

CITY COUNCIL MEETING,  
THURSDAY,  
OCTOBER 13th, 1938.

A G E N D A

Minutes.

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27. " " Barrington Street -street lighting.
28. " " Gottingen St. -street lighting.
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30. " " Farrell land, Lady Hammond Road.
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33. " " insurance on properties, Morris St.
34. " " Buckingham St. resurfacing.
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36. Letter City Clerk re appointments to School Board.
37. " " Exhibition Commission.
38. Report Tax Property Sales Comm. re sale of property, Young St.
39. Order in Council re extension of liens.
40. " " approval of Ordinance #35 (transient traders).
41. Report Charities Comm. covering Supt's report re inmates in the City Home.
42. Report City Auditor re tax collections for the month of September, 1938.
43. " " departmental appropriations and expenditures.

EVENING SESSION

8.00 o'clock,  
Council Chamber,  
City Hall,  
October 13th, 1938.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; and Aldermen Batson, MacKay, Breen, Donovan, Kinley, Curran, Sullivan, Freda, Adams, Lloyd, Keshen, O'Toole, Curtis, Gough and Daw.

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

8.05 o'clock,

Alderman Walker arrives and takes his seat in Council.

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 \$7,233.19; Committee on Charities amounting to \$10,858.44; Gardens Committee amounting to \$1,557.74, Fleming Park amounting to \$295.20; Point Pleasant Park Committee amounting to \$824.89; City Prison Committee amounting to \$1,875.24; Committee on Firewards amounting to \$14,103.48 chargeable to Fire Department and \$817.75 chargeable to Fire Alarm; Committee on Works

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amounting to \$13,696.65; City Health Board amounting to \$7,245.09; Committee on Camp Hill Cemetery amounting to \$914.87; Library Committee amounting to \$352.12; Police Committee amounting to \$9,897.76 under the provisions of Section 315 of the City Charter.

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

BORROWING FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO COMMON

*Engineer*  
Read report of the Finance Committee re borrowing for improvements to Common.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
October 12th, 1938.

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day, a report from the Gardens, Parks and Commons Committee recommending that an appropriation of \$2,000.00 be provided for the purpose of improving the Common of Halifax was considered.

Your committee recommends that under the authority of Section 50 of Chapter 58 of the Acts of 1938 an appropriation of \$2,000.00 be provided for the purpose of improving the Common of Halifax; the said appropriation to be expended by the Committee on Gardens, Parks and Commons.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. Donovan,  
CHAIRMAN.

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

PURCHASE OF PROPERTIES - MORRIS STREET

Read report of the Finance Committee re purchase of properties on Morris Street.

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

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day, a letter from the City Auditor regarding the purchase of properties in connection with the widening of Morris Street was considered.

At the last meeting of the City Council a report from the Committee on Works recommending the purchase of several properties on Morris Street was adopted, but as the said report did not indicate the source of the authority under which the properties were to be purchased it was resolved by the Committee on Finance that in order to remove any uncertainty that the said properties be purchased under the authority of Section 624A. of the City Charter.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. Donovan,  
CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.

*Auditors* COMPENSATION FOR CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE ON  
TAX ARREARS IN DISPUTE.

Read report of the Finance Committee, letter of the City Auditor and resolution re payment to the Chairman of the Committee on Tax Arrears in Dispute.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
October 12th, 1938.

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day, the attached letter from the City Auditor regarding an appropriation for the compensation to a member of the Committee on Tax Arrears in Dispute was considered.

Your committee recommends that  
the Chairman of the Committee on Tax Arrears in

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Dispute be paid on the basis of \$10.00 per meeting and that a sum not exceeding \$100.00 be borrowed for this purpose, and submits herewith a resolution for Council's adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. Donovan,  
CHAIRMAN.

City Auditor's Office,  
Halifax, N. S.,  
October 12th, 1938.

The Chairman,  
Finance Committee.

Dear Sir:-

The special committee set up by last year's legislation for the purpose of dealing with taxes in dispute prior to 1924 has not been able to meet more than on one occasion because of the lack of provision for compensation to one of its members.

I requested an appropriation for compensation about three months ago, and I would urge that the matter be now dealt with as considerable business is before the committee and meetings should be held forthwith.

With the permission of the committee, if it is opposed to voting the money under 332A, I could make the payments from the office expense account of the City.

Yours very truly,

A. M. Butler,  
CITY AUDITOR.

BE IT RESOLVED that a sum not exceeding \$100.00 be borrowed under the authority of Section 332A. of the City Charter and be paid to Mr. F. P. Bligh, K.C., Chairman of the Tax Adjustment Committee, at the rate of \$10.00 per meeting attended by him during the civic year 1938-39.

Moved by Alderman Donovan, seconded by Alderman MacKay that the report of the Finance Committee and resolution as submitted be adopted. Motion put and passed; the following voting therefor:-



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Aldermen Batson  
Mackay  
Breen  
Donovan  
Kinley  
Curran  
Sullivan  
Freda  
Adams  
Lloyd  
Keshen  
O'Toole  
Curtis  
Gough  
Walker  
Daw

A two-thirds vote of Council being  
required.

SUPERANNUATION - JAMES E. LYNCH

*Treasurer*

Read report of the Finance Committee  
re superannuation of James E. Lynch, Janitor at the  
City Hall.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
October 12th, 1938.

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

At a meeting of the Finance Committee  
held this day, the attached application from Mr.  
James E. Lynch, Janitor at the City Hall, for  
permission to retire on superannuation was considered.

Your committee recommends that Mr.  
Lynch be superannuated at November 1st next at an  
annual allowance of \$1,080.00 under the provisions  
of Section 153 of the City Charter.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. Donovan,  
CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.

Alderman Curran wishing to be  
recorded against.

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SUPERANNUATION - MRS. JAMES E. LYNCH

*Treasurer*

Read report of the Finance Committee  
re superannuation of Mrs. James E. Lynch, Matron  
of the Police Station;

Committee Room, City Hall,  
October 12th, 1938.

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

At a meeting of the Finance Committee  
held this day, the attached application from Mrs.  
James E. Lynch, Matron of the Police Station,  
requesting permission to retire on superannuation  
was considered.

Your committee recommends that Mrs.  
Lynch be superannuated as from November 1st next at  
an annual allowance of \$215.00 under the provisions  
of Section 146 of the City Charter.

Respectfully submitted,

W.E. Donovan,  
CHAIRMAN.

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

SUPERANNUATION OF MEN WHO HAVE SERVED AS  
CALL FIREMEN

Read report of the Finance Committee  
and resolution re superannuation of men who have  
served as call firemen.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
October 12th, 1938.

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

At a meeting of the Finance Committee  
held this day, the matter of superannuation of  
employees who had served as call firemen was  
considered.

Your committee recommends the  
adoption of the attached resolution as prepared by  
the City Solicitor.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. Donovan,  
CHAIRMAN.

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BE IT RESOLVED that legislation be obtained at the next session of the legislature to enable the time spent by any member of the Fire Department as a call firemen or supernumerary to be taken into account in calculating the superannuation of each member of the Fire Department who has served continuously either as a call firemen or a supernumerary and employee of the Fire Department and who was at the date of such superannuation a member of the Fire Department.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that legislation be also obtained at the said session of the legislature to enable the time spent by any person in the employ of the City as a call fireman or a supernumerary to be taken into account in calculating the superannuation of such person who has served continuously either as a call fireman or a supernumerary and employee of the City and who was at the date of such superannuation in the employ of the City.

8.15 o'clock.

Alderman Power arrives and takes his seat in Council.

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

Aldermen Batson, Curran, Daw and Walker wishing to be recorded against.

SUPERANNUATION OF A. M. HOARE

Read report of the Finance Committee re superannuation of A. M. Hoare of the Fire Dept.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
October 12<sup>th</sup>, 1938.

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held today, the case of a superannuated fireman, A. M. Hoare, was discussed.

At the September meeting of Council this man's superannuation was approved on the basis of an immediate payment of an annual allowance of \$474.66 to be augmented, if and when the legislature approved, by an additional amount bringing the



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annual pension up to \$1,200.00.

The Finance Committee is agreed that full consideration could not have been given to the immediate effect of the small pension on which this ex-fireman would have to live, pending approval of legislation for the higher amount and therefore recommends that the Council approve of the temporary increase in the personnel of the department by one and recommends to the Firewards Committee that, notwithstanding the present pension now received by this man, that he be employed in the department until May 1st next at a salary representing the difference between \$1,200.00 per annum and \$474.66 per annum.

The Finance Committee in making this special recommendation expresses doubt as to the prudence of retiring men on superannuation under circumstances which will cause personal hardship as was clearly the situation in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. Donovan,  
CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.

ACCOUNT - JUDGE R. H. MURRAY

Read report of the Finance Committee  
and resolution re account of Judge R. H. Murray.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
October 12th, 1938.

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day, the attached account from Judge Murray for the sum of \$125.50, being the amount of costs in the recent investigation as to an alleged bribery by LeRoy R. Hales of a member of the City Council, was considered.

Your committee recommends that the account as submitted be passed for payment and the money required for this purpose be borrowed under the provisions of Section 332A. of the City Charter.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. Donovan,  
CHAIRMAN.

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WHEREAS the City requires money for the purpose of meeting the cost of paying an account to Judge Murray for an investigation held before him in the matter of an alleged bribery of a member of the City Council, and no funds have been provided in the estimates for the aforesaid purpose;

AND WHEREAS Section 332A, of the City Charter as enacted in Chapter 53 of the Acts of 1932 authorizes the City to borrow for such purpose;

BE IT RESOLVED that an amount not exceeding \$125.50 be borrowed from any bank or fund available under the provisions of the said enactment. The money so borrowed, with interest thereon, shall be included in the estimates for the civic year 1939-40.

Moved by Alderman Donovan, seconded by Alderman MacKay that the report and resolution as submitted be adopted. Motion put and passed, 16 voting for the same and 1 against it as follows:-

FOR THE MOTION

Aldermen Breen  
Batson  
MacKay  
Donovan  
Kinley  
Curran  
Sullivan  
Freda  
Adams  
Lloyd  
Keshen  
O'Toole  
Curtis  
Gough  
Walker  
Daw

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AGAINST IT

Alderman Power

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A two-thirds vote of Council being required.

*City Assessor*  
APPOINTMENT OF CLERK - CITY ASSESSOR'S DEPARTMENT

Read report of the Finance

Committee recommending the appointment of Mr. John Thomson to the position of Clerk in the City Assessor's Department.

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His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day, applications for the position of Clerk in the City Assessor's Department made vacant by the resignation of Miss Marion Thomson were considered.

Your committee recommends that Mr. John Thomson be appointed to the position of Clerk in the City Assessor's Department for a period of three months on probation at the minimum yearly salary of \$780.00.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. Donovan,  
CHAIRMAN.

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

Moved in amendment by Alderman Daw, seconded by Alderman Power that the names of all applicants be read. Amendment passed.

The City Clerk then read the list of all applicants for the position.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Daw, seconded by Alderman Keshen that Mrs. Myrtle L. Phillips be appointed to the position of Clerk in the Assessor's Department. Amendment put and lost, 5 voting for the same and 12 against it as follows:-

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Aldermen Batson  
Keshen  
Power  
Walker  
Daw

--AGAINST IT

Aldermen Breen  
MacKay  
Donovan  
Kinley  
Curran  
Sullivan  
Freda  
Adams  
Lloyd  
O'Toole  
Curtis  
Gough

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The motion was then put and passed,  
14 voting for the same and 3 against it as follows:-

FOR THE MOTION

Aldermen Adams  
Batson  
Breen  
Curran  
Curtis  
Donovan  
Freda  
Gough  
Keshon  
Kinley  
Lloyd  
MacKay  
O'Toole  
Sullivan  
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AGAINST IT

Aldermon Daw  
Power  
Walker

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HURRICANE DISASTER - NEW ENGLAND STATES

Read report of the Finance Committee  
and resolution re hurricane disaster, New England  
States.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
October 12th, 1938.

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

At a meeting of the Finance  
Committee held on the above date, the matter of  
assisting those who suffered in the recent hurricane  
disaster in the New England States was considered.

Your committee recommends that  
the sum of \$2,500.00 be contributed for the relief  
of those sufferers and submits herewith a resolution  
for the approval of Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. Donovan,  
CHAIRMAN.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council  
of the City of Halifax, as an expression of the  
gratitude of the citizens of the City of Halifax,  
for the assistance and relief extended to them at  
the time of the Halifax Explosion, December 6th,  
1917, that the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred  
Dollars (\$2,500.00) be contributed by the City of  
Halifax for the purpose of relieving the distress  
and suffering in the New England States of the  
United States of America, caused by floods and  
hurricane;

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AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the said sum be sent to the Governor of the State of Massachusetts to be by him forwarded to the American Red Cross Society to be applied by it for the purposes stated.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Government of the Province of Nova Scotia be requested to approve of legislation to be submitted at the next session of the Legislature of Nova Scotia ratifying the payment by the City of the said money for the purpose aforesaid, and that upon such approval being received by the City the proper officers of the City are authorized to make the said payment.

Moved by Alderman Donovan, seconded by Alderman MacKay that the report and resolution as submitted be adopted. Motion put and passed unanimously.

PEANUT DAY - KINSMEN CLUB

Read report of the Laws and Privileges Committee re Peanut Day, Kinsmen Club.

Committee Room, City Hall,  
October 11th, 1938.

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

At a meeting of the Laws and Privileges Committee held this day, the attached application from the Kinsmen Club requesting permission to hold a Peanut Day on Saturday, October 29th was considered.

Your committee recommends that the application be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

A. M. MacKay,  
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that the report be adopted. Motion passed.



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AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE #13

Read letter from the City Solicitor and amendment to Ordinance #13 respecting the regulation of vehicles transporting passengers for hire.

October 13th, 1938.

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

Your Worship and Aldermen:- Re: Amendment to  
Ordinance No.13

I am today in receipt of a letter from the Minister of Highways, relating to the above amendment. In the amendment as passed by the Council at its last meeting, certain typographical errors occurred, which are insignificant, but which should be corrected. The main point taken by the Minister is with regard to the actual prohibition against the carriage of trunks by taxis. In his letter to me the Minister says, "I do not agree with the total prohibition of carrying trunks on the outside of the taxi. If this latter matter is amended to read 'no trunks shall be carried by any motor-drawn vehicle, licensed under this ordinance, outside of such vehicle, unless securely retained upon a properly constructed carrier approved by the Committee'", he will be pleased to approve of the same and recommend it to the Governor-in-Council. The attached amendment carries out the Minister's suggestion, and it is recommended that the same be passed by the City Council.

In order to enable the taxi-cab operators to obtain and install their meters, the Minister indicated that he would withhold his actual approval for six weeks from the date of receipt of this amendment. The approval will probably be given about the 1st of December, and I think it would be advisable to have the operators of taxis notified to this effect, so that the necessary arrangements can be made by them.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bothune,  
CITY SOLICITOR.

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

1. Section 2 of Ordinance #13 respecting the Regulation of Vehicles transporting Passengers for Hire is amended by inserting between the words "the" and "schedule" in the third line thereof the word "first".

2. Section 26 and Section 27 of said Ordinance #13 are repealed and the following substituted therefor:

26. The rates set out in the second schedule to this Ordinance shall be charged for conveyance in a licensed motor-drawn vehicle, used for transporting passengers for hire from point to point within the City limits, and the taximeter shall be so regulated as to register and show the various charges as they accrue. Copies of such schedule shall be furnished by the City Clerk to every person holding a license in respect of any such vehicle on application thereto, and a copy of such schedule shall be posted up in a conspicuous position inside the vehicle and protected by glass or cellophane or some transparent substance.

27. Every licensed owner or driver of a motor-drawn vehicle who receives or demands a fare greater or less than that registered upon the taximeter in such vehicle according to the rates set out in the second schedule hereto shall be guilty of an offence against this Ordinance.

3. The Schedule to the said Ordinance #13 is repealed and the following schedules substituted therefor:

First Schedule

Form of License

License is hereby granted to

to drive a vehicle to be used for transporting passengers for hire in the City of Halifax, until the 30th day of April, 19 .

The number of such vehicle shall be

The stand appointed for the same shall be  
Section No.

The licensee undertakes to comply with the laws and ordinances of the City of Halifax.

Mayor.

City Clerk.

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Second Schedule

Table of Rates or Fares

25 cent drop for 1 passenger up to 1 mile.  
10 cents for each additional passenger.  
5 cents for each  $\frac{1}{5}$  mile for distances over 1 mile.  
5 cents for each  $\frac{1}{2}$  minutes waiting time.  
No charge shall be made for the hand baggage or  
parcels of any passenger.  
No trunks shall be carried by any motor-drawn  
vehicle licensed under this Ordinance outside of  
such vehicle unless securely retained upon a  
properly constructed carrier approved by the  
committee.  
Children under 5 years of age free when accompanied  
by an adult.  
5 minutes grace allowed on pickups.  
Hourly driving rates by arrangement with driver and  
passenger without motor.  
\$3.00 per hour - 5 passenger car.  
\$4.00 per hour - 7 passenger car.

Moved by Alderman MacKay, seconded  
by Alderman Sullivan that the amendments to  
Ordinance #13 as set out above be passed and  
forwarded to the Minister of Highways for approval.  
Motion passed.

ORDINANCE #13A.

Road letter from the City  
Solicitor re Ordinance #13A. respecting taximeters.

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

Your Worship and Aldermen:- Re: Ordinance No. 13A.

I am advised by the Clerk of the  
Executive Council that this Ordinance, passed at the  
last meeting of the Council, has been approved by  
the Governor-in-Council, subject to certain  
amendments.

It will be necessary for the City  
Council to pass this ordinance incorporating the  
suggested amendments, but in view of the fact that it  
should not come into effect until the operators of  
taxis have had an opportunity of obtaining and  
installing the meters, I would recommend that the  
official passage be not given until the same day  
as the Governor-in-Council approves of the

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amendment to Ordinance #13, which will be about December 1st. In order to synchronize these two ordinances, I suggest that a special meeting of Council be called on that day for the purpose of passing Ordinance #13A.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune,  
CITY SOLICITOR.

Moved by Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that the letter of the City Solicitor be approved. Motion passed.

POWER BRAKES #2 PUMPER

Read report of the Committee on Firewards re power brakes #2 pumper.

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His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards held this day, it was decided to install power brakes on #2 pumper at a cost of \$250.00. This is provided for in the current estimates.

Your committee recommends that this work be proceeded with.

Respectfully submitted,

H. F. Curran,  
CHAIRMAN.

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

UNPAID ACCOUNTS AT CITY HOME, YEAR 1937-38

Read report of the Charities Committee re unpaid accounts at City Home, year 1937-38.

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

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

Members Present:- The Chairman, Aldermen Batson, Freda, Mrs. Sullivan, Curran and Walker.

The following resolution was recommended to Council.

WHEREAS due to unforeseen and emergent expenditures the appropriation for the City Home for the civic year 1937-1938 was insufficient by approximately \$3,500.00 to provide for essential expenditures for the proper conduct of the said Institution;

AND WHEREAS certain obligations have been incurred for the purpose of providing for the patients in the said City Home during the said civic year and it is necessary to obtain the money necessary to defray the said obligation;

AND WHEREAS the fact that the said appropriation was insufficient was not reported to the City Council until the legislature had risen, and no authority could therefore be received therefrom to borrow the said money;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the whole Council of the City of Halifax, and the Mayor thereof, that the good offices of the Premier and the government of the Province of Nova Scotia be sought, for the purpose of assuring the City of the support of the government for the passage of legislation at the next session of the Legislature to validate the payment by the City of the said obligations and to enable the City to secure the funds necessary therefor, and for the protection of the Mayor, Aldermen and officials of the City from any liability or penalty as prescribed by any enactment that may be imposed upon any one or all of them arising out of any legal proceedings against them by any taxpayer or other person;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution and this manner of dealing with this situation shall not constitute or be deemed to be a precedent to affect any like situation in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

E. B. Batson,  
CHAIRMAN.



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Moved by Alderman Batson, seconded  
by Alderman Walker that the report be adopted.  
Motion put and lost, 16 voting for the same and 1  
against it as follows:-

FOR THE MOTION

Aldermen Breen  
Batson  
MacKay  
Donovan  
Kinley  
Curran  
Sullivan  
Freda  
Adams  
Lloyd  
Keshen  
O'Toole  
Gurtis  
Gough  
Walker  
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AGAINST IT

Alderman Power

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BORROWING OF BEDS FROM FIRE DEPARTMENT

Read report of the Charities

Committee re borrowing of beds from the Fire Dept.

Halifax, N. S.,  
October 11th, 1938.

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

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

Members Present:- The Chairman,  
Alderman Batson; Aldermen Freda, Mrs. Sullivan,  
Curran and Walker.

The following resolution is  
recommended to Council.

"BE IT RESOLVED that the Charities  
Department be authorized to borrow from the Fire  
Department the beds now stored in the Morris Street  
fire station".

Respectfully submitted,

E. B. Batson,  
CHAIRMAN.

October 13th, 1938.

Moved by Alderman Batson, seconded by  
Alderman Curran that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

TENDERS FOR PLUMBING AND HEATING - CITY HOME

Read report of the Charities  
Committee re tenders for plumbing and heating at  
the City Home.

Halifax, N. S.,  
October 11th, 1938.

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

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

Members present:- The Chairman,  
Alderman Batson; Aldermen Freda, Mrs. Sullivan,  
Curran and Walker.

A tender for heating and plumbing  
was opened and read as follows:-

D. A. Cummings & Co.	
Plumbing	\$330.00
Heating	648.00

It is recommended that the tender  
of D. A. Cummings & Co., being the only tender  
received, be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

E. B. Batson,  
CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.

BORROWING - DIRECT RELIEF

Read report from the Halifax  
Direct Relief Committee submitting resolution re  
borrowing.

October 13th, 1938.

Halifax, N. S.,  
October 12th, 1938.

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

Gentlemen:-

Attached hereto are copies of resolution passed at the meeting of the Halifax Direct Relief Committee on October 11th, 1938, requesting the approval of the City Council for an appropriation of Seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000.) for the cost of Direct Relief and Four thousand eight hundred dollars (\$4,800.) for administration thereof, for three months from the 1st day of November, 1938, to the 31st day of January, 1939.

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. Vaughan,  
SECRETARY.

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 Seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000.) to be expended between the first day of November 1938 and the thirty-first day of January 1939, if necessary, 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 Eight hundred Dollars (\$4,800.) for the purpose of defraying the cost of administration of direct relief for the period from October 1st, 1938 to January 31st, 1939.

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 recommendation of the Finance Committee later decides.

October 13th, 1938.

Moved by Alderman Gough, seconded by Alderman Curran that the report and resolution as submitted be adopted. Motion passed.

Aldermen Curtis and Power wishing to be recorded against.

*Council*

NOTICE OF MOTION BY ALDERMAN KINLEY RE METHOD OF TAXATION

Alderman Kinley submitted and read the following notice of motion:-

That the Mayor appoint a committee of seven - His Worship the Mayor and one Alderman from each ward - to study the underlying principles governing the City's method of taxation with a view to a finding along the following:-

- (a) Reduction in taxation for the home owner.
- (b) More equitable distribution of business and household taxes.
- (c) Exploring new avenues of revenue to supplement the present taxes so as to prevent any further increase in the tax rate while properly caring for the City's services and social obligations.

Such report and findings to be presented to this Council not later than the regular meeting of February, 1939, for action by this Council.

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Moved by Alderman Keshen, seconded by Alderman Daw that items #36 and #37 on the agenda dealing with the appointments to the School Board and Exhibition Commission be now considered. Motion passed.

*Secretary School Board*

LETTER, CITY CLERK RE APPOINTMENTS TO SCHOOL BOARD

Read letter of the City Clerk re appointments to School Board.

October 13th, 1938.

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

Your Worship and Aldermen:-

At this meeting it will be necessary to appoint two members of the City Council to the Board of School Commissioners to replace Alderman A. M. MacKay and Alderman P. A. Gough who retire this year.

Yours very truly,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Alderman Curran nominated Alderman MacKay as a member of the School Board for a period of three years.

Alderman Donovan nominated Alderman Gough.

Moved by Alderman Kinley, seconded by Alderman Curran that nominations cease. Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor then declared Alderman MacKay and Alderman Gough elected to the Board of School Commissioners for a period of three years, term expiring October 31st, 1941.

LETTER, CITY CLERK RE APPOINTMENT TO EXHIBITION  
COMMISSION

*Secretary  
Exhibition Com.* Read letter from the City Clerk re appointment to the Exhibition Commission.

October 13th, 1938.

His Worship the Mayor,  
and Members of City Council.

Your Worship and Aldermen:-

It will be necessary to appoint a member of the City Council to the Exhibition Commission to replace Alderman James F. McDonald who retires this year.

Yours very truly,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.



October 13th, 1938.

Alderman MacKay nominated Alderman Adams as a member of the Exhibition Commission for a period of four years.

Alderman Curran nominated Alderman Breen to said office.

Moved by Alderman Donovan, seconded by Alderman Kinley that nominations cease. Motion passed.

A ballot was then taken on the two names nominated, which resulted as follows:-

FOR ALDERMAN ADAMS

Aldermen Batsón  
MacKay  
Donovan  
Sullivan  
Freda  
Power  
Curtis

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FOR ALDERMAN BREEN

Aldermen Kinley  
Curran  
Lloyd  
Keshen  
O'Toole  
Gough  
Walker  
Daw

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Alderman Breen, having a clear majority, was declared by His Worship the Mayor duly elected to the Exhibition Commission for a period of four years ending October 31st, 1942.

WATER BILL REDUCTIONS

Read report of the Committee on Works re water bill reductions.

October 11th, 1938.

The City Council.

The Committee on Works on the 4th instant, on motion of Alderman MacKay and Alderman O'Toole, recommended to Council the adoption of the following reports on applications for reduction in water accounts:-

*City Eng.  
Clerk of Works*

October 13th, 1938.

- #20184 - #2-4 Bedford Row. Consumption for March and April 1938 to be reduced by one-half.
- 50562 - 138 Creighton St. Consumption bill for the half year ending April 1938 to be reduced to \$3.74.
- 62369 - Dutch Village Rd. Consumption for period ending April 1938 to be reduced to the minimum charge, the same as the previous bill.
- 62337 - 5 Dutch Village Rd. Consumption for Dec, 1937, January, February, March and April 1938 to be reduced to 10,000 gallons for each month.
- 33158 - S.S. George Street. Consumption for May 1938 to be reduced by one-half.
- 30420 - Jacob St. Consumption for the periods ending April 1935, \$168.87, and October 1935, \$131.12, to be reduced by one-third in each case provided the whole account is paid within thirty days.
- 51328 - 86-88 Maitland St. Consumption for January, February, March and April 1938 to be reduced to 5,000 gallons for each month.
- 51395 - R54 North St. Consumption for January, February, March and April 1938 to be reduced to 15,000 gallons for each month.
- 21631 - Court House, Spring Garden Road Consumption for May 1938 to be reduced to 43,000 gallons.
- #38 Hollis St.  
36 Hollis St.  
142 Grafton St.  
12 Cunard Court  
10 Cunard Court  
" 2 Creighton St.  
304 Upper Water St.  
204 Lower Water St.  
150 Grafton St.

It was recommended that the water consumption rates for the above properties be reduced by twenty percent provided the bills are paid within thirty days.

Walter Mitchell,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

October 13th, 1938.

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

Motion passed.

SUMMIT STREET EXTENSION

*City Eng.  
Clerk of Works*  
Read report of the Committee on  
Works and City Engineer re Summit Street extension.

October 3rd, 1938.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

On September 6th last, the City  
Engineer reported that a portion of two lots fronting  
on Swaine Street will be required for extension of  
Summit Street, from Connolly Street westwardly.

It was noted in the report "that  
this land should be acquired now as if it is not,  
and buildings are erected upon it, eventually the  
City will have to pay a very greatly increased price".

The amount of \$262.50 was stated  
as the owner's agreed price for the amount of  
land required.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. J. DeWolfe,  
ASST. CITY ENGINEER.

October 11th, 1938.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on  
Works on the 4th instant, the Assistant City  
Engineer reported on the purchase of a portion of two  
lots on Swaine Street fronting on Summit Street,  
required for the extension of Summit Street, at a  
cost of \$262.50.

On motion of Alderman Donovan and  
Alderman MacKay, the report was approved and ordered  
forwarded to Council for adoption.

Walter Mitchell,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.

October 13th, 1938.

ARGYLE STREET - HEATING PIPES UNDER STREET

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re Argyle Street, heating pipes under Street.

September 29th, 1938.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

In 1917 permission was granted for laying pipes across Argyle Street from the property then known as Ungar's Laundry to the Herald and Mail building on the west side for the purpose of heating the latter building from the former. An agreement was made with the then owner of Ungar's, Mr. Wm. Schon, since deceased. It has now become necessary to replace this pipe and the Solicitor informs me that a new agreement is necessary. I am attaching an agreement approved by him and also by the owner of the Herald and Mail building. It is proposed to lay a 5-inch steel insulated supply pipe and a 2-inch steel insulation return pipe.

The annual rental is \$5.00 and the agreement provides that it may be cancelled by the City on one week's notice.

It is recommended that the agreement be approved by the Committee and recommended to the Council.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER.

October 11th, 1938.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works on the 4th instant, the City Engineer reported on an agreement with the Halifax Herald Limited granting them permission to lay heating pipes across Argyle Street to the former Ungars Laundry property, at an annual rental of \$5.00.

On motion of Alderman MacKay and Alderman Donovan, the report was approved and ordered forwarded to Council for adoption.

Walter Mitchell,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

*City Eng  
Clerk of Works.*

October 13th, 1938.

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

CORK STREET - GRADING AND ACCEPTANCE

*City Eng.  
Clerk of Works.*

Read report of the Committee on  
Works and Asst. City Engineer re Cork Street,  
grading and acceptance.

September 30th, 1938.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

This is not an accepted street but  
is well built upon and largely used by traffic from  
Windsor Street to Oxford Street. It would be a great  
improvement if the street were graded between the  
points mentioned.

The estimated cost to grade the  
street is \$475.00.

The approximate length is 1050  
feet and estimated cost per foot frontage is 25½  
cents.

It is recommended that the street  
be graded and when so graded, be accepted as a City  
street.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. J. DeWolfe,  
ASST. CITY ENGINEER.

October 11th, 1938.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on  
Works on the 4th instant, the Assistant City  
Engineer reported on the grading and acceptance of  
Cork Street, between Windsor Street and Oxford Street.

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

Walter Mitchell,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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



October 13th, 1938.

BARRINGTON STREET - SIDEWALK RENEWAL

*City Eng.  
Clerk of Works*

Read report of the Committee on Works and Asst. City Engineer re Barrington Street, sidewalk renewal.

October 3rd, 1938.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

Mr. Hart, of the Green Lantern on Barrington Street, has been given permission to fill two (2) openings under the sidewalk in front of his premises and put in several slabs of concrete at his own expense.

At the present time the sidewalk in this section, from Sackville to Blowers Street, east side, is quite uneven and cracked, excepting about  $\frac{1}{4}$  near Blowers Street which was renewed in 1935.

It is recommended that the balance, to Sackville Street, be ordered renewed in next year's schedule for sidewalk work, but not to be done until after the completion of the Zeller building, now under construction.

It is necessary work and the estimated cost is \$450.00 (of which the City's share will be one half), according to 1938 prices.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. J. DeWolfe,  
ASST. CITY ENGINEER.

October 11th, 1938.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works on the 4th instant, the Assistant City Engineer reported on the renewal of the concrete sidewalk on the east side of Barrington Street, between Sackville and Blowers Street, and recommended that the work be placed on next years list of sidewalk work.

On motion of Alderman Donovan and Alderman Walker, the report was approved and ordered forwarded to Council for adoption.

Walter Mitchell,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

October 13th, 1938

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

Motion passed.

CUNARD STREET - SIDEWALK

*City Eng.  
Clerk of Works.*  
Read report of the Committee on Works  
and Asst. City Engineer re Cunard Street sidewalk.

October 3rd, 1938.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

Acting on instructions from Mr. H.W. Johnston, City Engineer, I made an examination of the condition of this sidewalk on the south side, Robie Street to Windsor Street. It was found that a large percentage of the walk is badly cracked and quite uneven so that considerable water stands on it in wet weather.

The area referred to amounts to about 220 square yards.

To repair these bad spots would cost approximately \$300.00 but there is no money in street appropriation to make repairs this year. However, even if repairs were made it might involve adjustment to a fairly large proportion of the adjoining work.

All in all it seems to me that it would be more satisfactory to resurface the whole block. The cost of that would be about \$600.00 of which the abutter's share would be one-half.

It is recommended that the whole block be resurfaced when the schedule for sidewalks is made up for next year.

The present walk was laid in 1922 and the contractor was the Stephen Construction Co.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. J. DeWolfe,  
ASST. CITY ENGINEER.

October 11th, 1938.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works on the 4th instant, the Assistant City Engineer reported on the condition of the concrete sidewalk on the south side of Cunard Street, between Robie and Windsor Streets and recommended that the re-surfacing of the whole block be placed on the sidewalk list for 1939-40.

October 13th, 1938.

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

Walter Mitchell,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.

WILLOW STREET - STREET LIGHT

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

September 29th, 1938.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on an application from Mr. Mason, 78 Willow Street for the installation of a new street light on Willow Street between Gladstone Street and Windsor Street, that the Electrician inspected the location and suggests that by moving the present light to the opposite side in the centre of the block and trimming out trees on the north side, the light should be satisfactory.

There will be no charge for moving the light and it is recommended that the Engineer be authorized to have the change made.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER.

October 11th, 1938.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works on the 4th instant, the City Engineer reported on the installation of a new light on Willow Street, between Gladstone and Windsor Streets and the moving of the present light to another location.

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

Walter Mitchell,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

*City Eng.  
Chief of Works  
Electrician*

October 13th, 1938.

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

Motion passed.

*City Eng  
Electrician  
Clerk of Works*  
BARRINGTON STREET - STREET LIGHTING

Read report of the Committee on Works  
and Asst. City Engineer re Barrington Street,  
street lighting.

October 3rd, 1938.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

In connection with the new street  
lighting on this street, between Buckingham Street  
and Spring Garden Road, which has been approved by  
the City Council, I beg to report as follows:-

Tenders for fixtures have been  
received from the following named firms with their  
quotations:-

Can. Westinghouse Co.Ltd.

Reflectolux Senior Luminaire  
complete with bracket - \$50.09 each  
39 as required, total cost \$1,992.51  
These prices are f.o.b.Halifax  
Sales tax included delivered  
as required.

Northern Electric Co.Ltd.

Reflectolux Senior Luminaire  
complete with bracket - \$51.09 each  
39 as required, total cost 1,992.51

Can. Line Materials Ltd.

Controlite Luminaire complete  
with bracket - \$51.09 each  
39 as required, total cost 1,992.51  
These prices are f.o.b.Halifax  
Sales tax included, delivered  
as required.

Can. General Electric Co.Ltd.

Form 81D, Novalux Luminaire  
complete with bracket - \$51.00 each  
39 as required, total cost 1,989.00  
These prices are f.o.b.Halifax  
Sales tax included, delivered  
as required.

October 13th, 1938.

Mr. Durling, City Electrician, has made an examination of the lighting qualities of the units quoted on and he recommends that the Reflectolux Senior Lumenaire, with bracket complete as per specifications, be the one approved.

Both the Canadian Westinghouse Company and the Northern Electric Company have tendered on this fixture at the same price.

Quotations with cuts are attached.

I would recommend that the report of Mr. Durling be approved.

Since there are two quotations at the same price it might be considered advisable to divide the contract equally between the two companies tendering.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. J. DeWolfe,  
ASST. CITY ENGINEER.

October 11th, 1938.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works on the 4th instant, the Assistant City Engineer reported on tenders for street lighting fixtures for Barrington Street, between Byckingham Street and Spring Garden Road, as follows:-

Canadian Westinghouse Co. Ltd.	\$1,992.51
Northern Electric Co. Ltd.	1,992.51
Canadian Line Materials Ltd.	1,992.51
Canadian Gen. Electric Ltd.	1,989.00

On motion of Alderman Walker and Alderman Donovan, it was recommended to Council that the tender of the Canadian Westinghouse Co. Ltd., and the Northern Electric Co. Ltd., be accepted and the contract divided between them.

Walter Mitchell,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.



October 13th, 1938.

*City Eng  
Electrician  
Blank of Works*

GOTTINGEN STREET LIGHTING

Read report of the Committee on Works  
and Asst. City Engineer re Gottingen Street lighting.

October 3rd, 1938.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on a request for  
improvement in the lighting on this street, between  
Gerrish and Uniacke Streets.

To effect improvement the present  
lighting should be removed and replaced by 600 C.P.  
modern units and one additional lamp to be installed.

The estimated cost is:-

Capital expenditure to install 4 - 600 C.P. modern units, approximately	\$300.00
Increased maintenance cost	62.20
	<u>\$362.20</u>

It is recommended that the lighting  
be improved, as above, and that the work be done  
when funds are available.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. J. DeWolfe,  
ASST. CITY ENGINEER.

October 12th, 1938.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on  
Works on the 4th instant, the Assistant City  
Engineer reported on a request for improvement in the  
street lighting on Gottingen Street, between  
Gerrish and Uniacke Street.

On motion of Alderman Walker and  
Alderman Donovan, it was decided to recommend to  
Council that the improvement in street lighting on  
Gottingen Street, between Gerrish Street and Uniacke  
Street, be placed on the order paper for 1939-40,  
as no funds are available at the present time.

Walter Mitchell,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.



October 13th, 1938.

ARTZ STREET IMPROVEMENTS

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re Artz Street improvements.

September 26th, 1938.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

At the last meeting of the Committee on Works a petition for improvements on Artz Street was reported upon and in view of the large majority of owners who signed the petition it was recommended that curb gutter, sidewalk and paving be constructed on this street.

The day of the meeting of the Council two petitions were received from various owners on the street, stating that the original petition was signed by them under a misapprehension as they did not expect that their properties would be assessed for the work. I sent a report, asking the Council that in view of the objections, the matter be referred back to the Committee on Works for further investigation. A reference to the petitions will show that owners of eight properties on the north side and one on the south side have signed the second petition against the work being done.

In view of the large number of owners who are opposed to the work it is recommended that the resolution passed by the Committee on the 13th of September be rescinded.

Some improvement may be effected by putting down broken stone screenings and oiling the street. No funds are available for doing this at present but in the spring it is recommended that this work be proceeded with.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER.

October 11th, 1938.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works on the 4th instant, the City Engineer reported on petitions received from property owners on Artz Street objecting to paving, curb, gutter and concrete sidewalks as recommended at the meeting of the Committee on September 13th, 1938.

*City Eng  
Clerk of Works*

October 13th, 1938.

On motion of Alderman Walker and Alderman Freda, the motion of September 13th, 1938, was rescinded and the City Engineer's report of the 26th instant was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

Walter Mitchell,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

This item not dealt with.

*City Eng.  
Clerk of Works*  
ILLUMINATED SIGN - CORNER MORRIS AND BRENTON STREETS

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re illuminated sign, corner Morris and Brenton Streets.

September 27th, 1938.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to submit herewith application from Pudry Motors Limited for permission to erect an illuminated sign on the premises at the north-west corner of Morris and Brenton Streets, that the sign will project over the street about 41 inches and it is proposed to illuminate it with one light on each side.

Permits for this type of sign have been granted by the Committee in a large number of cases although my own opinion has been that it was not the type contemplated by the Ordinance.

If the Committee approves of the sign the accompanying lease will have to be authorized by the City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER.

October 11th, 1938.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works on the 4th instant, the City Engineer reported on an application from Purdy Motors Limited, to erect a sign at the north-west corner of Morris Street and Brenton Street.

On motion of Alderman MacKay and Alderman Walker, the report was approved and ordered forwarded to Council for adoption.

Walter Mitchell,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

October 13th, 1938.

Moved by Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Donoyan that the reports be adopted.

Motion passed.

FARRELL PROPERTY, LADY HAMMOND ROAD

Read report of the Committee on Works re the sale of property on Lady Hammond Road to the Lloyd Realty Company Limited.

October 11th, 1938.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works on the 4th instant, on motion of Alderman Walker and Alderman Freda, the report of the Assistant City Engineer on an offer from the Lloyd Realty Co. Ltd. for \$225.00 for the purchase of a portion of the Farrell property on Lady Hammond Road, was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

Walter Mitchell,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

His Worship the Mayor explained that this was not a matter which should go before the Tax Property Sale Committee.

Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Freda that the report of the Committee on Works be adopted and the offer of the Lloyd Realty Company Limited accepted. Motion passed.

YOUNG AVENUE DRIVEWAYS

Read report of the Committee on Works and Asst. City Engineer re Young Avenue driveways.

October 8th, 1938.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the request of the Committee on Works, with reference to the widening of concrete driveways on Young Avenue.

*City Eng.  
Clerk of Works*

*City Eng.  
Clerk of Works*

October 13th, 1938.

The estimated cost of widening the driveways of Messrs. T. W. Murphy and J. W. Godfroy is \$10.00 for each driveway.

There will be approximately thirteen other driveways affected in the same manner as the two referred to above, - each of these, if requests for widening are made, would cost approximately \$10.00, in other words there are fifteen driveways at \$10.00 each, making a total cost of \$150.00.

Your instructions in this matter of widening the two driveways complained of are requested.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. J. DeWolfe,  
ASST. CITY ENGINEER.

October 12th, 1938.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works on the 11th instant, the Assistant City Engineer reported with reference to widening the concrete driveways on Young Avenue.

On motion of Alderman O'Toole and Alderman Walker, it was decided to recommend to Council that the driveways be widened at the expense of the owners of the properties.

Walter Mitchell,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman O'Toole, seconded by Alderman Walker that the report of the Committee on Works be adopted. Motion passed.

MORRIS STREET BOULEVARD

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re Morris Street boulevard.

September 26th, 1938.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on a letter, copy of which is attached, from Mr. F. H. Sargent, regarding the sale of the property No. 299 Morris Street to the City, that he states that if the City will take his property at once he is prepared to accept the assessed valuation plus 20% or \$4,200.00. The property is assessed for \$3,500.00 and the amount originally asked for it was \$6500.00.

*City Eng  
Clerk of Works*

October 13th, 1938.

The Council has already authorized the purchase of five properties on the same terms, viz: assessed valuation plus 20%. Whether they purchase other properties as offered at this rate is a matter of policy for the Council to decide.

It is extremely unlikely that the properties will be able to be bought at any lower price.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,  
CITY ENGINEER.

October 12th, 1938.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works on the 11th instant, the City Engineer reported on an offer from Mr. F. H. Sargent, owner of the property #299 Morris Street, and required for the widening of Morris Street, for the sum of \$4,200.00, the assessed valuation plus twenty percent.

On motion of Alderman MacKay and Alderman Freda, the report was approved and recommended to Council for adoption; the properties to be purchased under the provisions of Section 624A. of the City Charter.

Walter Mitchell,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion put and passed, 11 voting for the same and 4 against it as follows:-

FOR THE MOTION

Aldermen Adams  
Batson  
Daw  
Donovan  
Freda  
Gough  
Kinley  
MacKay  
Power  
Sullivan  
Walker

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AGAINST IT

Aldermen Curran  
Curtis  
Lloyd  
O'Toole

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October 13th, 1938.

PROPERTY - 297 MORRIS STREET

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Read report of the City Solicitor  
re purchase of property, 297 Morris Street.

October 13th, 1938.

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

Your Worship and Aldermen:-

At the last meeting of the Council it was decided to purchase the property 297 Morris Street at the price of \$4,000.00. My attention has been drawn to the fact that the offer made to the City by the owners was \$4,000.00 for the property, and in addition the apportionment of the taxes for the current year, which have been paid, as of the date of purchase.

I have arranged for the closing of this transaction as of October 1st, and this will necessitate a payment of an additional sum of \$74.43, being the portion of taxes from October 1st, 1938, to April 30th, 1939. Even with this sum, the amount paid for the property is considerably below the assessed value plus 20% by about \$125.00.

I therefore recommend that the Council authorize the payment of this additional sum of \$74.43 for this property, in accordance with the offer made by the vendors, Mrs. Hilda G. Mitchell and Helen Kathleen Holloway, and which I think the City decided to accept.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune,  
CITY SOLICITOR.

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

Motion passed.

*Council*  
NOTICE OF MOTION BY ALDERMAN GOUGH RE RATES  
CHARGED BY THE MARITIME TELEGRAPH AND  
TELEPHONE COMPANY

Alderman Gough submitted and read  
the following notice of motion:-



October 13th, 1938.

BE IT RESOLVED that the City Solicitor be requested to make a study of the present rates charged by the Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Company and to make a report thereon to the Council as to whether, in his opinion the City Council under Section 72 of the Public Utilities Act of Nova Scotia should lodge a complaint with the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities of Nova Scotia, that the rates at present charged in the City of Halifax are unreasonable, excessive and unjustly discriminatory.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the officials of the City be requested to co-operate with the Solicitor in securing the information required for such report.

INSURANCE ON PROPERTIES - MORRIS STREET

*City Eng.  
Clerk of Works*

Road report of the Committee on Works and Asst. City Engineer re insurance on properties, Morris Street.

September 30th, 1938.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

Now that the City has begun the purchase of properties fronting on the northern side of Morris Street, between Robie Street and Seymour Street, the question of insurance on them has arisen.

I would respectfully request direction as to whether or not it is the intention of the City to insure these properties once their transfer has been completed to the City.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. DeWolfe,  
ASST. CITY ENGINEER.

October 12th, 1938.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works on the 11th instant, the Assistant City Engineer reported on insurance of properties recently purchased by the City for the widening of Morris Street and requested direction of the Committee in regard thereto.

October 13th, 1938.

On motion of Alderman MacKay and Alderman Donovan, it was decided to recommend to Council that the properties be insured.

Walter Mitchell,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

BUCKINGHAM STREET RESURFACING

Read report of the Committee on Works re Buckingham Street resurfacing.

October 12th, 1938.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works on the 11th instant, the Assistant City Engineer reported verbally on the resurfacing of the paving blocks on Buckingham Street, between Upper Water Street and Granville Street, as requested by the Nova Scotia Liquor Commission.

On motion of Alderman Donovan and Alderman Walker, it was decided to recommend to Council that the work be done at the expense of the Liquor Commission.

Walter Mitchell,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

AGRICOLA STREET PAVING

Read report of the Committee on Works re Agricola Street paving.

October 13th, 1938.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works on October 11th, 1938, a letter from the Rev. Father F. J. Mahar, representing a number of taxpayers from the north end of Agricola Street and vicinity, was read, asking that the paving work on Agricola Street be continued to Duffus Street.

*City Eng.  
Clerk of Works*

*City Eng.  
Clerk of Works*

October 13th, 1938.

Alderman Walker and Alderman Gough stated that they had been approached by several taxpayers in this neighborhood making the same request. His Worship the Mayor explained that no funds are available under the paving appropriation for the extension of the work beyond Stairs Street this year.

On motion of Alderman O'Toole and Alderman Walker, it was suggested that the request be forwarded to the City Council, asking if at all possible, if funds could be obtained from other appropriations, that the work be extended to Duffus Street.

Walter Mitchell,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.

*City Collector*

REPORT, TAX PROPERTY SALE COMMITTEE RE SALE  
OF LAND, YOUNG STREET

October 12th, 1938.

City Council,  
City of Halifax,  
CITY HALL.

For your information, I submit the following extract from the minutes of a meeting of the Tax Property Sale Committee held on September 29th, 1938.

"A tender from W. A. Andrews offering \$225.00 for property 200 Young Street was placed before the meeting.

Alderman Daw thought the City should get \$350.00 for this property.

Moved by Alderman Daw, seconded by Alderman Sullivan, that if Mr. Andrews will pay \$350.00 for this property the Committee will sell it to him at this price. Passed".

I attach herewith copy of the above extract, together with copies of letter to Mr. W. A. Andrews, dated September 29th, 1938, also his reply of October 11th, 1938.

Yours very truly,

A. T. E. Crosby,  
CITY COLLECTOR.

October 13th, 1938.

Moved by Alderman Daw, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that the report be adopted and the property sold to W. A. Andrews for the sum of \$350.00. Motion passed.

ORDER IN COUNCIL RE EXTENSION OF LIENS

Read letter from the Clerk of the Executive Council re Order in Council in connection with the extension of liens.

Halifax, N. S.,  
September 21st, 1938.

Dear Sir:-

I enclose herewith two certified copies of Orders-in-Council made the 20th instant extending the lien of the City of Halifax on real and personal property of persons assessed for rates and taxes, under the Provisions of Sections 30 and 31 of Chapter 58 of the Acts of 1938.

Yours truly,

A. Evelyn Horne  
for  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

The City Clerk,  
Halifax, N. S.  
FILED

ORDER IN COUNCIL RE APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE #35  
(TRANSIENT TRADERS).

Read letter from the Clerk of the Executive Council re Order in Council in connection with the approval of Ordinance #35 (Transient Traders).

Halifax, N. S.,  
1st October, 1938.

Dear Sir:-

I enclose herewith copy of Ordinance No. 35 of the City of Halifax, respecting Transient Traders, which has been duly certified as having been approved by the Governor in Council on the 28th ultimo.

Yours very truly,

A. Evelyn Horne  
For  
Clerk of the Executive  
Council.

The City Clerk,  
Halifax, N. S.  
FILED

October 13th, 1938.

SUPT'S REPORT RE INMATES IN THE CITY HOME FOR  
THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 1938

Read report of the Charities

Committee for the month of September, 1938, showing  
the number of inmates in the City Home to be 469.

FILED

TAX COLLECTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 1938

Read report of the City Auditor

re tax collections for the month of September, 1938.

TAX COLLECTIONS, SEPTEMBER, 1938

Arrears Taxes

Civic Year	Reserve	Outstanding Balances August	New accounts and adjustments	September Collections	Outstanding Balances September.
1934-35	\$35,918.22	\$64,370.88	\$-17,840.00	\$1,846.83	\$44,684.05
1935-36	60,466.34	122,129.00	+ 39.39	7,001.18	115,167.21
1936-37	54,508.03	237,834.56	- 1,154.37	8,109.95	228,570.24
1937-38	57,581.44	442,003.33	- 3,035.47	15,682.30	423,285.56
		866,337.77	-21,990.45	32,640.26	811,707.06

Current Taxes

1938-39	49,428.38	848,919.30	+ 385.00	95,760.27	753,544.03
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Water Dept.

Rates, etc.		54,305.86		7,702.84	46,603.02
		1,769,562.93	-21,605.45	136,103.37	1,611,854.11

Poll Taxes 1933-34	1,154.33	-	2.43	42.50	1,109.40
Poll Taxes 1934-35	2,454.73	+	9.21	35.00	2,428.94
Poll Taxes 1935-36	2,324.17	+	11.75	90.25	2,245.67
Poll Taxes 1936-37	3,087.57	+	4.53	124.39	2,967.71
Poll Taxes 1937-38	5,889.73	+	45.28	445.75	5,489.26
Poll Taxes 1938-39	20,222.50	-	10.00	562.50	19,650.00

Additional Collections

Tax years 1908-9 to 1924-25				\$347.12	\$421.32
Corresponding period last year					
Tax years 1925-26 to 1933-34				1,326.70	4,889.58
Corresponding period last year					
Collections per above statement				136,103.37	
Corresponding period last year				<u>137,777.19</u>	<u>154,196.06</u>
					<u>159,506.96</u>

Collections of Poll Taxes

May 1st, 1938 to Sept. 30th, 1938				12,230.39	
Corresponding period last year					11,549.58

A. M. Butler,  
CITY AUDITOR.

FILED



October 13th, 1938.

DEPARTMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

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

NOTICE OF MOTION BY ALDERMAN LLOYD RE  
APPOINTMENTS TO RELIEF COMMITTEE

Alderman Lloyd submitted and read  
the following notice of motion:-

RESOLVED that this Council is opposed  
to the principle adopted by the Relief Committee  
by appointing employees to the Relief Committee  
staff without calling for applications;

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Relief  
Committee be requested to discharge all appointees  
to positions with the Relief Committee made in the  
last three months who received their appointments  
without the committee calling for applications.

9.45 P.M.,

Moved by Alderman Gough, seconded by  
Alderman Walker that this meeting do now adjourn.

Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

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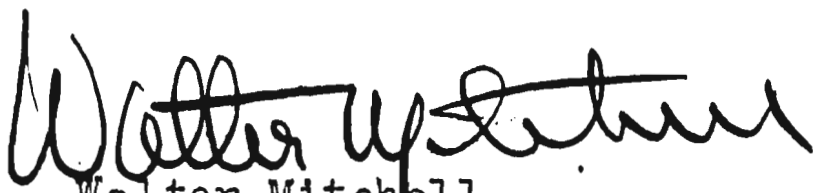
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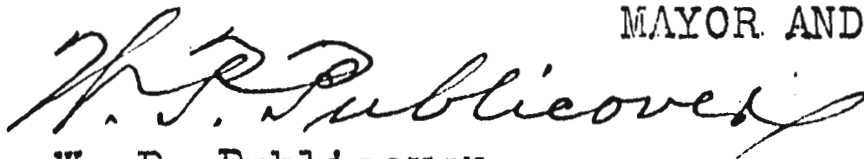


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Walter Mitchell,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

  
W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.