

EVENING SESSION

8.10 O'Clock,
Council Chamber,
City Hall,
August 15th, 1929.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, and Aldermen Mitchell, Dickie, Cragg, Smith, Donovan, Redmond, McDuff, McInnis, Rains, McDonald, O'Toole, Drysdale, Robertson, Smeltzer and Adams.

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

The following named papers were submitted: ✓

DALHOUSIE ALUMNI REUNION

Read application of the Board of Governors of Dalhousie University for permission to use the front entrance of the City Hall on the occasion of their Alumni Reunion August 28th, 29th, and 30th.

Moved by Alderman Robertson seconded

W E Thompson ✓
Alderman Smith that the request be granted.
Motion passed. ✓

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

Read letter City Clerk, Stratford, Ontario re passing of legislation making daylight time universal.

Referred to the Laws and Privileges Committee. ✓

TELEPHONE RATES-- HEARING

W E Thompson ✓
Clerk
Read letter Alderman Dickie re telephone rates hearing.

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Deferred for consideration until
other business on the Agenda is disposed of

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CITY WORKS ACCOUNT

Read report Committee on Works re-
commending for payment accounts amounting to
\$13,351.54;

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
August 15th, 1929

Accounts-
Works and Water Depts. July 1929

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting
held August 14th, 1929, approved and recommended to
Council the following accounts, chargeable as
under:

<u>Works Dept.</u>	Capital	\$637.21	
	Appropriations		
		<u>9,523.88</u>	\$10,161.09
<u>Water Dept.</u>	Capital	\$330.10	
	Maintenance	<u>2,860.35</u>	<u>3,190.45</u>
			<u>\$13,351.54</u>

Respectfully submitted,
M.A. Hunter
CLERK OF WORKS

Moved by Alderman Mitchell seconded
by Alderman O'Toole 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 amounting to
\$1,105.95:

Committee Room,
City Hall,
Aug. 14th, 1929

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen: At a meeting of the Finance Committee

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held this day the attached list of accounts amounting to \$1,105.95 was passed as correct and recommended to the City Council for payment.

Respectfully submitted

E. J. Cragg,
CHAIRMAN

Moved by Alderman Cragg seconded by Alderman McInnis that the report be adopted and accounts paid. Motion passed.

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CITY HOME AND T. B. HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Charities Committee recommending for payment accounts chargeable to the City Home \$9,562.11, and to the T. B. Hospital \$2,530.29;

Halifax, N. S., Aug. 13th, 1929

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

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

MEMBERS PRESENT:- The Chairman,
Aldermen O'Toole and Redmond.

CITY HOME ACCOUNTS JULY 1929 AMOUNT \$9,562.11

City Home accounts for the month of July 1929 amounting to \$9,562.11 are recommended for payment.

Respectfully submitted

A. A. Robertson,
CHAIRMAN

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

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FIRE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Committee of Firewards recommending for payment accounts chargeable to the Fire Department \$12,682;

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Committee Room,
City Hall,
Aug. 14th, 1929

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards held this day the attached lists of accounts chargeable to the Fire Department \$12,682.17, and to the Fire Alarm Maintenance \$431.91, were passed as correct and recommended to the City Council for payment.

Respectfully submitted

Sgd. W.J.O'Toole
CHAIRMAN

Moved by Alderman O'Toole seconded by Alderman Cragg 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 \$1,644.07:

Committee Room,
City Hall,
Aug. 5th, 1929

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 \$1,644.07 was passed as correct and recommended to the City Council for payment.

Your Committee submit the report of the Governor for the month of July showing the number of inmates on that date to be fifty-five.

Respectfully submitted
W.E. Donovan
CITY CLERK

Moved by Alderman Donovan seconded by Alderman Drysdale 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 \$2,022.41:

Halifax, N.S. Aug. 14th, 1929

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the City Health Board held on Wednesday, August 14th, 1929, the following named accounts, amounting to \$2,022.41, moved by Alderman Dickie and Alderman O'Toole, were passed and recommended to the City Council for payment.

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

Moved by Alderman Smith seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be adopted and accounts paid. Motion passed.

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GARDENS, PARKS AND COMMON ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Committee on Gardens, Parks and Common recommending for payment accounts chargeable to Public Gardens \$2,182.39 and to Fleming Park \$537.92:

Committee Room,
City Hall,
Aug. 13th, 1929

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of 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 \$2,182.39 and to Fleming Park \$537.92, were passed as correct and recommended to the City Council for payment.

Respectfully submitted,
W. E. Donovan
CHAIRMAN

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Moved by Alderman Donovan seconded
by Alderman McDuff 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 \$8,392.82:

Halifax, N.S.,
Aug. 13th, 1929

His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Police
Committee held this date, the following accounts
amounting to \$8,392.82, were examined, found correct
and recommended for payment.

Respectfully submitted

L. A. Gastonguay,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

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ACCOUNT MESSRS. DALEY, PHINNEY AND BETHUNE

Read letter City Auditor asking
for instructions as to the payment of the account of
Messrs. Daley, Phinney and Bethune \$50.00 for services
rendered to the City during the year 1928-29:

City Auditor's Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
August 15th, 1929

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The attached account of Daley,
Phinney, and Bethune for \$50.00 was ordered paid by
the City Council at its meeting of July 11th, 1929.

As the services arising out of
this account were rendered last year, I am at a loss

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to know the account from which payment is to be made. No funds are available in last year's contingent account and payments under Section 976 for last year were closed at the time the estimates were passed.

If payment cannot be made under the latter heading then I believe it will be necessary to obtain legislation to authorize this disbursement.

Yours truly,

A.M. Butler,
CITY Auditor

The following resolution is submitted:

RESOLVED that the money required for the payment of this account be raised under authority of Section 976 of the City Charter as amended by Acts of 1924, Chapter 60 Sec. 52, said amount to be borrowed from the Bank or any fund available and to be included in and repaid out of the civic estimates for the year 1930-31.

Moved by Alderman Rains seconded by Alderman Dickie and passed unanimously, the following named Aldermen being present and voting for the same.

Aldermen Mitchell, Dickie, Cragg, Smith, Donovan, Redmond, McDuff, Mc Innes, Rains, McDonald, O'Toole, Drysdale, Robertson, Smeltzer and Adams. ✓

APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE AND BY-LAWS

Read report of the City Clerk informing the Council of the approval by the Governor-in-Council of "An Ordinance to amend Ordinance # 4 relating to Streets", and "By-Laws No. 79 Relating to the Parking of Vehicles";-

City Clerk's Office,
August 15, 1929.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:

I beg to report that an Ordinance

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CITY Auditor

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Moved by Alderman Rains seconded by Alderman Dickie and passed unanimously, the following named Aldermen being present and voting for the same.

Aldermen Mitchell, Dickie, Cragg, Smith, Donovan, Redmond, McDuff, Mc Innes, Rains, McDonald, O'Toole, Drysdale, Robertson, Smeltzer and Adams. ✓

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City Clerk's Office,
August 15, 1929.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:

I beg to report that an Ordinance

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to amend "Ordinance #4 relating to Streets" passed by the City Council on July 11, also "By-Laws # 79 relating to the Parking of Vehicles on the Streets of the City" passed by the City Council at a meeting held July 31, were approved by the Governor-in-Council on the 9th day of August 1929 and have now become law.

Respectfully submitted

H.S. Rhind,
CITY CLERK.

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CITY HEALTH BOARD
APPOINTMENT OF STENOGRAPHER

Read report of the City Health Board recommending the appointment of Mr. Arthur Gray, 119 Windsor Street as Stenographer in the office of the Board:-

Office of City Health Board,
Halifax, N.S. Aug. 14, 1929.

His Worship the Mayor,
and members of City Council.

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the City Health Board held on Tuesday August 6, nominations for appointment as Stenographer in the office of the Board, were made as follows:

Mr. Arthur Gray, 119 Windsor St.,
Mr. Jessen Westaver, 52 Hollis St.

By resolution the Board directed that a recommendation be made to the City Council that Mr. Arthur Gray be appointed to the position.

Respectfully submitted
Arthur C. Pettipas,
SECRETARY CH. B.

Moved by Alderman Mitchell

seconded by Alderman Cragg that the report be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Smith seconded by Alderman Redmond that this Council refuse to concur in the action of the Board of Health in replacing a female Stenographer with a male Stenographer.

Amendment is put and passed nine voting for the same and six against it as follows:

FOR THE AMENDMENT

AGAINST IT

Aldermen Smith
Redmond
McDuff
McInnis
McDonald
Drysdale
Robertson
Smeltzer
Adams- 9

Aldermen Mitchell
Dickie
Donovan
Cragg
Rains
O'Toole-

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Alderman Corbin here arrives and takes his seat in Council.

Moved by Alderman Robertson seconded by Alderman Smeltzer that the appointment of a Stenographer for the City Health Department be referred back to the Board of Health.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Smith seconded by Alderman Adams that Miss Irene Hingston be appointed to the position of Stenographer in the City Health Department.

Amendment put and passed twelve voting for the same and four against it as follows:-

FOR THE AMENDMENT

AGAINST IT

Aldermen Mitchell
Dickie
Smith
Donovan
Redmond
Cragg
McDuff
McInnis
Rains
McDonald
Drysdale
Adams- 12

Alderman Corbin
O'Toole
Robertson
Smeltzer

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Alderman Corbin
Alderman Robertson
Miss Hingston*

Alderman Corbin gives notice of reconsideration.

RESIGNATION OF H.J. NORRIS-
SUB-COLLECTOR

Read resignation of H.J. Norris,
Sub-Collector in the City Collector's Department;

August 15th, 1929

City Collector's Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
August 13th, 1929

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

Gentlemen:-

I submit, for your consideration,
the resignation of my-sub-collector Mr. H.J.Norris
same to date from July 31st, 1929.

Yours faithfully,

W.H.Morrow,
CITY COLLECTOR.

Halifax, N.S. Aug. 10th, 1929

Your Worship,
Mayor of Halifax.

Dear Sir:-

Kindly accept my resignation,
as I have another position.

Yours truly,
H.J.Norris

Moved by Alderman Cragg seconded
by Alderman McInnis that the resignation be accepted.
Motion passed.

APPOINTMENT OF SUB-COLLECTOR

Read report of the Finance Committee
covering report of the City Collector recommending
the appointment of Mr. Robert H. Gass to the vacant
position of sub-collector in his Department:

City Collector's Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
August 14th, 1929

The Chairman,
and Members of the Finance Committee,
Committee Room,
City Hall.

Gentlemen:-

One of my-Sub-Collectors, Mr. H.J.
Norris, has tendered his resignation dating from
July 31st, 1929. I am particularly anxious that
his position be filled without delay.

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I would recommend the appointment of Mr. Robert H. Gass at a salary of Thirteen Hundred Dollars a year. Mr. Gass has had some experience in collecting, having been employed with The London Life Insurance Company in their Industrial Insurance Department.

Attached hereto you will find his application. I should be pleased if you will recommend his appointment to the City Council.

Yours faithfully,

W.H. Morrow
City Collector.

Committee Room,
City Hall,
August 14th, 1929

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day, the attached letter of the City Collector covering the resignation of one of his Sub-Collectors- Mr. S.J. Norris, was submitted.

The Collector recommends that the resignation of Mr. Norris be accepted, and that Mr. Robert H. Gass be appointed to fill the vacancy at a salary of \$1300.00 per year.

The Committee failing to come to an agreement on this matter, the letter and resignation is submitted to the City Council without recommendation.

Respectfully submitted
E.J. Cragg,
CHAIRMAN

Moved by Alderman McInnis seconded by Alderman McDuff that the recommendation of the City Collector be adopted and Mr. Gass appointed to the vacant position.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Robertson seconded by Alderman Rains that the Finance Committee advertise for applicants for the position.

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

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Cragg
clerk

FOR THE
AMENDMENT

AGAINST
IT

Aldermen Smith
Donovan
Cragg
O'Toole
Drysdale
Robertson
Smeltzer
Adams

Alderman Mitchell
Dickie
Redmond
McDuff
McInnis
Rains
McDonald

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✓
TRIAL BALANCE
CITY COLLECTOR'S BOOKS

Alderman Dickie asks that a trial balance of the books and accounts of the City Collector's Department be laid on the table of the Council.

Alderman Cragg, Chairman of the Finance Committee stated that this work was now being prepared and he would report what progress was being made at the next meeting of Council.

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City Collector

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TENDERS FOR COAL

Read report of the Committee on Works covering tenders for supplying of coal to the various Civic Departments until the first day of July 1930:

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
August 15-1929

COAL TENDERS

The City Council

Gentlemen:-

Attached hereto are tenders for the supplying of coal for the various departments from the Union Coal Company, and the J.B. Mitchell Coal Company Limited to July 1st 1930.

The Committee on Works recommend that the tender of the Union Coal Company for Acadia Coal at \$7.00 per ton, being the lowest, be accepted.

Respectfully submitted
M.A. Hunter
CLERK OF WORKS

Moved by Alderman Mitchell

seconded by Alderman Adams that the report of the Committee on Works be adopted. Motion passed

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Engineer
City of Works

CARTERET STREET GRADING

Read report Committee on Works
and City Engineer re Carteret Street Grading!

City Engineer's Office
Halifax, N.S.,
July 19th, 1929

CARTERET STREET GRADING

His Worship the Mayor

Sir:-

I beg to report on the petition from the property owners on Carteret Street asking to have the street graded and taken over by the City, that the petition is signed by the owners of about 85% of the property fronting on the street. The estimated cost of the grading is about \$50.00

I would recommend that the prayer of the petition be granted and that the City grade the street at the expense of the owners and when the work is finished that it be accepted as a City street.

Respectfully submitted
Wm. J. DeWolfe
ASST. CITY ENGINEER

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
July 31st 1929

CARTERET STREET GRADING

The City Council,

Gentlemen:-

Attached hereto is report of the City Engineer on Carteret Street Grading.

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

Respectfully submitted
M. A. Hunter
CLERK OF WORKS

Moved by Alderman Mitchell
seconded by Alderman O'Toole that the reports be adopted. Motion passed

OIL TANKS

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re the installation of

Engineer

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oil tanks:

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
August 5th, 1929

OIL TANKS

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

At the last session of the Legislature it was enacted that "No person shall place any tank, pump or other structure or receptacle for the storage or supply of any inflammable oil or other inflammable substance, whether liquid, solid or gaseous, in any part of the City without having first obtained a permit therefor from the Council on the recommendation of the Committee on Works".

It would appear necessary that a permit be obtained for fuel oil tanks used in connection with oil furnaces, etc.

I have an application from Hillis & Sons, Limited to install such tanks at at the following locations:

198 Robie Street	Mr. E.A Smith	400 gallons
32 Sp. Garden Road	Hopgood & Sons, Ltd.	" "
11 Lucknow St.	Archbishop Worrell	" "
107 Oxford St.	Alex Moir	" "
243 Jubilee Road	J.D. Vair	" "
2 Vernon Street.	Rev. K. J. Grant	" "
153 Hollis Street	Willis Securities Co	" "
Thornvale N.W.A.	J.B. Kenny	1000 "
119 South Park St.	Peter R. Jack	1000 "

I would recommend that permits be granted in each of these cases, the work to comply with the usual conditions and such others as may be required by the City Engineer.

The law as it stands imposes on the City Council duties that could be equally well performed by the City Engineer or the Committee on Works, and in order to save the time of the Council, it is recommended that Legislation be obtained to amend the Act so that the Committee on Works would have power to grant such permits on the recommendation of the City Engineer.

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

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
August 15th, 1929

OIL TANKS

The City Council,

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee

on Works on the 14th instant, the attached report of the City Engineer on oil tanks was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

It was also resolved to recommend that until the proposed legislation is obtained, the City Engineer be authorized to grant permits for oil tanks subject to the right of the applicants to appeal to the City Council from the decision of the City Engineer.

Respectfully submitted

M.A. Hunter
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Mitchell seconded by Alderman O'Toole that the report be adopted and that the City Solicitor be instructed to draft the necessary legislation, Motion passed.

Engineer

OILING HENRY STREET

Read report Committee on Works and City Engineer re oiling Henry Street from Coburg Road to Morris Street:

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S.
August 12th, 1929

HENRY STREET OILING

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on a petition of some of the owners of property on Henry Street, asking that this street from Coburg Road to Morris Street be oiled in the near future, that the estimated cost of the work is \$850.00, of which the City pays half.

The rest of this street from Jubilee Road to Coburg Road has been oiled for some years and a curb and gutter and sidewalk is now being put down on the west side of the street from Coburg Road to Morris Street. There is no question about the improvement that will be effected, and I would recommend that the street be ordered oiled.

Respectfully submitted

H.W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
August 15-1929

Henry Street Oiling

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works recommend

August 15th, 1929

for adoption the report of City Engineer on Henry Street oiling.

Respectfully submitted
M. A. Hunter
CLERK OF WORKS

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Engineer
Moved by Alderman Mitchell seconded
by Alderman Adams that the reports be adopted.
Motion passed. *✓*

OILING TOWER ROAD

Read report Committee on Works and
City Engineer re oiling of Tower Road between
Clarence Street and the Park boundary:

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
August 12th, 1929

TOWER ROAD OILING

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I have a petition signed by
residents and property owners on Tower Road between
Clarence Street and the Park boundary, asking that
this portion of the street be oiled.

Tower Road is now oiled from Spring
Garden Road to Clarence Street and if the part
petitioned for were done it would complete the whole
street. Since the opening of Franklyn Park traffic
has increased very materially on this street, and in
my opinion the work asked for should be done.
Calcium Chloride has been spread on this block to
mitigate the dust nuisance for this year, and I
would recommend that next year the street be oiled.

Respectfully submitted
H. W. Johnston
CITY ENGINEER.

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
August 15th, 1929

TOWER ROAD OILING

The City Council.

Gentlemen:

Attached hereto is a report of the
City Engineer on the oiling of Tower Road.

The Committee on Works on the 14th
instant, approved of said report and recommended the

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for adoption the report of City Engineer on Henry Street oiling.

Respectfully submitted
M.A. Hunter
CLERK OF WORKS

Moved by Alderman Mitchell seconded
by Alderman Adams that the reports be adopted.
Motion passed. ✓

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Engineer

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City Engineer's Office,
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August 12th, 1929

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street. Since the opening of Franklyn Park traffic
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mitigate the dust nuisance for this year, and I
would recommend that next year the street be oiled.

Respectfully submitted
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CITY ENGINEER.

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same to the City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted

M. A. Hunter
CLERK OF WORKS.

✓
Engineer
Moved by Alderman Mitchell seconded
by Alderman Adams that the reports be adopted.
Motion passed.

WATER EXTENSION KEMPT ROAD

Read report Committee on Works and
City Engineer re Water extension Kempt Road to
property of Mr. D.F. McLean:-

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
August 1st, 1929

KEMPT ROAD
WATER EXTENSION

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the application
of Kenny & Archibald on behalf of their client,
Mr. D.F. McLean for the extension of the water
supply to the property near the north-east corner
of Stanley Street recently purchased from the City
of Halifax, that the pipe on Kempt Road at
present ends at Livingston Street.

The cheapest way to supply the
property would be to extend the Stairs Street
pipe 74 feet to Kempt Road and thence northwardly
along Kempt Road.

The estimated cost of the work
is \$1,850.00. I would recommend that the extension
be made provided the owner of the property will
sign a bond for \$111.00, which sum it is
recommended that the Council fixed as a special
rate.

Respectfully submitted

H. W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER.

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S., Aug. 15th, 1929

KEMPT ROAD WATER EXTENSION

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

Attached hereto is a report of

August 15th, 1929

The City Engineer on an application of D.F. McLean for the extension of the water supply to his property on Kempt Road.

Said report is recommended to Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

M.A. Hunter
CLERK OF WORKS

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

Bugman

WATER EXTENSION OAKLAND ROAD

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re water extension Oakland Road to the corner Bellevue Street and Oakland Road;

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
August 1st 1929

OAKLAND ROAD WATER EXTENSION

His Worship the Mayor

Sir:-

I beg to report on the application of the Provincial Realty Company for an extension of the water supply to a new building being erected at the corner of Bellevue Street and Oakland Road, that the length of the extension required is 64 feet.

The excavation is all rock and the estimated cost of the work is \$430.00

I would recommend that the extension be made provided the owner signs a bond for \$25.80, which it is recommended to be fixed as a special water rate.

Respectfully submitted
H.W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER

August 15th, 1929

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
August 15th, 1929

OAKLAND ROAD WATER EXTENSION

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works recommend
for adoption the accompanying report of the City
Engineer on Oakland Road Water Extension

Respectfully submitted,

... M.A. Hunter
CLERK OF WORKS

✓
Engineer Moved by Alderman Mitchell seconded
by Alderman Dickie that the reports be adopted.
Motion passed.

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WATER METER BILLS

Read report of the Committee on
Works and City Engineer on Water Meter Bills 109
Agricola Street, 49, Charles Street, 121 Cornwallis
Street, 48 Creighton Street, 69 Duke Street, 218
Grafton Street, 29 Granville Street, 10-12 Jacob
Street, 28 Maitland Street, 12 South Kline Street
89-93 Upper Water Street:

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
May 13th, 1929

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No. 109 AGRICOLA STREET
WATER BILL

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the application
of the owner of the premises No. 109 Agricola Street
for a reduction in the meter readings, that the
records show the following consumption:-

Oct. 17	1,700
Nov. 20	1,800
Dec. 19	Not Reg. 21-12-28
Jan. 21	1,200

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Feb. 18	26,400	Tap & W.C.W. N 11-3-29
Mar. 19	1,200	
Apr. 19	3,300	

It will be seen that there was a large consumption for the month ending February 18th, due to a tap and closet wasting, of which notice was sent on the 11th of March. The owner claims that immediately on receipt of notice he had a plumber inspect the premises and had the plumbing repaired. This is borne out by the records and I would recommend that the consumption for February be reduced to 6,000 gallons.

Respectfully submitted,

H.W. Johnston
CITY ENGINEER

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE,
Halifax, N.S.
May 11th, 1929

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N O.49 CHARLES STREET
WATER BILL

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the application of the owner of the premises No.49 Charles Street for a reduction in the meter readings, that the monthly consumption has been as follows:

Oct.	4,100	
Nov. 24	3,300	
Dec. 26	3,700	
Jan. 25	5,700	
Feb. 22	25,200	W.C.W. N. 13-3-29
Mar. 23	14,500	
Apr. 23	1,700	

The owner claims that on receipt of notice the plumber was sent to the premises. He found a leaky tank in the closet and repairs were immediately made. This is borne out by the records and as immediate steps were taken to remedy the trouble would recommend that the consumption for February and March be reduced to 8,000 gallons for each month.

Respectfully submitted

H.W. Johnston
CITY ENGINEER

August 15th, 1929

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
June 26th, 1929

✓
121 Cornwallis Street
Water Bill

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the attached water bill for the premises No. 121 Cornwallis Street claimed to be excessive, that the period covered by the bill is the half year ending April 1929 and its amount is \$88.37. The records show the following consumption.

1928	Oct. 11-	\$1,900	
	Nov. 18-	3,000	
	Dec. 20-	9,500	
1929	Jan. 22-	10,000	
	Feb. 26-	324,200	Water let run (N) 15-3-29
	Mar. 28-	N oK ey	
	Apr. 30-	137,500	

The large consumption was shown in February and at the date of inspection the water was found to be running. Notice was sent on the 15th of March, in this month the Meter Reader was unable to obtain admittance and the April reading shows that while the consumption was reduced, it was still extremely high. The owner claims that that tenants allowed the water to run to prevent freezing, even for this purpose, the amount used was excessive and I am unable to recommend any reduction in the bill.

Respectfully submitted

H.W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
May 28th, 1929

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No. 48 CREIGHTON STREET
WATER BILL

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the application of the owner of the premises No. 48 Creighton Street for a reduction in the water bill, that the monthly consumption at these premises has been as follows:

Oct. 11	10,700
Nov.	-
Dec. 19	9,200
Jan. 18	-
Feb. 19	-
Mar. 25	-
Apr. 30	87,000 W.C.W. N. 9-5-29
May 25	2,100

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The premises were inspected on the 25th of May and no waste was then taking place. It appears that a closet was leaking and the tenants did not notify the owner of such leak. As the owner took immediate steps to remedy conditions on receipt of notice, I would recommend that the consumption for the four months ending April 30th, be reduced to 60,000 gallons.

Respectfully submitted,

H.W. Johnston
CITY ENGINEER

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. May 28th, 1929

No. 69 DUKE STREET-WATER BILL

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the application of the owner of the premises No. 69 Duke Street for a reduction in his water bill, that the monthly consumption at these premises had been as follows:

Oct. 30	49,800 (Six months)
Nov.	No reading
Dec. 31	covered
Jan. 25	"
Feb. 27	245,400 N. 18-3-29
Mar. 28	No key
Apr. 30	800

It will be seen that the meter was not read for three months due to the fact that the cellar was filled with wood and it was impossible to get at the meter. The owner claims that water was allowed to run to prevent freezing. The waste was excessive and I cannot recommend any reduction in the bill.

Respectfully submitted,
H.W. Johnston
CITY ENGINEER

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
July 31st 1929

218 Grafton Street-Water Bill

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the application of the owner of the premises No. 218 Grafton Street, for a reduction in the water bill, that the period covered by the bill is the half year ending April 1929 and amounts to \$15.14. The monthly consumption has been as follows:

1928	Oct. 31-	5,000
	Nov. 29	6,000
	Dec. 28	7,000
1929	Jan. 28	33,900 W. & Wasting
	Feb.	-
	Mar. 4	28,500 " " "
	Apr. 17	300

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There was a larger consumption during January, February and March than usual, due partly to a closet wasting. I am unable to recommend any reduction in the bill.

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

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
May 15th, 1929

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29 GRANVILLE STREET
WATER CONSUMPTION

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:

I beg to report on the application of the owner of the premises No. 29 Granville Street for a reduction in the water meter bill, that the monthly consumption at these premises for the past few months has been as follows:

1928	Dec. 27-	1,100
1929	Jan. 24-	1,000
	Feb. 25-	Meter covered
	Mar. 30-	47,500 (N) 2-4-29
	Apr. 28-	900

It will be seen that there was a large consumption for the two months ending March 30th, and notice was sent on the 2nd of April. The owner states that on receipt of notice a plumber was sent who reported that the plumbing was in perfect condition; under these circumstances the large consumption must have been due to a deliberate waste and I cannot recommend any reduction in the bill.

Respectfully submitted

H.W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
July 31st 1929

✓
10-12 Jacob Street
Water Bill

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the application of the owner of the premises No. 10-12 Jacob Street for a reduction in the water bill, that the period complained of is the half year ending April, 1929. The following is a record of the consumption.

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1928	Sept. -	No Reading.
	Oct. 15	48,900 W.C.Wasting
	Nov. -	No reading
	Dec. 27	Meter not registering reset at Zero
1929	Jan.	Cannot get in premises
	Feb.	" " " "
	Mar. 2	367,700 W.C.Wasting
	A pr. 15	232,400

A further reference to the records shows that there has been a continuous large consumption at these premises since January 1928 on which date a notice was sent. No improvement was made in conditions and I cannot recommend any reduction in the bill.

A reduction for water in these premises was made on February 16th, 1928

Respectfully submitted,

H.W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
July 31st, 1929

✓
16 JACOB STREET
WATER BILL

H is Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the application of the owner of the premises No. 16 Jacob Street for a reduction in the water bill, that the period complained of is the half year ending April, 1929 that the monthly consumption was as follows:

1928	Sept.	No reading
	Oct. 15	2,100
	Nov.	-
	Dec. 27	No Key
1929	Jan. 30	" "
	Feb.	" "
	Mar. 2	369,900 W.C.Wasting (N) 28-3-29
	Apr. 15	200,200 " " "

No reading of the meter was had from November to February due to the house being locked. The March reading shows a very large consumption from the previous five months, which was continued until the April reading.

The water was wasted within the premises and I am unable to recommend any reduction in the bill.

Respectfully submitted

H.W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
July 31st, 1929

✓
28 MAITLAND STREET WATER
CONSUMPTION

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the application of the owner of the premises No.28 Maitland Street for a reduction in the water bill, that the period covered by the bill is the half year ending April 1929, that the following is a record of consumption at these premises.

1928 Oct.31-	19,500
Nov.28	7,000
Dec.29	10,000
1929 Jan.-	-
Feb. 2	82,100 Tap Wasting (n) 22-2-29
Mar.2	No Key
Apr. 3	113,900 Tap Wasting

There was a large consumption for the two months ending February 2nd, and the owner was notified on the 22nd of that month. The consumption continued large during the next two months and on April 3rd the water was found running. The owner claims that the tenant left the water running to prevent freezing. There most certainly was no frost or suspicion of frost on the 3rd of April, in any case the amount is excessive, and I cannot recommend any reduction in the bill.

Respectfully submitted
H.W. Johnston
CITY ENGINEER

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
May 22nd, 1929

✓
12 South Kline Street
Water Consumption

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the application of the owner of the premises No.12 South Kline Street for a reduction in the meter readings, that the monthly consumption at these premises has been as follows:

Jan.7-	6,000
Feb. 5-	11,400
Mar.21	21,800 (N) 28-2-29
Apr.22	2,500

The owner states that immediately upon receipt of notice he had a plumber repair a leak in the plumbing, of which he had no knowledge. The record bears this statement out and I would recommend that the consumption for March be

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reduced to 10,000 gallons and the bill made up accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,

H.W. Johnston
CITY ENGINEER.

City Engineer's Office,
June 18, 1929.

✓
89-93 Upper Water Street,
Water Bill Acct. No. 41727

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:

I beg to report on the application of the owner of the premises No. 89-93 Upper Water Street for a reduction in the water bill, that the period covered by the bill is the half year ending April 1929, and the amount of the bill is \$51.73. The monthly consumption at the premises has been as follows:

1928 Oct. 5- 4,100
Nov. 13- 14,700 W.C.W. (N) 23-11-28
Dec. 10- 16,800

1929 Jan. 9- 28,700
Feb. 10- 60,000
Mar. 14- 78,300
A pr. 26-70,500

It will be seen that there has been a continuous large monthly consumption at these premises due to pipes and closet wasting. A Notice of Waste was sent on November 23 with apparently no effect, as the consumption continued to increase during the succeeding months. I can see no justification for making a reduction in the bill.

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

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S. Aug. 15, 1929.

Water Bills

The City Council,

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works recommend the following reductions on Water Meter Accounts:-

#109 Agricola St.-Consumption shown February 1929, (26,400) gals, to be reduced to 6,000 gals.

#49 Charles St. Consumption shown February and March 1929, to be reduced to 8,000 gals. for each month.

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- 121 Cornwallis St. -Total consumption for February March and April 1929, to be reduced to 100,000 gallons for the three months.
- 48 Creighton St. Consumption for four months ending April 30th, 1929, to be reduced to 60,000 gals.
- 69 Duke Street. Consumption shown February 27th 1929 (245,400) gals. to be reduced to 100,000 gallons
- 218 Grafton Street. Consumption shown January 28th, 1929 (33,900) gals. to be reduced 15,000 gals.
- 29 Granville St. Consumption shown March 30th, 1929 (47,500) gals to be reduced 10,000 gals.
- 10-12 Jacob St. Consumption shown March 2nd, 1929 (367,700) gals. to be reduced to 250,000 gals.
- 16 Jacob St. Consumption shown March 2nd, 1929 (369,900) gals . to be reduced to 169,900 gals.
- 28 Maitland Street. Consumption shown February 2nd 1929, (82,100) gals. to be reduced to 41,000 gals.
- 12 South Kline St. Consumption shown March 21st, 1929 (21,800) gals. to be reduced to 10,000 gals.
- 89-93 Upper Water St. Consumption shown February 10th, 1929, (60,000) gals to be reduced to 30,000 gals., and consumption shown March 14th, 1929 (78,300) gals to be reduced to 50,000 gals.

Respectfully submitted,

M. A. Hunter
CLERK OF WORKS

Moved by Alderman Mitchell

seconded by Alderman O'Toole that the report of the Committee on Works be adopted. Motion passed.

AIRPORT

Read report of the Committee on Works covering report of the City Engineer on the proposed airport at the Blue Hill site -so called:

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Clerk of Works

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. Aug. 8, 1929

HALIFAX AIRPORT

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

Detailed surveys of the proposed site of an Airport at the Blue Hill Farm property have been completed and the accompanying plan and sections are submitted.

On the 16th of May the City Council authorized the preparation of these plans. They were completed and sent to the Department of National Defence for approval early in June. On June 25th Major Tudhope made an examination of the site and subsequently reported as follows:-

"1. On Tuesday, June 25th, the undersigned accompanied the City Engineer of Halifax, Mr. H. W. Johnston, to inspect the proposed airport site, known as the BLUEHILL FARM SITE

2. The proposed runways marked "A#" and "B" on the plan attached were examined from end to end, on foot; these two runways were being surveyed at the time and the centre lines were pegged, also the outer lines in some places.

3. The runways have been laid out to take advantage of the best contours and are located approximately as previously recommended; the surveyed width for these runways is 150 feet, which is quite satisfactory provided the ground on each side of them is levelled sufficiently, so as not to constitute a hazard to aircraft which might swing off the runway when landing.

4. The property is extremely uneven and there is a bad swamp in the centre, through which runway "A#" must be constructed. The problem of draining this section does not appear to be very serious, as there is a good fall to the N.W. This is a matter for an expert to decide

5. The following recommendations are submitted:

(a) Runways of prepared surface should be surveyed and drained to allow for widening to 200 feet at some future date

(b) Landing strips should be levelled to a width of 500 feet to allow aircraft some leeway when landing and taking off into wind, (Note:- Runways will constitute the centre of landing strips)

(c) Additional property surrounding the airport should be acquired in order to place some restriction on future development, in particular, it would be a wise precaution to acquire property east, north east of Connaught Avenue to allow for a third runway to be constructed some time in the future.

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(d) Power line running across the property from Cannaught Avenue to Mumford Road must be removed and all power and telephone lines at the ends of runways must be placed underground.

(c) The City of Halifax should ascertain the nature of the subsoil, especially where ridges will have to be levelled off, these would appear to be outcrops of rock with a light covering of soil. Sub surface rock may be responsible for the swampy nature of centre field.

(f) That previous recommendations relative to this site, forwarded to the City of Halifax on October 6th, be given full consideration. The Blue Hill site affords the only site for development as an airport within easy reach of the city and steps should be taken to ensure that the airport, when completed, will meet all requirements for commercial aircraft, present and future.

(g) A site for hangars and buildings which will allow aircraft easy access to runways should be set aside; the location of buildings should not cause any obstruction to the full use of available areas for landing.

6. GENERAL . The ultimate cost of airport construction on the Blue hill site will, no doubt, be costly, and it is a matter for the city to decide whether the development recommended can be carried out with the funds which are available.

(Sgd) J.H. Tudhope,
Squadron Leader,
C.A.W.

The plans were returned on July 12th, with the following covering letter from the Deputy Minister.

"With reference to the development of the proposed airport in Halifax contour plans of the area have received further study from our engineering staff, who are of the opinion that the difficulties and cost of making a really good aerodrome on this site are considerable.

The site is restricted by roads on all sides and the contours show that a considerable amount of grading will be necessary to prepare its surface.

The Department would impress on your municipal authorities the advisability of obtaining the advice of an expert on airport construction and of carefully considering the expense involved before proceeding with the construction work"

Yours truly,
(Sgd) G.J. Desbarats,
DEPUTY MINISTER.

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The conditions revealed by the detailed surveys are more unsatisfactory than were anticipated from the preliminary examination of the property. The original estimates were based on providing two runways and the plan showing these was submitted to the Department of National Defence. On the 5th of November last a letter was received from it stating that "the proposed runways would be quite satisfactory for present purposes" In Paragraph 5 (b) of Major Tudhope's report it is recommended that landing strips should be levelled to a width of five hundred feet each. This was not contemplated originally, but in view of experience and the knowledge gained in visiting some twelve airports recently, the recommendation is a proper one.

With one exception (Saint John) each of the ports inspected consisted of level fields with an area of from 100 to 300 acres from which in dry weather, such as obtained when inspected, planes could take off and land in any direction on any part of the field. In wet weather, in taking off, but except in a few cases, a plane could land anywhere on the field.

In the case of the exception noted above, there are two runways 150 feet wide, one 1800 feet and the other 2800 feet long, within which limits only planes can take off or land. This field is located about two and one-half miles from the City. A large part of the area was covered with peat or muskeg underlaid by a level, heavy clay soil. The runways located in this clay, are constructed with about eighteen inches of stone and gravel and three inches of cinders. As stated before the taking off and landing will be confined to these runways until the remainder of the field is graded by removing about two feet of material from a large area. The cost of the port to date is approximately \$126,000, and it is estimated that it will cost \$15,000 more to finish the runways alone not including hangers or other buildings.

The main basic requirements for all certified airports provide generally that the port shall consist of a firm and approximately level field with suitable approaches well drained and without obstructions or depressions presenting hazards in taking off or landing, or at least two landing strips 500 or more feet wide converging or crossing at angles of not less than sixty degrees. The landing strips must permit safe landing under ordinary weather conditions. If the sod is not sufficiently firm and well drained for these purposes, runways must be constructed of suitable materials. Neither the field or landing strips may have a maximum slope at any point of more than two and one-half percent. The mean slope of the entire surface should not be more than two percent. The runways shall be not less than one hundred feet wide with their edges flush with therest of the landing strip. Adequate drainage must be provided whether runways are used or the entire field is available for landing. This is an important requisite as if the water is not cleared away as it falls, the value of the port is considerably diminished.

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An inspection of the contoured plan and profiles submitted will show that the field is comparatively level in a northerly direction for about 1200 feet from Chebucto Road, but that further northerly the ground is rougher and has a fall of over two and one-half percent over the next 1200 feet. The two runways are laid out to take advantage of the shape of the ground as far as possible but it is not practical to avoid a maximum grade at the north end with a bend in the gradient near the centre, which has the disadvantage that a view of the whole length of one runway cannot be obtained, the line of sight striking about thirteen or fourteen feet above the ground level at one end. There is a swampy area affecting about 1400 feet of the combined length of the two runways. The material in this even with the necessary drainage provided will require special treatment in forming the surface and a fill of stone or gravel for a sub-base, thus increasing the cost. To drain the site will require drains and ditches as shown by the green lines on the plan, and the sewer on Chebucto Road will have to be extended about 450 feet to take care of a large volume of water which now flows across this street into the field from the properties and gutters on the south side. As far as can be ascertained from the tests pits sunk, the surface of about 3000 feet of runway can be formed from the material excavated with the addition of some cinders. The remaining length should be surfaced for a width of 100 feet with broken stone, the balance of the width with gravel. The high tension line of the Tramway Company crossing the property near the north end, will have to be placed underground or moved to another location. The wires on Chebucto Road and Bayers Road opposite the ends of runways should be placed underground and opposite the ends of runways should be placed underground and the poles removed. Provision is made for taking property on the north side of Bayers Road to keep the end of one run-way clear of obstructions. No provision is made at present for the extension of the water supply. This can be done at any time from either the 27" main crossing near the north end of the field or from an extension of the water pipe on Chebucto Road. A location is set aside for hangars near Chebucto Road

In a report dated January 9th, preliminary estimates were submitted for the construction of the two runways and some other work. It was then estimated that they could be built and the site secured for approximately \$150,000. In view of further knowledge and information gained from detailed surveys and inspection of existing fields, it is now thought that the cost of the work required to be done to provide for the proper drainage, grading and forming of runways, fencing, removing transmission lines and miscellaneous work, will amount to \$105,000.00, exclusive of the purchase price of the site. As stated in the report mentioned the assessed valuation of the lands and buildings required was \$48,300.00 Under the Plan now submitted two properties on the west side of Bayers Road shown on the original plan will not be needed, but in their stead some vacant land on the north side of this road should, if the work is proceeded with, be acquired. The City now owns the Washington property, so called, assessed for \$8,500.00, and which was bought at a tax sale. The amount that the City may have to pay for the site is necessarily problematical but taking into account

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the property recently acquired, the cost should be not more than \$60,000.00. This, of course, is in the nature of a guess but it would appear to me a fair valuation.

On the Plan the proposed runways and the additional landing strips are indicated by different colors. A glance at it will show the very great increase in work required to grade and level these strips, which are recommended in Clause 5 (b) of Major Tudhope's report, and which are necessary in order to conform to good practice in providing a safe landing ground. While the work would not be so heavy at the southern portion of the field, the steep slopes in two directions at the north part necessitates the moving of large quantities of materials in order to provide the two even surfaces 500 feet wide. The cost of this work will greatly exceed the original estimate and the money available. The runways of the width proposed are sufficiently wide for taking off where the plane taxis in a straight line, but they are hazardous in making a landing where in case of a slide slip the plane would land in rough uneven ground with the consequent liability to accidents.

To summarize the amount of money authorized to be borrowed on account of the airport will not, unless the land can be purchased more cheaply than is estimated or tenders for the construction work are lower than the estimates, be sufficient for the grading and forming of two runways with the necessary drainage and other work set out, and if the work can be so done, it will be necessary to provide a largely increased appropriation for levelling landing strips on each side of the runways to provide safe landing places.

It is disappointing to say the least that there is apparently no better available site within the City which can be obtained and developed for less money than is required for this one, but the statement contained in the letter of the Deputy Minister "that the difficulties and cost of making a really good airdrome on this site are considerable" is borne out by further study of the problem, and the amount of money authorized for the purpose is inadequate to obtain the desired results. It must be remembered, however, that no airports have been completed over night but in nearly all cases they have gone from small beginnings and with the necessary additional expenditure the site proposed could eventually be made into a fair landing field, but without the acquisition of property on the east side of Connaught Avenue and the consequent diversion of that street, it could not, in any case, be rated higher than 4 according to the scale of rates adopted by the Department of Commerce, which is recognized as standard.

The Deputy Minister in the last paragraph of his letter stresses the advisability of obtaining the advice of an expert on airport construction and of carefully considering the expense involved before proceeding with the construction work. If the Council, in view of the importance of the matter

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thinks it better to have such advice, there can be no objection to employing such an expert in consultation.

It would seem appropriate that the City Council should formally repudiate the statements of the Honorable P.J. Veinot, Postmaster General of Canada, expressed publicly on two recent occasions in another Province, that this City was showing a lack of energy and interest in the development of an airport thus preventing the completion of a trans-Canada air mail service. Had he been conversant with the facts he would have known that neither of these qualities was lacking, but labouring under the disadvantage of having no natural site for a landing field it was necessary for the City to proceed cautiously. This is recognized by the Department in charge of the Air Service.

The growth of aviation is daily increasing and air transportation is becoming more and more a matter of daily routine and necessity. It will be unfortunate if Halifax cannot line up in March of progress in this respect. The question, however, resolves itself into one of dollars and cents, and it must be decided whether the City will start in a small way having the knowledge that considerably more money will have to be spent in order to make a suitable air field.

Respectfully submitted,

H.W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S., Aug. 15-1929

AIR PORT

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held this day, had under consideration plans, and the attached report of the City Engineer, on the proposed air-port at the Blue-Hill site (so called)

After discussion it was resolved that the City Engineer be instructed to prepare specifications and call for alternative tenders for the complete scheme and for the run-ways, and also unit prices for excavation and filling.

Respectfully submitted,

M. A. Hunter
CLERK OF WORKS

FILED

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SUPERANNUATION JOHN W. MILLER

Read report of the Finance
Committee covering report of the City Treasurer
re the superannuation of Police Inspector J.W.
Miller:

Halifax, N.S. Aug. 14th, 1929

The Chairman,
The Finance Committee,
CITY HALL.

RE POLICE INSPECTOR JOHN W. MILLER

Dear Sir:-

I am advised by the Secretary of
the Police Department under date of the 13th instant,
that Mr. John W. Miller entered the Police Force
June 27th, 1904, and at a meeting of the Police
Commission held on 10th June, his resignation was
accepted to take place on the 1st of July, 1929.

Under Section 269 of the City
Charter Mr. Miller is entitled to 25/35ths of his
salary of \$1,750.00, making his superannuation
allowance \$1,250.00 per annum.

Yours respectfully

R. V. Dimock
CITY TREASURER

Committee Room,
City Hall,
Aug. 14th, 1929

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance
Committee held this day the attached letter of the
City Treasurer with reference to the superannuation
of Inspector John W. Miller from the Police Department
was submitted and read.

Your Committee recommend that the
resignation of John W. Miller as a member of the
Police Force be accepted and as he has served twenty-
five (25) years that he be superannuated and paid
the sum of \$1,250.00 per annum for the remainder of
his life.

Respectfully submitted
E. J. Cragg
CHAIRMAN

Moved by Alderman Cragg seconded

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by Alderman McInnis that the report be adopted.

Motion passed

SUPERANNUATION OF DANIEL McISAAC

Read report of the Finance Committee covering report of the Police Committee on the superannuation of Mr. Daniel McIsaac, Detective of the Police Department, recommending the adoption of the report and fixed the superannuation allowance to a sum equal to 23/35ths of his salary:

Police Department,
Halifax, N.S.,
Aug. 13th, 1929

The Chairman,
Finance Committee
City Hall.

Sir:-

Attached you will find an application from Daniel J. MacIsaac for retirement Superannuation, with the recommendation of the Police Committee, to the City Council regarding same.

As this requires a report from the Finance Committee would you kindly give this matter your attention, and attach your report for the next meeting of Council.

Respectfully submitted,

L.A. Gastonguay
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN

Halifax, N.S.,
July 23rd, 1929

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of the Police Committee

Gentlemen:-

I hereby make application for Superannuation under the provisions of Section 270, Sub-Sec. 1 A of the City Charter 1914.

Herewith is attached the medical certificate of W.B. Almon, City Medical Officer, and dated July 22nd, 1929, which shows my reason for the above application

I may state that I have been in the service of the City for the past twenty three years and seven months

All of which is respectfully submitted,

Daniel J. McIsaac
DETECTIVE INSPECTOR

Committee Room,
City Hall,
August 14th, 1929

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 Police Committee recommending the superannuation of Daniel McIsaac, Detective who resigned from the Police Department, was submitted and read.

Your Committee recommend that the report of the Police Committee be adopted and that the City pay to Mr. Daniel McIsaac a superannuation allowance equal to 23/35ths of his salary. The said superannuation shall be conditional on the continuance of the present infirmity or disability of the said Daniel McIsaac and shall cease on his recovery therefrom.

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. Cragg
CHAIRMAN

✓
Treasurer
McIsaac

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

Moved by Alderman Dickie seconded by Alderman Corbin that the City Solicitor be instructed to draft legislation to enable the City to increase the superannuation allowance of Daniel McIsaac to 24/35ths of his salary.

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

✓
Solicitor
McIsaac

Alderman Mitchell, Dickie Smith, Donovan, Redmond Cragg, McDuff McInnis, Rains, McDonald Corbin, O'Toole, **Drysdale**, Robertson, Smeltzer and Adams. ✓

PERMANENT PAVEMENT-ACCOUNT HALIFAX POOR ASS'N.

Read report of the Finance Committee on the application of the Halifax Pools Association for relief from their assessment for permanent pavement in front of their property on Prince Street:

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Committee Room,
City Hall,
August 14th, 1929

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the attached letter of the Halifax Poor Association in reference to an account submitted to it by the City for permanent pavement on Prince Street amounting to \$368.89 including interest to July 31st 1929, was submitted and read.

Your Committee are unable to recommend any relief to this Association in connection with this account.

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. Cragg
CHAIRMAN

*To verify
date*

FILED. /

PURCHASE OF STREET DIRECTORIES

Read report of the Finance Committee re purchase of directories for the use of the various Civic Departments:

Committee Room,
City Hall,
August 14th, 1929

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

PURCHASE OF DIRECTORIES

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the City Auditor brought to the attention of the Committee the matter of purchasing directories for the various civic departments.

Your Committee recommend that the Council authorize the purchase of nine (9) directories, only, to be apportioned as follows:

City Clerk's Department	- 1
City Collector's "	2
City Assessor's "	1
City Electrician's & Depty of City Health Board	1

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Police Department 1
Water Department 3

Respectfully submitted
E. J. Cragg
CHAIRMAN

Moved by Alderman Cragg seconded
by Alderman Robertson that the report be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman
Mitchell seconded by Alderman Dickie that the report
be amended by apportioning two additional directories
to the Police Department.

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

FOR THE AMENDMENT

AGAINST IT

Alderman Mitchell
Dickie
Rains
Corbin
O'Toole
Drysdale
Adams- 7

Alderman Smith
Donovan
Redmond
Cragg
McDuff
McInnis
McDonald
Robertson
Smeltzer- 9

✓
City Collector
" Assoc
" Health Board
" Electrician
" Police Dept
" Water Dept

The original motion is put and
passed. ✓

ORDINANCE RE INTEREST ON OVERDUE WATER RATES

Read report of the Finance Committee
on "An Ordinance in reference to Interest on overdue
accounts for Water Rates referred back to the
Finance Committee for further consideration and
report:

Committee Room,
City Hall,
Aug. 14th, 1929

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee
held this day an Ordinance in reference to Interest
on overdue accounts for Water Rates, referred back
to this Committee was submitted and read.

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Your Committee adhere to their former recommendation in connection with this Ordinance and recommend its third reading and adoption.

Respectfully submitted,
E.J.Cragg
CHAIRMAN

Moved by Alderman Cragg seconded by
Alderman McInnis that the report be adopted.
Motion passed.

Read Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance
relating to interest on Overdue accounts for
Water Rates: Third reading.

ORDINANCE No.80

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO INTEREST ON OVERDUE
ACCOUNTS FOR WATER RATES

Passed by City Council 15th August 1929

BE IT ENACTED by the Mayor and Council as
follows:-

1. On all accounts for water rates whether for fire protection rate, consumption rate or any rate under special agreement due in respect to the half year ending the first day of May in each year, interest at the rate of 1/2% for each month or fraction of a month exceeding one-half thereof, shall be payable on and after the first day of August next succeeding each first day of May, and in like manner interest at the rate aforesaid on all such rates due in respect to the half year ending on the first day of November shall be payable on and after the first day of February next succeeding.

2. Payment of such interest may be enforced in any way in which payment of the rates themselves may be enforced.

Moved by Alderman Cragg seconded by
Alderman McInnis that the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance relating to interest on overdue Accounts for Water Rates" having been read a first and second time at a meeting of the City Council of Halifax held on the 13th day of June last having

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✓
Hon E. Rhodes
been now read a third time be engrossed and adopted and forwarded to the Governor-in-Council for approval. Motion passed unanimously.

✓
FIRE DEPARTMENT-UNIFORM CAPS

Read report of the Committee of Firewards re the purchase of 95 summer uniform caps:

Halifax, N.S. Aug. 14th, 1929

Board of Firewards,

Gentlemen:-

Herewith I recommend the purchase of 95 summer uniform caps at approximately \$2.50 each. The last issue of caps was in June 1926.

This expenditure has been provided for in the estimates of the current year.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Churchill,
CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT

Committee Room,
City Hall, Aug. 14th, 1929

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards held this day the report of Chief Churchill recommending the purchase of 95 summer uniform caps at approximately \$2.50 each was submitted and read.

Your Committee recommend that the report of the Chief be concurred in, and the expenditure authorized.

Respectfully submitted,
W. J. O'Toole
Chairman

✓
Chief Fire Dept
Moved by Alderman O'Toole seconded by Alderman Cragg that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

FIRES THEIR CAUSES AND LOSSES

Read report of the Committee of Firewards covering report of Chief Churchill re fires

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their causes and losses during the month of July
1929:

Halifax, N.S.
August 14th, 1929

Board of Firewards.

Gentlemen:-

During the month of July there were
26 Alarms from the following causes:

Chimney	Defective chimney		1
	Dirty chimneys		3
Combustion			1
Electricity	Defective wiring in car		1
	Electric light pole		1
False			1
Gas	Leak in gas pipe		1
	Flame from gas ignited curtain		
Matches	Children with matches		2
Miscellaneous	Smoke 1, rubbish 3, hot fat	1	5
Petroleum	Careless use kerosine		1
Sparks	Spark from light bulb		1
	sparks from chimney		1
Sprinkler Alarm			1
Unknown			3
Unnecessary Alarm			1

Property at risk	\$196,940.00	
Insurance losses		\$21,924.34
Losses not insured		615.00
Total losses		<u>\$22,539.34</u>

Respectfully submitted
J.W.Churchill
CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT

Committee Room,
City Hall,
Aug. 14th, 1929

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
Chief Churchill re fires their causes and losses
during the month of July was submitted, read and
referred to the City Council for its information.

Respectfully submitted,
W.J.O'Toole
CHAIRMAN

FILED.

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PAINTING WEST STREET FIRE STATION

Read report of the Committee of Firewards covering tenders for the painting of West Street Fire Station:

Committee Room,
City Hall,
Aug. 14th, 1929

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

TENDERS FOR PAINTING WEST
ST. ENGINE HOUSE

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards held this day, tenders were submitted for the painting of West Street Fire Station as follows:

Daniel Roche for painting including doors	\$345.00
" " for painting, graining and varnishing doors	375.00
McDonald Hardware Co. Ltd. for painting, including doors	410.00
for painting, graining and varnishing doors	431.00

Your Committee recommend that the tender of David Roche for painting, including doors, at \$345.00 be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. O'Toole
CHAIRMAN

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

INSURANCE FIRE APPARATUS

Read report of the Committee of Firewards re renewal of insurance on the apparatus of the Fire Department with the Trans-Canada Insurance Company of Montreal-Premium \$873.00

Committee Room,
City Hall, Aug. 14, 1929

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards held this day the Chief submitted a renewal notice from the Trans-Canada Insurance Company of Montreal for the Premium on Policy for insurance

*✓
Enginner
Chief Dept*

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of the apparatus of the Department amounting to \$873.00

Your Committee recommend that the Policy with the Trans-Canada Insurance Co., be renewed and that the City Council make provision for the payment of the Premium as no provision was made in the estimates for 1929-30 for this item.

Respectfully submitted

W.J.O'Toole
CHAIRMAN

The following Resolution is submitted:

RESOLVED that the report of the Committee of Firewards recommending the renewal of the insurance on the apparatus of the Fire Department with the Trans-Canada Insurance Company of Montreal for the Premium of the Policy \$873.00 be adopted, and that the amount required be raised under the provision 976 of the City Charter as amended by Chapter 60 Section 52, said amount to be borrowed from the bank or any fund available and to be included in and repaid out of the estimates for the Civic Year 1930-31.

The resolution is put and passed unanimously, the following named Aldermen being present and voting for the same:

Aldermen Mitchell, Dickie, Smith, Donovan, Redmond, Cragg, McDuff, McInnis, Rains, McDonald, Corbin, O'Toole, Robertson, Smeltzer and Adams

CITY CHARTER REVISION

Read report of the Laws and Privileges Committee re revision of the City Charter of Halifax:

Committee Room, City Hall,
August 13th, 1929

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:--

At a meeting of the Committee on Laws & Privileges held this day the Chairman submitted and read a copy of a letter sent by the City Solicitor to the Clerk of the Executive Council notifying him that the draft revision of the City Charter had been completed and ready for submission to the Governor-in-Council for approval.

✓
Chief June
P. J. H.

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Also that the Act submitted at the last session of the Legislature had been so changed in the Legislature as to be no longer available for bringing the Charter into force by order-in-Council, and suggested, however, pending further legislation the Charter should be given examination and formal approval, and that printing should be begun as soon as possible so that the Charter could be brought into force as soon as the necessary Legislation and formal approval have been obtained.

It is recommended that the matter of preparing specification and obtaining tenders for printing the Charter be left to a special Committee composed of the Chairman of the Laws & Privileges Committee, City Solicitor and City Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,
Russell McInnis
CHAIRMAN

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

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET-REPORT CITY AUDITOR

The City Auditor laid on the table his financial report for the Civic Year 1928-29, covering consolidated balance sheet as at April 30th, 1929.

Action on this report is deferred until the next meeting to enable the Aldermen to read the report.

TAX COLLECTIONS APRIL 1929

Read report of the City Auditor on Tax Collections for the month of July 1929:

City Auditor's Office,
July 31st 1929

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Report on Tax Collections for the month of July 1929 is submitted. Collections amounted to \$113,338.76. Collections on account of taxes for civic years prior to May 1st 1925 were \$6,746.67 reducing the outstanding amount to \$687,655.31:

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Arrears Taxes	Outstanding Previous month	New Accounts and other items added	July Collections	Outstanding Balances July 31st 1929
Civic Year 1925-26	\$86,307.73		\$1,781.33	\$84,526.50
Civic Year 1926-27	79,322.57		4,497.84	74,824.73
Civic Year 1927-28	172,631.23		10,249.83	162,381.40
Civic Year 1928-29	376,453.17		24,131.73	352,321.44
	<u>\$714,714.70</u>		<u>\$40,660.63</u>	<u>\$674,054.07</u>

Current Taxes

Civic Year 1929-30	903,611.34		44,247.58	859,363.76
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Water Department

Rates & Taxes

	101,653.39	\$16,871.89	28,430.55	90,094.73
\$	<u>1,719,979.43</u>	<u>\$16,871.89</u>	<u>\$113,338.76</u>	<u>\$1,623,512.56</u>

	Per Estimates	Outstanding Previous Month	July Collections.	Balances
Dog Taxes 1929-30	\$3,450.00	\$362.00	\$334.00	\$28.00
Poll Taxes 1929-30	16,000.00	13,942.82	1,822.50	12,120.32

FILED

Respectfully submitted

A.M. Butler
CITY AUDITOR

DEPARTMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Read report of the City Auditor covering statements of Departmental Appropriations as at June 30th, 1929:

City Auditor's Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
August 15th, 1929

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

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Gentlemen:-

Enclosed herewith the usual State-
ments of Appropriations.

Yours truly,

A.M. Butler,
CITY AUDITOR.

FILED ✓

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

Read report of the Charities Committee
for the month of July 1929 showing the number of
inmates in the City Home to be 365 and the number
of patients in the T.B.Hospital to be 45.

FILED ✓

CITY COLLECTOR'S DEPARTMENT
POLL TAX STAFF

Read report of the City Collector
on the Staff employed in his Department on the
collection of poll tax:

City Collector's Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
August 5th, 1929

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

Gentlemen:-v

In reply to your request for a report
on the number of men now employed on the collection
of Poll Taxes, I wish to state that there are three
men now engaged in this work, viz;

W.C.Yates- Sub-Collector,
S.G.Cook-Part time on the office
end of the work
C.G.Corbett- Assessor's Office.

Yours faithfully
W.H.Morrow
CITY COLLECTOR

FILED ✓

DEFERRED BUSINESS
MAINTENANCE OF PRISONERS -ROCKHEAD

Notice of Motion by Alderman Smeltzer
re maintenance of prisoners in Rockhead.

Action on this matter is deferred
by unanimous consent until next meeting of Council.

Council

✓
Aug. 15th, 1929

TELEPHONE RATES ENQUIRY

The Council now proceeds with the discussion of item No.3 of the Agenda Viz., Alderman Dickie's letter re telephone rates hearing.

The following resolution was submitted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Halifax under Section 72 of the Public Utilities Act of Nova Scotia do complain and it does hereby complain to the Board of Public Utilities of Nova Scotia against the Maritime Telegraph & Telephone Company Limited that the rates at present charged in the City of Halifax are unreasonable, excessive and unjustly discriminatory, and further that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted by the City Clerk of said City and that he the said City Clerk personally attend at the office of the said Board of Public Utilities and file same with the Board's proper officer.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that subject to the approval of the Governor-in-Council that an amount not exceeding Three Thousand Dollars be approved by the City Council to cover the cost of such enquiry

Moved by Alderman Dickie seconded by Alderman Smeltzer and passed unanimously

Moved by Alderman Dickie seconded by Alderman Smeltzer that the Committee of three be appointed to take up consideration of this matter and to prepare the City's case for presentation before the Board of Public Utilities. Motion passed.

The following named Aldermen were duly nominated and appointed as Special Committee.

Aldermen Mullane, Dickie,McInnis.

Alderman Cragg submits the following

Resolution:

RESOLVED that the City adopt the acts of the Board of Works and its Servants or Agents in relation to the demolition of the John Simon Building at the corner of Barrington and Jacob Streets

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and that the City take steps to enforce its lien for the costs of demolishing the said building

✓
Engineer
Inspector
Moved by Alderman Cragg seconded by Alderman Corbin and passed.

ADVERTISING IN PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION PROGRAMME

His Worship the Mayor brings to the attention of Council an application made to him for the City to insert an advertisement in the official program of the Provincial Exhibition to be held in this City from August 28th to September 4th.

Moved by Alderman Robertson seconded by Alderman Mitchell that this application be refused.

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

For the Motion

Alderman Mitchell
Dickie
Donovan
Cragg
McInnis
McDonald
Robertson
Smeltzer
Adams- 9

Against it

Alderman Smith
McDuff
Rains
Corbin
Drysdale

- 5-

9.50 p.m. Moved by Alderman McDuff seconded by Alderman McInnis that this Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

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CITY CLERK

Meeting adjourned

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MAYOR