

August 16th, 1934.

City Solicitor

CLAIM, MR. AND MRS. ROBERT DEAN

Read letter from Mr. and Mrs.

Robert Dean claiming damages amounting to \$7,050.50.

Halifax, N. S.
July 20th, 1934.

His Worship, E. J. Cragg,
Mayor,
and Board of Aldermen,
City of Halifax,
Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen:- Damage and Loss - Waldorf Cafe

I herewith present my bill for damage and loss caused by statements given to the Press by members of the Relief Board and published in the "Halifax Daily Star" on Friday, October 13th, 1933 to wit: "Relief Heads oust Robert Dean", and also a heading in large type - "Restaurer SUSPENDED-----."

This statement and others were given to the press as official from the Relief Board as they came out from a meeting held behind closed doors on the above date and which statements created the impression that the Waldorf Cafe had been closed by the Relief Board, and as a consequence our farm patronage, together with city workers, sought other cafes.

On October 3rd, ten days prior to the above published statements the Relief Board had stopped the meal ticket men from eating at the Waldorf in retaliation because the operators of the Waldorf had given information to Mayor Thompson's ill-starred Investigation Committee. The meal ticket men were bewildered by this act of the Board and said act caused wild rumors, detrimental in the extreme to our restaurant business.

The following figures show the combined damage up to date, as follows - 96 ticket men at a meal, 2 meals per day.

192 at 15¢ -	\$28.80
Overhead per day	5.45
192 meals per day at cost of .06¢	11.52
Profit on relief men per day	11.83

Up and until meal ticket men were stopped by Relief Board, the Waldorf was serving 150 cash customers (some days more) at lunch and 60 cash customers for supper. After ticket men were stopped the Waldorf served as low as 50 for lunch and 20 for supper; this falling off, as stated above being due to wild rumors also to the sudden removal of the men without any reasonable

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public explanation, created a very damaging impression in the public mind toward the Waldorf Cafe. As a result it caused a loss to us of 140 cash customers per day at 9¢ profit per person.

Loss of cash customers from
Oct. 5th at \$12.60 per day for 288 days -- \$3,628.80.

Loss of ticket men 192 per day
for 290 days at \$11.83 -- \$3,430.70. The grand total
loss to the Waldorf Cafe to date -- \$7,050.50.

Will expect payment in full within
ten days.

Yours truly,

Mrs. Marie Dean and Robert Dean.

P.S.

The Waldorf Cafe was obliged to close its doors the first of this month as a final result of the Relief Board's damaging official statements. Further damage was added through their failure to hold an investigation in a Court of Justice and have the charges heard that were sworn to before a Police Sergeant against one of the Relief Board members.

R. W. D.
and M.D.

Moved by Alderman Gates,
seconded by Alderman Smeltzer that this matter
be referred to the City Solicitor for report
in writing. Motion passed.

MERCER, N. S. LIGHT AND POWER CO., LTD.

Read report of the City Solicitor
covering proposed merger of the N. S. Light and
Power Co., Ltd. with subsidiary companies.

August 16th, 1934.

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

Gentlemen:

I enclose herewith report dealing with the applications of the Dartmouth and Sackville Electric Companies for an order authorizing them to transfer their undertakings to the Nova Scotia Light & Power Co., Limited. This report was prepared to submit to the Public Utilities Committee but owing to the difficulty in obtaining a quorum it has been impossible for this committee to hold a meeting.

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I have discussed the matter with three of the members, however, viz. Alderman McCarthy, Alderman Donovan and Alderman Power, and they have all agreed that this report should be submitted direct to the Council, for the reason that there would not be sufficient time to arrange for a meeting of the Committee and another meeting of Council before the hearing of these matters before the Board on Thursday next.

As the report is quite lengthy I might say that my recommendation is that the points to which I have called attention should be submitted by me to the Board of Public Utilities, and if the Board can be satisfied, if the applications for the mergers are granted, that proper safeguards can be provided to protect the City, and the City's interests will be protected, in that case the City should not continue to oppose the application. If however, the Board cannot be so satisfied I do not see any alternative but to go into the matter further and produce further evidence, if any is obtainable, to support the City's opposition to this merger.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune,
CITY SOLICITOR.

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

The Chairman,
Public Utilities Committee,
City Hall,
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Sir:- Re- Applications of Sackville River
Electric Co. Ltd., Dartmouth Gas.
Electric Light, Heating & Power
Co. Ltd., for an Order authorizing
them to transfer their undertakings
to N. S. Light & Power Co. Ltd.

As is probably well known the two above companies have made application to the Board for permission to transfer their undertakings to the N. S. Light and Power Co., Ltd. I have attended at all the hearings before the Board in this matter, at only one of which, however, evidence was taken. I cross-examined Mr. J. B. Hayes, the manager of the N. S. Light & Power Co., Ltd. at length and also Mr. J. C. MacKeen, the President of the Company.

At the last hearing held on 9th instant, it was ordered that all the relevant evidence in the 1931 applications would be considered on this application. You will recall that this was the hearing on which Mr. L. A. Lovett was retained by the City and who went into the whole matter in great detail. I was not with the City at that time

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and it was necessary for me to study the whole matter from the beginning in order to become familiar with what had gone before. You will realize that in view of the short time at my disposal, the fact that I have no engineering expert or other legal help to assist me, and that I have also the general work of my office, which is very heavy at the present time, it has not been possible to explore all the various avenues to the extent that I would like to. I have, however, met with several points or factors which, I feel, have a direct bearing on whether or not the City of Halifax should oppose the application. It may be that the attitude of the City might well be that of pointing out to the Board of Public Utilities the several matters herein referred to, with the statement that the City deems them relevant, but if they can be shown to be immaterial or that some safeguards can be provided the City will be pleased to leave the whole matter to the decision of the Board. If, however, the City cannot be so satisfied or if no safeguards are possible, the City should oppose the applications.

The first matter to be considered is the fact that on the minutes of the City Council of December 22nd, 1931, the following minute appears:

"After discussing the proposals of the N. S. Light and Power Co., Ltd. and the opinion and recommendations of Ira P. Macnab, the expert employed by the City, contained in his letter to Mr. L. A. Lovett, dated December 18th, 1931 and the letter of Mr. L. A. Lovett of the same date, the following resolution was submitted:

RESOLVED that this Council will not consider any merger proposals by Nova Scotia Light and Power Company Limited or its subsidiaries which do not contain a definite recognition of the ruling of the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities that the Electric Light and Power Department of N. S. Light and Power Co., Ltd. is a separate and distinct Public Utility and that the rates for electrical customers will be so calculated as to provide the statutory return on the rate base of that department after all operating and other charges in that department are provided for".

This resolution has not yet been rescinded and in my opinion continues to represent the stand decided upon by the City. If any reason can be shown why this resolution should be modified, then this should be done.

The department rule of the Board, which provided that the Electric Light & Power Department, the Tramway Department and the Gas Department of the N. S. Light and Power Company, Limited, are all separate and distinct public utilities, has been in force over ten years and has from time to time been definitely re-asserted up to and including the applications made in 1931.

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The effect of this rule is that the company may, under the Public Utilities Act earn up to 8% on the rate base of each department rather than up to 8% on the rate base of the entire undertaking.

This leads me to the first matter of importance in this application. Under the ruling of the Board, as to Departments, if undertakings of the Dartmouth and Sackville Companies are taken over by the Nova Scotia Light & Power Co., Ltd., they will be taken into the Electrical Department of this company.

As to this department, from returns to the Board the earnings for the same in percentage for six years up to December 31st, 1933 are as follows:

1928	1929	1930	1931	1932	1933	
12.70%	13.75%	10.68%	8% ⁺	8% ⁺	11.91%	8%
			62,133,65	57,503.68	92,297.42	or

The earnings of the Dartmouth Company as computed by me from returns to the Board for the same periods are:

1928	1929	1930	1931	1932	1933
6.18%	8.2%	6.04%	6.34%	3.96%	4%

The earnings of the Sackville Company as computed by me from returns to the Board for the same period are as follows:

1928	1929	1930	1931	1932	1933
4.98%	2.37%	6.16%	6.48%	3.77%	5.18%

In my opinion unless proper safeguards are provided, the fact that the electric department of the Nova Scotia Light & Power Company, which is earning more than its legal returns, has joined to it two other electric companies, neither of which is earning the maximum legal return on their respective rate bases will possibly work a hardship on the present customers of Nova Scotia Light & Power Company in Halifax, in that unless such safeguards are provided, the company will then be entitled to earn 8% on the total combined rate base consisting of the present rate base of Nova Scotia Light & Power Company and that of the Dartmouth and Sackville Companies, neither of which two latter companies are at present earning their share of the return by a substantial margin. The effect of this will in short apply the over-earning in Halifax to make up the under-earning in Dartmouth and Sackville. Thus the City of Halifax may be deprived of a reduction in rates which at the present rate of earnings would appear to be imminent.

This would in my opinion alone warrant the City taking the stand before the Board to at least ensure the provision of proper safeguards.

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The question may arise as to what safeguards might be taken:

In the first place, it would be very pertinent to know what is the proper rate base of both Dartmouth and Sackville; when was the last valuation and by whom; is that valuation accurate at the present time.

In the second place, the establishment of regional rates has been proposed by the company as a sure preventative of any ill effects upon the City of Halifax. I have not had time to properly consider the effect regional rates would have on the City of Halifax. It is a matter of record however that in the 1931 hearing the same question was taken and the following extract from the Decision of the Board is to be found at page 32 of the 1932 reports:

"On the argument before us, in answering the objections to the merger we have mentioned, Counsel of the Companies submitted that regional rates in the various territories, based on the cost of the service in those districts respectively, would be a sure preventative of the ills feared by others. It is not easy to reconcile some of the arguments for the merger with the theory of regional rates, and we do not think that such rates even if admittedly possible under The Public Utilities Act, is a complete answer or a satisfactory solution of the difficulties presented. Moreover, in our opinion, regional rates under such circumstances, especially if it ever should be that the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company, Limited, must be considered as one utility, will not facilitate regulation by this Board. It is not beyond the limits of reason to anticipate arbitrary allocations of expense growing out of the common service and possibilities of practices which might be hard to check or adequately control".

This statement which is the final word changed, and which throws considerable doubt as to the Boards power to grant regional rates, is not such as to dispel any misgivings as to the effect of such rates. Other objections are also set out in the portion of the decision quoted above dealing with the difficulty of allocating expense. Therefore, as I have before stated I am not sufficiently prepared at the present, through lack of time in which to consider this matter, to advise the City definitely that regional rates will sufficiently protect the City if a merger is effected.

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A further paragraph of the 1932 decision might be cited as in point -- 1932 Public Utility Reports @ Page 33:

"Bigness does not necessarily make for reduced costs, and the mere bringing together of a number of independent units for the creation of one large unit does not necessarily make for economy. We were not impressed with the evidence as to the proposed economies, and are of the opinion that practically all of them can be made without the merger taking place, and that in any event they do not afford any substantial argument in support of the merger".

Reference is also made to the following at page 25:

"The Manager of the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company, Limited, in the course of his testimony stated that in the event of a merger their intention was not to increase any of the rates. We do not question the bona fides of that statement but we think it is obvious that it should not be a factor in the determination of the matter before us. Furthermore, Counsel of that Company with manifest good faith said that the Company was willing to undertake by formal contract, as a term of the approval of the merger, to agree to the regional rates we have before referred to, and if necessary to implement the same by requisite legislation. We have given this the careful consideration it deserved, and have come to the conclusion that we have no other course but to proceed on the law as it is and in view of the results that may legally follow the merger".

A second point to be considered with reference to whether the City should oppose this application is the fact that the merger may affect the City's rights under the contract between the Nova Scotia Bower Commission and the Nova Scotia Light & Power Co., Limited. The evidence adduced by the applicants on the hearing is very indefinite and is very brief:

J. B. Hayes examined by Mr. J. McG. Stewart, K.C. (July 26/34), Page. 6.

"Q. Are you familiar with the contract between the Nova Scotia Light & Power Co., Ltd., and the Nova Scotia Power Commission?

A. Yes.

Q. Will the granting of these applications, in your opinion, in any way affect that contract?

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A. No.

Q. Or the rights or benefits secured thereunder to the City of Halifax?

A. No."

On Cross Examination by myself the following is reported on Page 13:

"Q. I would like to discuss this contract between the Nova Scotia Light & Power Company and the Power Commission. I want to get your views on the contract. During the period the contract has been in force the great bulk of the energy supplied by the Halifax Company was sold to the City of Halifax?

A. Yes.

Q. A comparatively small proportion, in relation to the City of Halifax, was distributed in the Dartmouth and Sackville territory?

A. I would not say that. It is large - both in volume and in value, although the percentage is about 10%.

Q. Out of the proportion sold to the consumers in the Halifax district, the Halifax Company built up a substantial surplus?

A. No - I would not say that.

Q. Is the electrical department earning more than 8% on its assets used and useful in the City of Halifax - say during the period that the contract has been in force?

A. You will have to tell me something about the allocation of taxes and something about allocation of other charges between departments. On an allocation of such things - as reported to this Board annually, the electric department, as such, has earned more than 8% on the basis of the allocation I spoke of.

Q. Substantially more than 8%.

A. I think so - in some years. I am sure so in some years.

Q. I suppose that those excess earnings would result in setting up a surplus? I want to find out about this depreciation reserve.

A. It might result in a good tramway service."

It is not clearly established to my satisfaction that at the end of the eighteen or so years this contract has to go that if the

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St. Margaret's Bay development is used for Dartmouth and Sackville and other points, that at that time when we expect power at cost, that the situation will be free from doubt. The rates paid by the consumers in Halifax provide the Nova Scotia Light and Power Co., Limited with funds to pay to the Nova Scotia Power Commission to return the capital cost of the development in thirty years. Now if other districts come into the picture it is reasonable to expect that when the cost is reduced they will expect benefits therefrom due to their participation in the cost thereof. The contract clearly states in more than one place that the St. Margaret's Bay development is intended for the City of Halifax and its inhabitants and therefore I think some consideration should be given to this matter.

Regarding this the Board says at Page 31 of 1932 Public Utility Reports:

"Evidence was given about the so called St. Margaret's Bay contract between the Nova Scotia Bower Commission and the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company, Limited, from which it would appear that the price of electric energy to the Company includes payment into a sinking fund that will in time pay the cost of the development, that the payments have been made for ten years and are included in the rates for electric light, and that the result in time may be a reduction of the rates in the City of Halifax. It was argued that the merger might possibly change the situation and prevent the reduction in rates. This increases the uncertainty we have already referred to. On all these matters we are not satisfied either as to the law or the facts".

It may, as a matter of fact, be possible to satisfy the Board that none of these dangers will exist and that there will be nothing accruing from the merger to affect the City's rights under this Contract. I feel that as the Utilities Board has the confidence of both the citizens and the Utility Companies, that this matter can be safely left to it and that the City could well decide to instruct me to appear and present to the Board the various points which I have enumerated above and any others which may be relevant, and be content with the ruling of the Board thereon. I feel sure that if it can be clearly ascertained that the merger will not injure the City of Halifax or the consumers and will benefit the company, that it is not our desire to arbitrarily oppose the application.

The third point is that of the over-earnings of the Nova Scotia Light & Power Company in its electrical department. By the Public Utility Act a public utility is entitled

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to earn up to 8% on its rate base. This utility for the past nine years has earned the following percentage of its rate base:

<u>1924</u> 8.57%	<u>1925</u> 8.85%	<u>1926</u> 10.40%	<u>1927</u> 10%	<u>1928</u> 12.70%	<u>1929</u> 13.75%	<u>1930</u> 10.68%
<u>1931</u> 8% ⁺	<u>1932</u> 8% ⁺	<u>1933</u> 11.91%	8% ⁺			
62,133.65		57,503.68		92,297.42		

At the time of the applications in 1931 an application was made on behalf of the City for a reduction in rates. No hearing was held on this application and the same was subsequently dropped, as I am advised, on the advice of the City's Counsel. At that time for the year 1930 the earnings were 10.68%. In 1931, the earnings were about 10.7%, in 1932 about 10.5% and in 1933 about 11.91%. It must be considered, when speaking of the over-earnings of the electric department that both the gas and tramway departments are under earning as for example in 1933 the Gas Department earned only 3% and the Tram Department 3.5%, which figures are respectively 5% and 4.5% less than 8%. In 1933 the entire company earned 6.8%.

The question should be considered whether in view of the under earnings of the Tramway Department, some allowance should be granted by way of over earning to the electric department.

I would therefore recommend that this committee instruct me to place these matters before the Board and call its attention to the fact that it is felt that these matters affect the City and the consumers and that if the applications for merger are granted that the City will be protected by proper safeguards.

Yours very truly,

C. P. Bethune,
CITY SOLICITOR.

Moved by Alderman McCarthy,
seconded by Alderman Power that the City Solicitor's report be adopted and that he be instructed to appear before the Public Utilities Board according to his tenure and do all things possible in the best interests of the city. Motion passed.

City Auditor
City Hall

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PIPING, GREENHOUSE -- PUBLIC GARDENS

Read report of the Committee on
Gardens, Parks and Commons submitting tenders for
renewing piping in the greenhouse, Public Gardens.

Committee Room, City Hall,
August 9th, 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, your
committee had under consideration tenders for
installing new piping in the greenhouses adjacent
to the Public Gardens as follows:

Farquhar Plumbing and Heating Co.	\$2,265.00
Hagen & Co.	2,790.00
George L. Allen	3,098.00
H. Conrad and B. J. Christian	3,500.46

Your committee recommend that
the tender of Farquhar Plumbing and Heating Co.
at \$2,265.00, being the lowest, be accepted.

The Council is also asked to
authorize the expenditure provided in Chapter 60
of the Acts of 1934 for the renewal and replacing
of water piping in an amount not exceeding \$2,000.00.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. Donovan,

O'Toole and passed by Alderman Donovan, CHAIRMAN, seconded by Alderman
12.30 o'clock,

Moved by Alderman Donovan,

seconded by Alderman Gough that this meeting

do now adjourn. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

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E. J. Cross
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

H. C. Powell,
CITY CLERK.

EVENING SESSION

8.10 o'clock,
Council Chamber,
City Hall,
September 13th, 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, Hendry, McDonald, MacDonald, O'Toole, Getley, Power, Gough, Smeltzer and Doyle.

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

The following named papers were submitted.

MINUTES

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

CIVIC EMPLOYEES

Read extract from minutes of a meeting of the City Council of the City of Halifax held on the 12th day of July 1934 re civic employees.

Moved by Alderman Gough, seconded by Alderman O'Toole that the resolution as read be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman McCarthy, seconded by Alderman Power that this matter be deferred until the next regular meeting of Council owing to the fact that one official has not replied to the questionnaire sent out by the City Clerk. Amendment put and passed, 10 voting

Clerk

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for the same and 8 against it as follows:

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Aldermen Adams
Doyle
Hendry
MacDonald
McCarthy
McDonald
McManus
Miller
Mitchell
Power
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AGAINST IT

Alderman Donovan
Gates
Getley
Gough
Lordly
O'Toole
Smeltzer
Stech

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DEAN CLAIM

Read letter from City Solicitor
covering claim of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dean.

September 4th, 1934.

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

Gentlemen: Re Claim of Mrs. Marie Dean and Robert Dean

At the last meeting of the City Council this matter was referred to me for report in writing. As I have not as yet received a definite opinion as to the liability of the City, if any, to Mrs. and Mrs. Dean. It would appear to me, however, that there is sufficient doubt in this case to warrant the City in not making any voluntary settlement, as I do not believe that the City is liable for the damages claimed by these people.

I would therefore recommend that no action be taken in this matter until an action is brought against the City. In such a case I would be in a better position to definitely advise on what liability the City may be under in this regard.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune,
CITY SOLICITOR.

Moved by Alderman McManus, seconded
by Alderman Doyle that the letter be filed.

Motion passed.

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LEGISLATION

Read letter from City Solicitor
covering legislation.

September 12th, 1934.

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

Gentlemen:-

I wish to again call the attention of the members of the various committees of the Council that it is desirable that any legislation required for the next session of the Legislature of Nova Scotia should be considered now, in order that the same may be prepared and thoroughly discussed before the opening of the session of the House. In the past there has always been a great rush at the last minute to include in our legislation various matters which may not have received the benefit of careful consideration by the committees of the Council before the same is presented to the legislature,

I therefore trust that the Council will keep this matter in mind and will endeavor to have any items of legislation handed to me at as early a date as possible so I will have an opportunity of preparing the same with the care that should be exercised in such matters.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune.

Moved by Alderman McManus, seconded by Alderman Donovan that the letter be accepted and filed. Motion passed.

Alderman Gough wishing to be recorded against.

ACCOUNT. PHINNEY MUSIC CO. LTD. VS CITY OF HALIFAX

Read letter from City Solicitor submitting notice of action, Phinney Music Co., Ltd. versus City of Halifax.

*Law &
Privileges Comm.*

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Sept. 11th, 1934.

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

Gentlemen:--

The Phinney Music Co., Ltd.
vs
The City of Halifax.

I enclose herewith a copy of a Notice of Action which has been received by me on behalf of the City.

As the notice states this is an action to recover \$106.75 which was paid to N. A. Macalder, City Marshal, by the defendant in an action in which the Phinney Music Company, Ltd., was the plaintiff. A demand has been made against the City of Halifax for payment, but no payment has been made for the reason that it is not clear, at least in my opinion, that the City is liable. It is very difficult to find any authority one way or the other, and although I have serious doubt as to whether the City is liable, I am not prepared to give a definite opinion to this effect.

In view of the fact that there are a number of similar claims against the City I would recommend that a test case be made herein, in order to determine by the decision of the court whether or not the City is liable to make good sums of money received by N. A. Macalder as City Marshal, which he did not apply in the proper manner.

Yours very truly,

C. P. Bethune,
CITY SOLICITOR.

Moved by Aldermen McCarthy,

seconded by Aldermen Miller that this matter be referred to the Laws and Privileges Committee for a thorough investigation and report back to Council. Motion passed.

Aldermen Gough wishing to be recorded against.

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GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Finance Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$17,698.17.

Committee Room, City Hall,
September 10th, 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 list of accounts amounting to \$17,698.17 chargeable to the various services.

Your committee recommend that the accounts as submitted be passed as correct and forwarded to the City Council for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. Stech,
CHAIRMAN.

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

FIRE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Committee on Firewards recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$13,797.62 chargeable to the Fire Department and \$504.60 chargeable to the Fire Alarm Telegraph System.

September 10th, 1934.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards held this day, the attached accounts amounting to \$13,797.62 for the Fire Department and \$504.60 for the Fire Alarm Department were considered.

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Your committee recommend that these accounts be passed for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. Smeltzer,
CHAIRMAN.

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

CAMP HILL CEMETERY ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Camp Hill Cemetery Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$1,043.30.

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

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Camp Hill Cemetery held this day, the committee had under consideration the attached list of accounts amounting to \$1,043.30.

Your committee recommend that the accounts as submitted be paid.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. Smeltzer,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Smeltzer, seconded by Alderman Getley 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 \$1,783.44 chargeable to the Public Gardens and \$496.16 chargeable to Fleming Park.

September 13th, 1934.

Committee Room, City Hall,
September 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, your committee had under consideration the following list of accounts amounting to \$1,783.44 chargeable to the Public Gardens \$29.44 chargeable to capital account, Fleming Park, also \$466.72 chargeable to current account, Fleming Park.

Your committee recommend that the accounts as submitted be passed as correct and forwarded 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.

POLICE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Police Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$10,293.13.

September 10th, 1934.

His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Police Committee held this day, the following list of accounts amounting to \$10,293.13 were passed and submitted to Council for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman McManus,

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

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LIBRARY COMMITTEE ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Library Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$338.70.

September 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	\$275.82
The Book Room	Books	47.51
		<u>\$338.70</u>

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. McDonald,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman J. F. McDonald,
seconded by Alderman Gough that the report be adopted and accounts paid. Motion passed.

CHARITIES COMMITTEE ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Charities Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$8,170.78 chargeable to the City Home and \$2,850.81 chargeable to the T. B. Hospital.

Halifax, N. S.
September 7th, 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 Donovan and Gates.

CITY HOME ACCOUNTS AUGUST 1934. AMOUNT \$8,170.78

City Home accounts for the month of August 1934 amounting to \$8,170.78 are recommended for payment.

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TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS AUGUST 1934,
AMOUNT \$2,850.81

Tuberculosis Hospital accounts for the month of August 1934 amounting to \$2,850.81 are recommended for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. McCarthy,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman McCarthy, seconded by Alderman H. A. MacDonald 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 \$2,218.94.

September 10th, 1934.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members, City Council.

Gentlemen:--

At a meeting of the City Health Board held on Friday, September 7th, the following named accounts amounting to \$2,218.94 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 Getley 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 \$1,962.54.

September 13th, 1934.

City Prison,
Halifax, N. S.
September 5th, 1934.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the City Prison Committee held this day, the committee had under consideration the attached list of accounts amounting to \$1,962,54.

Your committee recommend that the accounts as submitted be passed as correct and forwarded to the City Council for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

E. L. Miller,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Miller, seconded by Alderman McManus 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 \$13,470.02.

September 12th, 1934.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works recommend for payment accounts amounting to \$13,470.02, chargeable as follows:-

Works Dept.	Capital	\$1766.43	
	Appropriations	<u>9294.68</u>	\$11061.11
Water Dept.	Construction	801.23	
	Maintenance	<u>1295.92</u>	2097.15
Public Works			<u>311.76</u>
			<u>\$13470.02</u>

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

September 13th, 1934.

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

ACCOUNT, PLOUGHING CITADEL HILL

Read report of the Committee on Works recommending for payment the attached account of Newton Harvey amounting to \$16.00 for ploughing at Citadel Hill.

September 13th, 1934.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works recommend for payment the attached account of Newton Harvey for the sum of Sixteen Dollars (\$16.00) for ploughing at Citadel Hill, the same to be paid out of Streets Account.

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Moved in amendment by Alderman Lordly, seconded by Alderman McManus that this account be referred to the Relief Committee for their consideration and necessary action.

Amendment passed.

DIRECT RELIEF ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Direct Relief Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$6,059.12.

Committee Room, City Hall,
September 6th, 1934.

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

Relief Comm.

September 13th, 1934.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Direct Relief Committee held this day, the following list of accounts amounting to \$6,059.21 were considered.

Your committee recommend that the accounts as submitted be passed for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

EXTENSION OF LIEN

Read report of the Finance Committee together with letter from the City Collector recommending that the lien on business and household taxes for the civic year 1933-34 be further extended to the 1st day of February 1935.

Committee Room, City Hall,
September 10th, 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 Collector suggesting that the lien on business and household taxes for the civic year 1933-34 be further extended to the 1st day of February 1935, as provided by Section 52, Chapter 60 of the Acts of 1934.

Your committee recommend that the lien be extended to February 1st, 1935 as contained in the City Collector's letter.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. Stech,
CHAIRMAN.

*City Collector
City Auditor
Governor, in Council*

September 13th, 1934.

Sept. 10th, 1934.

The Chairman,
The Finance Committee,
City of Halifax,
CITY HALL.

Dear Sir:-

Under Chapter 60, Section 52, of the "Nova Scotia Laws of 1934" the lien on business and household taxes for the civic year 1933-34 was extended to the first of November 1934, and under Sub-section 2 of Section 52, a further extension was made possible providing the City made a request prior to the 21st day of September 1934, to the Governor-in-Council.

Also under Chapter 60, Section 53 of the "Nova Scotia Laws of 1934" the lien on the 1931-32 real estate taxes was extended to the first of November 1934 with the same proviso, that on the request of the City made prior to the 21st day of September 1934, a further extension be granted by the Governor-in-Council.

Taking into consideration the present financial situation and the necessity of granting permission to pay by monthly instalments over a considerable length of time in order to give the taxpayers a chance to liquidate their 1933 business and household taxes and their 1931 real estate taxes without having recourse to legal proceedings to collect, I would recommend that the same concession be granted to taxpayers at this time, as was granted last year, that is that a further extension be requested under the above Act to the first day of February 1935.

I may say this worked out very satisfactorily last year and gave a great number of taxpayers a chance to pay their taxes before the end of January who could not have possibly liquidated their taxes before the first of November.

I trust that you and your committee will see your way clear to concur in my recommendation.

Yours very truly,

A. T. E. Crosby,
CITY COLLECTOR.

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman Miller that the report be adopted and the lien extended to February 1st, 1935.

Motion passed.

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City Auditor
City Treasurer

TEMPORARY RELIEF SHELTER

Read report of the Finance Committee recommending for payment an account amounting to \$71.50 for temporary relief shelter.

Committee Room, City Hall,
September 10th, 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 bill amounting to \$71.50 for temporary relief shelter.

Your committee recommend that the account be paid.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. Stech,
CHAIRMAN.

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

HEATING SYSTEMS AT SCHOOLS

City Auditor
City Treasurer
W. H. Bevanon

Read report of the Finance Committee together with letter from the Board of School Commissioners regarding replacement and repairing of boilers in the Halifax Academy, St. Thomas Aquinas School and Cunard Street School, also resolution providing for the borrowing of \$421.85 under the provisions of Section 332A of the City Charter.

Committee Room, City Hall,
September 10th, 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

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consideration the attached letter from the Board of School Commissioners recommending the replacement of boilers in the Halifax Academy, St. Thomas Aquinas School and Cunard Street School at a total expenditure of \$900.00.

Your committee recommend that the sum of \$421.85 be borrowed under the authority of Section 332A of the City Charter and that \$478.15 be paid out of the available funds in capital account.

A resolution covering same is attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. Stech,
CHAIRMAN.

September 7th, 1934.

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

Gentlemen:-

I am directed by the Board to bring to your attention our need of a sum of money not exceeding Nine Hundred Dollars (\$900.00) for replacement of boiler, sections, etc. as follows:

<u>HALIFAX ACADEMY</u>		
	3 sections and labor	\$259.01
<u>ST. THOMAS AQUINAS SCHOOL</u>		
	Section and labor	162.84
<u>CUNARD ST. SCHOOL</u>		
	New boiler and labor installing	478.15
		<u>\$900.00</u>

Will you kindly instruct us how you wish the matter handled? Whether we are to make application to the Governor-in-Council or whether the City Council will take care of the matter.

Thanking you in advance for an early reply.

I am,
Yours very truly,

H. F. Bezanson,
SECRETARY.

WHEREAS the city requires money for the purpose of meeting the cost of replacing heating equipment in the Halifax Academy and St. Thomas Aquinas School, and no funds have been provided for this purpose;

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that an amount not exceeding \$421.85 be borrowed for the aforesaid purpose pursuant to the provisions of Section 332A of the City Charter, and that the said sum be borrowed from any bank or fund available and repaid when placed in the Estimates for 1935-36.

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

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

TENDERS FOR INSURANCE

Read report of the Committee on Firewards submitting tenders for insurance on Fire Department apparatus.

September 10th, 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 insurance on Fire Department cars covering Public Liability of from \$10,000. to \$20,000. and \$1,000. property damage.

<u>THOMPSON ADAMS & CO.</u>	\$2,505.29
<u>E. C. BURKE</u>	2,505.29
<u>V. W. REDMOND</u>	1,760.30
<u>THE TRAVELERS</u>	1,442.20
<u>RAINNIE & CO. LTD.</u>	1,400.00
<u>COMMERCIAL UNION ASSURANCE CO. LTD.</u>	
Edw, A. Young (Agent)	1,364.00

Your committee recommend that the tender of Edw. A. Young at \$1,364.00, being the lowest be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. Smeltzer,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Smeltzer, seconded by Alderman Power that the report be adopted.

Fire Dept.

September 13th, 1934.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Lordly, seconded by Alderman Power that this matter be referred back to the Firewards Committee for further consideration with the recommendation that they collaborate with Alderman Miller and when contract is approved by the City Solicitor, the committee are given authority to effect the insurance; same to be referred to Council for ratification at its next regular meeting. Amendment passed.

BORROWING \$1,600.00 FOR NEW BOILERS
AND CELL DOORS AT CITY PRISON.

*City Auditor
City Treasurer
Ald. Miller*

Read report of the City Prison Committee together with resolution providing for the borrowing of a sum not to exceed \$1,600.00 for the purpose of replacing the boilers and installing cell doors in the City Prison.

Committee Room, City Hall,
September 13th, 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 installing of new boilers and cell doors at the City Prison, and recommend that a sum not exceeding \$1,600.00 be borrowed for the above mentioned purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

E. L. Miller,
CHAIRMAN.

WHEREAS the city requires money for the purpose of meeting the cost of replacing the boilers in City Prison and installing new cell doors and no funds have been provided for this purpose;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that an amount not exceeding \$1,600.00 be borrowed for the aforesaid purpose pursuant to the provisions of Section 332A of the City Charter, and that the said sum be borrowed from any bank or fund available and repaid when placed in the estimates for 1935-36.

September 13th, 1934.

Moved by Alderman Miller, seconded by Alderman McManus that the report and resolution as submitted be adopted. Motion put and passed, 15 voting for the same and 2 against it as follows.

FOR THE MOTION

Aldermen Adams
Donovan
Doyle
Gough
Hendry
Lordly
MacDonald
McCarthy
McDonald
McManus
Miller
O'Toole
Power
Smeltzer
Stech

AGAINST IT

Aldermen Gates
Getley

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City Auditor
City Treasurer
Chief of Police

GRANT, WIDOW OF LATE CONST. MULLALEY

Read report of the Police Committee recommending that a grant of \$1,000.00 be made to the widow of the late Const. Geo. Mullaley.

Mayor's Office,
August 13th, 1934.

His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Police Committee held this date, it was recommended to the City Council that:-

"The widow of the late Constable George Mullaley be granted the sum of \$1,000.00 in recognition of his long and faithful service, and that the necessary legislation be sought at the next session of the Legislature to pay said \$1,000.00."

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman McManus, seconded by Alderman Hendry that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

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Laws and
Privileges Comm.

September 13th, 1934.

ORDINANCE NO. 13, "TAXI FARES".

Read report of the Laws and Privileges Committee submitting a draft ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 13 relating to motor hacks, together with letters from L. W. Fraser, Three Ess Taxi and Thos. M. Baldwin.

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

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Laws and Privileges Committee held this day, the committee had under consideration an extract from minutes of a meeting of the City Council held on August 16th, 1934 relating to the schedule of taxi fares, as follows:-

For any distance up to $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles, for one or two passengers.....	\$.50¢
Each additional passenger.....	.25¢
For any distance over $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles, within the City limits, one or two passengers.....	.75¢
Each additional passenger.....	.25¢
For employment by the hour sightseeing, 5 passengers.....	\$3.00
For employment by the hour sightseeing, 7 passengers.....	4.00
For employment by the hour shopping.....	2.00
When accompanied by an adult, children under one year of age FREE. Over one year and not over twelve years at HALF FARE.	
No trunks to be carried on taxi.	

Your committee recommend to the City Council for approval the following schedule as an amendment to Ordinance No. 13.

For any distance up to $\frac{1}{2}$ mile for one or two passengers on hail.....	.25¢
For each additional passenger.....	.10¢
For any distance up to $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles for one or two passengers on call.....	.40¢
For each additional passenger.....	.20¢
For any distance over $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles within the City limits, for one or two passengers.....	.70¢
For each additional passenger.....	.20¢
For employment by the hour, sightseeing, 4 passengers or less.....	\$3.00
For employment by the hour, sightseeing, 5 passengers or more.....	4.00
For employment by the hour, shopping.....	2.00
When accompanied by an adult, children under three years of age, FREE.	
Over three years and not over twelve years at HALF FARE.	

Respectfully submitted,
J. F. McManus;
VICE-CHAIRMAN.

September 13th, 1934.

His Worship Mayor Cragg,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:-

After reviewing the schedule of taxi fares which the Laws and Privileges Committee proposes to recommend to Council, my clients have instructed me to express to you their opposition to the adoption of the said schedule. They believe that the inclusion of a fare whereby two persons may travel one-half mile for twenty-five cents would be particularly unfair to taxis operating to and from the Halifax railway station.

My clients wish to again express their approval of the schedule of fares recommended to Council by the Cabs Committee.

Faithfully yours,

L. W. Fraser,
Solicitor for Chas. A. Pender Ltd.
Halifax Taxi
Fraser Bros. Taxi
Casino Taxi
and a number of
independent operators.

Halifax, N. S.
September 13th, 1934.

His Worship,
Mayor Cragg,
CITY HALL.

Dear Sir:-

With reference to the proposed schedule of taxi fares as submitted by the Laws and Privileges Committee, we wish to say that in our opinion, they are too high, and will reduce the volume of business to a great extent, and will be detrimental to the taxi business in general.

We wish to submit the following scale of fares, which in our opinion, are fair to the public and on which the taxi-men will make a living.

On Hail: 25¢ for 1 or 2 passengers up to 1 mile,
each additional passenger .10¢
On Call: 40¢ for 1 or 2 passengers up to 2 miles,
each additional passenger .20¢
70¢ for 1 or 2 passengers up to 3 miles,
each additional passenger 20¢
\$1.00 for 1 or 2 passengers over 3 miles
within the City limits, each additional
passenger 20¢

September 13th, 1934

In our opinion, the hourly rates proposed by the Laws and Privileges Committee, are satisfactory.

Trusting the above rates will meet with your approval, we remain,

Yours very truly,

THREE ESS TAXI SERVICE.

September 13th, 1934.

The Chairman,
Cabs Committee.

Dear Sir:-

Before deciding to grant permission to taxis, the carriage of trunks etc. on side of their cabs; would it not be in order to hear what the various truck concerns have to say, as it will affect their business.

I pay 4 truck licenses, and to me it does not seem fair, in other words (a life and let live policy).

However, in any event I trust your committee will give this matter consideration.

Yours truly,

Thos. M. Baldwin

Moved by Alderman McManus, seconded by Alderman H. A. MacDonald that the report be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Power, seconded by Alderman Doyle that this matter be referred back to the Laws and Privileges Committee for further consideration and report. Amendment passed.

Alderman Gates wishing to be recorded against.

SALARY - THOS. W. FRIPPS, SUPT. POINT PLEASANT PARK

Read report of the Laws and Privileges Committee and opinion of the City Solicitor covering salary of Thos. W. Fripps, Superintendent at Point Pleasant Park.

City Auditor
City Treasurer
Chas. Weston

September 13th, 1934.

Committee Room, City Hall,
September 7th, 1934,

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Laws and Privileges Committee held this day, the committee had under consideration the attached extract from minutes of a meeting of the City Council held on August 16th, 1934 together with the opinion of the City Solicitor re salary of Thomas W. Fripps, Superintendent at Point Pleasant Park.

Your committee recommend that same be forwarded to the City Council for its action.

Respectfully submitted,

H. F. McManus,
VICE-CHAIRMAN.

September 4th, 1934.

Alderman Walter Mitchell,
Chairman,
Laws and Privileges Committee,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir: Re- Salary of Park Keeper of Point Pleasant Park.

As requested at the last meeting of the City Council, held on the 16th of August, I am submitting herewith my report on the matter of the salary of Thomas W. Fripps, the Park Keeper at Point Pleasant Park.

The minutes of the meeting of the Point Pleasant Park Committee of May 19th, 1931, contain the following:

"Moved by Col. Weston, seconded by Alderman O'Toole that Thomas W. Fripps who was appointed on approbation last June be now appointed Park Keeper at a salary for the current year of \$1,055.00 and that he receive a yearly increase of \$60.00 until the maximum of \$1,300.00, as fixed by the Council by resolution April 17th, 1930, be reached; also that he have the use of the Park Lodge with telephone. Motion passed."

It would appear from the foregoing that Mr. Fripps was to receive a yearly increase of \$60.00 until the maximum of \$1,300.00, as fixed by the City Council, was reached.

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It appears that the increase has not been granted to Mr. Fripps for the years 1932-33, 1933-34, 1934-35. Under the terms of the resolution Mr. Fripps would appear to be entitled to a yearly increase of \$60.00, and I am of the opinion that it was on this basis that Mr. Fripps was engaged as Park Keeper. It seems to me reasonably clear that this is the intention.

At a meeting of the City Council, held on May 17th, 1934, the following minute appears:

"Read report from the Commissioners of Point Pleasant Park together with resolution covering the salary of the Supt.

Committee Room, City Hall,
April 19th, 1934.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Point Pleasant Park held this day, your committee had under consideration a resolution as follows:-

WHEREAS the City Charter authorizes the Park Commission to employ needed labor;

AND WHEREAS this Commission by resolution passed 19th May 1931 employed Mr. Thos. W. Fripps as Park Keeper at a salary of \$1060. for that year with a yearly increase of \$60. until his salary reached \$1,300. as fixed by the City Council by resolution of April 17th, 1930;

AND WHEREAS the City Council has authorized payment of said salary by each year's estimate except the year 1932-33;

AND WHEREAS the City Council by resolution passed 27th March, referred the question of payment of said sum to the Finance Committee, and if found a contract existed the Supt's salary to be increased by said amount;

AND WHEREAS the Finance Committee have not allowed such increase;

AND WHEREAS the City Solicitor has advised that a contract exists and said sum should be allowed;

NOW THEREFORE RESOLVED that this resolution be sent to the City Council with a request that payment of said sum be directed and thus enable this Commission to discharge its indebtedness for said sum.

September 13th, 1934,

Your committee recommend that the resolution as submitted be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

H.C. Powell,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Mitchell, seconded by Alderman Getley that the report and resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed."

This resolution provides the salary for the year 1932-33, but no provision has been made apparently for the two subsequent years by this resolution. It seems to me since the fact that the increase was allowed for the year 1932-33 that this increase should continue each year until Mr. Fripps' salary reaches the maximum.

I understand that the amount of \$177.00 is due Mr. Fripps. I presume that this covers the amount of his increase during the years 1932-33, 1933-34, 1934-35 and I am of the opinion that he is entitled to receive this amount.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune,
CITY SOLICITOR.

Moved by Alderman McManus, seconded by Alderman Doyle that the report and opinion of the City Solicitor be adopted, and that Mr. Fripps be paid the amount due him. Motion passed.

Alderman Gough requests information as to whether Mr. Fripps is provided with light, fuel and telephone in addition to free rent.

VOTE OF THANKS - RELIEF COMMITTEE

Read report of the Direct Relief Committee recommending that a vote of thanks be extended by this Council to the members of the previous committee administering direct relief.

Committee Room, City Hall,
Sept. 6th, 1934.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Direct Relief

Members of
Retiring Relief
Committee
Major Smith
E. A. Spindye
Ald. Stech
Major Moore
A. W. Whitman
E. C. Cunnings
J. C. Jones
Malice Hren
Ald. Miller
Ald. Mitchell
A. H. Minshall

September 13th, 1934.

Committee held this day, your committee referred to the very satisfactory manner in which the previous committee appointed to administer direct relief performed its duties.

Your committee recommend to Council that a vote of thanks be tendered to the private citizens and the committee as a whole who so diligently served as the Direct Relief Committee up until August 31st, 1934.

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Gates, seconded by Alderman Donovan that the report be adopted and that a vote of thanks be extended to the members of the Direct Relief Committee who retired on August 31st. Motion passed.

Alderman Gough wishing to be recorded against.

PURCHASE OF STEAM KETTLE

Read report of the Charities Committee recommending the purchase of a steam jacketed kettle for use at the City Home.

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

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Your committee recommend that Messrs. T. Hogan & Co., Halifax be engaged to manufacture a steam jacketed kettle for City Home at a cost of \$198.00 plus 6% sales tax to replace a similar kettle which has been condemned.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. McCarthy,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman McCarthy, seconded by Alderman H. A. MacDonald that the report be adopted and that a steam jacketed kettle for use in the City Home be purchased from T. Hogan & Co. at a cost of \$198.00. Motion passed.

Charities Comm.

September 13th, 1934.

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

Read report of the Charities
Committee for the month of August 1934 showing the
number of inmates in the City Home to be 435 and
the number of patients in the T. B. Hospital to be 59.
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WEST STREET SIDEWALK

Read report of the Committee on
Works and City Engineer re West Street sidewalk.

August 29th, 1934.

His Worship the Mayor,

Sir:-

I have a request from Cousins
Limited, for the construction of a concrete sidewalk,
curb and gutter on the north side of West Street,
from Robie Street eastwardly to the end of their
property.

The length of the block from Robie
Street to Davison Street is about 387 feet. The
frontage of the property owned by Cousins Limited,
is 227 feet.

It is recommended that a concrete
sidewalk, curb and gutter be ordered to be
constructed from Robie Street to Davison Street.
The estimated cost of the work is \$1300.00, of
which the City's share will be about one-half.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER.

September 11th, 1934.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Attached is a report of the City
Engineer on a request of Cousins Ltd., for the
construction of a concrete sidewalk, curb and
gutter on the north side of West Street, from
Robie Street eastwardly to the end of their property.

The Committee on Works recommend
that the said report be adopted and that a
concrete sidewalk, curb and gutter be ordered to
be constructed on the north side of West Street,
from Robie Street to Davison Street.

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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*City Engineer
Clerk of Works*

September 13th, 1934.

Moved by Alderman Gates, seconded
by Alderman Donovan that the reports be adopted.
Motion passed.

HOLLIS STREET SIDEWALK

Read report of the Committee on Works
and City Engineer re sidewalk, east side of
Hollis Street.

August 29th, 1934.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

There is an old brick sidewalk
on the east side of Hollis Street, from Fawson
Street about 160 feet northwardly. This sidewalk
is in bad condition. It is used by the majority
of pedestrians going and coming from the Railway
Station, and should, in the public interest, be
taken up and relaid with concrete.

The estimated cost of the work
is \$500.00, of which the City's share will be
about one-half. It is recommended that it be
ordered to be done.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER.

September 11th, 1934.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Attached is a report from the
City Engineer recommending that the brick sidewalk
on the east side of Hollis Street, from Fawson
Street about 160 feet northwardly, be taken
up and re-laid with concrete.

The Committee on Works recommend
that the said report be adopted and the work
ordered to be done.

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Gates, seconded
by Alderman Donovan that the reports be adopted.
Motion passed.

*City Engineer
Clerk of Works*

*City Engineer
Clerk of Works*

September 13th, 1934.

MARKET BUILDING ROOF

Read report of the Committee on Works submitting tenders for shingling roof on the market building.

September 12th, 1934.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day, tenders were opened for shingling the roof at the City Market Building.

It was resolved to recommend to Council that the following tender be accepted:-

John T. Inkpen - Entire Job	\$3,626.00
Replacing any of the roof boards	7.00

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Gates, seconded by Alderman Donovan that the report be adopted and that the tender of John T. Inkpen be accepted.
Motion passed.

WATER EXTENSION, GRANT STREET

*City Engineer
Clerk of Works*

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re water extension, Grant St.

September 11th, 1934.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the application from Mr. George Perks for the extension of the water main on Grant Street to supply a new house on the south side of the street.

The total length of the extension will be 110 feet and the estimated cost is \$520.00.

I would recommend that this extension be made provided the applicant will sign a bond in the amount of \$36.40.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. DeWolfe,
ASST. CITY ENGINEER.

September 13th, 1934.

Sept. 12th, 1934.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Attached is a report of the City Engineer on an application from Mr. George Perks for the extension of the water main on Grant Street.

The Committee on Works recommend that the said report be adopted and that the extension be made provided the applicant will sign a bond in the amount of \$36.40.

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Gates, seconded by Alderman Donovan that the reports be adopted.
Motion passed.

ROBIE STREET OILING

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer covering the oiling of Robie Street from South Street to Oakland Road.

September 11th, 1934.

His Worship the Mayor,

Sir:-

I beg to report on the matter of surfacing that portion of Robie Street from South Street to Oakland Road with stone and oil. The estimated cost of the work is approximately \$750.00 of which the abutters' share will be about one-half.

I would recommend that this work be done.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. DeWolfe,
ASST. CITY ENGINEER.

September 12th, 1934.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works recommend that the attached report of the City Engineer be adopted and that Robie Street from South Street to Oakland Road be surfaced with stone and oil.

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

*City Engineer
Clerk of Works*

September 13th, 1934.

Moved by Alderman Gates, seconded by Alderman Donovan that the reports be adopted.

Motion passed.

WATER METER BILLS

Read report of the Committee on Works re water meter bills.

September 11th, 1934.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works recommend reductions in water bills as follows:-

Kempt Road - Acct. 61168A. The consumption for the half year ending October 1933 to be reduced to 143,600 gallons.

41 Brunswick St. Acct. 30069. The consumption for September, October, November and December 1932 to be reduced to 13,000 gallons for each month.

42 Brunswick St. Acct. 50407. Consumption for January, February, March and April to be reduced to 16,000 gallons for each month.

53-57 Maynard St. Acct. 51201. Consumption for December 1933, January, February, March and April 1934 to be reduced to 12,000 gallons for each month.

219-223 Brunswick St. Acct. 40222. Consumption January 1934, to be reduced to 35,000 gallons.

240 Gottingen St. Acct. 50990. Consumption for January, February, March and April 1934 to be reduced to 5,000 gallons for each month.

136 Creighton St. Acct. 50561. Consumption for December 1933, January, February, March and April 1934 to be reduced to 2,000 gallons for each month.

183 Gottingen St. Acct. 50903. Consumption for January, February, March and April 1934 to be reduced to 11,000 gallons for each month.

18 James St. Acct. 51146. The bill for November and December 1933, and January, February, March and April 1934 to be made up on a consumption of 10,000 gallons for each month.

Clerk of Works

September 13th, 1934.

173 Brunswick St. Acct. 30095. Consumption for February and March 1934 to be reduced to 20,000 gallons for each month.

179-183 Gottingen St. Acct. 50902. Consumption for January, February, March and April 1934 to be reduced to 40,000 gallons for each month.

9 Falkland St. Acct. 40717. Consumption February and March 1934 to be reduced to 50,000 gallons for each month.

83 Cornwallis St. Acct. 50623. Consumption for January, February, and March 1934 to be reduced to 4,000 gallons for each month.

858 Barrington St. Acct. 50256. Consumption for January, February, March and April 1934 to be reduced to 8,000 gallons per month.

36-38 Hollis St. Acct. 20839. Consumption for January, February, March and April 1933, to be reduced to 9,000 gallons for each month.

247 1/2 Robie St. Acct. 21462. Consumption for November and December 1933 to be reduced to 6,000 gallons for each month.

118 Creighton St. Acct. 50552. Consumption for December 1933, January, February and March 1934 to be reduced to 4,000 gallons for each month.

4 West St. Acct. 51731. Consumption for December 1933, January, February, March and April 1934 to be reduced to 8,000 gallons for each month.

204 Maynard St. Acct. 51284. Consumption for January, February, March and April, 1934 to be reduced to 10,000 gallons for each month.

225 Brunswick St. Acct. 40223. Consumption for January, February, March and April 1934 to be reduced to 10,000 gallons for each month.

191 Creighton St. Acct. 50505. December 1933, January, February, March and April 1934 to be billed at 16,000 gallons for each month.

850 Barrington St. Acct. 50251. January, February, March and April 1934 to be billed at 15,000 gallons per month.

32 West. St. Acct. 51742. December 1933, January, February, March and April 1934 to be billed at 15,000 gallons per month.

45 Charles St. Acct. 50706. December 1933, January, February, March and April 1934, to be billed at 4,000 gallons per month.

September 13th, 1934.

778 Barrington St. Acct. 40317. Consumption for
September 1931, to be reduced to 30,000 gallons.

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

TAG DAY - PROVINCIAL PROGRESSIVE SOCIAL AND
ATHLETIC CLUB.

*B. A. Husbands
President.*

Read letter from the Provincial
Progressive Social and Athletic Club requesting
permission to hold a tag day on Saturday,
September 29th.

September 10th, 1934.

To His Worship the Mayor,
Chairman of the City Council,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:-

May it please you and your honorable
committee to grant us the following request.

Our object in addressing this letter
to you is because we find ourselves to be doing
something for our people along the lines we
represent. Doing this without a little help is
hard, and for this reason we take this opportunity
to ask you for the privilege of holding a tag day
on Saturday, the 29th of this month.

This date is previous to a day
which we have named for the holding of a big sport
event on the Wanderers Grounds for our boys and girls.
For this event we have only a short time for the
use of the Grounds, and to put this program back
would not be so good, as the weather would also be
against us.

It is for this reason we have
addressed this letter direct to your honorable board,
as we have been made to understand there will not
be any more meetings of the Laws and Privileges
Committee until October. Therefore, we hope that
you will see your way clear to grant us this request.

Thanking you in advance for your
favorable consideration in this matter.

Yours truly,
B. A. Husbands,
PRESIDENT.

September 13th, 1934.

Moved by Alderman McManus, seconded by Alderman O'Toole that permission be granted the Provincial Progressive Social and Athletic Club to hold a tag day on Saturday, September 29th. Motion passed.

BOY SCOUTS APPLE DAY

Boy Scout Assoc.
Alderman McManus informed Council that an application from the Boy Scouts for permission to hold their annual tag day known as "Apple Day" on October 6th had been forwarded, but for some unknown reason had not reached the City Clerk's Office to date.

Moved by Alderman McManus, seconded by Alderman H. A. MacDonald that the Boy Scouts be granted permission to hold their annual Apple Day on Saturday, October 6th. Motion passed.

DIRECT RELIEF EXPENDITURES

Read report of the City Auditor covering direct relief expenditures as at September 13th, 1934.

REPORT ON DIRECT RELIEF EXPENDITURES.
(Estimated)
July 12th - September 13th, 1934.

<u>APPROPRIATION</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>CITY'S SHARE</u>
Vote June 16th/32	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
" July 14th/32	25,000.00	5,000.00
" Sept. 2nd/32	60,000.00	20,000.00
" Dec. 15th/32	135,000.00	45,000.00
" Apr. 13th/33	111,000.00	37,000.00
" July 13th/33	102,000.00	34,000.00
" Oct. 12th/33	150,000.00	50,000.00
" Jan. 11th/34	150,000.00	50,000.00
" Apr. 12th/34	132,000.00	44,000.00
" Aug. 16th/34	120,000.00	40,000.00
	<u>990,000.00</u>	<u>330,000.00</u>

Expenditures to August 31st, 1934 837,911.67 279,303.89

Add estimated to Sept. 13th, 1934 15,000.00 5,000.00
852,911.67 284,303.89

September 13th, 1934.

Balance unexpended of authorized appropriations of which approximately \$66,000. is available for expenditure to Oct. 31st, the difference having lapsed

\$137,088.33 \$45,696.11

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

Respectfully submitted,

A. M. Butler,
CITY AUDITOR.

September 12th, 1934.

FILED

TAX COLLECTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 1934

Read report of the City Auditor covering tax collections for the month of August 1934.

City Auditor's Office,
August 31st, 1934.

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

Gentlemen:-

Report on Tax Collections for the month of August is submitted. Collections amounted to \$176,612.65; corresponding period last year \$193,879.88. Collections on account of taxes for the years 1908-1924 were \$90.84. The ledger value of this group on August 31st, 1934 after deducting Reserves for short collection amounted to \$550,995.08. Collections of Poll Taxes in 1934-35 of current and arrears to August 31st, 1934 amounted to \$10,439.50; corresponding period last year \$12,656.70.

Arrears Taxes	Civic Year	Reserve	Outstanding Balances July	New accounts and adjustments	August Collections	Outstanding Balances August
	1925-26	\$65,178.59*	\$65,177.33		\$25.44	\$65,151.89
	1926-27	39,868.23*	41,579.68		31.72	41,547.96
	1927-28	40,513.47*	40,441.26		14.26	40,427.00
	1928-29	45,387.58*	44,972.10		78.45	44,893.65
	1929-30	48,291.68*	47,857.71		193.48	47,664.23
	1930-31	57,819.44*	56,431.61		212.86	56,218.75
	1931-32	69,787.75*	92,620.03		4,327.62	88,292.41
	1932-33	49,327.80*	245,074.66		7,297.09	237,777.57
	1933-34	55,064.36	457,059.04		18,414.76	438,644.28
			1,091,213.42		30,595.68	1,060,617.74
Current Taxes	1934-35	46,308.91	983,221.55		134,772.95	848,448.60
Water Dept. Rates, etc.			95,392.71		11,244.02	84,148.69
			2,169,827.68		176,612.65	1,993,215.03

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Poll Taxes 1932-33	\$2,308.95	\$122.00	\$2,186.95
Poll Taxes 1933-34	6,815.98	327.00	6,488.98
Poll Taxes 1934-35	19,701.00	1,195.50	18,505.50

* 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 is transferable to the General Reserve or the General Sinking Fund, as the case requires, on April 30th of each year.

Respectfully submitted,

FILED A. M. Butler,
CITY AUDITOR.

11 P M.,

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

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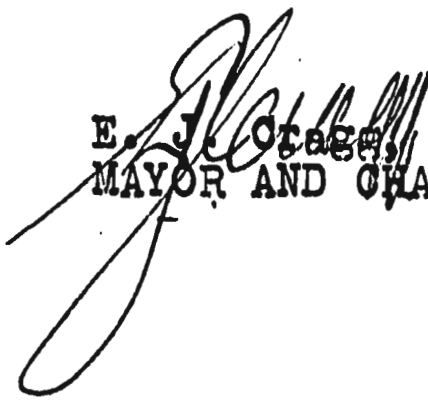
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H. C. Powell,
CITY CLERK.


E. J. O'CASEY,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.