. J. Wilson  
and Donovan  
" Wool*

LEASE OF LAND CORNER QUINPOOL AND CHEBUCTO ROADS

Moved by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Alderman McCarthy that the following resolution of which notice was given at a meeting of Council held on the 11th October 1928 be now adopted viz:

RESOLVED <sup>that</sup> the report of the Committee on Works of September 27th, 1928 be adopted and that the resolution of Council passed on the 12th July 1928 in reference to the lease of land corner Quinpool and Chebucto Road be now rescinded

*Engineer*

Motion put and passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE RE PETTY TRADES

Read report of the Committee on Laws and Privileges recommending an amendment to Ordinance No. 21 regulating petty trades in the City: