

July 16th, 1936.

DALHOUSIE STREET - SEWER AND WATER EXTENSION

*City Eng.*  
*Works of Works*

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

June 17th, 1936.

His Worship the Mayor,

Sir:-

I beg to report on an application for the extension of sewer and water on Dalhousie Street, that there are two houses now under construction on the east side of the street, with the likelihood that in the very near future several others will be built.

The estimated length of sewer required is 460 feet and the estimated cost of the sewer is \$3600.00. Estimated sewer rates \$1900.00.

The length of water pipe required will be 560 feet. The estimated cost \$2000.00. Estimated assessment \$820.00.

It has been the practise of the City to lay sewer and water on the street when two houses are under construction, and in this case it is almost certain that at least four more will be started within the year.

It is recommended that the sewer and water be ordered laid on this street.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER.

July 16th, 1936.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works June 17th, 1936, the attached report of the City Engineer recommending sewer and water extension on Dalhousie Street, was on motion of Alderman Gates and Alderman O'Toole, approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

E. J. Cragg,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

July 16th, 1936.

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

Motion passed.

MCLEAN STREET - SEWER AND WATER EXTENSION

*City Eng. Works*  
Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re McLean Street, sewer and water extension.

June 18th, 1936.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on a petition from two owners of property on McLean Street asking that the sewer and water be extended to their lots, that the length of the sewer extension is about 375' from the Atlantic Street sewer, the estimated cost \$2600. and the estimated sewerage rates \$1500.

The estimated cost of the water extension is \$1100. and the assessment \$595.

There are six lots laid out on the east side of the street and those belonging to the petitioners are the farthest north. At present there is no house on the street.

It is recommended that the sewer and water be extended when at least two houses are under construction.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER.

July 16th, 1936.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works July 8th, 1936, the attached report of the City Engineer re sewer and water extension on McLean Street, was on motion of Alderman Gates and Alderman Donovan, approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

E. J. Cragg,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

July 16th, 1936.

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

NEWTON AVENUE - SEWER AND WATER EXTENSION

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re Newton Avenue, sewer and water extension.

July 14th, 1936.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the application of Butler Bros. for the extension of sewer and water on Newton Avenue, that the extension asked for is from Second Street to Third Street and will be about 260 feet long.

We have just completed the installation of these services as far as Second Street.

It is proposed to immediately construct a modern six room house at the corner of Newton Avenue and Third Street.

The estimated cost of the sewer extension is \$1550.00, the estimated sewerage rates \$1,000.00.

The estimated cost of the water extension is \$800.00 and the estimated assessment \$400.00.

The size of the pipe proposed is 6-inches.

This street is being built up, with a probable further development in the near future.

It is recommended that the sewer and water be extended on Newton Avenue from Second Street to Third Street.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER.

July 16th, 1936.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works July 15th, 1936, the attached report of the City Engineer recommending sewer and water extension on Newton Avenue, from Second and Third Street, was on motion of Alderman Gough and Alderman Gates, approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

E. J. Cragg,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

*City Eng.  
Committee on Works*

July 16th, 1936.

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

Motion passed.

CONNAUGHT AVENUE - WATER EXTENSION

Read report of the Committee on  
Works and City Engineer re Connaught Avenue, water  
extension.

July 14th, 1936.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the application of  
G. D. Anderson for the extension of the water on  
Connaught Avenue, that the extension to serve Mr.  
Anderson's property will be about 100 feet long.  
The pipe will be 6-inches in diameter and the  
estimated cost of the work is \$420.00, the estimated  
assessment is \$100.00.

The Railway is the boundary on the west  
side of this street which accounts for the small  
assessment.

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

The adjoining lot to the south has  
been sold to E. S. Murray and I understand that he  
proposed to build in the near future. To supply  
his property will require a further extension of  
about 70 feet. The estimated cost is \$294.00 and  
the estimated assessment \$70.00.

It is recommended that this further  
extension be made when a house is under construction  
on the Murray lot.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER.

July 15th, 1936.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works  
July 15th, 1936, the attached report of the City

*City Eng.  
Clerk of Works*



July 16th, 1936.

Engineer re Connaught Avenue water extension, was on motion of Alderman Gates and Alderman Keshon, approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

E. J. Cragg,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.

CLIFTON STREET - CONCRETE SIDEWALK

*City Eng. Works*  
Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re Clifton Street, concrete sidewalk.

July 7th, 1936.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on a petition from property owners on the west side of Clifton Street between Cunard and Charles Street for the construction of concrete curbs, gutters and sidewalks, that it is signed by the owners of 55% of the frontage,

This street is only forty feet wide to a point a short distance south of Charles Street. It is proposed in the narrow portion to make the sidewalks eight feet wide each, which will leave a twenty-four foot roadway.

The estimated cost of the work is \$2,200.00 of which the City's share will be about one-half.

It is recommended that the work be ordered to be done.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER.

July 16th, 1936.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works July 8th, 1936, the attached report of the City Engineer recommending the construction of concrete

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curbs, gutters and sidewalks, on the west side of Clifton Street, between Cunard Street and Charles Street, was on motion of Alderman Gates and Alderman Donovan, approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

E. J. Cragg,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.

SOUTH CLIFTON STREET - CONCRETE SIDEWALK

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re South Clifton Street, concrete sidewalk.

July 13th, 1936.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I have a petition from the owners of property on the west side of Clifton Street between Charles Street and Willow Street asking for the construction of a concrete sidewalk, curb and gutter in this block.

The committee have approved of the construction of similar work on the west side of South Clifton Street from Cunard Street to Charles Street.

The petition is signed by the owners of about 65% of the frontage of the block.

The estimated cost of the work is \$800.00 of which the City's share will be approximately one-half.

It is recommended that sidewalks, curbs and gutter and sodding be ordered laid on the west side of Clifton Street between Charles and Willow Streets.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER.

July 16th, 1936.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works July 15th, 1936, the attached report of the City

*City Eng.  
Works*

July 16th, 1936.

Engineer re South Clifton Street sidewalk was on motion of Alderman O'Toole and Alderman Gates, approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

E. J. Cragg,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.

NORTH STREET - CONCRETE SIDEWALK

*City Engineer  
Works of Works*  
Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re North Street, concrete sidewalk.

July 14th, 1936.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:

Some time ago the Committee on Works recommended to the Council that a concrete sidewalk be laid on the north side of North Street from Windsor Street to Robie Street. The Council referred the matter back to the Committee for further report, it being stated that property owners between Clifton Street and Robie Street were opposed to the construction of the sidewalk.

Between Windsor Street and Clifton Street the owners of eight properties are in favour of the work being done.

A sidewalk has recently been constructed on Clifton Street and if one were built from this street to Windsor Street it would connect to the concrete sidewalk on the latter street.

While it is still thought that this is a main thoroughfare leading from the Harbour to the Arm Bridge a sidewalk should be built from Robie Street to Windsor Street, yet in view of the unanimous objection from the owners in the two blocks, it is recommended that the previous recommendation be amended and that the sidewalk be ordered from Windsor Street to Clifton Street, leaving the balance of the street for further consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER.

July 16th, 1936.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the City Council April 16th, 1936, a recommendation of the Committee on Works re the construction of a concrete sidewalk on the north side of North Street, from Windsor to Robie Street, was referred back to the Committee on Works for further consideration.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works July 15th 1936, the attached report of the City Engineer re North Street concrete sidewalk, was on motion of Alderman Keshen and Aldermen Gates, approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

E. J. Cragg,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.

QUINPOOL ROAD - CONCRETE SIDEWALK

*City Eng  
Clerk of Works*  
Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re Quinpool Road, concrete sidewalk.

July 14th, 1936.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on a petition for the construction of a concrete sidewalk on Quinpool Road, north side, between Beech Street and Kline Street, that the petition is from the owner of the International Provision store at the north-east corner of Beech Street and Quinpool Road.

There is already a sidewalk constructed in this block in front of the property at the north-west corner of Kline Street.

The frontage of the petitioner is 33 feet and the balance of the frontage is 136 feet. The curb and gutter is already laid on this street and the construction of the sidewalk would be a public improvement.

It is recommended that the work be ordered to be done.

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The estimated cost of the work is \$320.00 of which the city's share would be one-half.

If the above work is ordered, it would seem advisable that the sidewalk should be laid in the block between Oxford Street and Kline Street. No petition has been received for the work in this block, but in my opinion, it would be in the interest of the public to construct the sidewalk so as to link together the sidewalks on Beech Street with the sidewalks on Quinpool Road.

The estimated cost of the work is \$450.00 of which the City's share would be one-half.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER.

July 16th, 1936.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works July 15th, 1936, the attached report of the City Engineer re Quinpool Road concrete sidewalk, was on motion of Alderman Gates and Alderman O'Toole, approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

E. J. Cragg,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.

MAYNARD STREET - CONCRETE SIDEWALK

*City Eng  
Clerk of Works*  
Read report of the Committee on Works re Maynard Street, concrete sidewalk.

July 16th, 1936.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works on July 15th, 1936, on motion of Alderman Gough and Alderman O'Toole, it was decided to recommend to Council that a concrete sidewalk, curb and gutter be constructed on the east side of Maynard Street, from Charles Street to North Street.

E. J. Cragg,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.



July 16th, 1936.

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

SOUTH KLINE STREET - CONCRETE SIDEWALK

*City Eng.  
Clark of Works*  
Road report of the Committee on  
Works and City Engineer re South Kline Street,  
concrete sidewalk.

July 16th, 1936.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on a petition for the  
construction of curb, gutter and sidewalk on both  
sides of Kline Street between Quinpool Road and  
Chebucto Road, that it is signed by the owners of  
about 39% of the frontage.

The estimated cost is \$9,800.00 of which  
the City's share will be about one half.

This street is well built up and the  
construction of the sidewalk would be of benefit  
to the residents of the street and would be in the  
nature of a public improvement.

It is recommended that the work be  
ordered to be done.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER.

July 16th, 1936.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works  
July 16th, 1936, the attached report of the  
City Engineer re the construction of a concrete  
sidewalk, curb and gutter on both sides of Kline  
Street, between Quinpool Road and Chebucto Road  
was on motion of Alderman Koshon and Alderman  
Freda, approved and recommended to Council for  
adoption.

E. J. Cragg,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

July 16th, 1936.

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

SALARY - R.M.MCKINNON, ASSISTANT ENGINEER

*Committee on Works*  
*Council*  
Read report of the Committee on  
Works re salary of R. M. McKinnon, Assistant  
Engineer.

July 16th, 1936.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on  
Works July 16th, 1936, on motion of Alderman Gates  
and Alderman Freda, it was decided to recommend to  
Council that the salary of Mr. R. M. McKinnon,  
Assistant Engineer, City Engineer's Department be  
not subject to a ten percent deduction.

E. J. Cragg,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Gates, seconded  
by Alderman McManus that Mr. McKinnon receive the  
salary of \$3,600.00 net for the year 1936-37.

Moved in amendment by Alderman  
McManus, seconded by Alderman Smeltzer that this  
matter be referred back to the Committee on Works  
for a definite report as to whether Mr. McKinnon  
is working under a contract and whether it is  
satisfactory for him to be doing the work formerly  
carried on by Mr. Daniels. Amendment put and passed.

The original motion not put.

Moved by Alderman Gates, seconded  
by Alderman Smeltzer that Mr. McKinnon be reappointed  
for a period of one month. Motion passed.

July 16th, 1936.

FINAL PAYMENT TO BIANCO BROS. FOR  
CONSTRUCTION OF CONCRETE FLOOR AT  
THE MORRIS STREET ENGINE HOUSE.

Read report of the Committee on Works  
re payment to Bianco Bros. of the sum of \$940.00,  
being the balance on their contract.

July 16th, 1936.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works recommend payment  
to Bianco Brothers (Ernest and Emile Bianco) of  
the sum of Nine Hundred and Forty Dollars being  
the balance in full on their contract for the  
construction of a reinforced concrete floor at the  
Morris Street engine house.

E. J. Cragg,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

ANNUAL REPORT - CITY ASSESSOR

Read annual report of the City

Assessor as follows:-

S T A T E M E N T

1936-37

Ward	Real Estate	Business Tax	Household Tax	Total
1	\$7,822,800.	\$ 388,150.	\$581,000.	\$8,791,950.
2	13,611,850.	3,157,635.	710,005.	17,479,490.
3	9,164,600.	2,171,885.	403,790.	11,740,275.
4	5,313,650.	538,980.	420,170.	6,272,800.
5,	4,487,800.	469,970.	347,090.	5,304,860.
6	7,351,400.	756,970.	566,010.	8,674,380.
	<u>47,752,100.</u>	<u>7,483,590.</u>	<u>3,028,065.</u>	<u>58,263,755.</u>

Total Decrease \$296,455.

Estimate as passed by City Council, Feb. 28th, 1936	\$2,098,257.95
Loss Company Taxes	<u>41,450.00</u>
	2,056,807.95
Loss Anticipated Special Taxes	<u>2,000.00</u>
	2,054,807.95
Add for School Rebate	<u>1,800.00</u>
	2,056,607.95
\$58,263,755. x 3.53	2,056,710.55

July 16th, 1936.

TAX RATE

County	.10	
Schools	1.17	
City:		
General	1.84	
Direct Relief	.10	
Public Health & Charities	.32	<u>2.26</u>
		3.53 per Hundred.

FILED

ANNUAL REPORT - CITY PRISON

Read report of the City Prison  
Committee submitting the annual report of Governor  
Grant.

City Prison,  
Halifax, N. S.  
July 6th, 1936.

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the City Prison Committee held this day, the annual report for the year ending April 30th, 1936 was submitted and ordered forwarded to the City Council for its information.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. McManus,  
CHAIRMAN.

City Prison,  
Halifax, N. S.  
July 2nd, 1936.

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen:-

I beg to submit the report of the City Prison for the civic year ending April 30th, 1936.

At the beginning of the civic year there were sixty-eight prisoners in custody consisting of sixty-four men and four women. During the succeeding twelve months there were admitted to the prison, seven hundred and nineteen men and forty-seven women, a total of seven hundred and sixty-six prisoners. There were discharged, seven hundred and twenty-one men and forty-nine women, a total of seven hundred and seventy prisoners.

July 16th, 1936.

Number of prisoners in custody April 30th, 1936, sixty-four consisting of sixty-two men and two women, the daily average for the year being 76.

Dr. W. Bruce Almon, City Medical Officer, made regular visits to the prison during the past year and examined Two hundred and eighty-two men and two women; eighteen of which received treatment at the Victoria General Hospital and one at Camp Hill Hospital.

Dr. P. S. Campbell, Chief Health Officer and Inspector of Penal Institutions, made a thorough inspection of the Institution on November 28th, 1935, and expressed himself as finding conditions "Clean, Tidy, and in order throughout, and the discipline was all that could be desired."

The conduct of the prisoners has been good and discipline well maintained for which I thank the officials.

The religious services have been faithfully conducted during the year just ended.

Farm returns were up to the average for the year.

Respectfully submitted,

George Grant,  
GOVERNOR.

FILED

ACTIVITIES OF N. S. SOCIETY FOR THE  
PREVENTION OF CRUELTY FOR PERIOD,  
APRIL 1st TO JUNE, 1936.

Read report of the N. S. Society for the Prevention of Cruelty as follows:-

July 10th, 1936.

Mayor E. J. Cragg,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed please find an itemized report for the information of yourself and members of the City Council, covering the activities of the S.P.C. within the City of Halifax during the period April 1st to June 30th, 1936.

Yours sincerely,

Harold T. Roe,  
Managing Director.



July 16th, 1936.

QUARTERLY REPORT

The following is an itemized report covering the activities of our Society within the City of Halifax during the period April 1st to June 30th, 1936:-

Complaints and inquiries made in person by callers at the S.P.C. office	302
Telephone calls	1073
Dogs, cats and other small animals humanely destroyed and their bodies disposed of at the Incinerator	880
N.B. ( a daily average of over 9 such animals)	
Injured animals removed from the streets and cared for	133
Stray dogs and cats collected and placed in homes	49
Lost and neglected animals sheltered by the Society	109
Dead animals removed from City streets and disposed of at the Incinerator	55
Injured or crippled horses removed from the streets	8
Total number of City calls personally responded to by Agent Kelly	1013
Total mileage covered by the Society's Animal Ambulance in the City	2446

FILED

SUPT'S REPORT RE INMATES IN THE CITY HOME FOR MONTH OF JUNE, 1936.

Read report of the Charities Committee for the month of June, 1936 showing the number of inmates in the City Home to be 455.  
FILED

TAX COLLECTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE, 1936.

Read report of the City Auditor covering tax collections for the month of June, 1936.

City Auditor's Office,  
June 30th, 1936.

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Report on Tax Collections for the month of June is submitted. Collections on account of tax years 1925-26 to 1931-32 inclusive amounted to \$2,878.47 which added to amount shown below makes a total of \$1,313,674.04 for the months of May and June. Corresponding period last year \$1,324,111.65. Collections of Poll Taxes in 1936-37 of current and arrears to June 30th amounted to \$4,815.42; corresponding period last year \$5,591.00. -144-

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Arrears Taxes

Civic Year	Reserve	Outstanding Balances May	New accounts and adjustments	June Collections	Outstanding Balances June
1932-33	\$52,990.12*	\$58,223.77		\$3,730.32	\$54,493.45
1933-34	56,136.26	159,612.09		14,442.05	145,170.04
1934-35	50,441.21	307,356.16		16,493.82	290,862.34
1935-36	58,723.55	526,435.66		28,785.73	496,649.93
		1,051,627.68		64,451.92	987,175.76

Current Taxes

1936-37	43,936.24	1,352,381.11	-\$6,572.55	362,120.81	983,687.75
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Water Dept. Rates, etc.

	110,385.92			22,590.97	87,794.95
	2,514,394.71	- 6,572.55		449,163.70	2,058,658.46

Poll Taxes 1932-33	\$444.81		\$47.50	\$397.31
Poll Taxes 1933-34	3,173.23		102.00	3,071.23
Poll Taxes 1934-35	4,676.41		130.00	4,546.41
Poll Taxes 1935-36	8,495.28		641.75	7,853.53
Poll Taxes 1936-37	24,882.00		2,561.50	22,320.50

\*Includes special tax payments and unexpended balances. Any excess in this account above the outstanding tax balance 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

DEPARTMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

Read report of the City Auditor re departmental appropriations and expenditures.

FILED

10.45 P.M.,

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

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*W. P. Publicover*  
W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

E. J. Crage  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

E V E N I N G   S E S S I O N

8.05 o'clock,  
Council Chamber,  
City Hall,  
August 13th, 1936.

A meeting of the City Council was held this day. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; and Aldermen Gates, Donovan, Burgess, Curran, Freda, McCarthy, McDonald, Keshen, O'Toole, Curtis, Power, Gough, Smeltzer and Walker.

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

The following named papers were submitted:-

MINUTES

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

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 \$7,561.69; Committee on Charities amounting to \$8,879.45; Gardens Committee amounting to \$2,355.18, Fleming Park amounting to \$701.87; Point Pleasant Park Committee amounting to \$1,374.54; City Prison Committee amounting to \$2,052.75; Committee on Firewards amounting to \$13,293.61 chargeable to Fire Department and \$509.89 chargeable to Fire Alarm; Committee on Works amounting to \$14,585.96; City Health Board amounting to \$6,098.78; Committee on Camp Hill Cemetery amounting to \$958.43; Library Committee amounting to \$537.65; Police Committee amounting to \$10,911.01 under the provisions of Section 315 of the City Charter.

August 13th, 1936.

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

RESIGNATION - CITY ASSESSOR

Read report of the Finance Committee submitting resignation of Mr. P. J. McManus as City Assessor, letter from the City Treasurer providing for the superannuation of Mr. McManus at an annual allowance of \$1,800.00, and letter from His Worship the Mayor re the Assessor's Dept.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
August 13th, 1936.

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen: -

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day, the committee had before it a letter from Mr. P. J. McManus, City Assessor, submitting his resignation to take effect August 31st, 1936 and requesting that he be placed on superannuation under the provisions of Section 146 of the City Charter.

Your committee recommends that the resignation of Mr. P. J. McManus as City Assessor be accepted, and he be placed on superannuation under the provisions of Section 146 of the City Charter.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. McCarthy,  
VICE-CHAIRMAN.

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Halifax, N. S.  
August 8th, 1936.

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

I hereby tender my resignation from the position of City Assessor, the same to take effect August 31st, 1936.



August 13th, 1936

As shown by the attached certificate of Dr. F. A. Macdonald, my health is not good. I have occupied this position since August 8th, 1911, and, having reached the age of 71 years, I make application for superannuation under the provisions of Section 146 of the City Charter.

I desire to take this opportunity of thanking the members of this and previous Councils for the kind consideration given me while in office.

Yours respectfully,

P. J. McManus.

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Office of City Treasurer,  
August 13th, 1936.

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

Gentlemen:-

Mr. McManus has been contributing to the Officials' Superannuation Fund since his appointment on August 1911, and under Section 146 of the City Charter is entitled to receive from the Fund an allowance of \$1800.00 per year, being 25/50 of \$3600.00, his average salary for the past three years.

Respectfully yours,

George J. Allen,  
TREASURER.

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Office of the Mayor,  
Halifax, N. S.  
August 10th, 1936.

Chairman and Members,  
Finance Committee,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen:-

Section 94 of the City Charter places on the Mayor the obligation of observing the operation of civic departments and recommending to the City Council such things as in his opinion will improve the efficiency of Civic Services.

For some months past the City Assessor's Department has been causing me some concern due largely to the continued ill-health of the City Assessor, Mr. P. J. McManus.

August 13th, 1936.

And it is desirable to place a young man in charge of this department.

Mr. McManus has served the City well and faithfully for twenty-five years and informs me that he is now willing to retire. This is the important period of the year as far as this department is concerned, assessments must be made and notices delivered by December. It is desirable that this be done over the name of the man who will be responsible for this department in the immediate future.

In short, we have arrived at a point where it is necessary to immediately deal with the situation in this office. It is in my opinion the most important branch of our city's activities - the source and basis of our tax levy.

I am taking the liberty of suggesting to you, for appointment to the office of City Assessor, the name of a man for your recommendation to the City Council - Mr. J. F. McManus, - a young man of unquestionable integrity, a barrister, with some experience in the Assessor's Office - who will have the benefit of the years of experience of the present assessor, and who, I believe, is admirably qualified to take over this office immediately, and bring about such reforms as I deem necessary in the City's interest.

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. Cragg,  
MAYOR.

Moved by Alderman McCarthy,

*Treasurer  
Auditor*  
seconded by Alderman Donovan that the resignation of Mr. P. J. McManus be accepted and he be superannuated under the provisions of Section 146 of the City Charter at an annual allowance of \$1,800.00. Motion passed.

Alderman McCarthy then spoke briefly regarding the resignation of Mr. P. J. McManus. He stated that the City of Halifax was losing the services of a gentleman who has been a credit to the City of Halifax and one who held the confidence of Council.

August 13th, 1936.

RESIGNATION OF ALDERMAN J. F. MCMANUS

Read letter from the City Clerk  
submitting resignation of Mr. J. F. McManus as  
Alderman for Ward Three.

City Clerk's Office,  
Halifax,  
Nova Scotia,  
August 13th, 1936.

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

I submit herewith a letter which I  
received this date from Alderman J. F. McManus  
tendering his resignation from his seat in the City  
Council as a representative from Ward Three.

Yours respectfully,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Halifax, N. S.  
August 12th, 1936.

W. P. Publicover, Esq.,  
City Clerk,  
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:-

I hereby tender my resignation for the  
seat in the City Council for Ward Three, now held  
by me.

Yours very truly,

J. F. McManus.

Moved by Alderman Smeltzer, seconded  
by Alderman Freda that the resignation of Alderman  
McManus be accepted. Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor then declared  
the seat held by Alderman McManus in Ward Three  
now vacant.

August 13th, 1936.

ELECTION DATE

Moved by Alderman Smeltzer, seconded by Alderman Gates that September 9th be fixed as the date for the election of an Alderman for Ward No. Three to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Alderman J. F. McManus. Motion passed.

APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR TO MR. P. J. MCMANUS

*Treasurer  
Auditor  
Council* Read report of the Finance Committee recommending that Mr. J. F. McManus be appointed to the position of City Assessor.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
August 13th, 1936.

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day, your committee had for consideration the appointment of a successor to Mr. P. J. McManus, City Assessor who has tendered his resignation to take effect on August 31st, 1936.

Your committee recommends that Mr. Joseph F. McManus be appointed to succeed the present City Assessor; he to assume office on the 1st day of September 1936 at an annual salary of \$3,333.33 subject to the usual 10% contribution.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. McCarthy,  
VICE-CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman McCarthy, seconded by Alderman Curtis that the report be adopted and Mr. J. F. McManus appointed to the position of City Assessor for the City of Halifax, he to assume office on the 1st day of September 1936 at a salary of \$3,333.33 per annum, less the usual 10% contribution.

His Worship the Mayor then calls upon the Deputy Mayor to assume the chair while he addresses Council from the floor of the Chamber.

August 13th, 1936.

The Mayor stated that owing to ill health Mr. P. J. McManus was unable to continue in the capacity of City Assessor, and as his Deputy was not enjoying the best of health, it was decided, after most serious consideration by the Chairman and the members of the Finance Committee, to recommend Mr. J. F. McManus for the position.

The Mayor further stated that he had no hesitation in saying that Mr. J. F. McManus would be a credit to the City of Halifax in the office of City Assessor.

His Worship the Mayor then assumed the Mayor's seat.

The motion was put and passed, 12 voting for the same and 2 against it as follows:-

FOR THE MOTION

Aldermen Burgess  
Curran  
Curtis  
Donovan  
Freda  
Gates  
Gough  
Keshen  
McCarthy  
McDonald  
O'Toole  
S meltzer

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AGAINST IT

Aldermen Power  
Walker

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The Mayor then declared Mr. J. F. McManus duly appointed to the position of City Assessor for the City of Halifax, same to take effect on September 1st, 1936.

Alderman Power gives notice of reconsideration.



*Health  
Board  
Treasurer*

August 13th, 1936.

PAYMENT TO MISS MARY LYONS, RETIRED MATRON  
OF THE TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL.

Read reports of the Finance Committee  
and City Health Board re payment to Miss Mary  
Lyons, retired matron of the Tuberculosis Hospital.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
August 13th, 1936.

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee  
held this day, the attached letter from the City  
Health Board re payment to Miss Mary Lyons, retired  
matron of the Tuberculosis Hospital was considered.

Your committee recommends that Miss  
Mary Lyons, retired matron of the Tuberculosis  
Hospital, be paid the sum of \$300.00 for the civic  
year 1936-37 in monthly payments of \$25.00 in  
accordance with legislation obtained at the last  
session of the Legislature.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. McCarthy,  
VICE-CHAIRMAN.

Halifax, N. S.  
August 11th, 1936.

Chairman,  
Members Finance Committee.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the City Health Board,  
held on Tuesday, August 11th, a resolution was  
passed recommending that Miss Mary Lyons, who retired  
as Matron of the Tuberculosis Hospital, be paid a  
monthly retiring allowance of \$25.00 for the civic  
year 1936-37. Legislation authorizing payment of the  
amount was obtained at the recent session of the  
Legislature.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur C. Pettipas,  
CHAIRMAN, C. H. B.

Moved by Alderman McCarthy, seconded by  
Alderman Donovan that the reports be adopted and  
Miss Lyons paid a monthly retiring allowance of  
\$25.00 for the civic year 1936-37. Motion passed.

*Auditor  
Treasurer*

August 13th, 1936.

GRANT - SOCIETY PREVENTION OF CRUELTY

Read report of the Finance Committee recommending that the grant to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty be increased to \$1,500.00 per year in accordance with legislation obtained.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
August 13th, 1936.

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day, the attached letter from the Chairman of the S. P. C. Committee requesting that the grant to the S.P.C. be increased from \$360.00 to \$1,500.00 per year in accordance with legislation obtained.

Your committee recommends that the grant to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty be increased from \$360.00 to \$1,500.00 per year in accordance with the legislation obtained at the last session of the Legislature.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. McCarthy,  
VICE-CHAIRMAN.

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

POLL TAX COLLECTIONS

Read report of the Finance Committee submitting report of the City Collector re poll tax collections for the quarter year ending July 31st, 1936.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
August 13th, 1936.

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day, the City Collector submitted a report on poll tax collections for the civic quarter year ending July 31st, 1936.

August 13th, 1936.

Your committee is forwarding same to the City Council for its information.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. McCarthy,  
VICE-CHAIRMAN.

POLL TAX COLLECTIONS FOR CIVIC QUARTER YEAR  
ENDING JULY 31ST, 1936.

<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>ARREARS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
\$4,109.00	\$3,137.92	\$7,246.92

	<u>1935-36</u>	<u>1936-37</u>
May	\$1,563.00	\$1,276.67
June	4,061.00	3,539.75
July	1,815.50	2,430.50
	<u>\$7,439.50</u>	<u>\$7,246.92</u>

Decrease ..... \$192.58

Collected by Street Collectors

Mr. Yates	\$2,380.25	
Mr. Mahar	306.00	
Mr. Shannon	<u>186.00</u>	
		\$2,872.25

Paid at Office		<u>\$4,374.67</u>
		<u>\$7,246.92</u>

FILED

DIRECT RELIEF BORROWING

Read resolution submitted by the

*Mr. Paul*  
*Treasurer* Direct Relief Committee re the borrowing of \$90,000.00 for purposes of giving direct relief and temporary shelter and \$4,500.00 for administration purposes.

Halifax, N. S.  
August 13th, 1936.

Moved by Alderman Keshon, seconded by Alderman Gates that the following resolution be recommended to Council at their next meeting:-

August 13th, 1936.

BE IT RESOLVED, that under the provisions of Chapter 7 of the Acts of 1932, and an agreement between the Province and the City of Halifax in respect to disbursement of Direct Relief, the City do borrow from any bank or fund available the sum of Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$90,000.00) to be expended between the first day of August 1936 and the thirty-first day of October 1936, on the order of the Direct Relief Committee, for the purpose of giving Direct Relief and Temporary shelter, as approved by Council from time to time, to bona fide residents of the City of Halifax or temporary direct relief to any other persons as the committee may deem advisable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City, under the authority of Chapter 7 of the Acts of 1932, authorize an appropriation of not exceeding Four Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$4,500.00) for the purpose of defraying the cost of administration of direct relief to be expended between the first day of August 1936 and the thirty-first day of October 1936.

This resolution is conditional upon the Government of the Province of Nova Scotia contributing during the period aforesaid such an amount as may be agreed upon between the Province and the City as representing the shares of the Provincial Government and the Dominion Government, the City contributing the balance of the cost.

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

Moved by Alderman Keshen, seconded by Alderman Gates that the resolution as submitted be adopted. Motion passed.

Aldermen Gough and Power wishing to be recorded against.

LETTER, BOARD OF TRADE RE DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

Read letter from the Halifax

Board of Trade re daylight saving time.

*Board of Trade*

August 13th, 1936.

Board of Trade,  
Halifax, N. S.  
August 12th, 1936.

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

Gentlemen:-

I understand a communication will be placed before your honourable body emanating from the Management of the Canadian National Railways, Atlantic Division, asking your favourable consideration towards extending the date of the closing of Daylight Saving from September 13th to September 27th, to conform with the closing dates of the other eastern Canadian cities having adopted the scheme. When discussing this matter it was the opinion of a large number of merchants that the dates should be made as uniform as possible with other cities, but the Council of this Board agreed to fall in with the City Council's dates, and a resolution to this effect was passed on March 17th.

At meeting of Council yesterday afternoon, however, it was decided that if in the wisdom of your honourable body it was desirable to agree with the request of the Railways, this Council would register no objection.

I have the honour to be,

Gentlemen,

E. S. Saunders,  
SECRETARY.

Moved by Alderman Smeltzer, seconded by Alderman Gates that the date for the closing of Daylight Saving Time in the City of Halifax remain at September 13th, 1936 as previously set by the City Council. Motion passed.

PROGRESS PAYMENT TO T. M. VAUGHAN

Read report of the Committee on Fire-wards re part payment to T. M. Vaughan on his contract for making Fire Department uniform suits.

*Fire Chief*  
*Treasurer*

August 13th, 1936.

August 11th, 1936.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards held this day an account from Mr. T. M. Vaughan was considered for part payment on contract for making Fire Department uniform suits.

As 41 suits have already been delivered your committee recommends that a progress payment of \$500.00 be made to Mr. Vaughan.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. Gates,  
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Gates, seconded by Alderman Walker that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

PURCHASE OF HOSE

Read report of the Committee on

Firewards re purchase of hose.

August 11th, 1936.

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards held this day, the following report of Chief of Department was considered re purchase of hose:-

"Chairman and Members of the  
Committee of Firewards.

Gentlemen:-

I have gone carefully over the tenders submitted for hose and would recommend as follows:-

200 ft. 3" Reddole" at \$1.30 per ft. uncoupled	
650 ft. 2½" " " 1.20 " coupled, total	\$1,040.00

from Austen Bros. AND

400 ft. 1½" Samson Redflex" from Dunlop Tire & Rubber Co. at .65 per foot	\$260.00
Total	\$1,300.00

Respectfully submitted,

J.W. Churchill,  
Chief of Department".

*Fire Chief*



August 13th, 1936.

Your committee recommends that the Chief's report be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

W.A. Gates,  
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Gates, seconded by Alderman Donovan that the report be adopted and the tender awarded accordingly.

Moved in amendment by Alderman McDonald, seconded by Alderman Walker that this report be referred back to the Firewards Committee.

Amendment put and lost, 5 voting for the same and 9 against it as follows:-

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Aldermen Burgess  
Curtis  
Gough  
McDonald  
Walker

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AGAINST IT

Aldermen Curran  
Donovan  
Freda  
Gates  
Keshen  
McCarthy  
O'Toole  
Power  
Smeltzer

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Motion put and passed, 9 voting for the same and 5 against it as follows:-

FOR THE MOTION

Aldermen Curran  
Donovan  
Freda  
Gates  
Keshen  
McCarthy  
O'Toole  
Power  
Smeltzer

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AGAINST IT

Aldermen Burgess  
Curtis  
Gough  
McDonald  
Walker

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APPOINTMENT OF MATRON, INFECTIOUS DISEASE HOSP.

*Health Board*  
Read report of the City Health Board recommending that Miss Edna Keddy be appointed to the position of Matron of the Infectious Disease Hospital.

August 13th, 1936.

City Health Board,  
Halifax, N. S.  
August 12th, 1936.

His Worship the Mayor,  
Members City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the City Health Board, held on the 16th day of June 1936, a resolution was passed recommending that Miss Edna Keddy, R. N., be appointed Matron of the Infectious Disease Hospital, effective from the 16th day of July, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of the Matron.

Respectfully submitted,

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

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

Motion passed.

TENDERS FOR PAINTING GREENHOUSES, PUBLIC GARDENS

*Mr. Hall  
Treasurer*

Read report of the Committee on  
Gardens, Parks and Commons recommending that the  
tender of the Halifax Glass Works for painting and  
glazing the three greenhouses at the Public Gardens  
be accepted.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
August 12th, 1936.

His W orship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Gardens, Parks  
and Commons Committee held this day, the committee  
had before it tenders for painting and glazing  
the three greenhouses at the Public Gardens,

Your committee recommends that the  
tender of the Halifax Glass Works for painting and  
glazing the three greenhouses at the Public Gardens  
in accordance with the specifications submitted  
for the sum of \$320.00, being the lowest, be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. Donovan,  
CHAIRMAN.

August 13th, 1936.

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

Motion passed.

ORDINANCE RE DUTIES OF TENDERS COMMITTEE

Read report of the Laws and Privileges  
Committee submitting Ordinance respecting the  
duties of the Tenders Committee.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
August 10th, 1936.

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 before it  
the attached draft ordinance respecting the duties  
of the Tenders Committee.

Your committee recommends that the  
ordinance as drafted by the City Solicitor be now  
given a first reading and referred back to the Laws  
and Privileges Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. McManus,  
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Burgess, seconded  
by Alderman Walker that the report be adopted and  
the Ordinance respecting the duties of the Tenders  
Committee be approved and now read a first time and  
referred to the Laws and Privileges Committee.  
Motion passed.

Read Ordinance respecting the duties  
of the Tenders Committee.

ORDINANCE NO. 34 - DUTIES OF TENDERS COMMITTEE

BE IT ENACTED by the Mayor and Council  
of the City of Halifax as follows:

*Laws &  
Privileges  
Comm.*

August 13th, 1936.

1. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Tenders

- (a) Upon receipt of a request therefor from the City Council, or any Committee or Board of the City, to call for tenders, in such manner as the Committee shall determine, for such supplies or such other commodities, services or things as the committee shall be requested to do.
- (b) To consider such tenders when received and make such report thereon to the Council or Committee or Board as the Committee shall determine.
- (c) To make from time to time such recommendations as to the method of purchase of supplies, commodities, services or things as the committee shall determine.
- (d) To require from the Council or Committee or Board or any official of the City so requesting the Committee to call for tenders all such information pertaining to the specifications, etc., and the right of the City to so purchase.
- (e) To supervise and control any stock room maintained by the City or any Committee or Board thereof and prescribe regulations as to the management thereof.

2. When any request is made to the Committee on Tenders to call for tenders, such request shall be accompanied by complete specifications of the supplies, services, commodities or things required, together with all information which would assist the Committee on Tenders to properly carry out its duties, and the head of the Department for which the said supplies, services, commodities or things are required shall see to it that all such specifications and information is so supplied to the Committee in ample time for the same to be considered by the Committee.

3. Unless otherwise directed by a resolution of the Council no Committee or Board of the City, other than the committee on Tenders shall call for tenders for any supplies, services, commodities or things required to be purchased by the City.

4. Unless by resolution otherwise determined, the Council shall not consider any tenders which have been called for by any committee or Board of the City other than the Committee on Tenders.

"First reading".

August 13th, 1936.

STONEMAN ACT

*Solicitor*  
Read report of the Laws and Privileges  
Committee and letter from the City Solicitor re  
the Stoneman Act.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
August 10th, 1936.

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Laws and Privileges  
Committee held this day, the attached letter from  
the City Solicitor regarding the Stoneman Act was  
considered.

Your committee recommends that the  
City Solicitor be instructed to immediately prepare  
a petition to be presented to the Governor-General-  
in-Council asking that the said statute be disallowed.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. McManus,  
CHAIRMAN.

Halifax, N. S.  
August 3rd, 1936.

J. F. McManus, Esq.,  
Chairman,  
Laws and Privileges Committee,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:-

Re: Stoneman Act

It has been suggested to me by  
Alderman Power that some thought be given to the  
possibility of petitioning the Governor-General-in-  
Council of Canada to disallow the above Statute.  
I have given this matter careful consideration and  
have studied the possibility of success, and am of  
the opinion that Alderman Power's suggestion should  
be adopted and acted upon.

Under Sections 56 and 90 of the  
British North America Act, The Governor-General-in-  
Council of Canada has the power to disallow acts  
passed by the Provincial Legislatures. This power  
is carefully exercised and is, in a great part,  
a matter of discretion.

I have only been able up to the  
present time to ascertain two cases where Statutes  
of Nova Scotia have been disallowed, one of which,  
however, is, in my opinion, distinctly helpful to  
us, in that the Statute involved was a Private Act,  
as is the Stoneman Act.

August 13th, 1936.

I find from the authorities that in 1868 the then Attorney General laid down four types of cases where disallowance was to be generally effected, and on which he reported to the Governor-General-in-Council:-

1. Statutes altogether illegal or unconstitutional.
2. Statutes illegal or unconstitutional in part.
3. Statutes which in case of concurrent jurisdiction clash with Federal Statutes.
4. Statutes affecting the interests of the Dominion generally.

The case which I think is a satisfactory precedent, arose in 1913 and grew out of a dispute as to the ownership of certain lands in Cape Breton. The courts, i.e., trial court of Nova Scotia, the Supreme Court in banco of Nova Scotia, and the Supreme Court of Canada, all heard the case and after the litigation was finished a Statute was enacted in 1921, vesting the land in the loser in the litigation, notwithstanding the decisions of the Courts.

Upon a petition being presented the Governor-General-in-Council disallowed the Statute.

The principal involved is similar to that in the Stoneman case. No public interest in either case is affected, except perhaps in the Stoneman case the controversy is in effect between the Public (as represented by the City) and the Stonemans.

I agree entirely with the suggestion of Alderman Power that if it is at all possible steps should be immediately taken to rid ourselves of the obligations imposed by the Stoneman Statute.

I would recommend that the City Solicitor be instructed to immediately prepare a petition to be presented to the Governor-General-in-Council praying that the said Statute be disallowed and that he submit the same and take all steps necessary to endeavour to have the Statute disallowed.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune,  
CITY SOLICITOR.

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

Motion passed.



August 13th, 1936.

CITY BILLS

Read letter from the City Solicitor  
re the passage of the City Bills through the  
Legislature.

August 12th, 1936.

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

Gentlemen:-

I find that through an oversight I  
have not as yet reported upon the passage of the  
City Bill through the Legislature.

Section 2, which was intended to  
increase the salary of the Mayor from \$2,000.00 to  
\$3,000.00 was deleted, but section 28 providing  
for an increase for the current year was retained.

Section 3, which was intended to take  
the costs, which the City Solicitor is now entitled  
to receive as part of his salary, and to pay the  
same to the City as a part of the General Civic  
revenue was deleted by the Committee and the  
report of the Committee was sustained by the house.

Section 4 was amended in committee  
by deleting the special tax of \$500.00 on acceptance  
companies.

Section 4 was also amended by deletion  
of the proposal to impose a special tax on quasi  
underwriting agencies.

Section 16 was deleted. This section  
contemplated a tax of \$25,000.00 upon the water  
department.

The above were the only changes in  
the Bill.

I believe that every member of the  
Council has now received his annotated copy of the  
City Charter. This contains all the amendments  
passed at the last session.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune,  
CITY SOLICITOR.

FILED

August 13th, 1936.

NOTICE OF MOTION BY ALDERMAN WALKER RE  
POLICE COMMITTEE.

*Council*

The following notice of motion was submitted by Alderman Walker.

"That at the next regular meeting of the City Council, I will move that the City Solicitor be instructed to amend the present legislation to Police Committee to read seven, one Alderman from each ward and the Mayor."

NOTICE OF MOTION BY ALDERMAN GOUGH RE  
SECTION 119 OF THE CITY CHARTER.

*Council*

Alderman Gough submitted the following notice of motion.

"At the next regular meeting of the City Council, I will move that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare legislation to amend Section 119 of the City Charter, Sub-section 2 by striking out the words "at least two-thirds of the Council" and substituting "a majority of Council."

QUESTIONS BY ALDERMEN

*Comm. of Works  
City Engineer*

Alderman Walker asked why cars belonging to the City Engineer's Department were not in the City's garage at night.

The Mayor stated that the Committee on Works would answer this question.

ANSWER TO QUESTION ASKED AT LAST COUNCIL MEETING  
BY ALDERMAN BURGESS RE OUTSTANDING WATER RATES.

Read letter from the Clerk of Works in reply to a question asked by Alderman Burgess at last Council meeting re outstanding water rates.

August 11th, 1936.

His Worship the Mayor,  
City.

Sir:-

I have an extract from minutes of a meeting of the City Council held July 16th, 1936, stating that:-

"Alderman Burgess requested a statement showing amount outstanding for water rates previous to October, 1935".

August 13th, 1936.

The October 1935 report of the City Auditor to the City Council showed the outstanding water rates as at September 30th, 1935 to be \$54,736.54.

Respectfully submitted,

T. J. Moore,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

FILED

ANSWER TO QUESTION ASKED AT LAST COUNCIL MEETING  
BY ALDERMAN WALKER RE HOLIDAYS, MEN AT INCINERATOR

Read reply from Committee on Works  
re the above question.

August 12th, 1936.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The attached question by Alderman Walker, at a meeting of City Council July 16th, 1936, as to "why the men at the Incinerator do not receive a week's holidays" was considered by the Committee on Works, August 12th, 1936, and the committee decided in favor of the present method.

E. J. Cragg,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

FILED

SALARY - R. M. MCKINNON

Read report of the Committee on Works  
re salary of R. M. McKinnon.

August 13th, 1936.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works August 12th, 1936, the attached resolution of the City Council on July 16th, 1936 was considered and on motion of Alderman Donovan and Alderman Keshen the committee onfirmed its previous recommendation that the salary of Mr. McKinnon for the year 1936-37 be not subject to a ten percent deduction; the Committee also stated that the duties of Superintendent of the Water Department are being satisfactorily performed by Mr. McKinnon.

E. J. Cragg,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

*Auditor  
Treasurer  
Engineer*

August 13th, 1936.

Moved by Alderman Gates, seconded by Alderman Donovan that the report of the Committee on Works be approved. Motion passed.

Alderman Walker wishing to be recorded against.

Moved by Alderman Gates, seconded by Alderman Donovan that Mr. McKinnon be reappointed Assistant Engineer for the civic year 1936-37. Motion passed.

LETTER, UNION OF NOVA SCOTIA MUNICIPALITIES RE DELEGATES TO ANNUAL CONVENTION.

Read letter from the Secretary of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities re delegates to annual convention.

Bridgewater, N. S.  
July 30th, 1936.

Dear Sir:-

The 31st annual convention of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities will be held at "The Pines", Digby, on September 2 -3-4 of this year.

A programme of the usual excellence has been prepared. Those who give addresses include Mr. Thomas Bradshaw of Toronto, the well known and highly regarded Municipal financial consultant, Mr. H. L. Cummings, Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs for Ontario, Dr. Richter of Dalhousie University, who is much interested in the new department there of Public Administration, and one of the Ministers of our Provincial Government. And there will be a discussion of some matters of much interest on the resolutions submitted.

Our good hosts, the Councils of that county, have prepared a delightful programme of entertainment, which will include a motor ride to Meteghan and a visit to St. Anne's College, and a banquet at "The Pines".

Will you please ask your Council to appoint their delegates, and let me know if there is anything you wish to bring before the convention.

Yours faithfully,

Arthur Roberts,  
The Secretary.

City Clerk of  
Halifax,  
Nova Scotia.

August 13th, 1936.

Alderman Donovan nominates Alderman Gates as a delegate to attend the convention of the Union of N. S. Municipalities which is being held in Digby on September 2nd, 3rd and 4th of this year.

Alderman Burgess nominates Alderman Gough.

Alderman Gates nominates Alderman Curran.

Alderman Gough nominates Alderman Smeltzer.

His Worship the Mayor then named the following to be the delegates at the annual convention.

Alderman P. A. Gough,  
" H. F. Curran,  
" Wm. A. Gates,  
" A. J. Smeltzer,  
City Engineer,  
City Auditor.

PROPERTY, #80 PRESTON STREET

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re property #80 Preston Street,

August 10th, 1936.

His Worship the Mayor,

Sir:-

In accordance with the instructions of the Committee on Works at a meeting held on Wednesday, the 5th instant, 1936, directing the Engineer to prepare a plan and description of the land or interest therein, as No. 80 Preston Street, required for the purpose of widening said street, I am submitting herewith a plan of the property showing the portion required and also this report.

Negotiations have been going on for over a year with Mr. Pliskow and it seems impossible to arrive at any agreement with him.

Last week Mr. Pliskow met His Worship the Mayor, the City Solicitor and the City Engineer and his lowest offer was to sell the land required by the City to it, and to move back the building to the new line of the street, for the sum of \$1,405.00, which included an amount of \$180.00 claimed for loss of rental during the past few months.

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Ald. Kesheri  
nominated in place  
of Ald. Gough*

*Clerk of Works  
City Engineer*



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The owner's reason for making this claim for rental is that he could not get tenants to take the property in view of the fact that they would not stay in the building while it was being moved. I do not think that this claim could be upheld before a Court or Arbitrator.

The last offer made Mr. Pliskow was the sum of \$900.00 for moving the building and 18½ cents per square foot for the land, this being approximately the rate paid to other owners on the street.

At first blush, it would seem that the proper course for the City to pursue is to expropriate the land required, but if the City does this, it must be realized that it takes the land with the portion of the building resting thereon and if the owner took the attitude before the Arbitrator that he did not propose to move the building, it is extremely likely that the Arbitrator would award compensation for the land taken and in addition, would probably allow the owner the full value of the building, as if the City cut through the building at the new street line and removed the portion standing on the land expropriated, the remaining portion of the building by itself is useless, in addition, the owner would likely be awarded the estimated cost of removal to this point.

Since writing the foregoing report I have had another interview with Mr. Pliskow and suggested that he accept the offer of \$900.00 and move the house back and allow the question of the determination of the value of the land and loss of rental to be settled by an Arbitrator satisfactory to himself and the City, and that if he would agree to this, that I was prepared to recommend to the Committee on Works that this course be pursued. This offer was refused and his final word was that he was prepared to accept the sum of \$1444.00, made up as follows:-

Moving building	\$900.00
Land 608 sq.ft. @ 50¢	304.00
Loss of rental	240.00
Total	<u>\$1444.00</u>

It is desirable that a portion of the property required for the widening of the street should be obtained and it therefore becomes a matter to decide whether it would not be in the interests of the City to settle with Mr. Pliskow rather than to expropriate. Reluctant as I am to recommend that he be paid the amount claimed by him, as I think it is altogether too much, yet there is a very strong possibility of the City having to pay more, if the matter went before an Arbitrator.



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In case the committee should decide to expropriate the property I have prepared the plan #KK-1-8285 and also the attached description and resolution to be passed by the Committee and Council.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER.

August 13th, 1936.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works August 12th, 1936, the attached report of the City Engineer was considered and on motion of Alderman Keshen and Alderman Freda, it was decided to recommend to the City Council that the City of Halifax pay the owner of property #80 Preston Street the sum of \$1444.00 for the portion of the property required by the City of Halifax on the understanding that the owner is to move the house to the new line of the street.

E. H. Cragg,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

WATER RATES OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS

Read report of the Committee on Works re water rates outside City limits.

August 13th, 1936.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works August 12th, 1936, on motion of Alderman Keshen and Alderman Gates, it was decided to recommend to Council that the City Engineer and the City Solicitor be authorized to apply to the Public Utilities Commission for permission to increase the charge for water supply by the City of Halifax outside the city limits to a minimum of \$10.00 per half year in addition to the charge for meter rental.

E. J. Cragg,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

*Clerk of Works  
City Engineer*

August 13th, 1936.

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

Motion passed.

*Clerk of Works  
City Engineer*

HOLLIS STREET DUCTS FROM OLD TO NEW PROVINCE  
BUILDING

Read reports of the Committee on  
Works and City Engineer re Hollis Street ducts from  
old to new Province Building.

July 21st, 1936.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I have an application from E.G.M. Cape  
& Company, contractors for the new Province Building  
on Hollis Street, for permission to lay ducts for  
electric wires and also for steam pipes across  
Hollis Street between the new building and the old  
Province House.

The area occupied will be 52.5 feet long  
by about 2 feet wide.

It is recommended that before a permit  
is granted the Province signs an encroachment lease  
containing the usual terms and agreeing to pay an  
annual rental of \$10.50, this being at the rate of  
10 cents per square foot of the area occupied by  
the ducts on the street.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER.

August 12th, 1936.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

Since the committee approved of a permit  
being granted to the Province to lay ducts for  
electric wire and steam pipes across Hollis Street  
from the old Province House to the New Provincial  
Building, I have been trying to arrive at an  
agreement satisfactory to the Province and the  
City, regarding conditions under which these ducts  
should be laid.

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We agree, except on the one requiring the Province to relocate or remove the ducts at any time on receiving three months notice from the City. The Province wish to alter this to read, that the Province will agree to alter, relocate or remove the ducts "in the event of reasonable necessity being shown".

In my opinion the City's interest would be better safe-guarded by leaving out the words in quotations which the Province wish to insert in the Agreement, but the Province state that they are definitely opposed to the deletion of those words.

The matter is submitted to the committee for its consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER.

August 13th, 1936.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works recommend to Council for adoption, the attached reports of the City Engineer dated July 21st, 1936 and August 12th, 1936, with reference to an application for permission to lay ducts for electric wires and also for steam pipes across Hollis Street, between the new building and the old Province House.

E. J. Cragg,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.

*Clerk of Works*  
*City Engineer*  
BARRINGTON STREET HIGHWAY GARAGE - PIPE ACROSS STREET.

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re Barrington Street highway garage-pipe across street.

August 4th, 1936.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on an application from the Mechanical Superintendent of the Department of Highways for permission to lay a 2½ inch water pipe across Barrington Street, a short distance eastwardly from Kempt Road, that the Department has a well on

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the property on the south side of Barrington Street and are desirous of connecting it to their garage on the north side.

I can see no objection to the permit being granted, provided the Department will sign a lease containing such terms as may be approved by the City Engineer and City Solicitor.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER.

August 13th, 1936.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works recommend to Council for adoption, the attached report of the City Engineer on an application for permission to lay a 2½" water pipe across Barrington Street a short distance eastwardly from Kempt Road from the Department of Highways well on the south side of Barrington Street to their garage on the north side.

E. J. Cragg,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.

QUINPOOL ROAD CONCRETE SIDEWALK

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re Quinpool Road concrete sidewalk.

August 4th, 1936.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

In accordance with the request of the Committee on Works, I beg to report on concrete sidewalks on Quinpool Road from Beech Street westwardly, that the estimated cost of a concrete walk and sodding on the north side, from Beech Street to McDonald Street is \$4,400.00, of which the City's share would be about \$2400.00.

*Clerk of Works  
City Engineer*

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The estimated cost of a sidewalk and sodding on the south side of the street is \$4600.00, of which the City's share would be about \$2450.00. Included in the estimate of the abutter's share of the cost is about \$525.00 which would be chargeable to the Canadian National Railway frontage, and if not paid by the Railways would have to be added to the City's share.

Curbs and gutters and pavement have already been laid on this street. The cost of paving was borne entirely by the City and no portion of it was assessed against the abutting owners.

There is a continuously increasing traffic on this street, and in my opinion, at least one of the sidewalks should be laid.

It is recommended that the sidewalk and sodding be laid this year on the south side of Quinpool Road from Beech Street to the east side of the Railway Bridge, and that the question of the walk on the north side be deferred for the present.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER.

August 13th, 1936.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works August 5th, 1936, the attached report of the City Engineer re Quinpool Road sidewalks was on motion of Alderman Gates and Alderman Freda, approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

E. J. Cragg,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Alderman McDonald requested the Engineer to prepare a report on the advisability of paving Quinpool Road from Monastery Lane to Windsor Street.

*Clerk of Works  
City Engineer*

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CAMBRIDGE STREET - STREET LIGHT

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re Cambridge Street, street light.

August 12th, 1936.

His Worship the Mayor,

Sir:-

Cambridge Street has become practically all built up and there is a long space between the light immediately south of Jubilee Road and the next one at Waegwoltic Avenue; another light located opposite Geldert Street would make a big improvement in the street lighting on Cambridge Street and would also serve for Geldert Street.

It is recommended that a light be ordered to be installed when funds are available.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER.

August 13th, 1936.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works August 12th, 1936, the attached report of the City Engineer re Cambridge Street, street lighting was on motion of Alderman Keshen and Alderman Gates, approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

E. J. Cragg,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

WORKMENS COMPENSATION ASSESSMENT FOR LABOR BY DIRECT RELIEF MEN

*Council  
Clerk of Works  
City Engineer*

Read report of the Committee on Works submitting letter from His Worship the Mayor re Workmens Compensation assessment for labor by direct relief men.



August 13th, 1936.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works August 12th, 1936, the attached report of His Worship the Mayor in reference to the Workmens Compensation Board assessment for labor by direct relief men was considered and on motion of Alderman Gates and Alderman O'Toole, ordered forwarded to City Council without recommendation.

E. J. Cragg,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Office of the Mayor,  
Halifax, Nova Scotia,  
August 11th, 1936.

Board of Works,  
Halifax,  
Nova Scotia.

Gentlemen:-

The matter of the Workmens Compensation Assessment for labour by direct relief men was referred to me, to be taken up with the Workmens Compensation Board. The history of this question is well-known to the Board of Works and members of the Council and I will not deal with it, simply report the result of my conference with the representative of the Workmens Compensation Board.

Mr. John MacKeigan, assessment officer, was named by the Board as their representative and I met him on July 27th. The assessment charged against the City on account of Direct Relief Labor amounts to \$4934.00 and the penalties amount to \$650.00, or a total of \$5584.00. Assessment for the year 1932 and 1933 would not be discussed by the Board's representative, but 1934 and 1935 were discussed with the following result: Mr. MacKeigan agreed to reduce the assessment for 1934 by two-thirds or \$1138.00 bringing the total down to \$4446.00. We also agreed on an adjustment for 1935 reducing this amount to \$1620.00, which leaves a total due the Board of \$2826.00. It was also agreed that the penalties would be reduced by one-half or \$325.00 leaving a net balance due the Workmens Compensation Board of about \$2500.00. The figures quoted above are in round numbers without regard to the cents.

I beg also to report that the matter of the principles involved in this assessment can not be dealt with further at this time. The Government of Nova Scotia was asked before the last session of the Legislature to amend the Workmens Compensation Act exempting municipalities from assessment on direct relief labour.

August 13th, 1936.

This they did not see fit to do, and as the law stands at present, we are compelled to pay Compensation Assessment whether we like it or not. Whilst not agreeing that we should be liable for this assessment I am, nevertheless, recommending that settlement be made forthwith on the above basis.

Yours very truly,

E. J. Cragg,  
MAYOR.

Moved by Alderman Smeltzor,  
seconded by Alderman Curran that the recommendation contained in the Mayor's letter be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Gough, seconded by Alderman McCarthy that this matter be left in abeyance for one month.

Amendment passed.

The original motion not put.

SUPT'S REPORT RE INMATES IN THE CITY HOME  
FOR THE MONTH OF JULY, 1936.

Read report of the Charities Committee for the month of July, 1936 showing the number of inmates in the City Home to be 464.  
FILED

1935-36 FINANCIAL REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET

Read report of the City Auditor covering consolidated balance sheet as at April 30th, 1936.

This report and balance sheet will be found in printed form following minutes of this meeting.

DEPARTMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

Read report of the City Auditor re departmental appropriations and expenditures.  
FILED

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TAX COLLECTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY, 1936.

Read report of the City Auditor covering tax collections for the month of July, 1936.

TAX COLLECTIONS, JULY, 1936.

Arrears Taxes

Arrears Taxes	Civic Year Reserve	Outstanding Balances June	New accounts and adjustments	July Collections	Outstanding Balances July:
1932-33	\$53,065.02*	\$54,493.45	-\$54.93	\$3,539.53	\$50,907.99
1933-34	57,916.30*	145,170.04	- 65.48	6,313.98	138,790.58
1934-35	53,350.28	290,862.34	- 35.60	8,731.92	282,094.82
1935-36	57,148.14	496,649.93	-1921.97	18,415.25	476,312.71
		987,175.76	-2077.98	37,000.68	948,097.10

Current Taxes

1936-37	46,832.08	983,687.75		30,343.22	953,344.53
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Water Dept.  
Rates, etc.

	87,794.95	+99,092.21	98,130.23	88,756.93
	2,058,658.46	97,014.23	165,474.13	1,990,198.56

Roll Taxes 1932-33	3,397.31		40.00	357.31
Roll Taxes 1933-34	3,071.23		104.00	2,967.23
Roll Taxes 1934-35	4,546.41		147.00	4,399.41
Roll Taxes 1935-36	7,853.53		636.50	7,217.03
Roll Taxes 1936-37	22,320.50		1,429.50	20,891.00

\*Includes special tax payments and unexpended balances. Any excess in this account above the outstanding tax balance is transferable to the General Reserve or the General Sinking Fund, as the case requires, on April 30th of each year.

Additional Collections

Tax years 1908-9 to 1924-25	\$22.94		
Corresponding period last year			\$13.42
Tax years 1925-26 to 1931-32	1,194.03		
Corresponding period last year			518.48
<u>Collections per above Statement</u>	165,474.13		
Corresponding period last year			<u>151,992.63</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$166,691.10</b>	<b>\$152,524.53</b>	

Collections of Poll Taxes

July 1st to July 31st, 1936	\$7,245.92		
Corresponding period last year			\$7,374.50

Respectfully submitted,

A. M. Butler,  
CITY AUDITOR.

FILED

August 13th, 1936.

10.10 P.M.,

Moved by Alderman Gates, seconded by  
Alderman Smeltzer that this meeting do now adjourn.

Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

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*W. P. Publicover*  
W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

*E. J. Craig*  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.