

EVENING SESSION

8.10 o'clock,  
Council Chamber,  
City Hall,  
January 11th, 1934.

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 Mitchell, Stech, Minshull, Donovan, Miller, Johnson, Adams, Conn, McCarthy, Golden, McDonald, MacDonald, O'Toole, Getley, Holland, Probert, Doyle and Smeltzer.

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.

NOTICE OF RECONSIDERATION

Read notice of reconsideration given by Alderman Probert at the last regular meeting of Council in reference to the motion adopting the report of the Firewards Committee covering amendment to Section 840 of the City Charter.

Moved by Alderman Probert, seconded by Alderman Donovan that the matter be now reconsidered. Motion put and lost, 6 voting for the same and 10 against it as follows.

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FOR THE MOTION

Aldermen Mitchell  
Donovan  
McCarthy  
O'Toole  
Holland  
Probert

AGAINST IT

Aldermen Minshull  
Stech  
Johnson  
Adams  
Golden  
McDonald  
MacDonald  
Getley  
Smeltzer  
Doyle  
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NOTICE OF MOTION BY ALDERMAN GOLDEN

Alderman Golden submits and reads a motion of which he gave notice at the last meeting of Council.

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 Aldermen 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 Aldermen 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.

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Moved by Alderman Golden, seconded by Alderman Minshull that the motion as submitted and read be approved.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Mitchell, seconded by Alderman Miller that this matter be referred to the Laws and Privileges Committee for further consideration and report. Amendment put and lost, 7 voting for the same and 11 against it as follows.

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Aldermen Mitchell  
Minshull  
Miller  
Adams  
Conn  
Golden  
Probert

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AGAINST IT

Aldermen Stech  
Donovan  
Johnson  
McCarthy  
McDonald  
MacDonald  
O'Toole  
Getley  
Holland  
Smeltzer  
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The original motion put and lost, 4 voting for the same and 14 against it as follows.

FOR THE MOTION

Aldermen Minshull  
Conn  
Golden  
Holland

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AGAINST IT

Aldermen Mitchell  
Stech  
Donovan  
Miller  
Johnson  
Adams  
McCarthy  
McDonald  
MacDonald  
O'Toole  
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P robert  
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WORKS DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Committee on Works recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$9,715.99.

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The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works on the 10th instant, accounts amounting to \$9,715.99, were recommended to Council for payment chargeable as follows:-

Works Dept.	Capital	\$1526.24	
	Appropriations	<u>7625.62</u>	\$9151.86
Water Dept.	Construction	40.94	
	Maintenance	<u>524.19</u>	<u>564.13</u>
			<u>\$9715.99</u>

A. Audley Thompson,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Committee on Finance recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$18,887.75.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
January 10th, 1934.

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 \$18,887.75 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 H. A. MacDonald 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 amounting to \$8,543.49 and to the T.B.Hospital \$2,803.34.

Halifax, N. S.  
Jan. 10th, 1934.

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 Minshull, Holland, McCarthy and MacDonald.  
CITY HOME ACCOUNTS DECEMBER 1933, AMOUNT \$8,543.49

City Home accounts for the month of December 1933 amounting to \$8,543.49 are recommended for payment.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS DECEMBER 1933,  
AMOUNT \$2,803.34

Tuberculosis Hospital accounts for the month of December 1933 amounting to \$2,803.34 are recommended for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. J. Probert,  
CHAIRMAN.

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

CITY PRISON ACCOUNTS

Read report of the City Prison Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$1,959.14.

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City Prison,  
Halifax, N.S.  
January 4th, 1934.

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 \$1,959.14 was passed as correct and recommended to the City Council for payment.

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

Respectfully submitted,

A. H. Minshull,  
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alder man, seconded by Alderman Getley 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 \$2,447.81.

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His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the City Health Board held on Tuesday, January 9th, 1934, the following named accounts amounting to \$2,447.81 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 Getley 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 \$9,512.21.

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His Worship the Mayor,  
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Police Committee held this day, the following accounts amounting to \$9,512.21 submitted by the Chief of Police were examined, found correct and recommended for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

A. Audley Thompson,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

M oved by Alderman Conn, seconded by Alderman Golden 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 \$348.80.

January 9th, 1934.

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

Gentlemen:-

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

City of Halifax	Salaries	\$260.82
T. C. Allen & Co.	Books	12.55
Book Room	"	49.61
Canadian Magazine	Subscription	1.00
Nat. Geog. Soc.	"	3.50
Halifax Chronicle	"	7.00
Ross Print.	Book Wrappers	13.17
R. W. Wright & Co.	Paste & Tape	1.15
		<u>\$348.80</u>

A. H. Minshull,  
CHAIRMAN.

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Moved by Alderman Minshull, seconded by Alderman Donovan 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 \$13,774.44 chargeable to the Fire Department and \$492.37 chargeable to the Fire Alarm Telegraph System.

January 9th, 1934.

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 \$13,774.44 for the Fire Department and \$492.37 for the Fire Alarm Department were considered.

Your committee recommend that these accounts be passed for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. Golden,  
CHAIRMAN.

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

GARDENS, PARKS AND COMMONS ACCOUNTS

Read letter City Clerk submitting accounts chargeable to the Public Gardens amounting to \$805.83 and \$108.32 chargeable to Fleming Park.

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

Gentlemen:-

The Chairman of the Committee on Gardens, Parks and Commons called a meeting and not receiving a quorum, wishes to submit the following accounts amounting to \$805.83 chargeable to the Public Gardens and \$108.32 chargeable to Fleming Park for payment. These accounts have been audited and certified correct by the City Auditor.

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. Powell,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Conn, seconded by Alderman Miller that the accounts of the Gardens, Parks and Commons Committee as submitted be paid. Motion passed.

AGREEMENT, DIRECT RELIEF ADMINISTRATION

Read report of the Finance Committee submitting letter of the Deputy Provincial Secretary together with agreement for the administration of direct relief in the City of Halifax.

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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 A. S. Barnstead, Deputy Provincial Secretary together with an agreement providing for the administration of direct relief.

Your committee recommend that the agreement as submitted be approved, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign same on behalf of the City.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. Stech,  
CHAIRMAN.

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Halifax, 14th December, 1933.

Dear Sir:-

As advised on your recent visit to Province House, it is necessary that a new agreement should be entered into between the Province and the City in respect to direct relief in order that the payments may be continued to March 31st, 1934.

I therefore enclose herewith two copies of the form of agreement continuing the distribution of direct relief until the end of March next, together with two copies of the resolution which must be passed by the City Council authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the agreement.

You will note Article 3 of the agreement, which covers the provision you desired in respect of purchasing articles at prices "not in excess of the standard or prevailing prices therefor".

Kindly have this resolution passed and the agreement executed, and return them in duplicate at your earliest convenience.

Yours truly,

Arthur S. Barnstead,  
Deputy Provincial Secretary.

#### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS under Sub-section (1) of Section 8 of Chapter 7 of the Acts of 1932, "The Nova Scotia Unemployment Act, 1931" it is enacted as follows:-

"8. (1) Every municipality in addition to all power and authority now vested in it shall have and shall be deemed to have had for the purpose of taking advantage of and the benefit of The Unemployment and Farm Relief Act, 1931, or any order or regulation made thereunder, or any agreement made in pursuance thereof, or of carrying out and performing any agreement entered into for that purpose between the Government of the Province of Nova Scotia and the municipality, full power and authority to furnish direct relief as defined in Section 5 of the Agreement in the schedule to this act, and to construct, alter, add to, extend, improve or repair any municipal works or undertakings, and to vote, rate, collect, receive, appropriate and pay all sums of money required to defray the cost of the municipality's proportion of the cost of the same, or with the approval of the Governor in Council to borrow or raise by way

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of loan on the credit of the municipality the said sums or any part thereof".

AND WHEREAS under Section 11 of said Chapter 7 of the Acts of 1932, the said "The Unemployment and Farm Relief Act, 1931", includes any act of the Parliament of Canada hereafter enacted or any amendment thereto if any of the purposes is the relief of unemployment in the Dominion of Canada or the Province of Nova Scotia, or includes the relief of unemployment in said Province;

AND WHEREAS the Parliament of Canada has enacted Chapter 18 of the Acts of 1933, the purpose of which is the relief of unemployment, and the Dominion of Canada and the Province of Nova Scotia have entered into an agreement thereunder;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed necessary and expedient in order to meet the extraordinary expenses occasioned by payments of direct relief by the City of Halifax that further advantage be taken of Chapter 7 of the Acts of 1932 and of Chapter 18 of the Acts of 1933 (Canada) to raise the necessary funds;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that for the purpose of furnishing direct relief within the City of Halifax until the 31st day of March, A. D. 1934, the Council of the said City, under the provisions of Section 7 of said Chapter 7 of the Acts of 1932, do authorize the Mayor and Clerk of the said City to enter into and execute an agreement in the annexed form with the Provincial Secretary of the Province of Nova Scotia.

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INDENTURE OF AGREEMENT entered into this day of                      A. D. 1933.

BETWEEN :

The Government of the Province of Nova Scotia, (hereinafter called "the Province"), represented herein by the Honourable Angus L. MacDonaid, Provincial Secretary,

of the first part.

-and-

The City of Halifax, Province of Nova Scotia, a body corporate (hereinafter called "the City"), represented herein by A. A. Thompson, Mayor, and H. C. Powell, City Clerk

of the second part.

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WHEREAS although it is recognized that direct relief is a responsibility of the said City, it is deemed necessary and expedient, owing to the emergency conditions existing therein, for the said City to apply for aid under the provisions of Chapter 7 of the Acts of Nova Scotia, 1932, and to avail itself of the provisions of "The Relief Act, 1933", being Chapter 18 of the Acts of 1933(Canada);

AND WHEREAS the Dominion of Canada and the Province of Nova Scotia have entered into an agreement under the said "The Relief Act, 1933", operative until the 31st day of March, A. D. 1934;

AND WHEREAS, under Sub-section (1) of Section 8 of Chapter 7 of the Acts of 1932, "The Nova Scotia Unemployment Act, 1931" it is enacted as follows:-

"8. (1) Every municipality in addition to all power and authority now vested in it shall have and shall be deemed to have had for the purpose of taking advantage of and the benefit of "The Unemployment and Farm Relief Act, 1931", or any order or regulation made thereunder, or any agreement made in pursuance thereof, or of carrying out and performing any agreement entered into for that purpose between the Government of the Province of Nova Scotia and the municipality, full power and authority to furnish direct relief as defined in Section 5 of the Agreement in the schedule to this act, and to construct, alter, add to, extend, improve, or repair any municipal works or undertakings, and to vote, rate, collect, receive, appropriate and pay all sums of money required to defray the cost or the municipality's proportion of the cost thereof or any part of the cost of the same, or with the approval of the Governor in Council to borrow or raise by way of loan on the credit of the municipality the said sums or any part thereof".

AND WHEREAS the City entered into an Agreement with the Province dated the 3rd day of February, A. D. 1933, for the furnishing of direct relief, the said agreement being made part of an agreement with the Province dated the 24th day of August, A. D. 1933.

NOW THEREFORE it is mutually agreed by and between the parties hereto as follows:-

1. All the provisions of said agreements are hereby continued and shall apply mutatis mutandis to this agreement except where inconsistent

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herewith, and shall remain in full force and effect until the 31st day of March, A. D. 1934.

2. The Provincial Secretary may, on behalf of the Province, appoint a person to be a member of the committee to control the distribution of direct relief within the said City.

3. The staple articles or commodities furnished under this agreement shall be purchased at prices not in excess of the standard or prevailing prices thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Honourable Angus L. MacDonald, Provincial Secretary, has hereunto set his hand and seal of office on behalf of the Province of Nova Scotia, and A. A. Thompson, Mayor, and H. C. Powell, City Clerk, have on behalf of the City of Halifax hereunto set their hands and affixed the corporate seal of the City, the day and year first above written.

SIGNED, on behalf of the  
Government of the Province  
of Nova Scotia by the  
Honourable Angus L. MacDonald,  
Provincial Secretary, in  
the presence of

SIGNED, on behalf of the City  
of Halifax by A. A. Thompson,  
Mayor, and H. C. Powell,  
City Clerk, in the  
presence of

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded  
by Alderman McCarthy that the report of the  
Finance Committee and resolution submitted be  
adopted and that the Mayor and City Clerk be  
authorized to sign the agreement on behalf of  
the City of Halifax. Motion passed.

APPROPRIATION DIRECT RELIEF

Read report of the Finance Committee  
together with a resolution providing for a further

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appropriation of \$50,000.00 to be expended between this date and the 30th day of April next, for the purpose of giving direct relief in the form of food and fuel only.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
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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 resolution providing for a further loan of \$50,000.00 to be expended between this date and the 30th day of April next for the purpose of administering direct relief in the City of Halifax.

Your committee recommend that the resolution as submitted be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. Stech,  
CHAIRMAN.

1. BE IT RESOLVED that under the provisions of Chapter 7 of the Acts of 1932 and an agreement between the Province and the City, in respect to administration of Direct Relief, the City do borrow from any bank or fund available the sum of \$50,000.00, to be expended between this date and the 30th of April next on the order of the Direct Relief Committee, for the purpose of giving direct relief in the form of food and fuel only, to bona fide residents of the City of Halifax or temporary direct relief to any other persons as the committee may deem advisable.

2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City, under the authority of Chapter 7 of the Acts of 1932, authorize an appropriation not exceeding \$2,500.00 for the purpose of defraying the costs of administering direct relief for the period from February 1st to April 30th.

3. This Resolution is conditional on the government of the Province of Nova Scotia subscribing the amount of \$50,000.00, the said amount to be expended between this date and the 30th of April next.

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4. This Resolution is further conditional on the government of the Province of Nova Scotia agreeing to recommend to the government of the Dominion of Canada that the said government also contribute the amount of \$50,000.00, the said amount to be expended between this date and the 30th of April next.

5. The money so borrowed by the City, as set forth in the first and second paragraphs of this Resolution may be included in whole or in part in the civic estimates in the year ensuing that in which the money was borrowed, or may be repaid by means of a special loan to be issued on such terms as the Council, on the recommendation of the Finance Committee, later decides.

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman H. A. MacDonald that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman H. A. MacDonald that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

GRANT, RED CROSS SOCIETY

Read report of the Finance Committee together with a resolution providing for a grant of \$2,000.00 to the Red Cross Society.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
January 11th, 1934.

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 resolution providing for a contribution from the City of the sum of \$2,000.00 for Red Cross Society relief.

Your committee recommend that the resolution as submitted be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. Stech,  
CHAIRMAN.

*Auditor*



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BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council that the City of Halifax at the request of the Relief Committee contribute to the Red Cross Society the sum of Two Thousand (\$2,000.) Dollars to be used for providing clothing and footwear for the needy and unemployed, provided that a like contribution of an equal amount be made by each of the governments of the Province of Nova Scotia and the governments of the Dominion of Canada.

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

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman Miller that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

TENDERS FOR DEBENTURES

Read report of the Finance Committee together with resolution providing for the calling of tenders for the sale of any long or short term debentures of the City of Halifax.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
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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 resolution to authorize the Finance Committee to ask for public tenders for the sale of any long or short term debentures of the City of Halifax,

Your committee recommend that the resolution as submitted be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. Stech,  
CHAIRMAN.

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RESOLVED that the Finance Committee be authorized to ask for public tenders for the sale of any long or short term debentures of the City of Halifax in order to repay temporary bank borrowings on capital account, and that the said tenders when called and received by the said committee be submitted to the Council at a regular or special meeting together with the recommendation of the said committee in respect to the acceptance of any one or more tenders.

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

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman Doyle that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Finance Committee together with report from a sub committee covering accounts receivable from public ward patients of the Victoria General Hospital.

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

Gentlemen:--

At a meeting of the Committee on Finance held this day, the attached report of the sub committee appointed to study and make recommendations in connection with the accounts charged against public ward patients treated at the Victoria General Hospital was considered.

Your committee recommend that the report and recommendations as submitted be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. Stech,  
CHAIRMAN.

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City Hall,  
Halifax, N. S.  
December 9th, 1933.

The Chairman,  
Finance Committee.

Dear Sir:-

Your special committee appointed to study and make recommendations in connection with the accounts charged against public ward patients treated at the Victoria General Hospital report as follows:

The present system of handling these accounts is mainly an effort to collect from persons whose residence (residence as distinguished from settlement) is in the City. No effort is now being made to recover the cost from relatives of public ward patients; neither is any effort now being made to charge the cost to the town, city or municipality in Nova Scotia where the patient may have a settlement.

It should be noted that in the first instance, the Victoria General Hospital authorities charge the cost of all public ward patients, whose residence appears to be in Halifax to the City and the City may then take steps to recover the charge, if settlement is in Halifax, firstly from the patient and secondly from certain specified relatives of the patient. Should settlement be found to be elsewhere in Nova Scotia (with residence in Halifax) the City may collect, firstly, from the patient, secondly, from certain relatives and, or, the municipality of settlement under a liability which is joint and several.

On the admittance of the patient to the Victoria General Hospital, advice is sent to the City Clerk, within one day. The advice states whether the patient has expressed his or her ability or inability to pay the charges. The City will be charged for the maintenance of all public ward patients, from whom the Hospital authorities cannot collect, who appear to have a residence (not settlement) in the City. The City has fourteen days in which to disclaim the account. The hospital advises the City when the patient leaves hospital and renders a bill for \$2.00 per diem. For purposes of convenience the official notice for admittance and discharge, while addressed to the City Clerk are sent to the Superintendent of the City Home.

An examination of the accounts show there are about from six to seven hundred accounts open at any time. Under a more systematic effort to collect, there will, of course, be more accounts open than now. The accounts that are

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open now are only those which, after a survey, are thought likely to yield some return. The decision as to the collectability of any account is apparently made by the collector who is employed on a 15% basis. His preliminary investigation is not by any means searching and the unsupported statement of the patient as to his inability to pay has been generally accepted.

According to Chapter 53 of the R.S.N.S. 1923, the City can disclaim responsibility under the following section of the Act:

Sec. 12, S.S. 2.

"The Superintendent, immediately upon the admission of any patient to a public ward, shall, notify by mail the Clerk of the municipality from which such patient represents himself or is represented as being brought, that such patient has been admitted to the hospital, giving any other necessary particulars to enable the Clerk to identify the patient, and unless the Clerk within fourteen days after the mailing of such notice shall notify the Superintendent in writing that such patient is not a resident of the municipality, such patient shall be deemed to be a resident thereof, and for the purpose of this Chapter the maintenance of such patient shall be chargeable to such municipality".

The foregoing section would be an important factor in the establishment of an efficient system, because it would enable the City to disclaim for certain cases. It will be obvious that every account rendered by the Victoria General Hospital against the City is not necessarily correctly chargeable to the City. It would be a part of the new system to take a deposition from all public ward patients whose treatment appears to be chargeable to the City. The occasion to take such a deposition is whilst the patient is in Hospital, immediately following the notice of admittance.

However, the chief means the City will have in recovering large sums of money will be under Section 18 of Chapter 53, of the R.S.N.S. 1923, reading as follows:-

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Sec. 18.

"Upon payment by any municipality of an account or claim of said hospital for the maintenance, care and nursing of a public ward patient as hereinbefore mentioned, the patient, his executors or administrators, the father, grandfather, mother, grandmother, children and grandchildren of such patient, and the municipality within which, if any such patient has a settlement, shall immediately become jointly and severally liable for and shall pay to the first mentioned municipality the amount of the account or claim so paid, and the said amount may be collected by the said first mentioned municipality as an ordinary debt by action or suit in any court of competent jurisdiction; the said action or suit shall be instituted by the Clerk of said first mentioned municipality in the name of that municipality".

Your special committee have reached a conclusion that a large saving could be effected in the present annual cost of \$60,000.00 for such public ward patients if the new system was established. The question of improving the system was discussed several years ago, when the City Auditor (Mr. Glass) wrote to the Charities Committee recommending certain changes. This recommendation, however, was not acted on and nothing was done.

#### Recommendations:

1. It is recommended that depositions be taken from patients whilst in Hospital, immediately following receipt of the hospital notice of admittance. The Superintendent of the City Home has agreed to take these depositions.

2. It is further recommended that the books be transferred from the City Home to the audit department and that the new system be operated from this department for a sufficient period to carry it beyond the experimental stage.

3. The special collector now employed collecting these accounts would be continued, but other collectors now employed temporarily by the City could be detailed for this work. The view is held that by an extension of collection efforts to the relatives of the public ward patients, more help will be required.

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4. The audit office will supervise all collection efforts both inside and outside the City up to the point where the account has to be transferred to the City Solicitor's Department or else written off as bad. Payments of hospital accounts shall be made to the City Clerk and all official receipts issued from his department.

Respectfully submitted,

A. M. Doyle,  
Chairman, Sub. Committee.

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded  
by Alderman Doyle that the reports be adopted.

Motion passed.

STONEMAN PROPERTY, QUINPOOL ROAD

Read report of the Finance Committee  
together with an opinion from the City Solicitor  
re Stoneman property, Quinpool Road.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
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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 an extract from minutes of a meeting of the City Council of the City of Halifax held on the 16th day of November 1933, together with an opinion from the City Solicitor regarding the Stoneman property, Quinpool Road.

After considering the City Solicitor's opinion which he has asked to be kept confidential, this committee finds that it must adhere to its previous report to Council, namely, that they do not concur in the report of the Committee on Works.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. Stech,  
CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.

*Direct Relief Com  
auditor*

DIRECT RELIEF COMMITTEE, BREAD AGREEMENT

Read report of the Finance Committee  
together with a resolution and agreement for the  
supplying of bread by the various bakers in the City.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
January 11th, 1934.

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 E. A.  
Saunders, Secretary of the Direct Relief Committee  
together with a resolution providing for the  
signing of an agreement between the Direct Relief  
Committee and the bakers in the City of Halifax.

Your committee recommend that the  
resolution and agreement as submitted be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. Stech,  
CHAIRMAN.

RESOLVED that the City Council hereby  
authorize the signing of an agreement or  
agreements between the Direct Relief Committee and  
certain bakers of the City of Halifax respecting  
the purchase of bread by the committee for relief  
purposes in the form of the agreement attached  
hereto, and when said agreement or agreements  
are signed by the Chairman and Secretary of the  
Direct Relief Committee they shall be binding on  
the City of Halifax in accordance with their  
terms provided that such terms do not in any way  
depart from the form of the agreement  
attached hereto.



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THIS MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT made this  
day of January, A. D. 1934.

BETWEEN:

The Direct Relief Committee of the  
City of Halifax (hereinafter called  
the vendee)

OF THE FIRST PART

and

of the  
City of Halifax (hereinafter called  
the vendor)

OF THE SECOND PART

WITNESSETH AS FOLLOWS:

1. The vendor agrees to supply to the holders of bread tickets issued to such holders by the vendee, when such bread tickets bear the name of the vendor, upon the delivery of such tickets by the holder to the vendor, one loaf of either white, brown or whole wheat bread for each separate bread ticket. All bread supplied by the vendor shall be of the highest grade manufactured and sold by the vendor.

2. The vendor agrees, when so requested by the holder of a bread ticket, to deliver bread to the residence of the said holder, or, at the option of the said holder, to deliver bread from the vendor's vehicle, shop or business premises. Delivery of bread to a residence shall be at any time during business hours at the convenience of the vendor.

3. It is agreed between the vendee and the vendor that the holder of any bread ticket issued by the vendee shall have the right to make his own selection of any approved variety of bread from any baker whose name is printed on such bread ticket.

4. The vendor agrees to abide by the regulations established from time to time by the vendee, and more particularly to

- (a) cease supplying bread in exchange for bread tickets when and if directed in writing by the Secretary of the Committee;
- (b) offer for redemption all tickets in the vendor's possession on which the vendor's name is printed at least twice a month or oftener if required.

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(c) establish the price to be charged for each bread ticket (when bread is supplied in accordance with the system described in Section 2), such price to be ~~4¢~~ per loaf above the lowest wholesale price (exclusive of the price ruling on contracts made competitively where bread is not purchased for resale) prevailing at any time, but in no event is such price to exceed 6~~1~~¢ per loaf;

(d) establish the price to be charged for each bread ticket (where bread is supplied exclusively from the shop or business premises of the vendor), such price to be the lowest wholesale price (exclusive of the price ruling on contracts made competitively where bread is not purchased for resale) prevailing at any time, but in no event is such price to exceed 6¢ per loaf.

5. The vendor agrees in respect to the redemption of bread tickets accepted by the vendor subsequent to his name having been removed ~~for~~ cause from the list of bakers with whom the vendee has signed agreements for the distribution of bread for relief purposes, that the vendee shall not be required to redeem for cash any tickets accepted by the vendor after his name was removed from such list.

6. In the event of the vendee no longer requiring to continue the distribution of relief or to continue such distribution on the present scale, the vendee reserves the right to cancel this agreement at any time by giving seven days notice in writing. The vendee shall also have the right to cancel this agreement at any time on one days notice in writing for over-charging by the vendor contrary to the terms of this agreement; for the substitution of the products of the vendor not here in specified; for the supplying of products as herein specified not of the best quality manufactured by the vendor; for the supplying of any products other than bread; for the supplying of white, brown and wholewheat bread which does not equal a net ~~weight~~ per loaf of 24 ounces, 24 ounces and 26 ounces respectively, or for the acceptance of bread tickets for value or otherwise, from any baker or other person, company, partnership or corporation, except from a person being supplied with direct relief.

7. The vendor shall have the right to cancel this agreement at any time by giving seven days notice in writing.

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8. The vendor and vendee agree that the price of first grade standard white, brown and wholewheat bread shall be \_\_\_\_\_ cents, \_\_\_\_\_ cents, and \_\_\_\_\_ cents respectively, and the vendee agrees to redeem in cash all bread tickets in possession of the vendor at the aforesaid rates subject to all of the conditions expressed in the preceding sections. Cash settlements between the vendee and the vendor shall be made at least twice each month.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have executed these presents the day and year first above written.

Signed, sealed and  
delivered in the  
presence of

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

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by  
Alderman Miller that the resolution as read be  
approved. Motion passed.

TAXATION AND TAX EXEMPTION

Read report of the special committee  
on Taxation and Tax Exemption as follows.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
January 11th, 1934.

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

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Taxation and Tax  
Exemption met on this date. Members present:-  
Aldermen Conn, McCarthy (Chairman) and Minshull.

The Committee had before them  
for consideration a letter from the City  
Solicitor re tax exemptions; said letter having  
first been submitted to the Committee on Finance

*Mayor*

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at their meeting on December 13th last, and by them referred to the City Council meeting of December 13th with the following remarks:-

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

The committee also had for consideration a letter from the Halifax Men Teachers Federation in reference to the assessment system of Halifax. This letter dated November 23rd last, was addressed to Mayor Thompson and was submitted and read to the City Council at their meeting of December 14th. The City Council referred same to the Taxation and Tax Exemption Committee without any recommendation.

In considering the question of tax exemption, your committee notes and particularly calls attention to Council that at a meeting of the City Council held on February 11th, 1932, a special committee was appointed to be known as the "Assessment and Exemption Committee"; the members being Alderman Minshull, Mitchell and O'Malley. So far as we can learn there is no record of this committee having met and they made no report to Council.

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Your committee in reporting on the important question of tax exemption dealt with in the letter submitted by the City Solicitor and by the Halifax Men Teachers Federation wish to emphasize the fact that this question has been before the City Council for years, was referred to two committees in 1932 without result; to the Finance Committee December 13th last who, in their report to Council clearly stated that this matter should be



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referred to Council as a whole. In the opinion of your committee, an opinion we have previously expressed as members of Council, the first logical step in this matter would be for the Mayor and City Council to adopt a policy in connection therewith.

That the City of Halifax should be receiving taxes or grants in lieu of taxes from both the federal and provincial governments on account of property owned or controlled by them for which they are receiving city services, is in the opinion of your committee an obvious fact. As regards tax exempt property, other than controlled by the Crown, the fact must not be lost sight of that all such property has been exempted or partially exempted, as a result of legislation procured in the past and can only now be taxed as a result of new legislation in the future. In view of the fact that the greater portion of this property is being held by religious and philanthropic bodies whose activities are generally recognized as being of immense benefit to the community, and who particularly at this time are finding it most difficult to carry on. It is suggested that this is not an opportune time to further burden them by extra taxes.

Your committee recommend however, that a committee be appointed representative of the six wards in the City headed by the Mayor and associated with them, the City Solicitor and City Auditor. A committee of this kind should be able to define a policy respecting tax exemption generally which would be acceptable as a whole.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. McCarthy,  
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman McCarthy,

seconded by Alderman Conn that the report be adopted. Motion passed unanimously.

Moved by Alderman Smeltzer, seconded by Alderman Probert that His Worship the Mayor name a committee at a subsequent date. Motion passed.

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*W. Buchanan*

CHARITIES COMMITTEE, CONTRACT FOR OFFAL

Read report of the Charities Committee requesting legislation authorizing the committee to enter into contracts for offal from the City Home and T. B. Hospital for a period of three years.

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.

Read letter from City Solicitor Bethune advising the Charities Committee that unless legislation is obtained authorizing the City to enter into contracts for a period in excess of one year, that no such contracts can be entered into.

On motion of Aldermen Minshull and McDonald the following resolution was passed unanimously.

Be it resolved that this committee recommend to Council that legislation be obtained whereby said committee may be authorized to enter into contracts for offal from the City Home and Tuberculosis Hospital for a period covering three years.

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. J. Probert,  
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Probert, seconded by Alderman Holland that the report be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Minshull, seconded by Alderman H. A. MacDonald that the report be referred to the Laws and

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Privileges Committee for proper drafting. Amendment passed.

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

Read report of the Charities Committee showing the number of inmates in the City Home to be 437 and the number of patients in the T. B. Hospital to be 55.

FILED

Moved by Alderman Doyle, seconded by Alderman H. A. MacDonald that item no. 33 namely, the report of the Laws and Privileges Committee setting out its duties be now considered. Motion passed.

LAWS AND PRIVILEGES COMMITTEE DUTIES

Read report of the Laws and Privileges Committee together with a resolution requesting legislation setting out the duties of the above mentioned committee.

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His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Laws and Privileges Committee held this day, the attached resolution was approved and was ordered to be sent to the City Council for adoption.

Yours very truly,

A. M. Doyle,  
VICE-CHAIRMAN.

BE IT RESOLVED that all legislation, amendments to the Charter or Ordinances, and new ordinances proposed by any committee of the Council, after approval by the committee

*Edw Mitchell  
City Solicitor*

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sponsoring the same, be submitted by such committee to the Committee on Laws and Privileges for the purpose of having the same considered by such committee, and the Committee on Laws and Privileges, after such consideration shall forward the same with any recommendations to the City Council for final ratification.

Moved by Alderman Doyle, seconded by Alderman Mitchell that the report and resolution as read be adopted. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Mitchell, seconded by Alderman Doyle that this Council authorize the Laws and Privileges Committee to carry on in the same manner as if the above proposed legislation had been obtained. Motion passed.

*City Engineer  
Block of Works*

SEWER RIGHT OF WAY, NORTHWESTERN SLOPE

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer together with the description of land or interest therein to be expropriated in connection with a sewer draining part of the north western slope.

January 10th, 1934.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Attached hereto are reports of the City Engineer dated January 3rd and January 9th on the expropriation of land required for the right-of-way for a sewer on the north-western slope;

The following resolution was adopted by the Committee on Works at a meeting held this day:-

WHEREAS the Committee on Works is of the opinion that it is necessary that certain lands and interests therein should be acquired for the purpose of the construction of a sewer draining a portion of the northwestern slope;

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AND WHEREAS the committee deems it necessary to expropriate the said lands and interests therein;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that it is recommended to Council that the said lands and interests therein, as are herein described be expropriated.

1. All that lot, peice or paxceh of land, situate, lying and being in the northwestern part of the City of Halifax, lying to the westward of the Hendry property, so called, the said lot being a portion of property now or formerly owned by Birt Walker and Druscilla Walker and more particularly described as follows:-

Beginning at a point on the western boundary line of the said Hendry property where it is intersected by the proposed north line of Regent Road; thence westerly by the prolongation of the said proposed north line of Regent Road for a distance of one hundred and five (105) feet; thence northwardly by a line parallel to the said west boundary line of the Hendry property until it meets the southern boundary of property now owned by St. Paul's Glebe Lands; thence westwardly by the said southern boundary line of the said St. Paul's Glebe Lands for a distance of sixty (60) feet; thence southwardly by a line parallel to the said western boundary of the said Hendry property until it comes to a point on the prolongation of the proposed south line of Regent Road; thence eastwardly by the said prolongation of the said proposed south line of Regent Road until it meets the above mentioned western boundary line of the Hendry property; thence northerly for a distance of sixty (60) feet to the place of beginning.

The above described lot being shown colored "red" on a plan entitled Expropriation Plan for sewer through properties of Birt Walker and Druscilla Walker and the Fairview Cemetery Co., Ltd., signed by H. W. Johnston, City Engineer and dated the 2nd day of January, A. D. 1934 and filed in the City Engineer's Office in Halifax as Plan No. 7649.

2. The right to construct a sewer or sewers of such materials and such size and shape and at such levels with such manholes, catchpits and other appurtenances as the City Engineer of the City of Halifax approves, of, under in or upon the lot of land described as follows:-



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That is to say, being the land extending for a distance of fifteen (15) feet on each side of the centre line of the sewer proposed to be constructed through the said lands extending from the southwestern boundary of the property belonging to the Fairview Cemetery Company Limited to the northwestern boundary of the said property. The said centre line being located as marked and delineated on a plan entitled "Expropriation Plan for sewer through the properties of Birt Walker and Druscilla Walker and the Fairview Cemetery Company Limited, signed by H. W. Johnston, City Engineer and dated the 2nd day of January A. D. 1934 and filed in the City Engineer's Office at Halifax, as Plan No. 7649.

Also the right to enter on the above described lot with carts, horses, trucks, workmen and servants at any time or from time to time by night or by day, and dig up and excavate the said land and remove earth therefrom and do all things necessary for the laying or construction of a sewer and sewers and its or their appurtenances, in the above described lot.

Also the right from time to time and at any or all times hereinafter whenever the City Engineer or any other City Official acting in his stead considers it necessary, to enter upon such land with workmen, servants, horses, carts, trucks, to inspect, clean, alter, repair, renew, reconstruct, add to or rebuild such sewer or sewers and its or their appurtenances and for that purpose to dig up and excavate and open such lot and do thereon whatever may be necessary for inspecting, cleaning, altering, repairing, renewing, reconstructing, adding to or rebuilding such sewer or sewers and the appurtenances of the same.

Also when required, to fill in and raise the said lot of land with earth and stones or other suitable materials for the covering and protection of the said sewer or sewers and its or their appurtenances, in such a way and to such a height as the City Engineer deems advisable.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is recommended that the price or compensation to be paid the owners for the land or interest therein taken, is as follows:-

Birt and Druscilla Walker	\$125.00
Fairview Cemetery Co., Ltd.	100.00

A. Audley Thompson,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

January 11th, 1934.

Jan. 3rd, 1934.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:~

In connection with sewer extensions on the northwestern slope, it is necessary to acquire a right-of-way through four properties, namely the Estate of W. A. Hendry, Bert Walker, Saint Paul's Glebe Lands and the Fairview Cemetery Company, Limited. I have been in communication with the owners with the following results:-

ESTATE W.A.HENDRY

Mr. C. J. Creighton, Executor of the estate has offered to sell to the City the land required for the extension of Regent Road between Connaught Avenue and the Walker property at the rate of the assessed valuation of the whole property, this is \$100.00 per acre. We require about .26 acres and it is recommended that the offer of Mr. Creighton be accepted and that he be paid \$26.00 for the land required, the City to prepare the deed and pay any legal expenses in connection with the transfer.

BERT WALKER

The area required in the Walker property is .85 acres. The average assessment per acre is \$132.00. The owner asks the sum of \$800.00 for the land required by the City. This price, in my opinion, is excessive and I think that it is advisable for the City to expropriate the lands and rights required.

SAINT PAUL'S GLEBE LANDS

These owners have not yet placed a price on the right of way, as it is necessary for them to hold a church meeting, however the Secretary has written a letter giving the City permission to proceed with the work through the property, the price to be determined later on. In order to expedite matters I think that the land and rights required from St. Paul's Glebe Lands should be included in the expropriation resolution. If a price cannot be agreed upon later on, it will be necessary to hold arbitration regarding the value of the land and rights.

FAIRVIEW CEMETERY COMPANY LIMITED

The area of the right of way required from the Cemetery property is 24 acres, the amount asked by the Company for this right of way is \$6,148.63 or at the rate of approximately \$25,000. per acre or a valuation

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for the whole property at this rate of \$800,000. It must also be remembered that in the case of this property it is proposed only to acquire the right to build a sewer through the property and to go on the property in future for purposes of repairing, reconstructing etc., and the City is not acquiring the fee simple of the land.

It will also be noticed from the plan that the location of the sewer follows generally the location of the roadways and paths laid down on the Cemetery Company's plan, so that the minimum of damage is done. Four-tenths of the area required is occupied by the said roadways and paths.

It is recommended that the right of way through this property be acquired by expropriation.

It will be noticed that through the Walker and St. Paul's Glebe Lands properties that the line of the sewer has been located along the centre line of what will eventually be streets. For this reason it would appear advisable, and it is doubtful if it would not be more costly to deed the fee simple of the strips sixty feet wide, rather than the right of way only.

A plan and description of the lands or interests therein to be expropriated are submitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER

**DESCRIPTION OF LANDS OR INTERESTS THEREIN TO BE  
EXPROPRIATED IN CONNECTION WITH A SEWER DRAINING  
PART OF THE NORTHWESTERN SLOPE.**

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1. All that lot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the northwestern part of the City of Halifax, lying to the westward of the Hendry property, so called, the said lot being a portion of property now or formerly owned by Birt Walker and Druscilla Walker and more particularly described as follows:

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Also where required, to fill<sup>in</sup> and raise the said lot of land with earth and stones or other suitable materials for the covering and protection of the said sewer or sewers and its or their appurtenances, in such a way and to such a height as the City Engineer deems advisable.

January 9th, 1934.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

Referring to my report of the 3rd instant, on the above subject, since writing it I have received a letter from the Secretary of the Glebe Committee of St. Paul's Glebe Lands, in which he offers to sell to the City a strip of land extending for a distance of thirty feet from the centre line of the sewer where it runs through the Glebe Lands Property, at the same rate per acre as the property is assessed by the City Assessor.

This, I consider a fair offer and will obviate the necessity of expropriating the land required from the St. Paul's Glebe Lands and I beg leave to amend the report of January 3rd, as far as this property is concerned.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER.

Moved by Alderman Mitchell,

seconded by Alderman Doyle that the report be

adopted. Motion passed unanimously.



January 11th, 1934.

The following resolution is submitted.

RESOLVED that this Council does hereby adopt the recommendation of the Committee on Works for the acquisition of certain land and interests in lands for the purpose of the construction of a sewer draining a portion of the northwestern slope and that the land and interests in lands set out in the Resolution adopted by the Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 10th day of January, A. D. 1934, the expropriation whereof is therein recommended be and the same are hereby expropriated.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the price or compensation named in the said Resolution as a fair price or compensation for the said lands and interests therein respectively, be paid to the said respective owners of the said lands, the said owners and the prices to be paid them respectively, being as follows:-

Birt and Druscilla Walker	\$125.00
Fairview Cemetery Co., Ltd.	100.00

Moved by Alderman Mitchell, seconded by Alderman Miller that the resolution as submitted and read be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

*City Health Board* CITY HEALTH BOARD, TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES

Read report of the City Health Board submitting tenders for supplies for a period of six months.

January 11th, 1934.

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the City Health Board held on Tuesday, January 9th, tenders for supplies for the Infectious Disease Hospital for six months were considered and the Board recommends the acceptance of the lowest tender in each case as follows:-

January 11th, 1934.

Groceries	Howards Limited
Meatstuffs	A. MacDonald
Fishstuffs	Boutilier's Limited
Milk and Cream	C. W. Millard
Bread	Bens Limited
Butter and eggs	R. B. Colwell Limited
Laundry	Halifax Steam Laundry

Copies of all tenders received are herewith attached for your information.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman Johnson that the report be adopted ~~and tenders submitted~~. Motion passed.

*W.D.F.*  
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*auditor*

CAMP HILL CEMETERY ACCOUNTS

Read report from the Chairman of Camp Hill Cemetery Committee recommending that uncollectable accounts amounting to \$171.00 be written off.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
December 20th, 1933.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of Camp Hill Cemetery Committee held this day, it was decided to ask the Council for authority to write off the following accounts as uncollectable:-

W. Biggers	\$12.00
G. A. Burbridge	6.00
Miss Amy Hill	8.00
H. S. Hiseler	4.00
Miss K. Irons	14.00
O. E. Judge	12.00
D. R. Flemming	6.00
Mrs. H. Lear	4.00
A. C. Lindsay	21.00
Miss Annie Logan	6.00
James Moore	18.00
R. Scriven	3.00
A. E. Theakstone	24.00
Geo. Wambolt	8.00
Miss Ward	8.00
W. L. Watt	17.00
	<u>\$171.00</u>

Respectfully submitted,  
A. J. Smeltzer,

CHAIRMAN.

January 11th, 1934.

Moved by Alderman Smeltzer, seconded by Alderman Getley that the report be adopted and the City Auditor be authorized to write off the accounts contained in the report. Motion passed.

**NEW BUSINESS**  
**HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS LOBBYING**

Alderman Golden submits and reads the following letter.

Halifax, N. S.  
January 8th, 1934.

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council,  
Halifax, N.S.

Gentlemen:-

I would like to have the members of this Council give their opinions as to whether or not it is advisable or good business to have heads of the departments approach and lobby members of the Council and endeavor to have them stop or prohibit any legislation which is passed by their respective committees before the same comes to Council for their final approval, or whether members of this Council consider it wiser and better business for such officials to discuss their grievances and objections to such legislation with their respective committees.

Yours very truly,

W. H. Golden.

Moved by Alderman Minshull, seconded by Alderman Smeltzer that the letter be referred to the Laws and Privileges Committee for their consideration and report. Motion passed.

**KEMPT ROAD PAVING ASSESSMENT**

Read report of the special committee on Kempt Road paving assessment,

*Laws & Privileges  
Comm.*

*Special Com*

January 11th, 1934.

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

Alderman Probert requests that the date January 1934 be changed to read June 1934 in the report. Agreed.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Doyle, seconded by Alderman Smeltzer that the matter be referred back to the special committee and that a relative tabulated list as to the assessment and adjustments be forwarded to each alderman for their consideration. Amendment passed unanimously.

PURCHASE OF PUMPER

*Mr. Golden  
Chairman*

Read report of the Committee on Firewards recommending the purchase of a 1,000 U. S. Gallon pumping engine.

January 9th, 1934.

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards held this day, at which all members were present the following tenders were considered on a 1,000 Imperial gallon pumping engine and a 1,000 U.S.A. pumping engine:

1,000 IMPERIAL GALLON PUMPER

Bickle Fire Engines Ltd.	\$15,000.00
LaFrance Fire Eng. & Foamite Ltd.	15,000.00

1,000 U.S.A. GALLON PUMPER

Bickle Fire Engines Ltd.	14,000.00
LaFrance Fire Eng. & Foamite Ltd.	14,000.00
Seagrave Fire Engines Ltd.	14,600.00
Layland Motors Ltd.	14,517.90

January 11th, 1934.

From information received, particularly from the representatives of the above companies your committee unanimously decided only to consider a 1,000 U.S.A. gallon pumper.

It was moved and seconded that a Seagrave pumping engine be recommended to City Council. Three members voting in favor, two members against.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. Golden,  
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Golden, seconded by Alderman Minshull that the report be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Minshull, seconded by Alderman Stech that this matter be referred back to the Firewards Committee for further consideration. Amendment put and lost, 8 voting for the same and 10 against it as follows.

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Aldermen Mitchell  
Stech  
Donovan  
Johnson  
Adams  
McCarthy  
O'Toole  
Probert

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AGAINST IT

Aldermen Minshull  
Miller  
Conn  
Golden  
McDonald  
MacDonald  
Getley  
Holland  
Smeltzer  
Doyle  
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Moved in amendment by Alderman Minshull, seconded by Alderman Miller that the Layland Imperial gallon pumper be purchased at a cost of \$14,517.90. Amendment put and lost, 6 voting for the same and 12 against it as follows.

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January 11th, 1934.

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Aldermen Minshull  
Mitchell  
Donovan  
Miller  
McCarthy  
Probert

AGAINST IT

Aldermen Stech  
Johnson  
Conn  
Adams  
Golden  
McDonald  
MacDonald  
O'Toole  
Getley  
Holland  
Doyle  
Smeltzer

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Moved in amendment by Alderman Golden, seconded by Alderman J. F. McDonald that a Bickle 1,000. U.S. Gallon pumper be purchased at a cost of \$14,000.00. Amendment put and passed, 10 voting for the same and 8 against it as follows.

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Aldermen Miller  
Conn  
McCarthy  
Golden  
McDonald  
MacDonald  
O'Toole  
Holland  
Probert  
Smeltzer

AGAINST IT

Aldermen Mitchell  
Minshull  
Stech  
Donovan  
Johnson  
Adams  
Getley  
Doyle

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DIRECT RELIEF EXPENDITURES

Read report of the City Auditor covering direct relief expenditures as at January 11th, 1934.

REPORT ON DIRECT RELIEF EXPENDITURES

(Estimated)

December 14th - January 11th, 1934.

<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>

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Expenditures

To Dec. 31st, 1933	\$520,475.89	\$173,491.96
Add estimated to Jan 11th, 1934.	19,000.00	6,333.33
Add estimated orders not presented for payment	<u>15,000.00</u>	<u>5,000.00</u>
	\$554,475.89	\$184,825.29

Unexpended balance

available to Jan. 31st, 1934.	33,524.11	11,174.70
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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. has been vested 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

TAX COLLECTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF DEC. 1933.

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

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

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Report on Tax Collections for the month of December is submitted. Collections amounted to \$95,043.19; corresponding period last year \$76,339.58. Collections on account of taxes for the years 1908-1924 were \$29.45. The ledger value of this group on December 31st, 1933 after deducting Reserves for short collection amounted to \$552,745.59. Collections of Poll Taxes in 1933-34 of current and arrears to December 31st, 1933 amounted to \$23,929.19; corresponding period last year \$24,442.75.

January 11th, 1934.

Arrears Taxes

Civic Year	Reserves	Outstanding Balances November	New Accounts and adjustments	December Collections	Outstanding Balances December
1925-26	\$65,996.00*	\$65,777.49	\$9.24	\$15.33	\$65,771.40
1926-27	39,884.80*	42,420.77		24.40	42,396.37
1927-28	41,993.49*	41,671.67		74.87	41,596.80
1928-29	47,682.30*	46,670.17		78.01	46,592.16
1929-30	52,938.83*	50,839.15	-123.87	164.34	50,550.94
1930-31	70,637.83*	79,219.68	-185.41	5,704.18	73,330.09
1931-32	69,632.81*	186,558.61	357.82	9,923.95	176,276.84
1932-33	47,412.67	365,683.12	-1813.84	19,122.06	344,747.22
		878,840.66	-2,471.70	35,107.14	841,261.82

Current Taxes

1933-34	52,729.77	685,413.01	- 424.59	34,290.72	650,697.70
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Water Dept.  
Rates, etc.

	27,327.24	72,184.71	25,645.33	73,866.62	2
	1,591,580.91	69,288.42	95,043.19	1,565,826.14	

<u>Poll Taxes 1932-33</u>	5,457.80		298.00	5,159.80
Do 1933-34	15,027.80		1,157.50	13,870.30

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

TAXATION AND TAX EXEMPTION COMMITTEE

Read letter Alderman Minshull

tendering his resignation from the Taxation and Tax Exemption Committee as follows.

Halifax, N. S.  
December 18th, 1933.

His Worship the Mayor,  
CITY HALL.

Dear Mr. Mayor:-

At the last meeting of Council, the letter of the City Solicitor re Tax Exemptions

January 11th, 1934.

in the City of Halifax was referred to the Taxation and Tax Exemption Committee.

Inasmuch as the Chairman of this committee has stated in the public press that he does not agree with the appointment of this committee, and as he has not even called the committee together, and also admitted knowing nothing about the subject, I feel that it would be useless for me to attend any meeting he might call.

I, therefore, would ask you to please accept my resignation from this committee and advise Alderman McCarthy accordingly.

Yours very truly,

A. H. Minshull,

FILED

APPOINTMENT, A. J. MURPHY AS KEEPER  
AT CITY PRISON.

Read report of the City Prison Committee recommending the permanent appointment of Archie J. Murphy as a keeper at the City Prison.

City Prison,  
Halifax, N. S.  
January 4th, 1934.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the City Prison Committee held this day, your committee had under consideration the permanent appointment of Archie J. Murphy as a keeper at the City Prison.

Your committee recommend that Archie J. Murphy appointed April 6th, 1933 as a temporary keeper be now appointed a permanent keeper at the usual minimum salary of \$1,100.00 per year.

Respectfully submitted,

A. H. Minshull,  
CHAIRMAN.

*Geo Grant  
A. J. Murphy  
City Auditor*

January 11th, 1934.

Moved by Alderman Minshull, seconded by Alderman Conn that the report be adopted and that Mr. A. J. Murphy be appointed to the position of keeper at the City Prison at the usual minimum salary of \$1,100.00 per year.

Motion passed.

#### LEGISLATION

Read report of the Finance Committee submitting legislation required for administration of the city's business.

His Worship the Mayor at this time advises Council that it is his opinion that this matter should be considered at a special meeting which he would be pleased to call.

Agreed.

12.10 o'clock,

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

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A, Audley Thompson,  
MAYOR,

H. C. Powell,  
CITY CLERK.