

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL
CIVIC YEAR
1934-35

Edward Joseph Cragg

MAYOR.

Office of the City Clerk,
Halifax, N. S.
May 1st, 1934.

EDWARD JOSEPH CRAGG having been on the 26th day of April, A. D. 1934 by the City Clerk in the presence of the City Council publicly declared duly elected Mayor of the City of Halifax for the Civic Year 1934-35, at the election held on 25th April, A. D. 1934.

I do hereby certify that before entering upon the duties of the office of Mayor he was on the 1st day of May, A.D.1934 sworn before His Honor the Lieutenant Governor at Government House by subscribing and taking the Oath of Allegiance and the Oaths of Office of Mayor in the presence of Aldermen Gates, Lordly, Donovan, McManus, Hendry, O'Toole, and Gough.

And that upon the said 1st day of May he was sworn as a Justice of the Peace for the City of Halifax before the City Clerk.

H. C. Powell,
CITY CLERK.

A L D E R M E N

Office of City Clerk,
May 1st, 1934.

WILLIAM AUBREY GATES for Ward No 1,
WILLIAM E. DONOVAN for Ward No. 2, JOSEPH FRANCIS
MCMANUS for Ward No. 3, RALPH WALDO HENDRY for
Ward No. 4, WILLIAM J. O'TOOLE for Ward No. 5,
PHILIP ANTHONY GOUGH for Ward No. 6, and EDWARD
FRANK LORDLY for casual vacancy Ward No. 2, having
been on the 26th day of April, A. D. 1934 in the
presence of the City Council publicly declared
duly elected Aldermen of the City of Halifax for
the wards for which they were severally and
individually respectively elected at the election
held on the 25th day of April, A. D. 1934.

I do hereby certify that before
entering upon the duties of Aldermen the following
named Candidates, WILLIAM AUBREY GATES for Ward
No. 1, WILLIAM E. DONOVAN for Ward No. 2, JOSEPH
FRANCIS MCMANUS for Ward No. 3, RALPH WALDO HENDRY
for Ward No. 4, WILLIAM J. O'TOOLE for Ward No. 5,
PHILIP ANTHONY GOUGH for Ward No. 6, and EDWARD
FRANK LORDLY for casual vacancy Ward No. 2, were
each and severally sworn before His Worship,
Mayor Cragg by subscribing and taking the oath
of allegiance and the oaths of office of Aldermen
and Justice of Peace for the City of Halifax and
signed the Roll of Aldermen in the presence of
the City Clerk on the 1st day of May, A. D. 1934.

H. C. Powell,
CITY CLERK.

GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF HALIFAX.

1934-35

MAYOR

EDWARD JOSEPH CRAGG

DEPUTY MAYOR

ALLAN M. DOYLE

ALDERMEN

Ward 1

Henry John Stech 1935
Walter Mitchell 1936
Wm. Aubrey Gates 1937

Ward 4

James F. McDonald 1935
Harry A. MacDonald 1936
Ralph Waldo Hendry 1937

Ward 2

Eric Leslie Miller 1935
Edward Frank
Lordly 1936
Wm. E. Donovan 1937

Ward 5

Henry Getley 1935
Charles F. Holland 1936
Wm. J. O'Toole 1937

Ward 3

Frank Adams 1935
James Wm. McCarthy 1936
Joseph Francis
McManus 1937

Ward 6

Allan M. Doyle 1935
Arthur J. Smeltzer 1936
Philip Anthony Gough 1937

H. C. Powell,
CITY CLERK.

SPECIAL MEETING

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock,
Council Chamber,
City Hall,
May 4th, 1934.

A special meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; and Aldermen Gates, Mitchell, Stech, Donovan, Miller, Lordly, Adams, McManus, Hendry, O'Toole, Getley, Gough, Smeltzer and Doyle.

The meeting was called specially to receive the Mayor's slate of standing committees for the civic year 1934-35 and report of the City Solicitor covering ordinances and legislation.

NOMINATION OF STANDING COMMITTEES

His Worship the Mayor submits his slate of nominations to standing committees for the current year.

LIST OF COMMITTEES

1. ARBITRATION BETWEEN CITY,
COUNTY & DARTMOUTH

For the City of Halifax:

The Mayor
Alderman Stech
" Miller
" Getley
" Gough.

2. BOXING COMMISSION:

Alderman J. F. McDonald
Mr. J. H. Breen
Mr. J. E. Ahern.

3. CABS COMMITTEE:

Alderman Gates
" McManus
" Hendry.

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4. CAMP HILL CEMETERY COMMITTEE:

Alderman Smeltzer
" Stech
" Lordly
" Adams
" J. F. McDonald
" Gotley

5. CHARITIES COMMITTEE:

Alderman McCarthy
" Gates
" Donovan
" H. A. MacDonald
" Holland
" Doyle

6. COURT HOUSE COMMISSIONERS:

For the City of Halifax.

The Mayor
Alderman McManus
" Mitchell
" Smeltzer

7. FIREWARDS COMMITTEE:

Alderman Donovan
" Gates
" McCarthy
" J. F. McDonald
" Holland
" Smeltzer

8. FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Alderman Stech
" Miller
" McCarthy
" H. A. MacDonald
" O'Toole
" Doyle

9. GARDENS, PARKS & COMMONS COMMITTEE:

Alderman Donovan
" Stech
" J. F. McDonald
" O'Toole
" Smeltzer
" Adams

10. GOVERNMENTS CONTRIBUTING TOWARDS
CIVIC REVENUE & GOVERNMENT
PROPERTIES TRANSFER TO CITY:

The Mayor
Alderman Mitchell
" Adams
" H. A. MacDonald

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11. HARBOUR CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE:

Alderman Doyle
" Miller
" Lordly

12. HEALTH BOARD:

Dr. W. D. Forrest
Alderman Stech
" Lordly
" Adams
" Hendry
" Getley
" Gough

13. JURIES LISTS REVISERS:

Alderman O'Toole
" Smeltzer
City Clerk

14. LAWS & PRIVILEGES COMMITTEE:

Alderman McManus
" Mitchell
" Miller
" H. A. MacDonald
" O'Toole
" Doyle

15. LIBRARY COMMITTEE:

Alderman Miller
" Lordly
" Adams
" J.F. McDonald
" Holland
" Gough

16. POINT PLEASANT PARK COME:

Colonel B. A. Weston
Hon. R. G. Beazley
Hon. W. A. Black
Hector McInnes, K.C.
The Mayor
Alderman Mitchell
" Lordly
" Adams
" J. F. McDonald
" Getley
" Doyle

17. POLICE COMMITTEE:

The Mayor
Alderman McManus
" Hendry.

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18. PRISON COMMITTEE:

Alderman Miller
" Lordly
" McManus
" Hendry
" Holland
" Smeltzer

19. TAX PROPERTY SALE COMMITTEE:

The Mayor
Alderman Stech
" Gough
City Engineer
City Collector
City Assessor

20. TENDERS COMMITTEE:

Alderman J. F. McDonald
" Stech
" Lordly
" Adams
" Holland *Power.*
" Doyle

21. TOWN PLANNING BOARD:

The Mayor
Alderman Mitchell
" Donovan
" Doyle
Mr. E. J. Kelly
Mr. R. M. Hattie
City Engineer

22. WORKS COMMITTEE:

The Mayor
Alderman Gates
" Donovan
" McCarthy
" H. A. MacDonald
" O'Toole
" Gough

23. TAXATION & TAX EXEMPTION COMMITTEE:

Alderman Gates
" McCarthy
" Miller
" Adams
" J. F. McDonald
" Hendry
" Doyle

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24. PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE:

Aldorman Doyle
" Mitchell
" Donovan
" McCarthy
" J. F. McDonald
" Holland

There being no objections to the committees as read, His Worship the Mayor declares them approved.

LEGISLATION

Read letter from City Solicitor re legislation as follows.

Halifax, N. S.
May 2nd, 1934.

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

Gentlemen :-

I beg to report on the progress made in the legislation submitted by the City of Halifax at the session of the Legislature just closed. In all the City presented five bills as follows:

#49 Bill Amending the City Charter
Bill for Borrowing
Bill Relating to Photographers
Bill to Amend the Costs and Fees Act
Bill to Amend the Illegitimate Children's Act.

As to the Bill amending the City Charter, this Bill resulted in a great deal of discussion in the committees and in the House, but it passed its third reading substantially intact.

Sections 3 and 37 relating to the appointment of a Taxation Committee were struck out.

It was felt by the Committee on Private and Local Bills that the occupation tax when the property is occupied for purposes other than business or residential should be placed in the same category as our business and residential taxes, and therefore, instead of having this tax a flat tax of $1\frac{1}{2}\%$ on the value of the premises so occupied, this section was amended to provide that the tax shall be at the current rate of 25% of the value of the premises so occupied.

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The sections purporting to make this occupancy tax applicable in the same manner as business and household tax came in for sharp scrutiny and a number of members of the House objected to all of the sections, on the grounds that they indirectly constitute a tax on the Crown, in spite of the fact that we can already enforce this taxation when the Crown is occupying premises for business or residential purposes. It would therefore seem quite consistent that where the Crown is occupying premises for purposes other than business or residential that the landlord of the Crown should be liable for a tax also. However, the result of the discussions was that it was provided that the landlord of the Crown is not liable for occupation tax in respect to premises occupied by the Crown for purposes other than business or residential. The remaining sections relating to this tax passed.

Another item which proved to be a source of discussion was the legislation authorizing the City to pay a sum not exceeding \$7,500.00 in respect to the paving of the Dutch Village Road. This section was changed removing the maximum amount which the City had to pay, and now provides that the City shall pay one quarter of the cost of improving and paving the Dutch Village Road.

The borrowing section was also amended, increasing the amount which the City is authorized to borrow from \$7,500.00 to \$12,000.00.

The committee deleted the section authorizing the City to borrow \$5,000.00 for repairs to the City Prison.

Another change made by the House at the third reading was the deletion of the amendment providing that the members of Council may hold office as School Commissioners for any unlimited number of terms of three years each. The law as it stood is unchanged.

The amendment proposed by the City to the Costs and Fees Act relative to the payment of search fees to the Registrar of Deeds was recommended against by the Committee on Law Amendments, and accordingly did not receive a third reading. I have written to the President of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities regarding this matter and it may be taken up by the Union at its next meeting.

I have arranged for a certified copy of our City Bill, which should be received

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in the course of a few days, and will be available to any members of Council or officials of the City for their inspection.

I wish also to take this opportunity to express my appreciation of the efforts of the members of the Legislature representing Halifax North, Halifax Centre, and Halifax South. Our representatives, and particularly Mr. Gordon B. Isnor, did everything in their power to have our Bill enacted as submitted.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune,
CITY SOLICITOR.

Moved by Alderman Mitchell, seconded by Alderman Smeltzer that the letter of the City Solicitor be embodied in the minutes and filed. Motion passed.

ORDINANCES

Read letter City Solicitor covering ordinances.

Halifax, N. S.
May 2nd, 1934.

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

Gentlemen:-

I beg to advise that I have received a notice from the Clerk of the Executive Council that at a meeting of the Governor in Council, held on Monday, April 30th, the ordinances and traffic by-laws submitted by the City were approved and are now in force.

When the Health Board have brought their regulations into force these ordinances and regulations should be printed and bound.

I may say that the fact that these ordinances are now in effect should be a source of great satisfaction to the members of the City Council.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune,
CITY SOLICITOR.

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Moved by Alderman Mitchell, seconded by Alderman Miller that the letter be embodied in the minutes and filed. Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor addressed Council for a few moments and welcomed the new Alderman in Council. He requested that the various committees endeavor to hold their meetings as early as possible and thereby enable the City Clerk to have the Council Agenda in the hands of the Aldermen at least two days before the Council meeting. His Worship was of the opinion that this would be of great assistance to the Aldermen.

Alderman Gough gives notice of motion that he will, at the next regular Council meeting, submit the following resolution.

WHEREAS in the opinion of the Civic Reform Association, Citizens' Protective Association, Ladies' Civic Reform Association, and hundreds of other tax-payers and citizens representing every shade of public opinion that it is imperative in the interest of the rate-payers and citizens that a complete investigation be conducted into every Department of our Civic Government in the hope that it will lift the City out of the rut of lethargy that threatens the future welfare, good government and prosperity of the Corporation.

BE IT RESOLVED that a committee of three be appointed from this Council to conduct the same, to report back to the City Council for their information and action.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee be provided with a stenographer and transportation to conduct the same.

May 4th, 1934.

9.05 o'clock,

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

Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

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E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

H. C. Powell,
CITY CLERK.

EVENING SESSION

8.10 O'clock,
Council Chamber,
City Hall,
May 17th, 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 Gates, Mitchell, Stech, Donovan, Miller, Lordly, Adams, McManus, McCarthy, McDonald, MacDonald, O'Toole, Getley, Holland, Gough, Smeltzer and Doyle.

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

MINUTES

Minutes of last meeting approved
as read.

APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR

Alderman Doyle
Moved by Alderman MacDonald, seconded by Alderman Miller that Alderman Doyle be appointed Deputy Mayor for the civic year 1934-35.

Moved by Alderman Holland that Alderman Smeltzer be appointed Deputy Mayor for the civic year 1934-35.

Moved by Alderman McCarthy that nominations cease.

Upon the vote being taken, there appeared for Alderman Doyle 12, for Alderman Smeltzer 3, as follows.

FOR ALDERMAN DOYLE

Alderman Gates
Mitchell
Donovan
Miller
Lordly
Adams
McManus

FOR ALDERMAN SMELTZER

Alderman Stech
Holland
Gough

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FOR ALDERMAN DOYLE (Cont'd) FOR ALDERMAN SMELTZER

Alderman McCarthy
McDonald
MacDonald
O'Toole
Getley

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Alderman Smeltzer then thanked the Council for nominating him and asked their permission to make the appointment of Alderman Doyle as Deputy Mayor unanimous.

His Worship the Mayor then declared Alderman Doyle elected Deputy Mayor for the civic year 1934-35.

The following named papers were submitted.

ACCOUNT of W. G. COLES

Finance Comm.

Read letter from Daley, Phinney & Outhit re account of commissions for W. G. Coles.

April 19th, 1934.

The City of Halifax,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sirs:-

We have been consulted by Mr. W. G. Coles, of 803 Robie Street, Halifax, who was formerly a Poll Tax Collector for the City. Mr. Coles was employed with the City under a contract in writing, dated on or about July 4th, 1932 and the rate of commission to be paid him was 15%. We are instructed that this contract was from time to time renewed and was in force when Mr. Coles left the employ of the City at the end of March last. Notwithstanding that the contract provided for the payment of 15% of the amount collected by Mr. Coles, from the first of May, 1933, the City paid him at the rate of 15%, less 10%, leaving a balance of \$83.13 due to Mr. Coles. Mr. Coles has asked us to write you requesting that this amount be paid within thirty days from date.

Yours very truly,
DALEY, PHINNEY & OUTHIT.
Per. G. McL. Daley.

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Moved by Alderman Gough, seconded by Alderman Smeltzer that the letter be referred to the Finance Committee for report. Motion passed.

RESOLUTION - CIVIC REFORM ASSOCIATION

Read resolution from the Civic Reform Association re Exhibition Week including Labor Day.

At a meeting of the Executive and representative heads of the Civic Reform, Citizens' Protective Association and the Citizens' Civic Reform Association and representatives of the Trades and Labor Council held on the A.O.H. Hall, Quinpool Road on the 26th day of April 1934, it was moved by Ex-Alderman W. P. Buckley and Ex-Alderman Rudge, of the Trades and Labor Council that these bodies go on record condemning the Exhibition Commission for including Labor Day in the Exhibition dates this year without first consulting the Trades and Labor Council.

It was further resolved that these bodies go on record in favor of appealing to Mayor Elect, E. J. Cragg, and the Minister of Agriculture in the McDonald Government and the Trades and Labor Council to support and do all possible to have automobile racing included as part of the horse racing program during the last two days of this year's Exhibition.

Moved by Alderman Smeltzer, seconded by Alderman Gough that the resolution as submitted be referred to the Exhibition Commission for their information and necessary action. Motion passed.

ORDER-IN-COUNCIL FOR AFRICVILLE SCHOOL REPAIRS

Read letter from the Clerk of the Executive Council together with certified copy of order-in-council providing for a sum not exceeding \$3,000.00 for the purpose of improvements at Africville School.

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Comm.*

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Halifax, N. S.
7th May, 1934.

Dear Sir:-

I enclose herewith certified copy of Order-in-Council made the 3rd instant, ordering and directing the City of Halifax to issue debentures or stock to the amount of \$3,000. for the purpose of enlarging the school at Africville.

Yours truly,

His Worship the
Mayor,
Halifax, N.S.

Arthur S. Barnstead,
CLERK OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

CERTIFIED COPY OF ORDER IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the Board of School Commissioners for the City of Halifax requires a sum not exceeding Three Thousand Dollars for the purpose of enlarging the present school at Africville;

AND WHEREAS the said Board has applied to the Governor in Council for an Order directing the City of Halifax to issue its debentures or stock to the amount so required;

AND WHEREAS the Governor in Council appointed Thursday, the 3rd day of May, A. D. 1934, at 12 o'clock noon, in the Executive Council Chamber, Province House, City of Halifax, as the time and place at which the matter of such application should be heard;

AND WHEREAS due notice of the amount so required and the purpose for which the same is required and of the time and place so appointed were given to the Mayor of the said City;

AND WHEREAS the matter of said application was heard at the said time and place, the Council of the said City not appearing at the hearing;

NOW THEREFORE, the Lieutenant Governor, by and with the advice of the Executive Council for Nova Scotia, and under and by virtue of Section 921 of the Halifax City Charter, is pleased to order and direct and hereby orders and directs the City of Halifax to issue debentures or stock to raise the amount so required.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an Order of His Honor the Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia in Council made the 3rd day of May, A. D. 1934.

Arthur S. Barnstead,
CLERK OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

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NOVA SCOTIA HOUSING COMMISSION

Read report of the N. S. Housing
Commission re housing.

Halifax, N. S.

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

Dear Sir:-

The Nova Scotia Housing Commission has, at your request, prepared the attached memorandum explaining the provisions of the Nova Scotia Housing Commission Act for submission to Council meeting of date May 17th.

We have the honour to be, Sir,

Yours very truly,

G. Fred Pearson,
CHAIRMAN.

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

The Nova Scotia Housing Commission appointed by Governor in Council, and charged by statute "to encourage and promote better housing of the people of Nova Scotia", desire to present, at the request of the Mayor, the following considerations to your attention.

The erecting and renting of homes is a service so necessary to the life of the people, and so intimately connected with public health that it becomes a state obligation to see that families shall be able to obtain with reasonable effort decent habitable accommodation where life can be lived under decent human conditions.

In every population there are three divisions (a) the well housed able to afford good homes, (b) the middle economic group able to secure the ownership or rental of the better older homes and (c) the lower-income group for whom in many quarters satisfactory housing is not available at a rental sufficiently low.

It is now a general accepted principle that the housing of the lower income portion of the population cannot be provided with proper sanitary housing at rentals economically possible through the ordinary channels of unaided private industry. Everywhere the alternative presents itself that states and municipalities must either build the houses themselves or assist private enterprise to do so by means of favourable conditions.

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The Government of Nova Scotia has recognized the evils existing and potential because of present housing conditions which have reached an acute stage in some centres in the Province, and has passed a Provincial Housing law to deal with the situation. The Act is the product of several years of study and of investigation of housing plans in various parts of the world, and represents the mature judgment of responsible men who believe it to be in closer accord with our Nova Scotian traditions than the subsidy system of England or the various municipal plans adopted in other countries.

One of the virtues of the plan is its simplicity, and the fact that it has been well tested by years of experience in Belgium, Holland, Scandinavia and in the United States where in one state alone 33 million dollars worth of housing have been erected under an Act similar to our own.

The Act may be easily explained. It consists of a partnership between Province, City and private enterprise. The Province contributes public credit at reduced rates, regulation through a Commission, and exemption from all provincial fees and taxes. Cities are asked to make their contribution by exemption from taxation in lieu of subsidy, such exemption to apply to land, buildings and improvements for a period of 20 years. Private enterprise is the executive force of the partnership and provides one third of the capital, the remaining two-thirds being obtainable from public funds through the Housing Commission. All provisions of the law are directed toward the attainment of the lowest possible rents. No profits are possible to anyone beyond the limited dividend allowed by law.

The Government has performed its part of the partnership by appointing a commission, and appropriated a large sum of money. The second stage is to commend the matter to the cooperation of the cities and municipalities. The City of Halifax is being first approached inasmuch as the first approach to the Government began from citizens of the City of Halifax.

The Commission now desires to offer officially its services to the City of Halifax and to invite them to endorse by resolution the principle of the Act (copies of which have been sent to all members of the Council) in order that an appropriate housing project may be submitted for approval, and a large proportion of the \$200,000. may be made available for inexpensive houses to be built in Halifax.

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We believe that a house building programme under the Act would constitute a timely measure in view of unemployment conditions, particularly in the building trades, and call attention to the low construction costs at the present time as most favourable for early action.

It may be stated that all companies functioning under the Act are limited as to dividends, that the rentals are controlled by law, that the loans will be limited to dwellings not exceeding a stated cost, all of which must conform to certain standards, and that construction and maintenance will be from the first under the strict supervision of the Housing Commission.

The Nova Scotia Housing Commission are giving their time and services entirely without remuneration, and will be glad to have the opportunity of serving the City of Halifax in this connection.

Signed on behalf of the Commission.

G. Fred Pearson,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Smeltzer,
that the Council permit one delegate to address Council for a period of ten minutes. Council agrees.

Dr. S. H. Prince appeared and outlined the scheme as set forth by the N. S. Housing Commission, and advised Council that the City of Halifax were not to be asked for any sum of money but merely to exempt the proposed homes from taxation for a period of twenty years.

Moved by Alderman Mitchell, seconded by Alderman Doyle that the report of the N. S. Housing Commission be referred to the Taxation and Tax Exemption Committee. Motion passed.

Alderman McCarthy suggested that the Mayor act as Chairman on the Taxation and Tax Exemption Committee while considering the report of the Housing Commission.

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MESSAGE FROM HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR
RE PLEBISCITE

Read message from His Worship the Mayor regarding a plebiscite permitting the sale of beer and wine in the City of Halifax.

Halifax, N. S.
May 15th, 1934.

The Members of the City Council,
City of Halifax.

Gentlemen:-

I feel that the time is appropriate to bring before you the question of a change in the law regulating the sale and consumption in this City of beer and wine as distinguished from distilled liquors.

Almost all the other Provinces have already made or are in process of making such a change. In this City the labor organizations have several times requested a change, and in other municipalities in this Province steps are being taken for a plebiscite on the question whether or not beer and wine may be sold by the open bottle or glass in hotels and consumed at meals. If this change should go into effect in hotels outside the City, it would appear almost imperative for us to follow suit or suffer materially in competition for the tourist trade.

I feel, however, that public opinion in this City, would not be satisfied with a plebiscite upon the comparatively minor matter of the sale and consumption in hotels at meal times, and would wish it to include the question of whether the public should be given the opportunity of purchasing beer and wine by glass or open bottle and consuming them at the places where they are purchased. In most of the other provinces the original severity of the law has been relaxed to this extent. And if I am to judge by such expressions of opinion as I hear, there is a strong demand for such a change in the law here.

It should, however, be pointed out that the very unsatisfactory condition of the law relating to a plebiscite may prevent immediate effect being given to a plebiscite if in favor of the change. The Liquor Control Act, Section 30, provides that the Liquor Commission may itself sell beer and wine by the glass or open bottle. There is no provision authorizing the sale by licensees. Before any such sale is permitted, a vote of the electors of the municipality must be taken and a majority of the votes cast in favor of the permission.

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The plebiscite may be taken upon either the request of ten per cent of the electors, or a resolution of the Council of the Municipality. The vote in the case of this City shall be taken on the last revised list of voters for an election to the House of Assembly.

It is obvious that considerable difficulty lies in the way of bringing about the change. It is doubtful if the provision for a sale by the Commission would meet public approval. If I am any judge, it would prefer something like the Quebec licensed houses where beer and wine can be bought and consumed, but free from the objectionable "bar" with its inevitable treating.

More serious is the question of the expense of a plebiscite. The last electoral list for this City contained approximately 33,000 names. To take a vote would require as many polling places and officials as an election for the Assembly and the cost would run into the thousands. Apparently it is contemplated that this expense shall be borne by the municipality, but there is no provision authorizing such an expenditure nor any designation of the manner in which the money is to be obtained. In addition it does not seem fair to me that this expense should be borne by the City. Halifax never asked for the prohibitory law, nor was it in favor of it. It derived a considerable revenue from licenses for the sale of spirits. Both the privilege of purchasing and consuming beer in licensed houses and the revenue from licenses were taken away from us without any consideration for our wishes. If the law is now changed it will result in increased revenues for the Province, but not, I am afraid, for the City. In all fairness the cost of the plebiscite should be assumed by the Province. A suggestion has been made that the City might be authorized to defray the expense to be recouped out of the profits of the sales.

For these reasons it appears to me doubtful if a plebiscite, however great the majority, could result in immediate action. At the same time, I am of opinion that a vote of the Council directing that one be taken would have a good result in the way of clearing up the situation and paving the way for such changes in the law as would enable a popular demand to be given effect. The actual taking of the plebiscite might be deferred until the law had been put in a more satisfactory shape.

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR.

May 17th, 1934.

The following resolution is submitted.

BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Halifax do hereby go on record as favoring the holding of a plebiscite to determine whether the voters in the City of Halifax desire the sale of beer or wine by the glass or open bottle.

AND FURTHER RESOLVED that no part of the cost of any plebiscite to be taken, under the provisions of sub-section (3) of Section 30 of Chapter 2 of the Acts of Nova Scotia, 1930, "The Nova Scotia Liquor Control Act", shall be borne by the City of Halifax.

AND FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Premier of the Province of Nova Scotia and that His Worship the Mayor confer with the Provincial Authorities and arrange for the holding of a plebiscite under the provisions hereinbefore set forth.

Moved by Alderman McCarthy, seconded by Alderman Gates.

His Worship the Mayor calls upon the Deputy Mayor to take the chair while he addressed Council from the floor of the chamber.

His Worship the Mayor having resumed his seat, again calls upon the Deputy Mayor to take the chair while he further addresses Council.

Upon the vote being taken, there appeared for the resolution 10, against it 7 as follows.

FOR THE RESOLUTION

Alderman Gates
Mitchell
Donovan
Miller
Lordly
McManus
McCarthy
O'Toole
Getley
Holland

AGAINST IT

Alderman Stech
Adams
McDonald
MacDonald
Gough
Smeltzer
Doyle

May 17th, 1934.

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Finance Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$14,208.64 chargeable to current account and \$804.54 chargeable to capital account.

Committee Room, City Hall,
May 9th, 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 \$804.54 chargeable to capital account and \$14,208.64 chargeable to current account 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 MacDonald that the report be adopted and accounts paid. Motion passed.

LIBRARY ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Library Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$289.35.

May 7th, 1934.

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	\$260.98
Ross Print	Book Wrappers	13.16
Review Publishing Co.	Dalhousie review	2.00
Can. Review Co.	Can. annual review	8.25
Can. Geog. Soc.	Can. Geog. journal	3.00
W. A. Doner	Financial Post Year Bk.	2.00
		<u>\$289.35</u>

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. McDonald,
CHAIRMAN.

May 17th, 1934.

Moved by Alderman McDonald, seconded by Alderman Miller 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 \$529.61 chargeable to the Public Gardens and \$108.48 chargeable to Fleming Park.

Committee Room, City Hall,
May 7th, 1934.

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 \$529.61 chargeable to the Public Gardens and \$108.48 chargeable to Fleming Park was considered, passed as correct, and recommended to the City Council for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. Donovan,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Donovan, seconded by Alderman Stech 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 \$12,538.12 chargeable to the Fire Department and \$375.31 chargeable to the Fire Alarm Telegraph System.

May 17th, 1934.

May 7th, 1934.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Firewards held this day, the attached accounts amounting to \$12,538.12 for the Fire Department and \$375.31 for the Fire Alarm Department were considered.

Your committee recommend that these accounts be passed for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. Smeltzer,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Smeltzer, seconded by Alderman Holland 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 amounting to \$6,598.27 chargeable to the City Home and \$2,923.62 chargeable to the T. B. Hospital.

Halifax, N. S.
May 14th, 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 Doyle, Gates, Donovan, MacDonald and Holland.

CITY HOME ACCOUNTS APRIL 1934. AMOUNT \$6,598.27

City Home accounts for the month of April 1934 amounting to \$6,598.27 are recommended for payment.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS APRIL 1934,
AMOUNT \$2,923.62

Tuberculosis Hospital accounts for the month of April 1934 amounting to \$2,923.62 are recommended for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. McCarthy,
CHAIRMAN.

May 17th, 1934.

Moved by Alderman McCarthy, seconded by Alderman Donovan 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 \$2,995.61.

May 16th, 1934.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the City Health Board held on the 15th day of May, the following named accounts amounting to \$2,995.61 were passed and recommended to the City Council for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Moved by Alderman Gough, seconded by Alderman Gotley 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 \$10,418.14.

April 27th, 1934.

His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Police Committee held this day, the following accounts amounting to \$10,418.14 submitted by the Chief of Police were examined, found correct and recommended to Council for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

May 17th, 1934.

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

WORKS DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Committee on Works recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$20,184.50.

May 17th, 1934.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works recommend for payment accounts amounting to \$20,184.50, chargeable as follows:-

Works Dept. Capital	\$10,215.71	
Current	<u>7,917.48</u>	\$18,133.19
Water Dept. Construction	697.97	
Maintenance	<u>1,353.34</u>	<u>2,051.31</u>
		<u>\$20,184.50</u>

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Gates, seconded by Alderman Gough 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 \$1,588.18.

City Prison,
Halifax, N. S.
April 25th, 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 \$1,588.18 was passed as correct and recommended to the City Council for payment.

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

Respectfully submitted,

A. H. Minshull,
CHAIRMAN.

May 17th, 1934.

Moved by Alderman Miller, seconded by Alderman McManus that the report be adopted and accounts paid.

Read letter City Auditor regarding the accounts of the City Prison as follows.

May 16th, 1934.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

In accordance with Sections 296, 299 and 314 of the City Charter, I am submitting correspondence between myself and the Prison Committee as follows:-

"April 25th, 1934.

The Chairman,
Prison Committee,
CITY.

Dear Sir:- Re: City Prison Accounts

The accounts for April 1934 as submitted by Governor Grant will overexpend the appropriation by approximately \$125.00.

Will you let us know as soon as possible how your committee intend to provide funds for this amount, so that we may have the accounts vouchered in time for the next meeting of Council.

Yours very truly,

Thos. A. Shields,
for City Auditor."

"Halifax N. S.
April 25th, 1934.

The City Auditor,
CITY HALL.

Dear Mr. Auditor:-

Acknowledging your favor of the 25th.

The answer is quite simple-
namely, transfer the item of \$395.00 which you charged to 1933-34 and which was provided for in 1932-33.

May 17th, 1934.

You were informed on various occasions that if you charged this amount up, there would probably be a deficit of an equal amount.

On behalf of the committee,

Yours faithfully,

A. H. Minshull,
CHAIRMAN.

Expenditures for the month of April for the City Prison on maintenance amount to \$589.04, and if these are paid it will over-expend the appropriation by approximately \$125.00.

The reference made by the former chairman of the Prison Committee, that if a certain item totalling \$395.00 is transferred from the 1933-34 account to the 1932-33 account, is something that has already been settled. This refers to the purchase of certain horses, and Council, when it discussed the purchase, decided by resolution that it was to be charged to the 1932-33 account if it was legal to do so, if not, it was to be charged to the 1933-34 account. The matter of legality and procedure was left to the Solicitor and the Auditor, and it was decided by these officials that it was legal to charge the item to the 1933-34 account.

I have withheld my certificate from the accounts of the Prison as it is not for me to make any decision as to which ones should be selected for payment inasmuch as all cannot be paid.

Respectfully submitted,

A. M. Butler,
CITY AUDITOR.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman Gough that the City Prison accounts be referred back for further consideration, and report. Amendment passed.

TEMPORARY RELIEF SHELTER

Read report of the Direct Relief Committee submitting an account for \$30.00 due the Athantic House for temporary shelter provided the J. Hillison family.

City Auditor

May 17th, 1934.

Halifax, N. S.
May 16th, 1934.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed herewith is an account from the Atlantic House for temporary shelter given the Hillison family. This is at the rate of \$2.00 a night for fifteen nights, a total of \$30.00.

As the account cannot be paid from temporary relief shelter appropriation established by the Council, (this being limited to a seven day period) approval of payment is asked of this special item.

Respectfully submitted,

E. A. Saunders,
SECRETARY, HALIFAX DIRECT
RELIEF COMMITTEE.

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

ACCOUNT FOR GESTETNER, POLICE DEPARTMENT

Read report of the Police Committee re the purchase of a Gestetner duplicator.

May 14th, 1934.

His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Police Committee held the 10th of April, 1934, the purchase of a machine to replace the old mimeograph in the Department was considered and the Chief of Police was instructed to purchase a Gestetner duplicator for the sum of \$195.00 and the machine in use, a total of \$295.00.

The matter was not submitted to Council as the Committee were under the impression that they had the right to expend money up to \$200.00.

The machine was ordered on April 11th, delivered, and in use since.

At the meeting of April 23rd, the Committee had before them the outstanding bills for 1933-34, which included the bill for this machine, and passed the same subject to the Auditor's approval.

*Police Dept
City Auditor*

May 17th, 1934.

In checking the bills Mr. Butler, City Auditor, refused to approve of the bill stating that the transaction involved a sum over \$200.00, and must have the Council's approval. He asked that this report be forwarded to Council for their consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

N. A. MacAlder,
Secretary, Police Committee.

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

SALARY - MRS. BESSIE EGAN

Read report of the Police Committee re payment of \$50.00 per month to Mrs. Bessie Egan.

May 14th, 1934.

His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the City Council held April 5th, 1934 the following report and recommendation of the Finance Committee was adopted:

"Your committee recommend that the Council suggest to the Police Committee that Mrs. Egan be granted leave of absence for a period not to exceed one year from May 1st, 1934, and that she be paid a salary of \$50.00 per month."

The Police Committee at a meeting held on the 14th day of May 1934 had under consideration the above report and recommendation and the resolution of the City Council.

Your committee not having available funds to pay the said salary, desires to acquaint Council of the fact, and to ask for directions regarding the procuring of the necessary money.

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. O'Connell,

MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Police Dept.

May 17th, 1934.

Moved by Alderman McCarthy, seconded by Alderman Stech that the Police Committee be instructed to pay the amount out of any funds available in their estimates. Motion passed.

RE-APPOINTMENT OF OFFICIALS

Read report of the City Clerk covering applications of officials for re-appointment for the civic year 1934-35.

City Clerk's Office,
May 14th, 1934.

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

Gentlemen:-

I beg to submit herewith the attached list of applications of officials for re appointment for the civic year 1934-35.

The original applications of all applicants are attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. Powell,
CITY CLERK.

City Clerk's Office	
Asst. City Clerk	W. P. Publicover
Stenographer	Donalda M. Crawford
Court Reporter	Gilbert S. Hart
Mayor's Office	
Stenographer	Vera L. E. Street
City Solicitor's Office	
Stenographer	Frances M. Hart
Treasurer's Office	
Asst. City Treasurer	George J. Allen
Engineer's Office	
Asst. City Engineer	Wm. J. DeWolfe
Clerk of Works	Mary A. Hunter
Asst. Clerk of Works	Thomas J. Moore
Supt. Water Dept.	Wm. H. Daniels
Asst. Bldg. Inspector	W. R. Fegan
Meter Readers	Matthew P. O'Toole
	Matthew J. O'Toole
	A. J. O'Hearn
	R. F. Clancey

May 17th, 1934.

City Electrician's Office		
City Electrician		G. H. Durling
Auditor's Office		
Asst. City Auditor		M. L. Bellow
Clerk		Thomas. Shields
Clerk		T. G. Murphy
Assessor's Office		
Deputy Assessor		Charles R. Rosborough
First Clerk		Chester G. Corbett
Clerk		Marion Thomson
Clerk		Rose Zwerling
Clerk		W. Arthur Gray
City Collector's Office		
Asst. City Collector	A. F. Hagell	
First Clerk		Margaret M. Hopewell
Poll Tax Officer		R. H. Gass
Stenographer		Mary Mantin
"		Elsie M. Doyle
Clerk		James C. Williamson
		James J. Henrion
		R. B. Scriven
		Douglas D. Wallace
		S. G. Cook
		J. C. Dingle
		Wm. E. Anderson
Sub-Collector		William C. Yates
		John M. Joyce
		Henry Rising
		John R. Merrick
City Health Board		
Secretary		Arthur C. Pettipas
Asst. Secretary		Irene M. Hingston
Act. Medical Officer		W. Bruce Almon, M.D.
Dairy & Food Insp.		W. S. McFatriidge
Asst. " " "		John F. Dempster
Inspector		Amos Woodworth
"		J. R. Colwell
"		F. O. Craig
Public Gardens		
Superintendent		W. H. Hall
Asst. "		R. Griffiths
Camp Hill Cemetery		
Registrar		George A. Thompson
City Home		
Superintendent		J. H. Buchanan
Secretary		H. A. Garrison
Matron		Catherine Graves
General Asst.		Samuel E. Brown
Engineer		J. Doherty

May 17th, 1934.

City Prison

Governor	George Grant
Matron	Mrs. Martha Grant
Underkeepers	John W. Grant
	Walter H. Handsley
	Roy W. Crowell
	Arthur Cooper
	Harry F. Platt
	Clarence Abriel
	Archie J. Murphy

Citizens' Free Library

Librarian	L. F. Barnaby
Asst. Librarian	Florence M. Hilton
2nd Asst. Librarian	Mabel M. Gray

Janitor, City Hall

James E. Lynch

Matron, Police Station

Mrs. A. Lynch

Surveyors of Lumber

W. A. McKenzie

" "

Edw. Gibson

" "

Carl Fox

Fence Viewer, Ward 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.

Weigher of Bundles and Loose Hay L. E. Goodwin

Pound Keeper at City

Stables, Bell Road, City Stableman

Inspector of Painters Work Frank Reardon

James Harrison

Coal Weighers

D. McDonald
Jas. McDonald
L. D. Murrain
D. Sampson
R. Rudland
Angus Currie
Neil Currie
J. P. Dunlay
P. Cummings
A. H. Cullymore
W. H. Walker
P. Leahy

Moved by Alderman Donovan, seconded by Alderman McManus that the annual appointment of officials be now proceeded with. Motion passed. Aldermen Gough and Smeltzer wishing to be recorded against.

Moved by Alderman O'Toole, seconded by Alderman Gough that F. W. Curtis be appointed to the position of Fence Viewer for wards 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. Motion passed.

F. W. Curtis

May 17th, 1934.

Moved by Alderman Donovan, seconded by Alderman Gough that the name of J. P. Downie be included in the list of annual appointments. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Donovan, seconded by Alderman Miller that the annual appointments as now read be made. Motion passed.

CAMP HILL CEMETERY ACCOUNTS

Read letter City Clerk together with list of uncollectable accounts due Camp Hill Cemetery amounting to \$397.50.

City Clerk's Office,
City Hall,
May 10th, 1934.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of Camp Hill Cemetery Committee held on recent date, it was decided to ask the Council for authority to write off the attached list of accounts as uncollectable. This list amounts to \$397.50.

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. Powell,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Smeltzer, seconded by Alderman Gotley that the report of the City Clerk be approved and that the accounts as recommended be written off. Motion passed.

STATEMENT RE LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS

Read report of the Finance Committee together with statement from the City Auditor covering local improvements for the civic year 1933-34.

May 17th, 1934.

Committee Room, City Hall,
May 9th, 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 statement from the City Auditor covering local improvements undertaken in the civic year 1933-34, and ordered same forwarded to the City Council for its information.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. Stech,
CHAIRMAN.

April 26th, 1934.

The Chairman,
Finance Committee,
CITY.

Dear Sir:-

The undernoted statement shows the amount charged against abutters for various local improvements undertaken in the civic year 1933-34, together with the amounts reserved for short collection and other costs.

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>LIST</u>	<u>RESERVE</u>	<u>ABSORBED BY</u>
Work under health rules	\$220.00	\$11.00	contingent account
Sidewalks	35306.17	1,059.19	capital "
Oiling	10097.32	252.43	current "
Sowers	27913.65	837.40	capital "
Grading	979.26	29.38	current "
Paving	11116.22	333.49	capital "

Yours very truly,

A. M. Butler,
CITY AUDITOR.

FILED

DIRECT RELIEF EXPENDITURES

Read report of the Finance Committee together with letter of the City Auditor re direct and indirect relief expenditures carried on since April 1st, 1934.

May 17th, 1934.

Committee Room, City Hall,
May 9th, 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 the City Auditor re expenditures for direct relief and ordered same forwarded to the City Council for its information.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. Stech,
CHAIRMAN.

May 8th, 1934.

The Chairman,
Finance Committee,
CITY.

Dear Sir:-

This is to advise that direct and indirect relief expenditures have been carried on since April 1st, and to date no advice has been received through the Provincial Government that the federal authorities will share in these expenditures. This matter was reported to Council about one month ago.

The above is for your information, and I shall be glad if you will advise what action should be now taken.

Yours very truly,

A. M. Butler,
CITY AUDITOR.

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman Miller that the reports be adopted and embodied in the minutes. Motion passed.

POLL TAX COLLECTIONS

Read report of the Finance Committee submitting report of the Poll Tax Officer for the period ending April 30th, 1934.

May 17th, 1934.

Committee Room, City Hall,
May 9th, 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 report from the Poll Tax Officer for the period ending April 30th, 1934 and ordered same forwarded to the City Council for its information.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. Stech,
CHAIRMAN.

May 1st, 1934.

**POLL TAX COLLECTIONS FOR CIVIC QUARTER YEAR ENDING
APRIL 30th, 1934.**

<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>ARREARS</u>	<u>1934-35</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
\$4,587.25	\$2,422.75	\$226.00	\$7,236.00
	<u>1931-32</u>	<u>1932-33</u>	<u>1933-34</u>
FEBRUARY	\$3,328.76	\$3,388.75	\$2,657.50
MARCH	3,267.50	3,462.75	2,507.50
APRIL	<u>2,705.50</u>	<u>2,720.50</u>	<u>2,071.00</u>
	9,301.76	9,572.00	7,236.00
	Decrease under 1932-33		\$2,336.00
	Decrease under 1931-32		2,065.76

COLLECTED BY STREET COLLECTORS

Mr. Yates	\$1,994.75	
Mr. Mahar	1,919.00	
Mr. Coles	1,051.00	
Mr. Frawley	<u>977.75</u>	\$5,942.50
Paid at Office		<u>1,293.50</u>
TOTAL		\$ 7,236.00

Total collections for year ending April 30th, 1934 -
\$33,611.09
Total collections for year ending April 30th, 1933
\$37,442.00 . DECREASE \$3,830.91

Collections for current year to date \$16,600.35
Collections for 1932-33 to this
date 1933 15,097.50
Increase \$ 1,502.85

FILED

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Gass,
POLL TAX OFFICER.

May 17th, 1934.

CITY PRISON - TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES

Read report of the City Prison Committee covering tenders for supplying the Prison with groceries, bread, fish and meat.

Committee Room, City Hall,
May 7th, 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 tenders for supplying the Prison with groceries, bread, fish and meat as submitted by the previous committee.

Your committee recommend that the tenders as approved by the previous committee be now accepted, they being the lowest in each case.

Respectfully submitted,

E. L. Miller,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Miller, seconded by Alderman Holland that the report be adopted and the tenders as approved by the previous committee be now accepted. Motion passed.

CHARITIES COMMITTEE - TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES

Read report of the Charities Committee submitting tenders for supplies for the City Home and T. B. Hospital for a period of twelve months from June 1st, 1934.

Halifax, N. S.
May 14th, 1934.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

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

City Prison Comm.

J. H. Buchanan

May 17th, 1934.

MEMBERS PRESENT:- The Chairman,
Aldermen Doyle, Gates, Donovan, MacDonald and Holland.

Tenders for supplies for the
City Home and Tuberculosis Hospital for a period of
twelve months from June 1st, 1934 were received
as follows:

CITY HOME

GROCERIES

Corkum & Ritoev Ltd.	\$9984.04
Howards Ltd.	9175.18

MEATS

A. MacDonald	5929.50
J. A. Leaman & Co., Ltd.	5278.50
W. A. Maling & Co.	5131.00
H. E. Burgess & Co.	5083.50

FLOUR

Corkum & Ritoev Ltd.			
Five Roses, in wood	\$6.75 per bbl		
	in jute	3.10	
Rosebud "	\$6.15 per bbl		
	in jute	2.80	
Parity in wood	\$6.65 per bbl.	in jute	3.05
Bluenose "	6.05 " "	" "	2.75
Scotia Flour & Feed Co., Ltd.			
Morning Glory, wood	\$6.25 per bbl	in jute	2.80
Beaver "	5.80 " "	" "	2.55
Howards Ltd.			
Absolutely Pure "	6.04 " "	" "	2.72
Absolutely Pure "	5.54 " "	(cotton)	
Five Roses "	6.39 " in jute		2.89½
Five Roses "	5.89 " in cotton		

MESS PORK

David & Fraser	.11½ per lb.
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MILK

Robert J. Watts	.06½¢ per qt.
Ideal Dairy Ltd.	.05½¢ "
C. W. Millard	.05 2/5¢ "
Lewis N. Grant (At milk platform)	.04½¢ "

FISH

William Kean	\$1290.00
Boutilliers Ltd.	971.00
Harris L. Bowman	886.00

BUTTER AND EGGS

R. B. Colwell Ltd.	2395.00
Smith & Proctor Ltd.	2315.00

DRY GOODS

Cabots Ltd.	unit prices
J & M Murphy Ltd.	" "

May 17th, 1934.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

GROCERIES

Corkum & Ritcey Ltd. \$2778.78
Howards Ltd. 2608.84

MEATS

A. MacDonald 1801.50
J. A. Leaman & Co., Ltd. 1461.50
W. A. Maling & Co. 1376.00
H. E. Burgess & Co. 1328.25

BUTTER & EGGS

R. B. Colwell Ltd. 1288.00
Smith & Proctor Ltd. 1209.00

MILK & CREAM

Robert J. Watts 1370.00
Ideal Dairy Ltd. 1215.00
C. W. Millard 1129.50

FISH

William Kean 245.50
Boutilliers Ltd. 233.50
Harris L. Bowman 211.50

BREAD

O'Malleys Ltd. (.05 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢) 412.50
J. J. Scriven & Sons (.05¢) 375.00
Bens Ltd. (.05¢) 375.00

LAUNDRY WORK

Globe Laundry Ltd. unit prices

DRY GOODS

Cabots Ltd. unit prices
J & M Murphy Ltd. " "

RECOMMENDATIONS

The following tenders are recommended
for acceptance.

C I T Y H O M E

Groceries - Howards Ltd.
Meats - H. E. Burgess & Co.
Flour - Howards Ltd. Five Roses in jute
Mess Pork - Davis & Fraser
Milk - C. W. Millard
Fish - Harris L. Bowman
Butter and
Eggs - Smith & Proctor Ltd.
Dry Goods - J & M Murphy Ltd.

T U B E R C U L O S I S H O S P I T A L

Groceries - Howards Ltd.
Meats - H. E. Burgess & Co.
Butter and
Eggs - Smith & Proctor Ltd.
Milk and Cream - C. W. Millard

May 17th, 1934.

Fish - Harris L. Bowman
Bread - J. J. Scriven & Sons for a period of
six months, Bens Ltd. for a period
of six months.
Laundry Work - Globe Laundry Ltd.
Dry Goods - J & M Murphy Ltd.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. McCarthy,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman McCarthy, seconded
by Alderman MacDonald that the report be adopted
and tenders awarded as recommended. Motion passed.

CHARITIES COMMITTEE - TENDERS FOR AUTO

Read report of the Charities
Committee submitting tenders for the supplying
of one 1½ ton truck with stake body.

Halifax, N. S.
May 14th, 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,
Alderman Doyle, Gates, Donovan, MacDonald and
Holland.

Tenders for a 1½ ton truck with
stake body complete, were received as follows:

MACGREGOR MOTORS LTD.

One 1934 Model Chevrolet 1½ ton truck
complete with stake body and spare tire,
taking in trade 1929 Ford Truck
\$940.00

GREGG MOTORS LTD.

One 1934 Ford V-8 Truck Chassis and cab
equipped with 32 x 6-8 ply tires on rear
and spare and 600 x 20 Balloon tires front,
also helper springs on rear, equipped with
Stake Body 9'6" x 6'6" and 36" Racks,
\$1140.00 less allowance for old
Ford Truck
\$950.00

J. H. Buchanan

May 17th, 1934.

THE FRED C. MANNING CO., LTD.

One Dodge 1¹/₂ ton truck, 131 in wheelbase, single wheels, Chassis Cab and stake body, steel ventilated disc type. Fires 600 x 20 Balloon front, 32 x 6-8 ply rear and spare. Body 8' long x 6 ft. wide, 36" racks. Motor 70 horsepower (truck motor) 6 cylinder valve inserts, special steel valves, Hydraulic Brakes, centrefused brake drums, full floating-rear end, full pressure lubrication, four speed transmission oil filter, roller bearing universal joints four piston rings, aluminum pistons, \$1185.00 less allowance for old ford truck \$150.00

\$1035.00

Your committee recommend that the tender of The Fred C. Manning Co., Ltd. be accepted. To meet the difference in the amount provided in the estimate for this service, your committee have purchased a factory re-built typewriter at a cost of \$61.35 making a saving of \$79.65.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. McCarthy,
CHAIRMAN.

SUPT'S REPORT OF INMATES IN THE CITY HOME AND T.B. HOSPITAL FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL, 1934.

Read report of the Charities

Committee for the month of April 1934, showing the number of inmates in the City Home to be 438 and the number of patients in the T. B. Hospital to be 56.

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Moved by Alderman Smeltzer, seconded by Alderman Gates that the reports of the Committee on Works numbered 28, 29 and 30 on the agenda be referred back to the Committee on Works for their consideration and report. Motion passed.

FINAL PAYMENT - ROAD TAR

Read report of the Committee on Works recommending the payment of \$1,279.32 to Alexander Murray & Co., Ltd. for road tar.

*City Engineer
Clerk of Works*

May 17th, 1934.

May 17th, 1934.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works recommend payment to Alexander Murray & Co., Ltd. of the sum of One Thousand, Two hundred and seventy-nine Dollars and Thirty-two Cents (\$1,279.32) being the balance in full on their contract for the supply of Rotar for the civic year 1933-34.

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Gates, seconded by Aldermen Donovan that the report be adopted and account paid. Motion passed.

FINAL PAYMENT - CRUSHED STONE

*City Engineer
Clerk of Works*
Read report of the Committee on Works recommending the payment of \$451.40 to the Fairview Crushed Stone Co. for sand.

May 17th, 1934.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works recommend payment to the Fairview Crushed Stone Co., Ltd., of the sum of Four Hundred and Fifty-one Dollars and Forty cents (\$451.40) being the balance in full on their contract for the supply of Crushed Stone for the civic year 1933-34.

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

FINAL PAYMENT - SAND CONTRACT

*City Engineer
Clerk of Works*
Read report of the Committee on Works re payment of \$188.77 to the Gillis Co., Ltd. for sand.

May 17th, 1934.

May 17th, 1934.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works recommend payment to the Gillis Company Limited, of the sum of One Hundred and Eighty-eight Dollars and Seventy-seven cents (\$188.77) being balance in full on their contract for the supply of sand for the civic year 1933-34.

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

BEDFORD BASIN * BATHING BEACH

*City Engineer
Clerk of Works*

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re bathing beach, Bedford Basin.

May 8th, 1934.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

At the recent session of the Legislature authority was granted the City to borrow a sum not to exceed \$1,000. for the purpose of a bathing beach at Bedford Basin.

Last year the Irving Oil Company leased a portion of their property to the City for the purpose mentioned.

I have had Plan No. 7665 prepared of proposed dressing rooms, etc., these are of the type which they had at the old bathing beach at Chain Rock, and I think will be suitable for the proposed location at the Basin.

It is recommended that they be approved and that the Engineer be authorized to proceed with the construction of the house at once.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER.

May 17th, 1934.

May 14th, 1934.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Attached hereto is a report of the City Engineer on the construction of dressing rooms, etc. at the Bathing Beach, Bedford Basin.

The Committee on Works recommend that the said report be approved and that the City Engineer be authorized to proceed with the construction of a house at once.

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.

NOTICE OF MOTION BY ALDERMAN GOUGH
RE CIVIC DEPARTMENTS

Read notice of motion by Alderman Gough re civic departments.

WHEREAS in the opinion of the Civic Reform Association, Citizens' Protective Association, Ladies' Civic Reform Association, and hundreds of other taxpayers and citizens representing every shade of public opinion that it is imperative in the interest of the ratepayers and citizens that a complete investigation be conducted into every department of our Civic Government in the hope that it will lift the City out of the rut of lethargy that threatens the future welfare, good government and prosperity of the Corporation.

BE IT RESOLVED that a committee of three be appointed from this Council to conduct the same, to report back to the City Council for their information and action;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee be provided with a stenographer and transportation to conduct the same.

Moved by Alderman Gough, seconded by Alderman Gates that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion put and lost, 6 voting for the same and 9 against it as follows.

May 17th, 1934.

FOR THE RESOLUTION

Alderman Gates
McDonald
O'Toole
Getley
Gough
Smeltzer

AGAINST IT

Alderman Mitchell
Stech
Donovan
Miller
Lordly
McMahus
McCarthy
MacDonald
Holland

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TENDERS - FIREMENS' UNIFORM CLOTHING

Fire Dept.

Read report of the Committee on Firewards submitting tenders for making and trimming uniform clothing.

May 15th, 1934.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards held this day, the following tenders were considered for supplying cloth and making and trimming 90 Firemens' suits and 5 extra pairs trousers.

<u>THE T. EATON CO. LTD.</u>	<u>SUITS</u>	<u>TROUSERS</u>
Cloth #6119 19-20 oz.	22.65	6.45
" #28X0 18-19 "	19.65	6.05
" #24X0 16 "	17.75	5.10

Extra charge of \$1.00 per suit if try-on is required.

CLAYTON & SONS

Cloth #11476 18-19 oz.	2.71 per yd.
" #11583 17-18 "	2.55 "
" #11365	2.20 "

Making and trimming
Suits \$13.00
Trousers 2.50

Sales tax included.

Your committee recommend that the tender of Clayton & Sons be accepted for supplying cloth #11476 at \$2.71 per yard and making and trimming suits at \$13.00 and extra trousers at \$2.50 per pair.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. Smeltzer,
CHAIRMAN.

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May 17th, 1934.

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

TENDERS FOR HOSE

Read report of the Committee on
Firewards submitting tenders for supplying 2½ inch
cotton rubber lined hose.

May 15th, 1934.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee of
Firewards held this day, the following tenders
with samples were considered for supplying 2½ inch
cotton rubber lined hose:

GOOD YEAR TIRE & RUBBER CO.

"Good year" double jacket coupled \$1.30 ft.

DOMINION RUBBER CO., LTD.

"Keystone" double jacket coupled 1.30 ft.

DUNLOP TIRE & RUBBER GOODS

"Dunlop Red-Flex" " " 1.30 "

GUTTA PERCHA & RUBBER LTD.

"Duraflex" " " 1.30 "

AUSTEN BROS., LTD.

"Camel" linen double jacket coupled 1.30 "

WM. ROBERTSON & SON

"Congo" double jacket coupled 1.30 "

Your committee recommend the
purchase of 250 feet of hose from each of the above
firms at \$325.00, or a total cost of \$1950.00.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. Smeltzer,
CHAIRMAN.

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

Hire Dept.