

November 16th, 1933.

1/481	Mrs. Catherine Cameron	299.07
	Est. W. A. Hendry	219.73
	Willie Davison	646.25
	Est. W. A. Hendry	769.80
1/483	Est. W. A. Hendry	236.00
	Est. W. A. Hendry	88.50
1/484	Est. W. A. Hendry	88.50
	Est. W. A. Hendry	88.50
	Est. W. A. Hendry	88.50
1/485	Est. W. A. Hendry	88.50
	Est. W. A. Hendry	88.50
	Est. W. A. Hendry	88.50
1/485	Est. W. A. Hendry	135.70
	Est. W. A. Hendry	1,770.00
	Barrett Company, Limited	206.79
2/7	Canadian National Rys.	518.25
	Canadian National Rys.	529.26
2/9	Canadian National Rys.	243.61

The adjusted amounts set out in the last column are to be paid in full on or before the last day of January, 1934.

Any amounts not paid, on or before that date, shall be subjected to the statutory rates of interest as and from the first day of February 1934.

Moved by Alderman Smeltzer, seconded by Alderman Minshull that the report as submitted be embodied in the minutes and action thereon deferred until the next regular meeting of Council; copy of said report to be sent to the Aldermen forthwith. Motion passed.

SCHEME OF EMPLOYMENT

Read report of the Unemployment Committee submitting scheme for employment.

Mayor's Office,
City Hall,
November 14th, 1933.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Unemployment Committee held this day, it was resolved to recommend the following matters to Council for its approval:-

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1. That the City agree to expend a sum not to exceed One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000.) Dollars, under the authority of Chapter 7 of the Acts of 1932, on a scheme for the construction of such public works as may be approved of by the Unemployment Committee, this sum to be augmented by contributions from the Provincial and Dominion Governments.
2. That the said committee be empowered to negotiate an agreement with the Provincial Government covering all details of the scheme including the amount of contributions from the respective governments.
3. That this committee be authorized to direct the policy of the employment of unskilled labour required in carrying out the scheme.
4. That the City Engineer be appointed a member of this committee.
5. That the work be under the control and supervision of the Committee on Works and that this Council delegate to the Committee on Works authority to purchase such equipment and materials as may be required from time to time in connection with the scheme notwithstanding the limitations now imposed on any committee, as to the amount it may expend provided that such equipment and materials as may be purchased under this authority be on a competitive basis where possible.

Respectfully submitted,

A. Audley Thompson,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Clause No. 1

Moved by Alderman Doyle, seconded by Alderman Miller that Clause No. 1 as read be approved. Motion passed.

Clause No. 2

Moved by Alderman Smeltzer, seconded by Alderman Donovan that Clause No. 2 as read be approved. Motion passed.

Clause No. 3

Moved by Alderman Smeltzer, seconded by Alderman Miller that Clause No. 3 as read be approved. Motion passed.

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Clause No. 4

Moved by Alderman Doyle, seconded by Alderman Smeltzer that Clause No. 4 as read be approved. Motion passed.

Clause No. 5

Moved by Alderman Smeltzer, seconded by Alderman Miller that Clause No. 5 as read be approved.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman Mitchell that Clause No. 5 be amended to read as follows:

"That the work be under the control and supervision of the Committee on Works".

Amendment passed unanimously.

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman Donovan that the report of the Unemployment Committee as amended be approved. Motion passed.

APPOINTMENT EXHIBITION COMMISSIONER

His Worship the Mayor advised Council that nominations were in order for the appointment of a member of Council to serve as an Exhibition Commissioner.

Moved by Alderman Smeltzer, seconded by Alderman Miller that Alderman Donovan be re-appointed as an Exhibition Commissioner for a period of three years.

*Alderman
Donovan*

Moved by Alderman Minshull, seconded by Alderman Mitchell that nominations cease.

His Worship the Mayor thereupon declares Alderman Donovan appointed as a member of the Exhibition Commission for the term of three years.

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CHARITIES COMMITTEE, TENDERS FOR POTATOES
AND TURNIPS

Read report of the Charities
Committee submitting tenders for the supplying
of potatoes and turnips, also tenders for offal
at the City Home.

Halifax, N. S.
November 14th, 1933.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

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

MEMBERS PRESENT; The Chairman,
Aldermen Holland, McCarthy and MacDonald.

Tenders for 1900 bushels potatoes
and 200 bushels turnips, at the prices quoted
were received as follows:-

POTATOES

	REDS	WHITES	COB' LERS	WHITES G.M.	TURNIPS
B. A. Blakney ---			.54	.54	.75 per bus
C. J. MacDougall .55	.55		.55	.55	.37
Cornum & Ritcey Ltd. .65	.65		.65	.65	.75
Can. Export & Imp. Trading Co. ---			.57	.57	.45
Nickerson & Crease Ltd. ---			.54	.56	.32
Howards Ltd. ---			.60	.60	.40
Farquhar Ltd. ---			.56	--	.39

RECOMMENDATION

The tender of Nickerson & Crease Ltd.,
being the lowest is recommended for acceptance.

Tenders for offal were received as
follows:-

Earl Morash	\$100.00	per year	for three years.
J. H. Merson	15.00	per month	for one year
	20.00	" "	for two years
	22.50	" "	for three years.

RECOMMENDATION

The tender of J. H. Merson at \$22.50
per month for a period of three years commencing
Nov. 1st., 1933 is recommended for acceptance.

Respectfully submitted,
E. J. J. Probert,
CHAIRMAN.

November 16th, 1933.

Moved by Alderman Probert, seconded by Alderman Holland that the report be adopted in respect to the tenders for potatoes and turnips, and that the tender for offal be subject to the opinion of the City Solicitor as to the legality of entering into a three year contract. Motion passed.

SUPT'S REPORT OF INMATES IN THE CITY HOME AND T. B. HOSPITAL FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, 1933.

Read report of the Charities Committee showing the number of inmates in the City Home to be 433 and the number of patients in the T. B. Hospital to be 57.

FILED

LEGISLATION

Read report of the Laws and Privileges Committee recommending that necessary legislation be prepared by the various committees at an early date.

Committee Room, City Hall,
November 9th, 1933.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Laws and Privileges Committee held this day, your committee had under consideration a verbal report of the City Solicitor suggesting that the matter of legislation be taken up with the various committees as early as possible.

Your committee recommend that the Chairman of the different committees bring this matter before their committees and forward any items of legislation that they may have to the Laws and Privileges Committee at the earliest possible moment.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter Mitchell,
CHAIRMAN.

November 16th, 1933.

Moved by Alderman Mitchell, seconded by Alderman Smeltzer that the report of the Laws and Privileges Committee be adopted. Motion passed.

DIRECT RELIEF EXPENDITURES

Read report of the City Auditor submitting statement of direct relief expenditures as at November 16th, 1933.

REPORT ON DIRECT RELIEF EXPENDITURES.
(Estimated)

October 12th- November 16th, 1933.

<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>City's Share</u>
Vote June 16/32	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
" July 14/32	25,000.00	5,000.00
" Sept. 2/32	60,000.00	20,000.00
" Dec. 15/32	135,000.00	45,000.00
" Apr. 13/33	111,000.00	37,000.00
" July 13/33	102,000.00	34,000.00
" Oct. 12/33	150,000.00	50,000.00
	<u>\$ 588,000.00</u>	<u>\$196,000.00</u>

Expenditures

To Oct. 31st, 1933.	442,206.94	147,402.31
Add estimated to Nov. 16th, 1933	20,000.00	6,666.66
Add estimated orders not presented for payment	<u>10,000.00</u>	<u>3,333.33</u>
	472,206.94	157,402.31

Unexpended balance available to January 31st, 1933	\$115,793.06	\$ 38,597.69
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School Officials and Teachers have contributed a total of \$5,774.05 to the Direct Relief Fund, from which the sum of \$3,500.00 has been voted as a contribution to the Red Cross Society. The Council has voted a further sum of \$3,000.00 recently for the same purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

A. M. Butler,
CITY AUDITOR.

FILED.

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TAX COLLECTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 1933

Read report of the City Auditor
covering tax collections for the month of October, 1933.

City Auditor's Office,
October 31st, 1933.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Report on Tax Collections for the month of October is submitted. Collections amounted to \$84,135.39; corresponding period last year \$89,103.38. Collections on account of taxes for the years 1908-1924 were \$45.27. The ledger value of this group on October 31st, 1933 after deducting Reserves for short collection amounted to \$553,106.46. Collections of Poll Taxes in 1933-34 of current and arrears to October 31st, 1933 amounted to \$18,943.45, corresponding period last year \$18,866.00.

Arrears Taxes

Civic Year	Reserves	Outstanding Balances September	New Accounts and adjustments	October Collections	Outstanding Balances October
1925-26	\$65,996.00*	\$ 65,819.88	- \$4.00	\$24.42	\$65,791.46
1926-27	39,884.80*	42,544.52	- 72.20	31.72	42,440.60
1927-28	41,993.49*	41,859.83	- 85.70	47.07	41,727.06
1928-29	47,682.30*	46,958.55	- 90.75	110.46	46,757.34
1929-30	53,044.05*	51,533.04	- 86.59	315.49	51,130.96
1930-31	70,812.94*	90,042.25	- 74.54	4,215.68	85,752.03
1931-32	69,995.80*	201,719.50	65.38	6,911.08	194,873.80
1932-33	48,910.49*	399,009.80	45.38	17,042.72	382,012.46
		939,487.37	-303.02	28,698.64	910,485.71

Current Taxes

1933-34 50,795.30 758,138.79 1,017.22 44,716.37 714,439.64

Water Dept.

Rates, etc.

61,644.37 - 58.84 10,720.38 50,865.15
\$1,759,270.53 \$655.36 \$ 84,135.39 \$1,675,790.50

Poll Taxes 1932-33 \$ 6,656.30 \$ 638.50 \$ 6,017.80
Do 1933-34 19,250.80 2,197.50 17,053.30

Respectfully submitted,

A.M. Butler,
CITY AUDITOR.

* Includes special tax payments and unexpended balances, and, for the Civic Year 1925-26, a special transfer as authorized by the Acts of 1928, Cap. 62. Any excess in these accounts above the outstanding tax balances will be transferred to the General Reserve or the General Sinking Fund, as the case requires, on April 30th of each year.

FILED

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STREET TREE ACT, REPLACEMENT OF TREES

Read report of the Committee on Gardens, Parks and Commons together with a resolution providing for the replacement of trees planted under the Street Tree Act.

Committee Room, City Hall,
November 14th, 1933.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Gardens Committee held this day, a letter was read from the City Auditor regarding the replacement of trees which have been planted under the Street Tree Act, and which did not live or were destroyed.

Under the provisions of the Street Tree Act, the City is required to replace such trees without charge to the abutter. The attached resolution is submitted authorizing an appropriation not exceeding \$365.00 for the purpose of purchasing and planting such trees as referred to herein.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. Conn,
CHAIRMAN.

RESOLVED that under the authority of Section 332A of the City Charter and Chapter 110 of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia entitled "The Street Tree Act" that the City borrow a sum not exceeding \$365.00 for the purpose of purchasing and planting such trees as to replace trees which died or were destroyed.

The money required for this purpose may be borrowed from any bank or fund available to be assessed in the Estimates for 1934-35, then to be repaid from the bank or fund from which it was first borrowed.

Moved by Alderman Conn, seconded by Alderman J. F. McDonald that the report be adopted.
Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Conn, seconded by Alderman J. F. McDonald that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

*City Auditor
Harry Hall*

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STONEMAN PROPERTY, QUINPOOL ROAD

Read extract from minutes of a meeting of the City Council of the City of Halifax held on the 12th day of October, 1933 re Stoneman property, Quinpool Road.

*Finance
Committee*

Moved by Alderman Smeltzer, seconded by Alderman Golden that this matter be referred to the Finance Committee for further consideration and report. Motion passed.

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

Read extract from minutes of a meeting of the City Council of the City of Halifax held on the 12th day of October, 1933 covering report of the Laws and Privileges Committee re City Council Agenda.

Committee Room, City Hall,
October 12th, 1933.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Laws and Privileges held this day, your committee had under consideration the matter of placing the agenda of the City Council in the hands of the members of the Council.

Your committee recommend that the agenda be placed in the hands of the members of the Council at least two clear days before the Council meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter Mitchell,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman Smeltzer that the report be filed. Motion passed.

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11.00 o'clock,

Moved by Alderman Mitchell, seconded
by Alderman Smeltzer that this meeting do now
adjourn. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

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H. C. Powell,
CITY CLERK.

A. Audley Thompson,
MAYOR.

EVENING SESSION

8.10 o'clock,
Council Chamber,
City Hall,
December 14th, 1933

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; and Aldermen Minshull, Stech, Donovan, Miller, Johnson, Conn, Adams, McCarthy, Golden, H. A. MacDonald, O'Toole, Getley, Holland, Probert and Doyle.

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

MINUTES

There being no objections to the minutes of the previous meeting as read, His Worship the Mayor declares them approved.

The following named papers were submitted.

ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

Read letter from the Halifax Men Teachers Federation re assessment system.

November 23rd, 1933.

His Worship,
Mayor Thompson,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:-

At a regular meeting of the Halifax Men Teachers' Federation the following resolution was unanimously adopted, a copy of which has been sent to a number of our civic organizations.

ald m'Carthy
auditor

December 14th, 1933.

Resolved: "That in the opinion of this organization, it is imperative that the City Council should give careful consideration to securing more equable means of collecting its needed revenue and to that end should take immediate steps to obtain taxes from some of the property now unassessed, particularly as pertaining to Dominion and Provincial properties".

If in your opinion, this is a matter worthy of consideration may we ask you to co-operate with us in impressing upon our worthy aldermen the need for concerted action on their part, toward remedying, what many believe, the present unjust distribution of assessment, for taxation, of properties.

Sincerely,
Halifax Men Teachers' Federation.

President - F. W. Coolen
Secretary - A. E. Ettinger.

Referred to Taxation and Tax Exemption
Committee.

UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF

Read letter from Committee of the
Unemployed as follows.

"Mass Meeting held
at 573 Barrington
Street, 14th Dec.

By the Unemployed Committee,
appointed to protest against City giving work out
to contractors, and to find out all the details
about relief work.

Committee appointed:- D. Craig, W. Perry, J. Pratt
and C. Wallace.

Chairman, A. McLeod."

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by
Alderman Minshull that this matter be referred
to the Unemployment Committee. Motion passed.

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Finance Committee
recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$400.03
chargeable to the various services.

*Mayor
Clark.*

December 14th, 1933.

Committee Room, City Hall,
December 13th, 1933.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Finance held this day, the attached list of accounts amounting to \$400.03 chargeable to the various services was passed as correct and recommended to the City Council for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. Stech,
CHAIRMAN.

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

FIRE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Committee on Firewards recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$13,380.62 chargeable to the Fire Department and \$431.33 chargeable to the Fire Alarm Telegraph System.

December 12th, 1933.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards held this day, the attached accounts amounting to \$13,380.62 for the Fire Department and \$431.33 for the Fire Alarm Department were considered.

Your committee recommends that these accounts be passed for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. Golden,
CHAIRMAN.

December 14th, 1933.

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

CITY HOME AND T.B. HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Charities Committee recommending for payment accounts chargeable to the City Home amounting to \$7,045.22 and to the T.B. Hospital \$2,692.06.

Halifax, N. S. Dec. 7th, 1933.

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 McCarthy, Minshull, Holland and MacDonald.

CITY HOME ACCOUNTS NOVEMBER 1933, AMOUNT \$7,045.22

City Home accounts for the month of November 1933 amounting to \$7,045.22 are recommended for payment.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS NOVEMBER 1933,
AMOUNT \$2,692.06

Tuberculosis Hospital accounts for the month of November 1933 amounting to \$2,692.06 are recommended for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. J. Probert,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Probert, seconded by Alderman H. A. MacDonald that the report be adopted and accounts paid. Motion passed.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Library Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$530.10.

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Dec. 12th, 1933.

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

Gentlemen:-

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

City of Halifax	Salaries	\$260.82
T.O. Allen Co.	Books	14.45
The Book Room	"	90.86
American Library Association	Subscription	2.50
Mutual Subscription Agency	"	69.60
Literary Digest	"	4.85
Office Spec. Mfg. Co.	Bookcase	19.02
W. M. Walcott	Steel Stack	68.00
		<u>\$530.10</u>

Respectfully submitted,

A. H. Minshull,
CHAIRMAN.

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

GARDENS, PARKS AND COMMONS ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Committee on Gardens,
Parks and Commons recommending for payment accounts
amounting to \$604.79 chargeable to the Public
Gardens and \$117.87 chargeable to Fleming Park.

Committee Room, City Hall,
December 13th, 1933.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on
Gardens, Parks and Commons held this day, the
attached list of accounts amounting to \$604.79
chargeable to the Public Gardens and \$117.87
chargeable to Fleming Park was considered, passed
as correct, and recommended to the City Council
for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. Conn,
CHAIRMAN.

December 14th, 1933.

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

CITY HEALTH BOARD ACCOUNTS

Read report of the City Health Board recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$2,513.45.

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His Worship the Mayor,
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the City Health Board held on Tuesday, December 12th, the following named accounts, amounting to \$2,513.45, were passed and recommended to the City Council for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. Forrest,
CHAIRMAN, C.H.B.

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

POLICE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Police Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$9,286.57.

Halifax, N. S.
December 12th, 1933.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Police Committee.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Police Committee held this date, the following accounts amounting to \$9,286.57 and an amount of \$455.00 from the 1932-33 estimates submitted by the Chief of Police, were examined, found correct and recommended for payment.

Respectfully submitted,
A. Audley Thompson,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Geo. Grant

CITY PRISON ACCOUNTS

Read report of the City Prison Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$255.58 chargeable to capital account and \$2,623.54 chargeable to current account.

City Prison,
Halifax, N. S.
December 7th, 1933.

To 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 \$255.58 chargeable to capital account and \$2,623.54 chargeable to current account was passed as correct and recommended to the City Council for payment.

The report of Governor Grant for the month of November is also attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

A. H. Minshull,
CHAIRMAN.

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

*Geo. Grant
City Auditor*

Alderman Minshull, Chairman of the City Prison Committee submits an account of the Nova Print Limited amounting to \$32.85 and requests that this account be passed for payment.

Moved by Alderman Minshull, seconded by Alderman Conn that the account of the Nova Print Ltd.

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amounting to \$32.85 be paid.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman McCarthy that the account of the Nova Print Limited be referred back to the Prison Committee with instructions to confer with the City Auditor regarding same. Amendment passed.

WORKS DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Committee on Works recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$12,019.58.

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The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works recommend for payment accounts amounting to \$12,019.58, chargeable as follows:-

Works Dept.	Capital	\$2088.69	
	Appropriations	<u>7383.90</u>	\$9472.59
Water Dept.	Construction	512.18	
	Maintenance	<u>2034.81</u>	<u>2546.99</u>
			<u>\$12019.58</u>

A. Audley Thompson,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

FORMS FOR SEWER PIPE

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer recommending the purchase of forms for sewer pipe.

*City Engineer
check of work*

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Dec. 13th, 1933.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

It is proposed to, as far as possible, manufacture the concrete pipe required for sewers to be constructed this winter, and to do so it will be necessary to buy some steel forms.

I have obtained prices on the forms made by the London Concrete Machinery Company, Limited similar to those that we are now using, and also from the Thomas Watson Limited, Woodstock, Ont. The prices of the latter are lower for fifteen inch and eighteen inch sizes, and higher for the others, I would recommend that the Engineer be authorized to purchase,

10	15-inch moulds	@	\$27.20	each
10	18-inch "	@	33.95	"
5	24-inch "	@	42.92	"
5	30½-inch "	@	54.35	"

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER.

Dec. 13th, 1933.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The attached report of the City Engineer on the purchase of steel forms for sewer pipe is recommended to Council for adoption.

A. Audley Thompson,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Doyle, seconded by Alderman O'Toole that the reports be adopted.

Motion passed.

AIR COMPRESSOR AND DRILL

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer recommending the purchase of air compressor and drill.

*City Engineer
Clerk of Works*

December 14th, 1933.

Dec. 13th, 1933.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

Owing to the large amount of work to be undertaken in connection with unemployment relief for the existing rock excavation, it will be necessary in the interests of providing work for the ordinary unskilled laborer, to use machine drills and it will be advisable for the City to purchase another air compressor and drill. I have asked several firms for a quotation on the equipment required and have received tenders as follows:-

	<u>Compressor</u>	<u>Drill</u>	<u>Steels</u>	<u>Hoe</u>	<u>Tools</u>
Austen Bros. Ltd.	\$2050.00	\$201.00	\$79.75	\$25.75	\$19.50
Wm. Stairs Son & Morrow	2100.00	205.00	60.00	25.30	26.30
Guildfords Ltd.	2100.00	205.00	81.40	26.30	20.00
Ingersoll Rand Co., Ltd.	2100.00	205.00	81.40	26.30	20.00
Coleman Machinery Co.	2100.00				
H. J. C. McLean	1956.00				
" "	2544.00				
" "	2713.00				
" "	3263.00				

A price was asked for 100 cu. ft. Ingersoll-Rand Type 20 Portable Gasoline Engine Driven Compressor Unit together with a Jackhammer Drill and other fittings.

The first four tenders shown above, are for this type of equipment. The tender for The Coleman Machinery Co., Ltd., is for a Gardner-Denver Compressor of 120 cu. ft. capacity. This, as far as I can ascertain, is made in the United States. The first two tenders from Mr. McLean are for an English built gasoline driven compressor of different capacities. The last two are for compressors driven with a Diesel Engine. In each case the machines are built in England.

The Ingersoll-Rand machine, with the exception of the gasoline engine, is as far as can be ascertained, built in Canada.

We already have one Ingersoll-Rand Compressor which has been in service since 1930 and has given us complete satisfaction.

I would recommend that the Compressor, drill and other equipment be purchased from Austen Bros. Ltd., who are the lowest tenderers for the machine desired.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER.

December 14th, 1933.

Dec. 13th, 1933.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works recommend that the attached report of the City Engineer be adopted and that an air compressor and drill and other equipment be purchased from Austen Bros. Limited, at the price shown in the said report, viz:-

<u>Name</u>	<u>Compressor</u>	<u>Drill</u>	<u>Steels</u>	<u>Hoe</u>	<u>Tools</u>
Austen Bros.	\$2050.00	\$201.00	\$79.75	\$25.75	\$19.50

A. Audley Thompson,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Miller, seconded by Alderman Adams that the reports be adopted.

Motion passed.

*City Auditor
Clerk of Works*

CONSTRUCTION OF WALL, CITY PRISON

Read report of the Committee on Works recommending for payment final instalment for the construction of wall, City Prison.

Dec. 13th, 1933.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works recommend payment to O. A. Hubley of the sum of \$585.00, being the balance in full on his contract for the construction of concrete walls, waiting room and cloak room at the City Prison.

A. Audley Thompson,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

SEWER, CAMBRIDGE STREET

Read report of the Committee on Works recommending the payment of \$116.70, being the balance in full for trenching Cambridge Street.

December 14th, 1933.

Dec. 13th, 1933.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works recommend payment to Rayner W. Bow of the sum of \$116.~~00~~, being the balance in full on his contract, for trenching for sewer on Cambridge Street.

A. Audley Thompson,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

*City Engineer
Clerk of Works*

UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF WORK (SEWERS)

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer submitting schedule of sewer work for relief of the unemployed.

December 13th, 1933.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

In the schedule of work approved by the Unemployment Relief Committee, certain sewers were recommended as part of the work to be done.

The City Charter provides, among other things, that sewers shall be built only upon the order of the Council on the recommendation of the Committee after a report from the Engineer.

I am attaching a list of sewers on various streets proposed to be built, giving the length and probable cost.

Numbers 1 to 14 are for drainage purposes of a part of the north-west slope. The others on the list connect to sewers already constructed.

I would recommend that the sewers on the attached list be ordered constructed.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER.

December 14th, 1933.

Project No.	Street	From	To	Length	Probable Cost
1	(Interceptor	A	Z	400	\$5,095.00
2	Interceptor	Z	X	2150	30,665.00
3	Interceptor	X	U	2350	30,040.00
4	Interceptor	U	T	1350	14,567.50
5	Bayers	Connaught	Oxford	1500	12,980.00
7	Oxford	Bayers	Almon	1400	10,942.00
8	London	Oxford	Dublin	500	3,620.00
9	Liverpool	Oxford	Dublin	490	3,619.00
10	Cork	Oxford	Dublin	480	3,613.00
11	Young	Oxford	Dublin	470	3,612.00
13	Connolly	Bayers	Almon	1500	11,620.00
14	London	Connolly	Oxford	670	4,992.50
14	Liverpool	Connolly	Oxford	680	4,994.00
17	(Joseph	Chebucto	Watermain	490)	
17	(Watermain	Joseph	Armdale	220)	8,315.00
17	(Armdale	Watermain	Chebucto	410)	
24	Dublin	Co rk	Almon	920	7,125.00
27	Inglis	Robie	Bellevue	840	5,647.00
28	Robie	Oakland	South	560	3,703.00
29	Fraser	Robie	Waterloo	690	5,127.50
30	Waterloo	Oakland	South	560	4,178.00
31	Harvey	Barrington	Church	570	4,198.50
32	Quinn	Quinpool	Flinn	870	5,953.50
37	Dalhousie	Oakland	South	490	3,134.50
38	Oxford	Berlin	Almon	260	2,043.00
40	Vienna	Oxford	Dublin	530	4,386.50
41	Almon	Oxford	Dublin	530	4,386.50
42	Pine	Quinpool	Northwardly	1160	7,318.00

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The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Attached is a report of the City Engineer on unemployment relief work and a list of sewers which the Engineer recommends for construction.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works on the 13th instant it was resolved to recommend the said report to Council for approval.

A. Audley Thompson,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Miller, seconded by Alderman Adams that the reports be adopted.

Motion passed.

December 14th, 1933.

PURCHASE OF LAND, PINE STREET

Read report of the Committee on Works
and City Engineer re purchase of land, Pine Street.

December 13th, 1933.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to submit a further letter from
Mrs. Margaret Buckley in connection with her lot
No. 77 on the east side of Pine Street.

It will be seen that she offers to
sell the lot for \$300.00 and any taxes that may
be due thereon. The City Collector informs me
that the amount of such taxes is \$194.33.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER.

Dec. 13th, 1933.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Attached hereto is a report of the
City Engineer also a letter from Mrs. Margaret
Buckley offering to sell to the City, Lot No. 77
Pine Street, for the sum of \$300.00 and taxes
amounting to \$194.33. The Committee on Works
recommend that the offer of Mrs. Buckley be
accepted.

A. Audley Thompson,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

PAVING CONTRACT (SIDEWALKS)

Read report of the Committee on Works
recommending for payment the sum of \$9,128.87
to Bianco Bros.

December 14th, 1933.

Dec. 13th, 1933.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works recommend payment to Bianco Bros. of the sum of \$9,128.87, being the balance in full on their contract for the construction of concrete sidewalks.

A. Audley Thompson,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

HOLLIS STREET WIDENING

*City Engineer
City Works*

Read report of the Committee on Works re widening Hollis Street.

December 8th, 1933.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works on the 6th instant, it was resolved to recommend to Council that Hollis Street be widened on the east side, between Salter and Sackville Streets by moving back the curb.

It is recommended that the work be done next year and that the cost thereof be provided in the Estimates for 1934-35.

A. Audley Thompson,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Doyle, seconded by Alderman Miller that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman Donovan that the Committee on Works be requested to consider the advisability of continuing the widening of Hollis Street one block south of Salter Street. Motion passed.

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TENDERS FOR LEAD PIPE

Read report of the Committee on Works submitting tenders for lead pipe.

Dec. 8th, 1933.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works on the 6th instant, the following tenders were received for the supply of 10,000 lbs. of lead pipe:-

	<u>3/4-Inch</u>	<u>1-Inch</u>
The Standard Underground Cable Co. of Canada Ltd.	\$6.10 per 100# 1/2% 10 days	\$6.20 per 100# -Net cash 30 days
Jas. Simmonds Ltd.	6.80 per 100#	6.80 per 100#
Crane Ltd.	7.00 " "	7.00 " "
F.S. Coombes & Co.	7.03 " "	7.03 " "
Crowell Bros. Ltd.	7.11 " "	7.11 " "
Cragg Bros. Ltd.	7.11 per 100 lbs. Includes 6% Sales Tax.	7.11 " "
Wm. Stairs Son & Merrow Ltd.	7.15 per 100# Net 30 days.	7.15 per 100#

It was resolved to recommend to Council that the tender of the Standard Underground Cable Company of Canada Limited be accepted.

A. Audley Thompson,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Miller, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

TENDERS FOR FORAGE

Read report of the Committee on Works submitting tenders for forage.

November 25th, 1933.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on
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*City Engineer
Chief of Works*

*City Engineer
Chief of Works*

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Works on the 22nd instant, tenders for the supply of Forage during the balance of the civic year 1933-34 were received from the Scotia Flour and Feed Company Limited, Messrs. S. C. Thompson and Sons, and Messrs. Farquhar Limited. The tender of Messrs. Farquhar Limited being the lowest, is recommended to Council for acceptance.

A. Audley Thompson,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Doyle, seconded by Alderman O'Toole that the report be adopted and that the tender of Farquhar Limited be accepted. Motion passed.

AMENDMENTS TO CITY CHARTER AND ACTS 1905

Read report of the Finance Committee submitting draft amendments to Section 438 and 439 of the City Charter, also Section 9 of Chapter 59 of the Acts of 1905.

Committee Room, City Hall,
December 13th, 1933.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Finance held this day, your committee had under consideration a letter from the City Solicitor together with proposed draft amendment to amend Sections 438 and 439 of the City Charter.

Your committee recommend that the letter of the City Solicitor be approved and that the draft amendment to amend Sections 438 and 439 be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. Stech,
CHAIRMAN.

The following amendments to the City Charter were approved by the Finance Committee at its meeting held December 13th:

Section 438 is amended by adding thereto immediately after the word "imposed" in the fifth line thereof the words "and for the period included in any extension of said lien".

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Sub-section 1 of Section 439 is amended by striking out the words "for the then current year due by such person or corporation" in the 9th and 10th lines thereof and substituting therefor the words "due by such person or corporation in respect of which the City has a lien".

The Charter is amended by adding thereto immediately following Section 439 the following section:

439A. "Where personal property liable to seizure for taxes, as hereinbefore provided, is under seizure or attachment or has been seized by the Sheriff or by a bailiff of any Court or person or is claimed by or in possession of any assignee for the benefit of creditors or liquidators or of any trustee or authorized trustee in bankruptcy, or where such property has been converted into cash and is undistributed, it shall be sufficient for the Collector to give to the Sheriff, bailiff, assignee or liquidator, or trustee or authorized trustee in bankruptcy notice of the amount due for such taxes and in such case the Sheriff, bailiff, assignee or liquidator, or trustee or authorized trustee in bankruptcy shall pay the amount of the same to the Collector in preference and priority of any other and all other fees, charges, liens or claims whatsoever.

Oct. 24th, 1933.

Alderman H. J. Stech,
Chairman, Finance Committee,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:-

Section 9, Chapter 51 of the Acts of 1905 is as follows:

"Unless it is otherwise directed in any Act of the Legislature by which the City is hereafter authorized to borrow any money on the credit of the city, any money so borrowed shall be borrowed on stock or debentures issued in conformity with the provisions of this Act, and the amount so borrowed shall be added to and form part of the consolidated fund hereby created".

When the Charter was revised it does not seem to me that this section was brought forward into the consolidation, although practically all the other provisions of Chapter 51 of the Acts of 1905 were carried ahead. It is possible that Section 9 might be lost sight of by permitting it

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to remain in this chapter and I would therefore suggest to you that it be added to the Charter by way of amendment somewhere between Sections 318 and 329.

As the auditor has more to do with the provisions of this part of the Charter than I have, it might be well to have him suggest just where this amendment should be inserted if you think it advisable to do so. If your Committee approves of this action I would suggest that you forward your recommendation to the Laws and Privileges Committee so they can examine the matter and report to Council. I may say that this Section seems to be the only section under which the City can borrow money in any other manner than under the consolidated fund and is therefore a valuable section.

Yours very truly,

C. P. Bethune,
CITY SOLICITOR.

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman McCarthy that the draft amendment as submitted be approved. Motion passed, Alderman Getley wishing to be recorded against.

AMENDMENT TO CITY CHARTER

Read report of the Finance Committee submitting draft amendment to Section 866 of the City Charter.

Committee Room, City Hall,
December 13th, 1933.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Finance held this day, your committee had under consideration the attached letter from the City Solicitor together with a proposed draft to amend Section 866 of the City Charter.

Your committee recommend that the draft as submitted to amend Section 866 be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. Stech,
CHAIRMAN.

December 14th, 1933.

Section 866 is amended by striking out the words "one fifth" in the ninth line thereof and substituting therefor the words "one fiftieth".
(sub-section 1)

This section shall be read and construed as if the same has been enacted on the 26th of February, 1931.

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman McCarthy that the draft amendment as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

City Treasurer

TEMPORARY BORROWING, \$150,000.00

Read report of the Finance Committee together with a letter from the City Treasurer re temporary borrowing of \$150,000.00.

Committee Room, City Hall,
December 13th, 1933.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Finance held this day, your committee had under consideration the attached letter from the City Treasurer together with the resolution providing for the borrowing of \$150,000.00.

Your committee recommend that the report of the City Treasurer be adopted and that he be given authority to arrange with the Royal Bank for a loan not exceeding \$150,000.00 on which interest will be payable at a rate not exceeding 5% per annum.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. Stech,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman Miller that the report be adopted.
Motion passed.

The following resolution is submitted.

December 14th, 1933.

WHEREAS by Section 571 of the City Charter it is enacted that whenever money is required to be borrowed to meet the amount of the deferred obligations of abutters for local improvements, the City may borrow from any bank or fund available, the amount required for such purpose and apply the same to the performance of such work and repay the money so borrowed from the monies collected from such abutting owners.

THEREFORE RESOLVED that the City Council, on the recommendation of the Committee of Finance, do approve of the City Treasurer arranging with the Royal Bank of Canada for a loan not exceeding the sum of \$150,000.00 on which interest will be payable at a rate not exceeding 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ % per annum.

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman Miller and passed unanimously.

Alderman McCarthy requests that the letter of Mr. A. Hanfield Whitman, Chairman of the Direct Relief Committee requesting emergency shelter be now taken up.

City Auditor

RELIEF SHELTER

Read letter A. Hanfield Whitman re temporary relief shelter.

Halifax, N. S.
December 4th, 1933.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Direct Relief Committee held this day, it was decided to ask the Council for authority to provide emergency shelter not to exceed a period of seven days for evicted families.

Respectfully submitted,

A. Hanfield Whitman,
CHAIRMAN.

Read report of the Finance Committee and letter from the Secretary of the Direct Relief Committee re temporary relief shelter.

December 14th, 1933.

Committee Room, City Hall,
December 14th, 1933.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Finance held this day, your committee had under consideration the attached letter from the Direct Relief Committee requesting the allocation of the sum of \$100.00 for temporary relief shelter for unemployed families.

Your committee recommend that the report of the Direct Relief Committee be approved and that the sum of \$100.00 be appropriated for the purpose above mentioned.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. Stech,
CHAIRMAN.

December 14th, 1933.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the above committee held on Monday afternoon last, a report was made by the Chairman Mr. A. H. Whitman, to the effect that he, His Worship the Mayor, and Mr. Butler, City Auditor, had a satisfactory interview with Honourable A. S. McMillan, Acting Premier of the Province, regarding a sum of money being allocated and used for temporary shelter for unemployed persons being evicted from their homes.

I was instructed to ask your honourable body to immediately vote \$100. as the City's share of the amount required for this purpose at your first meeting of the City Council.

I have the honour to be,
Gentlemen,

E. A. Saunders,
SECRETARY.

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by
Alderman MacDonald that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

The following resolution is submitted.

December 14th, 1933.

WHEREAS by report of the Direct Relief Committee, dated the 14th day of December, 1933, it is recommended that a sum not exceeding \$100.00 be provided by the City of Halifax for the purpose of providing temporary shelter for families; said sum to be used for this purpose between this date and the 1st day of May next, which report was approved by the Committee on Finance held this day.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the report of the Direct Relief Committee be approved and that the City of Halifax provide the sum of \$100.00 for the said purpose of providing temporary shelter not to exceed in the case of any one family a period of seven days for families; said sum to be used for this purpose between this day and the 1st day of May next, and that the direction and control of the expenditure of this sum be under the sole control of the Direct Relief Committee.

Dated at Halifax, N.S. this 14th day of December, A. D. 1933.

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman MacDonald that the resolution as submitted be adopted. Motion put and passed, 10 voting for the same and 5 against it as follows:--

FOR THE RESOLUTION

Aldermen Stech
Donovan
Miller
Conn
McCarthy
Golden
MacDonald
O'Tpole
Getley
Doyle
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AGAINST IT

Aldermen Minshull
Johnson
Adams
Holland
Probert

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The City Solicitor gives his opinion that a two-thirds vote is not necessary in this case; Section 231 of the City Charter covering same.

9.45 o'clock, Alderman Smeltzer arrives and takes his seat in Council. -348-

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TAX EXEMPTIONS

Read report of the Finance Committee submitting letter from the City Solicitor re tax exemptions.

Committee Room, City Hall,
December 13th, 1933.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Finance held this day, your committee had under consideration the attached letter from the City Solicitor regarding tax exemptions.

Your committee thinking that this matter should be considered by the Council as a whole, forward same without any recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. Stech,
CHAIRMAN.

Dec. 13th, 1933.

H. J. Stech, Esq.,
Chairman Finance Committee,
City Hall,
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Sir:- Re Tax Exemptions

I am writing to you regarding this matter after some consultation with Mr. W. H. Studd and Mr. J. L. Fraser, the other members of the Court of Assessment Appeals of the City of Halifax.

For some years I have felt that some definite action should be taken by the City to decrease the amount of property in the City in respect to which no tax is payable. I understand that the value of untaxable property is very nearly, if not equal to the value of property in respect to which a tax is collected. This is in my opinion a very serious situation and if possible should not be permitted to exist.

I would like to suggest to your committee that if any action is to be taken this year that some serious thought be given to the matter immediately, in view of the fact that if the suggestion which I wish to make is adopted in whole or in part that some legislative sanction is necessary and the time is rapidly approaching when the legislation must be prepared.

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In brief, my suggestion is that upon all land in the City of Halifax there should be levied a tax, regardless of the structure of edifice which is erected upon it. The only exemption might be Crown land, for the reason that it is almost impossible to tax Crown land.

In order to ease the shock which this new taxation will doubtless cause, and to enable the various institutions to arrange for the payment of such taxes, I would suggest that the tax be made as follows for the first three years:

First year on	25%	of the assessed value		
Second " "	50%	"	"	"
Third " "	75%	"	"	"
Thereafter	100%	"	"	"

At present, I understand, the Assessor values all land for a certain sum and the buildings thereon for an additional sum. It will ~~not~~ entail any greater labor to carry out this assessment as the information is already available.

It seems eminently reasonable that land wherever situated and for whatever purpose used should be assessed for and pay taxes. There are many reasons why this should be, among them the fact that it is the building on the land and not the land which is used for the purposes of the owner, the fact that the property is often vested centrally, thus making it necessary for the City to build and maintain miles of streets around the property which yield no revenue to the City from taxes, and the fact that persons desiring to maintain such buildings and interested in the same should contribute to pay taxes in respect of the same as well as ordinary up-keep.

I make this solely as a suggestion which will have to be developed somewhat. I am writing as Chairman of the Assessment Appeal Court for the reason that this Court has had called to its attention very forcefully the decline in water-front values, from which formerly a substantial portion of our taxes were received, and from hearing from any tax payers appearing before the Court with their tales of hardships due to the heavy burden of taxation upon them. If such exempt land were taxed the burden would be more widely spread and the tax-rate would of course be appreciably lowered.

I feel that perhaps I am going a bit outside of my duties as City Solicitor, but if I have I trust I will be forgiven.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune,
Chairman Assessment Appeal
Court and City Solicitor.

December 14th, 1933.

Moved by Alderman Donovan, seconded by Alderman Stech that this matter be referred to the Committee on Taxation and Tax Exemption. Motion put and passed, 11 voting for the same and 5 against it as follows.

FOR THE MOTION

Aldermen Minshull
Stech
Donovan
Miller
Johnson
Adams
Golden
MacDonald
Getley
Smeltzer
Doyle

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AGAINST IT

Aldermen Conn
McCarthy
O'Toole
Holland
Probert

-5-

Alderman Minshull at this point stated that he wished to resign from the Taxation and Tax Exemption Committee.

*Mayor
Chief of Police*

GRANT - WIDOW OF LATE W. E. PALMER

Read report of the Finance Committee re grant to the widow of the late W. E. Palmer.

Committee Room, City Hall,
December 13th, 1933.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Finance held this day, your committee had under consideration the attached extract from the minutes of a meeting of the City Council held on the 16th day of November, 1933 re grant to the widow of the late W. E. Palmer.

Your committee wish to advise Council that all civic regulations have been carried out regarding this matter and that if any further action is desired same to be instituted by Council.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. Stech,
CHAIRMAN.

December 14th, 1933.

Moved by Alderman Probert, seconded by Alderman Doyle that this matter be referred to the Police Committee for their consideration. Motion passed.

AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 10

Read report of the Committee on Gardens, Parks and Commons together with a letter from the City Solicitor submitting draft amendment to amend Section 5 of Ordinance No. 10 entitled "The Common".

Committee Room, City Hall,
December 13th, 1933.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Gardens, Parks and Commons held this day, your committee had under consideration the attached letter from the City Solicitor together with a draft amendment to amend Section 5 of Ordinance No. 10 entitled "The Common".

Your committee recommend that the draft amendment to amend Ordinance No. 10 entitled "The Common" as submitted be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. Conn,
CHAIRMAN.

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

Moved by Alderman Conn, seconded by Alderman O'Toole that the draft amendment to amend Section 5 of Ordinance No. 10 be now read a first time. Motion passed.

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Read draft amendment to amend Ordinance No. 10 entitled "The Common".

Section 5 of Ordinance #10 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

5. (1) No person shall drive any wagon, cart, sleigh or other vehicle on any part of the Common other than on the regular roads or streets across the Common without having first obtained the permission of the Committee in writing.

(2) No person shall drive, lead or ride any horse or other animal, or permit the same to be upon any part of the Common, except upon the bridle path situated thereon, without having first obtained the permission of the committee in writing.

(3) No person shall pasture any animals upon the Common, without having first obtained the permission of the Committee in writing.

First reading.

AMENDMENT TO SECTION 27 OF THE CITY CHARTER

Read report of the Laws and Privileges Committee together with a letter from the City Solicitor recommending an amendment to Section 27 of the City Charter.

Committee Room, City Hall,
December 7th, 1933.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Laws and Privileges Committee held this day, your committee had under consideration an amendment to Section 27 of the City Charter.

Your committee recommend that the amendment as drafted be forwarded to the City Council for its consideration and action.

Respectfully submitted,

A. M. Doyle,
VICE CHAIRMAN.

December 14th, 1933.

Section 27 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:

27. (1) Every such nomination paper, with the other papers required by this Part, shall be fyled with the Clerk at least seven clear days before the day appointed for holding the election, and before five o'clock in the afternoon of the last day for fyling such papers, and the clerk shall, before receiving such papers ascertain from the same that the requirements of the next preceding section and this section have been complied with.

(2) No nomination paper shall be valid and acted upon by the Clerk unless a sum of \$50.00 is deposited by the candidate in the hands of the clerk at the time the nomination paper is fyled with him and the clerk shall give a receipt for such sum to such candidate so depositing such sum.

(3) The sum so deposited by any candidate shall be returned to him in the event of his being elected, or of his obtaining a number of votes equal to at least one half of the number of votes polled in favor of the candidate elected to the vacancy in respect to which such unsuccessful candidate offered; otherwise it shall belong to the City and be paid into the general revenue thereof.

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

CURLING CHALLENGE

Read letter City Clerk re curling challenge as follows.

December 14th, 1933.

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

Gentlemen:-

I have been requested by the Chairman of the Committee on Gardens, Parks and Commons to issue a challenge for a curling match to any committee of the City Council having a team willing to compete.

December 14th, 1933.

For your information the team representing the Gardens Committee consists of Aldermen Stech, O'Toole, Smeltzer and Conn. Those wishing to challenge the above mentioned team will submit their challenge to Alderman O'Toole, he being the authorized agent for the committee.

Yours respectfully,

H. C. Powell,
CITY CLERK.

UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF

Read report from the Unemployment Committee advising Council of the result of its negotiations as follows.

December 12th, 1933.

Members of City Council.

The Unemployment Relief Committee beg to report that as a result of its negotiations with the Provincial Government regarding contributions towards the cost of relief work, the Dominion Government has agreed to contribute one-third of the cost of direct labor in any case not to exceed \$85,000.00 and the Provincial Government has agreed to contribute an amount equal to that expended by the City not to exceed an amount of \$100,000.00 as the Province's share. The committee recommends that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the necessary agreement.

A. Audley Thompson,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Minshall,
seconded by Alderman Stech that the report be adopted and that His Worship the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the necessary agreement. Motion passed.

UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF WORK

Alderman McCarthy requests that the letter submitted by him be referred to the Unemployment Committee.

*Mayor
Clerk*

December 14th, 1933.

Moved by Alderman McCarthy, seconded by Alderman Doyle that the letter be referred to the Unemployment Committee. Motion passed.

SUPT'S REPORT OF INMATES IN THE CITY HOME AND T.B.HOSPITAL FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1933.

Read report of the Charities Committee showing the number of inmates in the City Home to be 436 and the number of patients in the T.B.Hospital to be 55.

FILED

clerk

NOTICE OF MOTION BY ALDERMAN GOLDEN

Alderman Golden submitted the following notice of motion.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the City of Halifax do hereby go on record as favouring the change in the method of government and administration of the fiscal, prudential and municipal affairs of the City at present in force in the City of Halifax from the present method of a Mayor and eighteen Alderman to a method whereby such government and administration is carried on by a Mayor and six Commissioners.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare such legislation as is necessary to provide for the carrying on of the civic government of the City of Halifax and the administration of the fiscal, prudential and municipal affairs of the City by a Mayor and six Commissioners, each of whom shall receive a salary of \$4,000.00 per annum, instead of a Mayor and eighteen Alderman as at present.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Solicitor be instructed and he is hereby instructed to prepare such amendments to the Halifax City Charter as is necessary to adapt the same to the conditions arising by the substitution of a Mayor and six Commissioners in the place and stead of a Mayor and eighteen Aldermen.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such legislation when prepared be submitted to this Council for approval and when approved presented to the next session of the legislature of the Province of Nova Scotia for enactment.

Dated at Halifax, N.S. this 14th day of December, A.D. 1933.

December 14th, 1933.

*City Engineer
Work of Works*

BRUNSWICK STREET FIRE STATION

Read report of the Committee on Firewards re Brunswick Street Fire Station together with resolution providing for the rebuilding of same.

Committee Room, City Hall,
December 14th, 1933.
7.30 o'clock.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Firewards held this day, your committee had under consideration the attached reports from the Fire Chief and Building Inspector regarding Brunswick Street Fire Station.

Your committee beg to submit the following resolution:-

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council that the action of the Committee of Firewards in ordering the vacating and abandoning of the Brunswick Street Fire Station, because of its unfitness for occupancy be approved and ratified.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee of Firewards be and they are hereby authorized to call for preliminary sketches for a new fire station at the location of the Brunswick Street Fire Station and to incur any necessary expense therefor, not to exceed two hundred dollars, and further to ascertain the probable cost of such new fire station.

Respectfully submitted,

W.H. Golden,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Donovan, seconded by Alderman Adams that the resolution as submitted be approved.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Doyle, seconded by Alderman Smeltzer that this matter be referred to the Committee on Works.

Amendment passed.

*W. H. Golden
Fire Chief*

December 14th, 1933.

TENDERS FOR PUMPER

Read report of the Committee on Firewards together with a letter from the Secretary of the N. S. Board of Fire Underwriters regarding new motor pumper.

December 12th, 1933.

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

Gentlemen:--

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards held this day it was decided that in view of the fact that there is only one pumper of 1,000 Imperial gallon capacity made, except to special order, and that this is sold at a figure much higher than the amount of \$14,000. voted by Council and also in view of the fact that additional equipment is urgently required, BE IT RESOLVED that on the recommendation of the Board of Firewards tenders for a 1,000 U.S. or wine gallons and a 1,000 Imperial gallons be called for.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. Golden,
CHAIRMAN.

December 12th, 1933.

Alderman W. H. Golden,
Chairman,
Board of Fire Commissioners,
C I T Y.

Dear Sir:--

Following the conference had with yourself and Alderman Minshull yesterday and your request to know if our Board would accept an 833 Imperial gallon motor driven pumping engine, instead of a 1,000 Imperial gallon motor pumping engine for which we previously promised a reduction in fire insurance rates as per my letter to you of the 10th of October 1933 and your further inquiry to know if such a capacity pumping engine (833 Imperial gallons) would secure the same reduction in rates as promised for the 1000 Imperial gallon pumper, I have to advise that at this morning's meeting of our Board it was decided that if a 1,000 Imperial gallon per minute motor pumping engine conforming to the undermentioned tests is purchased and placed in

December 14th, 1933.

commission in the Fire Department, in addition to the present pumpers, that the following reductions will be granted in the insurance rates of all schedule rated, non sprinklered, and non fire resistive constructed merchantile and manufacturing buildings and their contents as follows:

East of Robie Street to the Harbor	.04¢	per	\$100.
Robie Street and West thereof	.02¢	"	"

It was further decided that if instead of the 1,000 Imperial gallon pumping engine, that a pumping engine of not less than 833 Imperial gallons per minute pumping capacity is purchased and placed in commission in addition to the present pumpers, that the following reductions will be granted in the insurance rates of all schedule rated, non sprinklered, and non fire resistive constructed merchantile and manufacturing buildings and their contents as follows:

East of Robie Street to the Harbor	.03¢	per	\$100.
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The above promises are made on the understanding that any engine purchased and commissioned is of a make and type that has satisfactorily passed the 12 hour test of the National Board of Fire Underwriters and that it will be subject to a delivery test, as laid down by the National Board of Fire Underwriters, to be made to the satisfaction of our Board, and of which we will receive due notice of the place and time of such test so as to enable us to make proper arrangements.

I trust this is satisfactory.

Yours very truly,

E. J. Rahie,
SECRETARY.

Moved by Alderman Golden, seconded by Alderman Getley that the report as now amended be adopted. Motion passed.

DIRECT RELIEF EXPENDITURES

Read report of the City Auditor covering direct relief expenditures for the period ending December 14th, 1933.

December 14th, 1933.

REPORT ON DIRECT RELIEF EXPENDITURES.
(Estimated)

November 16th- December 14th, 1933.

<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>City's Share</u>
Vote June 16/32	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
" July 14/32	25,000.00	5,000.00
" Sept. 2/32	60,000.00	20,000.00
" Dec. 15/32	135,000.00	45,000.00
" Apr. 13/33	111,000.00	37,000.00
" July 13/33	102,000.00	34,000.00
" Oct. 12/33	150,000.00	50,000.00
	<u>\$588,000.00</u>	<u>\$196,000.00</u>

<u>Expenditures</u>		
To Nov. 30th, 1933	478,594.80	159,531.60
Add estimated to Dec. 14th, 1933	21,000.00	7,000.00
Add estimated orders not presented for payment	<u>15,000.00</u>	<u>5,000.00</u>
	514,594.80	171,531.60

Unexpended balance
available to
January 31st, 1933 73,405.20 24,468.40

School Officials and Teachers have contributed a total of \$5,774.05 to the Direct Relief fund from which the sum of \$3,500.00 has been voted as a contribution to the Red Cross Society. The Council has voted a further sum of \$3,000.00 recently for the same purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

A. M. Dutler,
CITY AUDITOR.

FILED

TAX COLLECTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1933

Read report of the City Auditor
covering tax collections for the month of
November 1933.

City Auditor's Office,
November 30th, 1933.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Report on Tax Collections for the month of November is submitted. Collections amounted to \$84,209.59; corresponding period last year \$85,012.56. Collections on account of taxes for the years 1908-1924 were \$87.36. The ledger value of this group on November 30th, 1933 after deducting

December 14th, 1933.

Reserves for short collection amounted to \$552,775.04. Collections of Poll Taxes in 1933-34 of current and arrears to November 30th, 1933 amounted to \$22,082.45, corresponding period last year \$21,976.50.

Arrears Taxes

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1928-29	47,682.30*	46,757.34	87.17	46,670.17
1929-30	53,044.05*	51,130.96	291.81	40,839.15
1930-31	70,812.94*	85,752.03	6,532.35	79,219.68
1931-32	69,995.80*	194,873.80	8,315.19	186,558.61
1932-33	48,910.49*	382,012.46	16,329.34	365,683.12
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Water Dept.

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FILED

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December 14th, 1933.

Section §40 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:

§40. (1) The Council may from time to time by Resolution determine that the number of other officials and men in the Department be increased or decreased, and upon the passing of such Resolution by the Council the Committee shall forthwith proceed to employ or dismiss such other officials and men as is necessary to comply with the Resolution of the Council.

(2) The Committee shall from time to time appoint to the Department as many other officials and men as the Council from time to time determines to be necessary, who shall hold their employment at the pleasure of the committee, and the committee may dismiss or discipline by fine or suspension any officer or man appointed by it.

(3) In every case where appointments or dismissals are to be made, the same shall be made by the committee, and the committee shall request the Chief Officer to submit any recommendations to the committee.

(4) The yearly remuneration of such other officials and men shall be such as is from time to time determined by the Council.

(5) Notwithstanding anything herein contained there shall be reserved to the Chief Officer the right to punish violations of any rules, regulations or ordinances of the Department, whether general, special or verbal, on the part of any member of the Department by reprimand, suspension without pay for a period not exceeding two weeks, forfeiture of leave for a period not exceeding two days or fine not exceeding two days pay. Any such punishments imposed by the said Chief Officer shall be immediately reported by the Chief Officer to the Chairman of the Committee and a report of the matter shall be included in the agenda of and considered at the first meeting of the committee following the imposition of such punishment, and the committee may nullify such suspension or forfeiture of leave so imposed by the Chief Officer or remit any pay thus withheld if in the opinion of the majority of the committee such punishment has been wrongfully inflicted, or may confirm the same, and if no action is so taken by the committee, the acts of the Chief Officer shall be deemed to be confirmed by the Committee.

(6) The committee may from time to time make such regulations for the Department not inconsistent with the City Charter, as the committee may deem necessary.

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Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman Probert that this matter be referred to the Laws and Privileges Committee.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Doyle, seconded by Alderman Golden that the draft amendment to amend Section 840 of the City Charter as submitted be approved. Amendment put and passed, 9 voting for the same and 7 against it as follows.

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Aldermen Minshull
Stech
Miller
Adams
Conn.
Golden
MacDonald
Getley
Doyle

AGAINST IT

Aldermen Donovan
Johnson
McCarthy
O'Toole
Holland
Probert
Smeltzer

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Alderman Probert gives notice of reconsideration.

LETTER OF CONDOLENCE

Moved by Alderman Doyle, seconded by Alderman Smeltzer that a letter of condolence be forwarded to the family of the late Ex-Alderman Thos. Robinson. Motion passed.

11.55 o'clock,

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman Smeltzer that this meeting do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

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A. Audley Thompson,
MAYOR.

H. C. Powell,
CITY CLERK.