

EVENING SESSION

8.10 o'clock,
Council Chamber,
City Hall,
November 14th, 1935.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen Stech, Donovan, Lordly, McManus, Freda, McCarthy, J. F. McDonald, O'Toole, Curtis, Power, Gough, Smeltzer and Walker.

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

MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Smeltzer, seconded by Alderman Donovan that the minutes of the previous meeting be approved. Motion passed.

PRESENTATION OF PRIZES - HALIFAX HARBOUR CHAMPIONSHIP

Before taking up the regular business of the meeting, His Worship the Mayor presented the prizes won for the annual single scull races for the championship of Halifax Harbour for the past two years.

His Worship called upon Mr. Reginald Patterson, of Dartmouth, winner of the first prize, representing the Micmac Rowing Club and presented him with the Cogswell Silver Medal, a set of flat silverware and an order of \$20.00, and to Mr. William Power of the Jubilee Rowing Club the second prize, a leather club bag and signet ring.

His Worship then in a few well chosen words congratulated the contestants on their achievement and wished them much success.

November 14th, 1935.

The following named papers were submitted:-

PURCHASE OF SITE FOR SCHOOL BUILDING - BAYERS ROAD

School Board
Read letter from the Board of School Commissioners requesting that the City authorize an expenditure of \$600.00 for the purpose of purchasing site for school building.

November 1st, 1935.

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

Gentlemen:-

In view of the large number of children living on the City side of the Dutch Village Road, which number is increasing steadily year by year, the Board is of the opinion that steps should be taken to secure a suitable site in this vicinity for the erection of a small school building in the future.

I am instructed by the Board to request that the City authorize an expenditure not exceeding Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00) for the purchase of a site suitable for a school building on or near the western end of Bayers Road.

Yours very truly,

H. F. Bezanson,
SECRETARY.

Moved by Alderman Smeltzer, seconded by Alderman McManus that the request of the School Board be granted.

8.20 o'clock,
Alderman Hendry arrives and takes his seat in Council.

Upon the vote being taken there appeared for the motion 9, against it 5 as follows:

November 14th, 1935.

FOR THE MOTION

Aldermen Donovan
Freda
Hendry
Lordly
McCarthy
McDonald
McManus
Smeltzer
Stech

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AGAINST IT

Aldermen Curtis
Gough
O'Toole
Power
Walker

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LETTER CITY SOLICITOR RE GRANT VERSUS CITY OF HALIFAX

Read letter from the City

Solicitor re decision in the case Grant versus The
City of Halifax.

November 12th, 1935.

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

Dear Sirs:- Re: Grant vs. The City of Halifax

This is to advise you that the
Supreme Court of Nova Scotia handed down a decision
in the above matter in favor of the City.

Yours very truly,

C. P. Bethune,
CITY SOLICITOR.

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ACCOUNTS

The following resolution covering
accounts of various committees was submitted.

RESOLVED that the Council approve
for payment the bills and accounts of expenditures
submitted to this meeting by the Committee on Finance
amounting to \$9,551.44; Committee on Charities
amounting to \$8,839.63; Gardens Committee amounting
to \$1,370.08, Fleming Park amounting to \$174.42;
City Prison Committee amounting to \$2,008.71;
Committee on Firewards amounting to \$13,704.00
chargeable to Fire Department and \$539.17 chargeable
to Fire Alarm; Committee on Works amounting to
\$9,523.81; City Health Board amounting to \$6,496.60;
Committee on Camp Hill Cemetery amounting to
\$707.25; Point Pleasant Park Committee amounting to
\$382.13; Library Committee amounting to \$373.20;
Police Committee amounting to \$10,770.85 under the
provisions of Section 315 of the City Charter.

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

Alderman Gough wishing to be recorded against an item in the Police Committee accounts relating to the purchase of parts for cars.

Finance Comm.

BONDING - CLERK OF THE COURTS

Read report of the Finance Committee advising Council that it has no recommendation to make relative to the bonding of the Clerk of the Courts.

Committee Room, City Hall,
November 12th, 1935.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Finance held this day, your committee had under consideration the attached extract from a meeting of the City Council held on the 17th day of October 1935 respecting arrangements whereby the work of Mr. Palmer, the Clerk of the Courts may be audited and he bonded without implicating the City.

The decision of your committee is that it has no recommendation to make in this connection.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. Stech,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Smeltzer, seconded by Alderman Stech that this be referred back to the Finance Committee to confer with the City Solicitor. Motion passed.

*Auditor
Treasurer*

SALARY - CLERK OF THE COURTS

Read report of the Finance Committee submitting resolution re the source from which the salary of the Clerk of the Courts is to be paid.

November 14th, 1935.

Committee Room, City Hall,
November 12th, 1935.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Finance held this day, your committee had under consideration the attached extract from minutes of a meeting of the City Council held on October 17th, 1935, regarding the source from which the salary of Mr. Palmer, Clerk of the Courts, is to be paid.

The recommendation of your committee is that Mr. Palmer's salary be paid under the provisions of Section 332A of the City Charter until April 30th, 1936, and that the amount between the minimum salary of \$2,000.00 and maximum of \$2,500.00 be applied as a salary increase at a rate of \$100.00 annually until the maximum is reached, but only at such times when automatic increases in salaries have been generally ordered.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. Stech,
CHAIRMAN.

WHEREAS the City requires money for the purpose of providing salary to be paid to the Clerk of the City Court for the period from October 18th, 1935 to April 30th, 1936, and no funds have been provided in the estimates for the aforesaid purpose;

AND WHEREAS Section 332A of the City Charter as enacted by Chapter 53 of the Acts of 1932 authorizes the City to borrow money for any purpose legal to the City and which has not been provided for in the estimates;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that an amount of \$1,074.75 be borrowed from any bank or fund available under the provisions of the said enactment. The money so borrowed shall be repaid after inclusion in the civic estimates for 1936-37.

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman Donovan that the report of the Finance Committee be adopted. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman Donovan that the resolution as submitted be adopted. Motion passed.

November 14th, 1935.

10% DEDUCTION ON CIVIC EMPLOYEES

Read report of the Finance Committee and letter from the City Auditor re 10% salary deduction on civic employees.

Committee Room, City Hall,
November 12th, 1935.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Finance held this day, consideration was given to the attached letter from the City Auditor.

The committee recommends that Council approve -

- (a) That the 10% reduction on all employees affected thereby be limited to actual cash salary.
- (b) That restoration be made of all 10% deductions since May 1st in such cases where amounts have been contributed by employees receiving \$60.00 or less monthly.
- (c) That in applying the principle of the 10% reduction, the cash salary of any employee affected thereby, and if such employee is receiving in excess of \$60.00 monthly, shall not be reduced to a point less than \$60.00 monthly.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. Stech,
CHAIRMAN.

November 12th, 1935.

The Chairman,
Finance Committee.

Dear Sir:-

Following discussion before your committee as to the application of the 10% salary reduction to amounts estimated as being the value of occupied quarters and subsistence therein, or one or the other, and your request that I make a report thereon, I may say that after considering the matter my opinion is that any deduction in excess of the 10% actual cash salary of an employee coming within the foregoing category should not apply.

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The reason for this is that all employees of such institutions as the City Market, City Prison, City Home, Tuberculosis Hospital, Infectious Disease Hospital, and even the members of the Fire Department are required at all or certain times to live in the various institutions mentioned and this being so and apart from whether the employee has his family housed in such institutions and enjoys subsistence therein, I still think that no deduction in excess of the 10% of the cash salary should be ordered.

If this view is concurred in, an adjustment will be made in the salaries of a number of employees whose compensation is \$60.00 or less per month. The adjustment will be made as from May 1st and will represent 10% contributions made during the present civic year.

Another point in connection with the salaries of such employees is this, that if by virtue of a 10% reduction in the monthly salary it is thereby brought to a point less than \$60.00 per month, such salary should in such circumstances be fixed at a rate not less than \$60.00 per month. This seems only fair as if this principle of reduction is not applied it would mean in some cases that employees whose salaries were slightly in excess of \$60.00 monthly would, after 10% was taken off, receive less than certain employees who are not affected by the reduction.

Yours very truly,

A. M. Butler,
CITY AUDITOR.

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded
by Alderman Donovan that the report of the Finance
Committee and letter of the City Auditor be adopted.
Motion put and passed, 9 voting for the same and
5 against it as follows:-

FOR THE MOTION

Aldermen Donovan
Freda
Hendry
Loraly
McCarthy
McDonald
McManus
O'Toole
Stech

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AGAINST IT

Aldermen Curtis
Gough
Power
Smeltzer
Walker

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*Auditor
Treasurer*

November 14th, 1935.

INTERNAL AUDIT

Read report of the Finance Committee,
letter of the City Auditor and resolution to provide
for a final appropriation of \$750.00 for the purpose
of the internal audit in the City Collector's Office.

Committee Room, City Hall,
November 12th, 1935.

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 stating that an amount not exceeding \$750.00
will be required to complete the internal audit
of the Collector's rolls.

Your committee recommends that a
sum not exceeding \$750.00 be appropriated in
accordance with the attached resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. Stech,
CHAIRMAN.

November 12th, 1935.

Chairman,
Finance Committee,
CITY HALL.

Dear Sir:-

An amount not exceeding \$750.00 will
be required to complete the internal audit of the
Collector's rolls.

Previous appropriations amounted to
\$5,500.00. Postage involved in the mailing of
verifications cost in excess of the original
estimates and this must now be returned to Printing
and Stationery Account.

Resolution is attached hereto.

Yours very truly,

A. M. Butler,
CITY AUDITOR.

November 14th, 1935,

WHEREAS the City Council at a meeting held December 13th, 1934 passed a resolution providing an appropriation to meet in part the cost of conducting an internal audit of the Collector's Department for the purpose of verifying and accounting the outstanding taxes of that department;

AND WHEREAS an amount of \$2500.00 was then appropriated;

AND WHEREAS a further sum of \$3000.00 was also appropriated by resolution of May 16th, 1935; both of which appropriations were provided under Section 24 of Chapter 70 of the Acts of 1931;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that in order to provide the additional and final sum required for this purpose that an amount not exceeding \$750.00 be appropriated under the provisions of the enactment hereinbefore referred to.

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

Council

AMENDMENT TO SECTION 656 OF THE CITY CHARTER
RE CONTROL OF COMMONS AND PARKS.

Read report of the Committee on Gardens, Parks and Commons re amendment to Section 656 of the City Charter.

Committee Room, City Hall,
November 8th, 1935.

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 before it the attached extract from minutes of a meeting of the City Council held on October 17th, 1935 in reference to draft amendment to Section 656 of the City Charter relating to control of Commons and Parks.

The recommendation of your committee is that this amendment be not approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. Donovan,
CHAIRMAN.

November 14th, 1935.

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

Moved in amendment by Alderman McManus, seconded by Alderman Walker that consideration of this report be deferred until the next regular Council meeting. Amendment passed.

The original motion not put.

ORDINANCE RE SALE OF NEWSPAPERS, ETC.

Read report of the Laws and Privileges Committee submitting an Ordinance respecting the sale of newspapers, etc.

Committee Room, City Hall,
November 8th, 1935.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Laws and Privileges Committee held this day, your committee had under consideration the attached draft Ordinance respecting the sale of newspapers, books, magazines and other periodicals.

Your committee recommends that the Ordinance as drafted by the City Solicitor be approved and now read a first time.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter Mitchell,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman McManus, seconded by Alderman Walker that this Ordinance be referred to the Laws and Privileges Committee with instructions to hold a public hearing. Motion passed.

TENDERS FOR POTATOES AND PORK

Read report of the Charities Committee submitting tenders for potatoes and pork.

*Laws & Privil.
Comm.*

*Charities Comm.
Mr. Buchanan*

November 14th, 1935.

Halifax, N.S.
November 12th, 1935.

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 Donovan and Gough.

Tenders for potatoes and turnips
were opened and read as follows:-

NICKERSON & CREASE LTD.

White Cobblers	73¢	per bus.
Whites, Green Mountain	73¢	"
Turnips	39¢	"

J. R. PINEO

Reds	98¢	"
White Cobblers	93¢	"
Whites, Green Mountain	93¢	"
Turnips	30¢	"

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

Tenders for Prime Mess Pork were
opened and read as follows:

<u>J. R. Pinco</u>	Prime Mess Pork	15¢ per lb.
<u>Earl E. Burgess</u>	" "	13¢ per lb.

The tender of Earl E. Burgess, being
the lowest, is recommended for acceptance.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. McCarthy,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman McCarthy, seconded
by Alderman Gough that the report be adopted.

Motion put and passed, 13 voting for the same and

1 against it as follows:

November 14th, 1935.

FOR THE MOTION

Aldermen Curtis
Donovan
Freda
Gough
Hendry
Lordly
McCarthy
McManus
O'Toole
Power
Smeltzer
Stech
Walker

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AGAINST IT

Alderman J.F. McDonald

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ASSIGNMENT OF BOND

Mr. Buchanan
Read report of the Charities Committee
re assignment of bond.

Halifax, N. S.
November 14th, 1935.

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 Gough.

Your committee have had under
consideration the request for assignment of bond
given to the Overseers of the Poor in the matter of
The King (by Grant) vs. Craig to Miss Grant and
recommend said bond be so assigned, provided that
the City shall not be under any liability by reason
of such assignment and that the same shall be
satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. McCarthy,
CHAIRMAN.

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

TENDERS FOR DOMESTIC BOILER

Mr. Buchanan
Read report of the Charities
Committee submitting tenders for boiler for the
City Home.

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Halifax, N.S.
November 14th, 1935.

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 Gough.

Tenders for hot water tank for City
Home were opened and read as follows:-

Fairview Machine Works	\$550.00
Hagen & Co. Halifax Ltd.	445.00
D.A.Cummings & Co.	390.00
T.Hogan & Company	298.00
Halifax Shipyards Limited	712.00
Wm.Collings & Sons Ltd.	520.00
Purdy Bros. Limited	500.00

The tender of T. Hogan & Company,
plus sales tax, being the lowest is recommended for
acceptance.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. McCarthy,
CHAIRMAN.

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

TENDERS FOR UNIFORM OVERCOATS

Fire Dept.
Read report of the Committee on
Firewards submitting tenders for uniform overcoats.

Halifax, N. S.
November 13th, 1935.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on
Firewards held this day, the following tenders were
considered for supplying cloth and making and
trimming uniform overcoats.

November 14th, 1935.

Prince Clothing Store

Supplying cloth and making as
per samples \$20.00 each

Clayton & Sons

Cloth #14631 sales tax
included 19.00 "

M. Goldberg

Cloth #9315 15.75 "
" #9316 22.00 "
" #9329 26.50 "

Your committee recommends that the tender of Clayton & Sons for supplying cloth #14631 and making and trimming 70 uniform overcoats at \$19.00 each be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. Donovan,
VICE-CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Donevan, seconded by Alderman Curtis that the report be adopted and the tender of Clayton & Sons accepted. Motion passed.

PURCHASE OF HELMETS - FIRE DEPARTMENT

Read report of the Committee on Firewards re purchase of one dozen Firemen's helmets.

November 13th, 1935.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Firewards held this day, it was decided to purchase one dozen Firemen's helmets of the "Liverpool" type from James Hendry Limited of Glasgow, Scotland at approximately \$20.00 each.

Your committee recommends that these helmets be purchased.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. Donovan,
VICE CHAIRMAN.

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

Fire Dept.

November 14th, 1935.

SUPERANNUATION OF WM. J. HOWE, HOSEMAN

Read report of the Committee on
Firewards re the superannuation of Hoseman Wm.J.Howe.

November 13th, 1935.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on
Firewards held this day, the following report from
Chief of Fire Department re superannuation of
Hoseman Wm. J. Howe was read;

"Office of Chief of Fire Dept,
Halifax, N. S.
Nov. 13th, 1935.

Chairman and Members
of the Committee of Firewards.

Gentlemen:-

Wm. J. Howe, a member of the department
has been seriously ill for some time and from reports
of the City Medical Officer and two other physicians
will not be able to continue his duties as a fireman.

Hoseman Howe is 65 years of age and
has served 29 years in the Halifax Fire Department
and 5 years in the Union Protection Company.
He has made application for superannuation and I
would recommend that same be granted.

Attached herewith are copies of
letters from Dr. Kenneth A. MacKenzie, Dr. A. A.
Schaffner and the City Medical Officer also
application of Hoseman Howe.

Respectfully submitted,
J.W.Churchill,
Chief of Department."

Your committee recommends that
Hoseman Howe be superannuated.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. Donovan,
CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.

*Received
Mr. Howe
Fire Chief*

November 14th, 1935.

Fire Chief

BATTERY PLATES FOR FIRE ALARM SERVICE

Read report of the Committee on Firewards submitting tenders for supplying battery plates for Fire Alarm Service.

November 13th, 1935.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Firewards held this day, the following prices were considered for supplying battery plates for Fire Alarm Service;

Northern Electric Co. Ltd. (Exide Batteries)

250 B.T.Couples @ .90	\$225.00	
17 Positive Plates .60	10.20	
17 Negative " .60	10.20	\$245.40

The above prices include sales tax and are f.o.b. Halifax.

The Can. Fairbanks Morse Co. Ltd. (Hart Batteries)

250 B.T.Couples @ .70	177.50	
17 Positive Plates .54	9.18	
17 Negative " .45	7.65	194.33

The above prices include sales tax and are f.o.b. Halifax.

Your committee recommends that the tender of the Canadian Fairbanks Morse Co. Ltd. at \$194.33 be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. Donovan,
CHAIRMAN.

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

QUESTIONS BY ALDERMEN

Alderman Walker asked if a list could be obtained of all temporary employees of the City, their salaries, and how long they have been employed.

His Worship the Mayor replied that there was no record of this beyond the pay roll, and that it was available at any time.

November 14th, 1935.

Alderman Gough, at this time, referred to the recent appointment, made by Camp Hill Cemetery Committee, of a clerk at a reduced salary of \$10.00 per week.

Alderman Stech stated that the committee engaged a clerk half-time at \$10.00 per week.

Alderman Gough asked to be recorded against any man being paid \$10.00 per week.

LETTER FROM THE MAYOR RE RED CROSS GRANT

Mayor
Read letter from His Worship the Mayor re Red Cross grant.

November 14th, 1935.

Members of the City Council,
CITY HALL.

Gentlemen:-

At the regular October meeting of Council, a resolution was passed to appropriate \$3,000. to be administered by the Red Cross for distribution of clothing, etc., to necessitous persons in this City on condition that the Provincial and Dominion Governments also contribute \$3,000. each.

Because of the Provincial year ending this month, the authorities do not want to authorize any more than one-half of this appropriation at present, and I am asking for the authority of Council to deal with the appropriation as passed in a partial way, that is - upon the Provincial and Dominion Governments contributing \$3,000. immediately, the City will contribute \$1,500.

This will allow the balance of the appropriation to be utilized when needed.

I am in receipt of a letter from the Deputy Minister of Labor in which he says that a grant would be made at the next meeting of the Executive Council. Relying on this assurance, I should like authority to pay over a sum of \$500. tomorrow, in order that the Red Cross may commence their administration of the fund.

Yours very truly,

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR.

November 14th, 1935.

Moved by Alderman McManus, seconded by
Alderman Donovan that the letter of the Mayor be
approved and he authorized to pay over a sum of
\$500.00 to the Red Cross Society. Motion passed.

Solicitor
BOND ISSUE - PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION COMMISSION

Read letter from the City Solicitor
and resolution re bond issue, Provincial Exhibition
Commission.

November 12th, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:-

In view of the fact that the
Provincial Exhibition Commission proposes to call in
its existing \$200,000.00 bond issue, upon which
interest at the rate of 5 per cent is being paid,
and substituting therefor a bond issue bearing
interest at the rate of $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent, it has been
felt that a better price can be obtained for these
bonds if the City of Halifax and the Province of
Nova Scotia guarantee the principal and interest on
these bonds.

I am attaching hereto a resolution
approving of this guarantee, provided that the
Province of Nova Scotia also guarantees these bonds.
Upon the passage of this resolution by the City
Council, the Province will be requested to give its
guarantee, and if this is done a formerl guarantee
resolution will be presented to the Council at the
regular meeting in December.

Would you kindly place this matter
before the Council at its meeting on Thursday, in
order that the same will come up with the regular
business at that meeting.

Yours very truly,

C. P. Bethune,
CITY SOLICITOR.

BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council
of the City of Halifax in regular meeting assembled,
do hereby approve of the guarantee by the City of
Halifax of the principal and interest of a certain
loan to be made by the Nova Scotia Provincial
Exhibition Commission for the purpose of paying off
and redeeming an outstanding bond issue of \$200,000.00
issued July 1st 1929; provided however, that the
Province of Nova Scotia also guarantees the said
loan when made.

November 14th, 1935.

Moved by Alderman McMaus, seconded
BY Alderman McCarthy that the letter and resolution
as submitted be adopted. Motion passed.

City Engineer
Chief of Works

ARTZ ST. - STREET LIGHT

Road report of the Committee on Works
re Artz St.- Street light.

November 14th, 1935.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on
Works on November 13th, 1935, the attached petition
for a street light on Artz Street, east of
Barrington Street, was considered and on motion of
Alderman O'Toole and Alderman Gough, the committee
decided to recommend to Council that a street light
be placed immediately at the desired location.

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

GRAY ST. - STREET LIGHT

City Engineer
Chief of Works

Road report of the Committee on Works
and City Engineer re Gray St.- Street light.

October 31st, 1935.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on a petition signed by
owners and residents on Gray Street east of:
Barrington Street asking that a light be installed
on said street, opposite the end of it on the west
side of Barrington Street there is a 400 C.P. light.
A 250 C.P. light installed on a pole at the foot
of Gray Street would greatly improve the lighting,
which does not receive much illumination from the
light at present on Barrington Street.

The estimated cost of installation is
\$30.00 and cost of maintenance per year \$28.00.

It is recommended that the light be installed
when funds are available.

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

November 14th, 1935.

Nov. 14th, 1935.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Attached hereto is a report of the City Engineer on a petition for a street light on Gray Street.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works November 13th, 1935, it was decided on motion of Alderman O'Toole and Alderman Gough to recommend to Council that the light be installed immediately.

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.

COGSWELL ST. SIDEWALK

*City Engineer
Committee on Works*
Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re Cogswell St. sidewalk.

October 31st, 1935.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

The concrete sidewalk on the north side of Cogswell Street between Gottingen Street and North Park Street is in a very bad condition and if not renewed it will have to be dug up in places and temporarily repaired with ashes.

The estimated cost of renewing the concrete walk is \$1300.00.

The present sidewalk was laid in 1908.

It is recommended that a new concrete sidewalk be built.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER.

November 14th, 1935.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works October 31st, 1935, the City Engineer submitted a report which is attached hereto recommending the construction of a concrete sidewalk on the north side of Cogswell Street, between Gottingen Street and North Park Street.

November 14th, 1935.

On motion of Alderman MacDonald and Alderman Freda, the report was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Moved in amendment by Alderman McDonald, seconded by Alderman Hendry that this be referred back to the Committee on Works for further consideration. Amendment put and passed; Alderman Stech wishing to be recorded against.

The original motion not put.

*City Engineer
Committee of Works*

PURCHASE OF PROPERTY - SOUTH-EAST CORNER OF
HARVARD AND YALE STREETS.

Road report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re purchase of property, south-east corner of Harvard and Yale Streets.

October 28th, 1935.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

On October 8th I reported on an application from the Solicitor of Mr. S. A. Hiseler asking that the City take over land required for the widening of Harvard Street, that the property is at the south-east corner of this street and Yale Street. The price asked at that time was \$125.00. I recommended that if Mr. Hiseler would accept the sum of One Hundred Dollars in full, including claim for fence, cost of land and moving back the stop, that this be paid him.

I have a letter under date of the 18th instant from Mr. Hiseler's Solicitor stating that his client had decided to accept this offer.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER.

November 14th, 1935.

Nov. 14th, 1935.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works October 31st, 1935, the City Engineer submitted a report which is attached hereto, recommending the purchase of property at the south-east corner of Harvard and Yale Streets, from Mr. S. A. Hisolor, at a price of \$100.00 in full, including claim for fence, cost of land and moving back the stop.

On motion of Alderman MacDonald and Alderman Gates, the report was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.

OWEN STREET - SEWER AND WATER EXTENSION

City Engineer
Work of Works

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re Owen Street - sewer and water extension.

November 6th, 1935.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

At the last meeting of the Council the extension of the water supply was ordered to supply three houses which were under construction on the north side of Owen Street east of Tower Road, since then permits have been taken out for seven new houses east of those above mentioned and also for moving a house to the lot immediately in rear of Young Avenue. This will complete the building up of the north side of Owen Street between Young Avenue and Tower Road.

Application has been made by the owner of the lots for sewer and water extension.

The estimated cost of extending the sewer from Young Avenue westwardly to Tower Road is \$6,500. The estimated sewer assessment is \$2,125., this contemplates that the sewer assessment rates can only be collected from properties on the north side of the street as the property on the south side is owned by the C.N.R.

November 14th, 1935.

The cost of extending the water from Young Avenue to meet the extension already ordered is \$2,200. and the estimated assessment rate \$710.00, this also is only for the north side of the street.

It is recommended that the sewer and water extension be ordered.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER.

November 14th, 1935.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works November 6th, 1935, the City Engineer submitted the attached report recommending sewer and water extension on Owen Street.

On motion of Alderman MacDonald and Alderman Freda, the report was approved and recommended to Council for adoption, Alderman Gough voting against.

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.

GELDERT STREET - WATER EXTENSION

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re Geldert Street, water extension.

November 13th, 1935.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on an application of the Eastern Trust Company for the extension of the water on Geldert Street from Cambridge Street westwardly, that it is proposed to erect a building on lot No. 21 of the Division as shown on the attached plan. In order to supply this house it would be necessary to extend a 6-inch pipe about 200 feet west from Cambridge Street.

The estimated cost of the work is \$850.00 and the estimated assessment \$260.00.

*City Engineer
Work of Works*

November 14th, 1935.

It is recommended that the extension be made when the house is under construction.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER.

November 14th, 1935.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works on the 13th instant, the attached report of the City Engineer recommending the extension of the water main on Geldert Street was read, and on motion of Alderman Donovan and Alderman Freda recommended to Council for adoption.

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.

REMOVAL OF TREE - BRENTON PLACE

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re removal of tree, Brenton Place.

November 7th, 1935.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I am instructed by a resolution of the Council passed at a meeting held on the 17th ultimo, to prepare a detailed statement of the actual cost of removing a tree on Brenton Place and submit the same to the City Council at its next regular meeting.

In accordance with this resolution I beg to submit the following items of the cost of the work.

Date of work	Labour	Truckage
Dec. 4/34	25 hrs. @ \$0.36 = \$9.00	4 hrs. @ \$0.495 per hr. \$1.98
Dec. 5/34	25 " " 0.36 9.00	1/2 day " 4.25 " day 2.12
" 6/34	29 " " 0.36 10.44	1/2 " " 4.25 " " 2.13
" 7/34	29 " " 0.36 10.44	1/2 " " 4.25 " " 2.13
" 8/34	29 " " 0.36 10.44	2 hrs. " 0.495 " hr. .99
" 10/34	16 " " 0.36 5.76	- " - " -
" 11/34	21 " " 0.36 7.56	4 hrs. " 0.495 " " 1.98
	174	
	\$62.64	\$11.33

*Engineer
Mrs. Freda*

November 14th, 1935.

Total

Labour	\$62.64
Truckage	11.33
Workmens' Comp.	2.00
Supervision	3.38
	<u>\$79.35</u>

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER.

November 14th, 1935.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works on November 13th, 1935, the attached report of the City Engineer showing a detailed statement of the actual cost of removing a tree on Brenton Place, was approved and on motion of Alderman Gough and Alderman Donovan, submitted to Council for its information.

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Gough, seconded by Alderman Donovan that a copy of the Engineer's report be sent to Mrs. Durand with Council's regret that it cannot afford her any relief. Motion passed.

CAMP HILL EXCAVATION

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re Camp Hill excavation.

November 12th, 1935.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

In accordance with the instructions of the Committee I have had further conversations with T. C. Gorman (Nova Scotia) Limited, regarding the excavation and grading at Camp Hill.

The company state that they have received permission from the Department of National Defence to make excavation on a portion of the land owned by the department.

November 14th, 1935.

If this work is undertaken, in my opinion, it is important that the portion of the Camp Hill property owned by the City lying between the Department's line and the Vetcraft shop, as well as the portion lying east and west of the department's property fronting on Jubilee Road, should be graded. Cross sections of the proposed new work are submitted herewith.

The amount of excavation on City property to properly grade the site, is approximately 700 cubic yards.

The Department of National Defence do not propose to charge the Company anything for the material taken from its part of the property, as it is considered that the improvement that will be made in the appearance of the grounds will offset the value of the material taken.

The Company informs me that they are at present paying 5 cents a yard for material at Fairview and they are prepared to pay the City 10 cents per cubic yard for material excavated from the City property at Camp Hill.

In view of the improvement that will be made in the appearance of the Jubilee Road front of Camp Hill, it is recommended that the City allow the Company to make the necessary excavation on its property to properly grade the site provided they will pay 10 cents per cubic yard for the material excavated, and that the work be done in accordance with the cross section submitted and the surface be left in an even condition when the work is completed.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER.

November 14th, 1935.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works on November 13th, 1935, the attached reports of the City Engineer on the application of Messrs. T. C. Gorman (Nova Scotia) Limited, copies of which are attached hereto were approved, and on motion of Alderman Gough and Alderman Freda recommended to Council for adoption.

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

November 14th, 1935.

Moved by Alderman Gough, seconded by Alderman Freda that the reports be adopted. Motion passed.

*City Engineer
Club of Works*

WATER BILL - CAMPBELL'S WHARF

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re water bill, Campbell's wharf.

November 12th, 1935.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the request of the owner of Campbell's Wharf for a reduction in the water bill, that on August 21st, 1935, two fire engines while attending a fire on the adjoining property drove down the roadway to the wharf, later on in the day a leak appeared on the surface, which may or may not have been caused by the fire apparatus. On its appearance the owner notified the City to turn the water off and then had the leak repaired.

There was some water flowing before the main was shut off and as the owner immediately on discovery of the leak took steps to remedy conditions, some allowance should be made.

The consumption for the month previous to August was 153,000 gallons and for September 160,000; the consumption for August was 207,000 gallons or approximately 53,000 gallons more than for September.

It is recommended that a reduction of 25,000 gallons be made in the August consumption and the bill made up accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,

H.W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER.

November 14th, 1935.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works on the 13th instant, the City Engineer submitted a report which is attached hereto on an application from the owner of Campbell's wharf for a reduction in the water bill.

November 14th, 1935.

On motion of Alderman O'Toole and Alderman Donovan the report was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.

*City Engineer
Clerk of Works*

PRESTON STREET WIDENING

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re Preston Street widening.

November 13th, 1935.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I have been unable to come to any satisfactory arrangement with the owner of the property at the north-west corner of Preston Street and Jubilee Road with regard to moving the building to the proposed new line of the sidewalk.

After discussion with the agent of the owner he stated he was satisfied to allow the City to move the building to the new line. I have obtained a price of \$600.00 for moving the building from M. R. Fillmore who has moved several buildings on this street for the property owners.

It is recommended that the contract be awarded to Mr. Fillmore at the price mentioned on the terms contained in his tender.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER.

November 14th, 1935.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held November 13th, 1935, the attached report of the City Engineer on the moving of the building at the north-west corner of Preston Street and Jubilee Road, was approved and on motion of Alderman Freda and Alderman O'Toole, recommended to Council for adoption.

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

November 14th, 1935.

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

Motion passed.

*City Engineer
Clerk of Works*

LETTER, MARGARET FROST RE PROPERTY ON
PRESTON STREET.

Read letter from Margaret Frost re
property, 73 Preston Street.

73 Preston St.,
Halifax, N. S.
November 8th, 1935.

To the Mayor and Members
of the Halifax City Council.

Gentlemen:--

It is well and generally known that the City Council has recently approved of an expenditure to take care of the expenses of moving houses belonging to certain taxpayers on Preston Street in order to straighten out the property lines and the widening of this street in the interest of the general public. I believe the City's action in this respect was fair and commendable. However, some years ago, I wished to make certain alterations at 73 Preston Street. I was refused a permit to do this unless I moved my house back from the street at my own expense - as the alterations were necessary, I did move my house at a cost of about \$1200. - I had to borrow this money and the transaction on the whole was a great hardship to me. Now that the City has given help to other taxpayers under similar circumstances and moved their homes at the City's expense, I feel that my case should be given consideration. This matter has been before the Board of Works but I feel that it was not given as serious consideration as it might have received, I therefore respectfully request that your Worship and members of Council will go into the merits of this particular case and if necessary ask the Board of Works for further consideration.

Thanking you in anticipation of the fair treatment that I feel confident I will eventually receive from you as Mayor of the City and from the members of Council, I am,

Yours respectfully,

Margaret Frost.

November 14th, 1935.

Moved by Alderman Gough, seconded by Alderman McManus that this letter be referred to the Committee on Works for consideration and report.

Motion passed.

CHIMNEY REPAIRS, INCINERATOR

Read report of the Committee on Works re chimney repairs, incinerator.

November 14th, 1935.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works on November 6th, 1935, tenders for repairs to the chimney at the Incinerator were opened and read and on motion of Alderman Gates and Alderman Gough, the tender of Messrs. Dodd and Struthers was approved and recommended to Council at a price of \$350.00 plus \$50.00 for each steel band considered necessary by the City Engineer.

E. J. Cragg,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Gough, seconded by Alderman O'Toole that the report be adopted.

Motion put and passed, 8 voting for the same and 4 against it as follows:-

FOR THE MOTION

Aldermen Donovan
Freda
Gough
Lordly
McCarthy
McManus
Smeltzer
Stech

AGAINST IT

Aldermen Curtis
O'Toole
Power
Walker

SUPT'S REPORT RE INMATES IN THE CITY HOME
FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, 1935.

Read report of the Charities Committee for the month of October 1935 showing the number of inmates in the City Home to be 446.

FILED

November 14th, 1935.

DIRECT RELIEF EXPENDITURES

Read report of the City Auditor covering
direct relief expenditures as at November 14th, 1935.

REPORT ON DIRECT RELIEF EXPENDITURES.
(Estimated)

October 17th, 1935- November 14th, 1935.

<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
" Oct. 11th/34	150,000.00	50,000.00
" Jan. 17th/35	125,000.00	41,666.66
" Apr. 11th/35	125,000.00	41,666.66
" Aug. 15th/35	100,000.00	33,333.33
" Oct. 16th/35	100,000.00	33,333.33
	<u>\$1,590,000.00</u>	<u>529,999.98</u>

Expenditures to
October 31st, 1935. 1,363,685.15 454,561.71

Add estimates to
November 14th, 1935 12,000.00 4,000.00
\$1,375,685.15 \$458,561.71

Balance unexpended of
authorized appropriations
of which approximately
\$88,000.00 is available
for expenditure to
Jan. 31st, 1935, the
difference having
lapsed. \$214,314.85 \$71,438.28

Respectfully submitted,

A. M. Butler,
CITY AUDITOR.

FILED

TAX COLLECTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 1935.

Read report of the City Auditor
covering tax collections for the month of October 1935.

November 14th, 1935.

City Auditor's Office,
October 31st, 1935.

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

Gentlemen:-

Report on Tax Collections for the month of October is submitted. Collections amounted to \$71,568.58; corresponding period last year \$73,864.21. Collections on account of taxes for the years 1908-1924 were \$16.35. The ledger value of this group on October 31st, 1935, after deducting Reserves for short collection amounted to \$548,729.81. Collections of Poll Taxes in 1935-36 of current and arrears to October 31st amounted to \$13,301.50; corresponding period last year \$15,372.25.

Arrears Taxes

Civic Year	Reserve	Outstanding Balances September	New accounts and adjustments	October Collections	Outstanding Balances October.
1925-26	\$64,673.71*	\$64,493.58		\$21.76	\$64,471.82
1926-27	39,748.97*	40,919.66		18.60	40,901.06
1927-28	39,676.87*	39,372.69		57.16	39,315.53
1928-29	44,024.02*	43,484.80		51.31	43,433.49
1929-30	46,194.38*	45,651.75		161.85	45,489.90
1930-31	52,466.30*	51,143.34		403.07	50,740.27
1931-32	45,038.11*	42,486.31		548.60	41,937.71
1932-33	49,273.60*	106,680.06		1,656.24	99,023.82
1933-34	55,297.70	244,680.75		7,991.48	236,689.27
1934-35	50,732.23	453,400.43		16,201.46	437,198.97
		1,132,313.37		33,111.53	1,099,201.84

Current Taxes

1935-36	51,687.80	770,360.42		29,937.28	740,423.14
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Water Dept.
Rates, etc.

	54,736.54	\$19,003.05	8,519.77	65,219.82
	<u>\$1,957,410.33</u>	<u>19,003.05</u>	<u>71,568.58</u>	<u>1,904,844.80</u>

Poll Taxes 1932-33	926.81		80.50	846.31
Poll Taxes 1933-34	4,031.29		120.00	3,911.29
Poll Taxes 1934-35	6,546.14		301.00	6,245.14
Poll Taxes 1935-36	18,440.60		1,731.00	16,709.60

* 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,

A. M. Butler,
CITY AUDITOR.

FILED

November 14th, 1935.

DEPARTMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

Read report of the City Auditor covering departmental appropriations and expenditures as at October 31st, 1935.

FILED

SALARY ADJUSTMENT COMMITTEE

His Worship the Mayor appoints the following members of Council to act as a committee to be known as the "Salary Adjustment Committee" -

E. J. Cragg, Mayor	-	Chairman of Comm.on Works
Wm. A. Gates	-	" Firewards Comm.
J. W. McCarthy	-	" Charities Comm.
R. W. Hendry	-	" Prison Comm.
W. E. Donovan	-	" Gardens Comm.
A. J. Smeltzer	-	" Camp Hill Cemetery Comm.
H. J. Stech	-	" Finance Comm.
P. A. Gough	-	Representing the Board of Health as the Chairman is not a member of Council.

Alderman Curtis nominates Alderman O'Toole to act on this committee as a representative of Ward 5.

Alderman Walker nominates Alderman Curtis to this committee.

Alderman O'Toole declined in favor of Alderman Curtis.

His Worship the Mayor then appointed Alderman Curtis to act as a member of this committee.

Moved by Alderman McManus, seconded by Alderman Freda that the committee as appointed be approved. Motion passed.

10.50 P.M.,

Moved by Alderman McManus, seconded by Alderman Freda that this meeting do now adjourn.

Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

November 14th, 1935.

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W. P. Publicover
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CITY CLERK.

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