

CITY COUNCIL MEETING,
THURSDAY,
AUGUST 17th, 1939.

A G E N D A

Minutes.

1. Resolution re accounts.
 2. Report Finance Committee re accounts, Royal Visit.
 3. " " bonding of officials, etc.
 4. Report Laws and Privileges Committee re junk dealer's license fee.
 5. " " " account, E. L. Cote.
 6. " " " tag day.
 7. " " " coal weigher.
 8. Report Tax Property Sale Committee re sale of land.
 9. Report Halifax Direct Relief Committee re administration appropriation.
 10. Resolution Tax Assessment Committee re borrowing.
 11. Report City Health Board re leave of absence, Dr. Morton.
 12. Report Firewards Committee re fire chiefs convention.
 13. " " " purchase of pumping engine, etc.
 14. " " " hot water furnace, Morris Street fire station.
 15. Letter N.S. Provincial Exhibition re Citizens Day.
 16. Letter Union of N.S. Municipalities re convention.
 17. Questions by Aldermen.
- Deferred Business:-
18. Notice of motion by Alderman Lloyd re notices of motion, etc.
 19. Auditor's annual report.
 20. Report Comm. on Works re shop in residential district, Quinpool Rd.
 21. " " " insurance.
 22. " " " Deacon Street, street light.
 23. Report Comm. on Works and City Engineer re concrete sidewalks.
 24. " " " " overhanging signs.
 25. " " " " filling station, Quinpool Road.
 26. " " " " shop in residential district, Quinpool Road.
 27. " " " " incinerator repairs.
 28. " " " " deed of land to City.
 29. " " " " service truck.
 30. Report Charities Comm. covering Supt's report re inmates.
 31. Report City Auditor re departmental appropriations and expenditures.
 32. " " " tax collections for August, 1939.

EVENING SESSION

8.00 o'clock,
Council Chamber,
City Hall,
August 17th, 1939.

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, Donovan, Kinley, Curran, Sullivan, Freda, Adams, J. F. McDonald, O'Toole, Curtis, Walker and MacDonald.

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

The following named papers were submitted.

MINUTES

Alderman Walker stated that on Page 137 of the Council minutes, the appointment of a member of Council to the School Board is recorded.

The vote, he said, on this appointment is incorrect, in that his name was not recorded as having voted.

8.02 o'clock,

Aldermen Lloyd and Power arrive and take their seats in Council.

Further consideration of this item was deferred for a short time in order that the City Solicitor may give a ruling as to the proper procedure to follow.

ACCOUNTS

The following resolution covering accounts of various committees was submitted.

August 17th, 1939.

RESOLVED that the Council approve for payment the bills and accounts of expenditures submitted to this meeting by the Committee on Finance amounting to \$8,630.67; Committee on Charities amounting to \$14,884.85; Gardens Committee amounting to \$2,255.72, Fleming Park amounting to \$362.40; City Prison Committee amounting to \$1,989.26; Committee on Firewardens amounting to \$14,778.35 chargeable to Fire Department and \$801.91 chargeable to Fire Alarm; Committee on Works amounting to \$23,369.12; City Health Board amounting to \$7,456.67; Committee on Camp Hill Cemetery amounting to \$1,254.12; Library Committee amounting to \$381.23; Police Committee amounting to \$10,956.36 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.

ACCOUNTS - ROYAL VISIT

Read report of the Finance Committee and letter of the City Auditor re accounts, Royal Visit.

Committee Room, City Hall,
August 16th, 1939.

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 submitting a statement showing an expenditure of \$9,859.20 occasioned by the Royal Visit to Halifax on June 15th was considered.

Your committee recommends that the accounts as listed be approved and passed for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. Donovan,
CHAIRMAN.

August 16th, 1939.

The Chairman,
Finance Committee.

Dear Sir:-

I attach herewith statement showing an expenditure of \$7,859.20 and in addition a further expenditure of approximately \$2,000.00 not yet finalized occasioned by the Royal Visit at Halifax on June 15th.

August 17th, 1939.

The majority of the commitments made by the committee and duly approved by the Mayor have been paid. Certain other commitments, made when the original plans were to hold the reception in the Council Chamber, included the cost of a carpet, draperies and decorating. Because of the change in plan, I should like to obtain the special approval of Council for the said commitments and request that you forward such recommendation to the Council with the approval.

Yours very truly,

A. M. Butler,
CITY AUDITOR.

Moved by Alderman Donovan, seconded by Alderman MacKay that the report and letter be approved. Motion passed.

BONDING OF CIVIC EMPLOYEES

Read report of the Finance Committee submitting list of names of civic employees to be bonded.

Committee Room, City Hall,
August 16th, 1939.

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 enclosing a list of names of civic employees who are bonded under the general bond issued by the United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company was considered.

Your committee recommends that the bonds of the employees as listed be renewed with the following amendments:-

D. D. Wallace, Clerk, City Collector's Department,
Bond to be increased from \$1,000.00
to \$5,000.00.

W.E. Anderson, Bond to be cancelled.
(Mr. Anderson having been transferred
to a department where he will not
be handling cash).

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. Donovan,
CHAIRMAN.

August 17th, 1939.

1. J. W. Churchill, Fire Chief	\$2,500.00-
2. G. H. Durling, City Electrician	500.00-
3. Miss M. Hopewell, Chief Clerk, Collection Office	1,000.00-
4. Wm. Harry Hall, Supt. Publig Gardens	500.00-
5. Thos. J. Moore, Clerk of Works	2,500.00-
6. A. Pettipas, Sec. City Health Board	2,500.00-
7. George J. Allen, City Treasurer	25,000.00-
8. Henry Rising, Sub. Collector	1,000.00-
9. John R. Merrick, Sub. Collector	1,000.00-
10. S. G. Cook, Clerk. Collector's Office	1,000.00-
11. D. D. Wallace, Clerk. Collector's Office	1,000.00-
12. D. E. Carroll, Ledger Clerk and Collector of Monies	1,000.00-
13. G. A. Gallagher, Clerk in Works Dept.	1,000.00-
14. W. Phillips, Ledger Clerk and Collector of Monies	1,000.00-
15. M. B. Colpitt, Clerk, Elec. Office	250.00-
16. Wm. Chas. Yates, Poll Tax Collector	1,000.00-
17. Jos. H. Ward, Mkt. Caretaker Coll.	1,000.00-
18. Agnes V. Bellew, Stenog. & Clerk H. Comm. Collector of Monies	500.00-
19. H. A. Garrison Jr., Sec. City Home	2,000.00-
20. A. T. E. Crosby, City Collector	20,000.00-
21. R. H. Gass, Poll Tax Officer	5,000.00-
22. F. J. Mielke, Sec. Housing Commission	5,000.00-
23. George A. Thompson, Cemetery Supt.	500.00-
24. W. E. Anderson, Clerk.	1,000.00
25. J. W. Henrion, Clk. & No. 2 Cashier	10,000.00-
26. Alf. Fred Hagell, Asst. City Collector	10,000.00-
27. U. J. Conrad, Chief of Police	2,500.00-
28. J. B. Carter, Sec. to Police Commission & Sec. to Chief of Police	2,500.00-
29. Frank Thomas, Asst. City Treasurer	15,000.00-
30. Joan Hunt, Meter Entry Clerk	1,000.00-
31. D. M. Crawford, Asst. City Clerk	1,000.00-
32. J. R. Burbridge, Junior Clerk-No. 1 Cashier	10,000.00-
33. W. P. Publicover, City Clerk	5,000.00-
34. Ernest A. Smebtzer, Clerk, Camp Hill Cem.	1,000.00-
35. Wm. A. Frawley, Clerk-Collector's Office	1,000.00-
36. Margaret Woodworth, Clerk-V. G. Hosp.	1,000.00-
37. John L. Leitch, Jr. Clk-City Coll.	1,000.00-
38. John R. Hall, Temp. Clerk	1,000.00-
39. Madeline Whalen, Temp. Clerk	1,000.00-
40. F. M. Shannon, Poll Tax Collector	1,000.00-
41. Jas. W. Stenhouse, Sub Collector	1,000.00-
42. F. C. Palmer, Clerk City Court & Clerk Police Court	5,000.00-
43. Ralph H. Stoddard, Clerk-City Coll. Off.	1,000.00-
44. Margery J. Donkin, Asst. Sec. City Board of Health	1,000.00-
45. Keo P. Duggan, Sub Collector	1,000.00-
46. Richard Griffiths, Asst. Supt. of Public Gardens	500.00-
47. Kathleen M. Condon, Fire Dept. Clerk	1,000.00-
48. Thomas E. Currie, Junior Clerk	1,000.00-
49. John W. Grant, Governor City Prison	500.00-
50. James E. Keefe, Deputy Fire Chief	1,000.00-
51. Eliz. L. Brown, Asst. Matron & Office Stenographer & Cashier	1,000.00-
52. Charles Aitken, Desk Sgt. & Court Clerk	2,500.00-
53. J. B. Sabeau, Asst. Clerk of Works	1,000.00-
54. A. J. Smeltzer, Park Supt.	250.00-
55. A. E. Ettinger, Supt. of City Home	2,500.00-

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

Motion passed.

JUNK DEALER'S LICENSE FEE

Moved by Alderman Batson, seconded by Alderman Curran that this matter be deferred until the next regular Council meeting. Motion passed.

ACCOUNT - E. L. COTE

Read report of the Laws and Privileges Committee re account, E. L. Cote.

Committee Room, City Hall,
August 15th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

At a meeting of the Laws and Privileges Committee held this day, the attached correspondence in connection with an account of Eugene L. Cote for services rendered in the Police Court during the absence on vacation of Stipendiary Magistrate J. L. Barnhill, K.C., last year, was considered.

Your committee recommends that legislation be obtained to enable the City to borrow the sum of \$200.00 to be paid to Mr. Eugene L. Cote and his associate justices for acting during the absence of the Stipendiary Magistrate in the civic year 1938-39.

Respectfully submitted,

E. B. Batson,
ACTING CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Donovan, seconded by Alderman MacKay that this matter be referred to the Finance Committee for report. Motion passed.

TAG DAY

Read report of the Laws and Privileges Committee re application of the International Hod Carriers Building and Common Laborers Union of America for permission to hold a tag day.

August 17th, 1939,

Committee Room, City Hall,
August 15th, 1939.

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 Local No. 608 International Hod Carriers Building and Common Laborers Union of America for permission to hold a tag day was considered.

Your committee recommends that the application be granted and permission given this association to hold a tag day on Saturday, September 2nd, 1939.

Respectfully submitted,

E. B. Batson,
ACTING CHAIRMAN.

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

8.15 o'clock,

Alderman Keshen arrives and takes
his seat in Council.

Motion was put and resulted in a
tie vote as follows:-

FOR THE MOTION

Aldermen Kinley
Sullivan
Lloyd
J.F. McDonald
Keshen
Power
W.A. MacDonald
Walker

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AGAINST IT

Aldermen Batson
MacKay
Donovan
Curran
Freda
Adams
D'Toole
Curtis

-8-

The Mayor voted against the
motion and declared it lost.

MINUTES - APPOINTMENT TO BOARD OF SCHOOL
COMMISSIONERS.

The Solicitor informed Council that

in his opinion the only solution open would be to
take a vote on the two names nominated for the
School Board, namely Aldermen Batson and Lloyd.

*School
Board*

August 17th, 1939.

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

FOR ALDERMAN BATSON

Aldermen Kinley
Curran
Sullivan
Freda
Adams
Keshen
Curtis
Walker

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FOR ALDERMAN LLOYD

Aldermen MacKay
Donovan
J.F. McDonald
O'Toole
Power
W.A. MacDonald

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Alderman Batson, having a clear majority, was declared by His Worship the Mayor duly elected to the Board of School Commissioners for the period expiring October 31st, 1941.

Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman W. A. MacDonald that the minutes of the regular Council meeting in July as amended be approved. Motion passed.

APPOINTMENT OF COAL WEIGHER

Read report of the Laws and Privileges Committee re appointment of coal weigher.

Committee Room, City Hall,
August 15th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

At a meeting of the Laws and Privileges Committee held on the above date, the attached letter from the Union Coal Company Limited requesting to have Mr. Joseph Leahy, 435 Chebucto Road, sworn in as a City Coal Weigher was considered.

Your committee recommends that Mr. Joseph Leahy be appointed a coal weigher and the Mayor authorized to administer the usual oath of office.

Respectfully submitted,

E. B. Batson,
ACTING CHAIRMAN.

*Union
Coal Co.*

August 17th, 1939.

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

Motion passed.

Direct Relief

APPROPRIATION - HALIFAX DIRECT RELIEF

Read report of the Halifax Direct
Relief Committee re appropriation.

August 16th, 1939.

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

Dear Sirs:-

I am authorized to request a
supplementary administration appropriation amounting
to \$1,000.00 for the purpose of providing foreman's
wages and equipment incidental to certain work tests
to be carried out under supervision of the Relief
Committee.

The committee has concluded that as a
result of their supervision, over the various
projective works, that practical and definite values,
in the form of local improvements, will be
accomplished.

The funds aforesaid are requested
pursuant to Chapter 7 of the Acts of 1932.

Yours faithfully,

George H. Ferguson,
ADMINISTRATOR.

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

Alderman Power against.

TAX PROPERTY SALE

Collector

Read report of the Tax Property Sale
Committee re sale of property.

August 17th, 1939.

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

Gentlemen:-

I submit the following extracts from
minutes of a meeting of the Tax Property Sale
Committee, held on August 16th, 1939, at twelve
o'clock noon in the Mayor's Office.

August 17th, 1939.

"A tender from Fred Purcell, offering \$350.00 for a lot 66 x 150 S.S. Cedar Street formerly assessed to Edward Maxwell, was placed before the committee.

Moved by Alderman Donovan, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that a lot 44 x 150 from the Maxwell property, S.S. Cedar Street be sold to Mr. Purcell for \$350.00. Passed".

"A tender from Gerald J. Bishop, offering \$200.00 for a lot on the west side of Westmount Street formerly assessed to Murray L. Mosher, was placed before the committee.

Moved by Alderman Donovan, seconded by Alderman Walker that the Mosher Lot on Westmount Street be sold to Gerald J. Bishop for \$250.00. Passed".

Yours very truly,

A.T.E. Crosby,
CITY COLLECTOR,
SECRETARY, TAX PROPERTY
SALE COMMITTEE.

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

Motion passed.

RESOLUTION - TAX ASSESSMENT

Moved by Alderman Kinley, seconded by Alderman Donovan that the Mayor and Clerk be instructed to write the Citizens Research Institute of Canada requesting the assistance and advice of the Institute in surveying the present system of assessment and distribution of the tax burden in the City of Halifax, such assistance and advice to be given to the Special Committee on Tax Assessment provided the cost to the City of the same shall not exceed the sum of \$1,000.00. The expenditure of this amount being authorized by Chapter 65 of the Acts of 1939. Motion put and passed, 11 voting for the same and 5 against it as follows:-

*Citizens
Research Institute
of Canada*

August 17th, 1939.

FOR THE MOTION

Aldermen Adams
Batson
Donovan
Freda
Keshen
Kinley
Lloyd
W.A. MacDonald
J.F. McDonald
MacKay
Sullivan

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AGAINST IT

Aldermen Curran
Curtis
O'Toole
Power
Walker

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LEAVE OF ABSENCE - DR. ALLAN R. MORTON

City Health Board.

Read report of the City Health Board
re leave of absence, Dr. Allan R. Morton.

August 16th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members City Council.

At a meeting of the City Health Board held on Tuesday, August 15th, a letter was read from Dr. Allan R. Morton, City Medical Officer, expressing his thanks in being granted leave of absence, with pay, to take the necessary course leading to a Master of Public Health degree.

Dr. Morton advised the Board that he had deputized his father, Dr. A. MacD. Morton, to carry on his duties as Medical Health Officer during his absence, stating that he is familiar with the duties having discharged them on previous occasions.

The City Health Board, by resolution, approved of the substitute appointment, without expense to the City, and recommends it to the City Council.

A copy of Dr. Morton's letter, read at the meeting, is attached for your information.

Respectfully submitted,

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

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

Motion passed.

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August 17th, 1939.

FIRE CHIEFS CONVENTION

Read report of the Committee on
Firewards re Fire Chiefs Convention.

August 11th, 1939.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee of
Firewards held this day, the attached report from the
Chief of Fire Department re International Fire
Chiefs' Convention was considered.

Your committee recommends that the
Chief be sent to this convention and that he be
granted a sum of money not exceeding \$350.00 to
defray expenses. This item is provided for in the
current estimates under "Travelling expenses".

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Adams,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded
by Alderman Kinley that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

Aldermen Curtis and Power against.

PUMPING ENGINE - FIRE DEPARTMENT

Read report of the Committee on
Firewards re pumping engine.

August 11th, 1939.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee of
Firewards held this day, the attached report from
the Chief of Fire Department re purchase of pumping
engine, ladder truck and the erection of a drill
tower was considered.

Your committee recommends that
authorization be given to call for tenders for the
purchase of the equipment and the erection of a drill
tower.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Adams,
CHAIRMAN.

August 17th, 1939.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by
Alderman Kinley that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

HOT WATER FURNACE - MORRIS STREET FIRE STATION

Read report of the Committee on
Firewards re hot water furnace, Morris Street fire
station.

August 11th, 1939.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee of Fire-
wards held this day, the following tenders were
considered for replacing the present hot water
furnace at the Morris Street fire station;

	<u>FURNACE</u>	<u>STOKER</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Barrett & O'Regan	\$570.45	\$475.00	\$1,045.45
D. A. Cummings & Co.	558.00	440.00	998.00
Murphy & Wharton	525.00	450.00	975.00
Ernscliff & Co.	515.60	366.00	881.60
H.M. Semple & Co.	350.00	475.00	865.00
John J. Hines & Co.	479.00	272.00	751.00
Hillis & Sons		475.00	
Wm. H. Walsh	475.00	322.00	797.00

Your committee recommends that the
tender of Wm. H. Walsh, for boiler only, at \$475.00,
being the lowest, be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Adams,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded
by Alderman Kinley that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

CITIZENS DAY - PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION

Read letter from the Nova Scotia
Provincial Exhibition as follows:-

August 17th, 1939.

July 31st, 1939.

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

Gentlemen:-

In connection with the forthcoming
Provincial Exhibition, August 28th to September 2nd;
Wednesday, August 30th has been named as Citizens'
Day.

As in former years, we are now
writing to ask that if possible this date be
declared a public half-holiday in the City of Halifax.

Thanking you for your consideration
and support.

Yours truly,

E. Frank Lordly,
Secretary-Manager.

Moved by Alderman Donovan, seconded by

Alderman Kinley that -

WHEREAS the Nova Scotia Provincial
Exhibition Commission has declared Wednesday,
August 30th, Citizens Day;

AND WHEREAS it is desirable that this
day be declared a public half holiday so that all
citizens may be afforded an opportunity of visiting
the Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition;

AND WHEREAS under the provisions of the
Bills of Exchange Act in addition to certain days
enumerated therein only days appointed as civic
holidays by resolution of the Council are to be
known as non-judicial days in any Municipality;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that this
Council appoint the 30th day of August as a
civic half holiday and that the City Clerk be
requested to publish in due time a proclamation
to this effect in the newspapers of the City.

Motion passed.

CONVENTION - UNION OF NOVA SCOTIA MUNICIPALITIES

Read letter from the Secretary of
the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities as
follows:-

August 17th, 1939.

Bridgewater, N. S.,
July 21st, 1939.

My Dear Sir:-

The Thirty-Fourth Annual Convention of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities will be held at Bridgewater on the last three days of August next.

The Congention programme will be of the usual high standard, and the entertainment of the delegates will add much to the pleasure and profit of the occasion. The Congention will undoubtedly be of outstanding merit and success.

Will you please see that your Council appoint delegates thereto, and that they have the above information.

Yours faithfully,

Arthur Roberts,
The Secretary,

To all City, Town
and Municipal Clerks.

Moved by Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Kinley that this Council authorize the following delegates to attend the convention of the Union of N. S. Municipalities which is to be held in Bridgewater on August 29th, 30th and 31st:-

His Worship the Mayor, City Auditor, City Solicitor, City Engineer, City Assessor and City Clerk.

Motion passed.

QUESTIONS BY ALDERMEN

Exhibition Commission
Alderman Lloyd stated that, if possible, he would like to have the City Clerk write the N.S. Provincial Exhibition Commission and ask the said commission if it recently had any printing work done in the United States which could have been done in the City of Halifax.

The Mayor replied that the City Clerk would write for this information.

August 17th, 1939,

NOTICE OF MOTION BY ALDERMAN LLOYD RE
NOTICE OF MOTION, ETC.

Alderman Lloyd stated that with the permission of Council, he would like to have this notice of motion withdrawn.

Council agreed to this.

1938-39 FINANCIAL REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET

Read report of the City Auditor covering financial statement of the City as at April 30th, 1939.

August 16th, 1939.

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

I have filed with the City Clerk the financial statement of the City for the civic year ending April 30th, 1939.

This report will be printed forthwith and copies distributed. In the meantime copies of the balance sheet and the report without the exhibits are tabled at this meeting.

Yours very truly,

A. M. Butler,
CITY AUDITOR.

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

SHOP IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT - 251 QUINPOOL RD.

*City Engineer
Clerk of
Works*
Read report of the Committee on Works re shop in residential district, 251 Quinpool Road.

August 17th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on August 8th, 1939, an application by Butler Bros. for permission to convert the premises #251 Quinpool Road in the residential district, into a shop, was considered.

August 17th, 1939.

On motion of Alderman Lloyd and Alderman Freda the committee recommended to Council that the permission applied for be granted.

Walter Mitchell,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Freda that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

Alderman Adams against.

TENDERS FOR INSURANCE

Read report of the Committee on Works
tenders for insurance.

August 17th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on August 16th, 1939, the attached tenders from the Halifax Insurance Company and the Nova Scotia Board of Fire Underwriters for Fire Insurance on City Property was considered.

A motion by Alderman Lloyd that the tender of the Nova Scotia Board of Fire Underwriters for insurance concerning Schedule "A" be recommended to Council for acceptance was seconded by Alderman Donovan.

An amendment by Alderman Walker that the tender of the Halifax Insurance Company for insurance concerning Schedule "A" be recommended to Council for acceptance was seconded by Alderman Freda.

In accordance with the following vote, the tender of the Halifax Insurance Company for insurance as detailed under Schedule "A" was recommended to Council for acceptance.

For acceptance of the tender of the Nova Scotia Board of Fire Underwriters, concerning Schedule "A" -

Aldermen Lloyd and Donovan.

For acceptance of the tender of the Halifax Insurance Company concerning Schedule "A" -

Aldermen MacKay, Walker, Freda and O'Toole.

Walter Mitchell,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

*City Engineer
Clerk of
Works*

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August 17th, 1939.

Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Freda that the majority vote of the Committee on Works recommending that the tender of the Halifax Insurance Company concerning Schedule "A" be approved. Motion put and passed, 11 voting for the same and 5 against it as follows:-

FOR THE MOTION

Aldermen Adams
Curtis
Freda
Kinley
W.A. MacDonald
J.F. McDonald
MacKay
O'Toole
Power
Sullivan
Walker
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AGAINST IT

Aldermen Batson
Curran
Donovan
Keshen
Lloyd

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OXFORD STREET - CONCRETE SIDEWALK

Read report of the Committee on Works re concrete sidewalk, Oxford Street.

August 17th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on August 8th, 1939, the attached report of the City Engineer dated August 7th, 1939, entitled "Oxford Street - Sidewalk" in which it is recommended that a concrete sidewalk and sodding be laid on the west side of Oxford Street, between Clive Street and Almon and on the east side, between Summitt Street and Almon Street, was on motion of Alderman O'Toole and Alderman Lloyd, approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

Walter Mitchell,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

*City Engineer
Select of
Works.*

August 17th, 1939.

HARVEY STREET - CONCRETE SIDEWALK

*City Engineer
Walter Mitchell
Alderman Walker*

Read report of the Committee on Works
re concrete sidewalk, Harvey Street.

August 17th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on August 8th, 1939, the attached report of the City Engineer dated August 7th, 1939, entitled "Harvey Street - Concrete sidewalk" in which it is recommended that concrete sidewalks, curbs, gutters and sodding be laid on the north side of Harvey Street, from Church Street to the west line of property belonging to the Halifax Ladies' College, was on motion of Alderman Donovan and Alderman MacKay, approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

Walter Mitchell,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.

HOLLIS STREET - CONCRETE SIDEWALK

*City Engineer
Walter Mitchell
Alderman Walker*

Read report of the Committee on Works
re concrete sidewalk, Hollis Street.

August 17th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on August 16th, 1939, the attached report of the City Engineer dated August 15th, 1939, and entitled "Hollis Street, concrete sidewalk", was on motion of Alderman Donovan and Alderman MacKay, approved and the committee recommended to Council that the sidewalk be renewed in accordance with the said report.

Walter Mitchell,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.

August 17th, 1939.

MAYNARD STREET - CONCRETE SIDEWALK

Read report of the Committee on
Works re concrete sidewalk, Maynard Street,

August 17th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on August 16th, 1939, the attached report of the City Engineer dated August 10th, 1939, and entitled "Maynard Street - concrete sidewalk", in which it is recommended that curbs, gutters and sidewalks be constructed on both sides of Maynard Street, between Cunard Street and Gerrish Street, was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

Walter Mitchell,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman MacKay, seconded

by Alderman Walker that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

HARRIS STREET - SIDEWALK

Read report of the Committee on Works
re Harris Street sidewalk.

August 17th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on August 16th, 1939, the attached report of the City Engineer dated August 11th, 1939, entitled "Harris Street sidewalk" in which it is recommended that concrete curbs, gutters, sidewalk and sodding be ordered to be done on both sides of Harris Street, from Agricola Street to Maynard Street, was on motion of Alderman Walker and Alderman Donovan, approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

Walter Mitchell,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman MacKay, seconded

by Alderman Walker that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

*City Engineer
Walter Mitchell*

*City Engineer
Walter Mitchell*

*City Engineer
Order of
Works*

August 17th, 1939.

CHARLES STREET SIDEWALK

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

August 17th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works
held on August 16th, 1939, the attached report of
the City Engineer dated August 15th, 1939, entitled
"Charles Street - sidewalk" was considered.

On motion of Alderman Walker and
Alderman O'Toole, the committee recommended to
Council that sidewalks as mentioned in the said
report be placed in the order paper for construction.

Walter Mitchell,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

August 15th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

At the last meeting of the Committee
on Works I was instructed to report on the cost of
constructing a concrete sidewalk on the south side
of Charles Street from Robie Street to Maynard Street.
The estimates of cost are as follows:-

Charles Street - South Side

Maynard to Agricola - Estimated cost
\$1200.- City's share \$600.00.
Agricola to John - Estimated cost \$600. - City's
share \$300.00.
Davison to Robie - Estimated cost \$300.00 - City's
share \$140.00.

No petition has been received for
either of the above sidewalks. At present there is
a sidewalk on the south side between Davison and
John Streets which was laid early in the month.
On the north side there is one between Agricola
and Robie Street.

Should it be decided to lay the
section on the south side between Agricola and
Maynard Street, then I think the work on the north
side should also be done in order to get the full
effect of the improvement.

Respectfully submitted,

H.W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER.

August 17th, 1939.

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

*City Engineer
Chair of
Works.*

CHARLES STREET, CONCRETE SIDEWALK, ETC.

Read report of the Committee on Works re concrete sidewalk, etc. Charles Street.

August 17th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on July 25th, 1939, the attached report of the City Engineer dated July 25th, 1939, and entitled "Charles Street - concrete sidewalk, etc", was considered. The report recommended that a concrete sidewalk, curb, gutter and sodding be laid from the east line of Davison Street to the east line of property #50 Charles Street, as requested by the owner of the said property.

Following discussion, the report was approved and the committee recommended also that a concrete sidewalk, curb, gutter and sodding be laid in the balance of the block referred to in the report provided the owners of the majority of the frontage so request it.

On July 26th, 1939, the request referred to was received.

Walter Mitchell,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

JOHN STREET - CONCRETE SIDEWALK

*City Engineer
Chair of
Works*

Read report of the Committee on Works re concrete sidewalk, John Street.

August 17th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works on August 8th, 1939, the attached report of the City Engineer on a petition for the construction of concrete curbs, gutters and sidewalks on both sides of John Street, from West Street to Charles Street was considered.

August 17th, 1939.

On motion of Alderman Donovan and Alderman Walker, the committee recommended to Council the construction of concrete curbs, gutters and sidewalks on both sides of John Street from West Street to Charles Street.

Walter Mitchell,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.

*City Engineer
Clerk of
Works* CREIGHTON STREET - CONCRETE SIDEWALK

Read report of the Committee on Works re sidewalk, Creighton Street.

August 17th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on August 8th, 1939, the attached report of the City Engineer on a petition for the construction of a concrete sidewalk, curbs and gutters on the west side of Creighton Street, between Cunard Street and Gerrish Street, was on motion of Alderman O'Toole and Alderman Walker, approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

Walter Mitchell,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.

*City Engineer
Clerk of
Works* OVERHANGING SIGN - 139 ARGYLE STREET

Read report of the Committee on Works re overhanging sign, 139 Argyle Street.

August 17th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on August 8th, 1939, the attached report of the City Engineer on an application for permission to erect an illuminated sign at the premises #139 Argyle Street, was considered.

August 17th, 1939.

On motion of Alderman Donovan and Alderman Lloyd the committee recommended to Council that the lease referred to in the said report be granted.

Walter Mitchell,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

OVERHANGING SIGN - 33 JACOB STREET

Read report of the Committee on Works re overhanging sign, 33 Jacob Street.

August 17th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on July 25th, 1939, the attached report of the City Engineer on an application for permission to erect an illuminated sign at the premises #33 Jacob Street, was considered.

On motion of Alderman Walker and Alderman MacKay, the committee recommended to Council that the lease referred to in the said report be granted.

Walter Mitchell,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

DEACON STREET - STREET LINE

Read report of the Committee on Works re Deacon Street, street line.

August 17th, 1939.

The City Council.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on August 16th, 1939, unanimously recommended to the City Council that the street lines of the southern portion of Deacon Street be re-located so as to conform with the street lines of the northern portion of the said street, provided a petition

*City Engineer
J. B. Hoff
Works*

*City Engineer
J. B. Hoff
Works*

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asking for the change, signed by all present owners of lots on which buildings are built or are being built in the section abutting on the present circular street line, is received prior to submission of this report to the City Council; also that the City Solicitor be authorized to prepare and His Worship the Mayor and City Clerk to execute and deliver such deeds as are necessary to convey the land lying between the old and new street lines, to the owners of the properties abutting on such land upon payment therefor by each of such owners of the sum of One Dollar.

Walter Mitchell,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.

FILLING STATION - QUINPOOL ROAD

Council
Read report of the Committee on Works re filling station, Quinpool Road.

August 17th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on August 8th, 1939, a report of the City Engineer on an application from the Universal Sales Ltd., for permission to erect an automobile show room and service station at the north-west corner of Quinpool Road and Elm Street, within the residential district, consideration of which was deferred by the Committee on Works at a meeting held on July 11th, 1939, was again considered.

A motion by Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Donovan, that the report of the City Engineer be approved and a permit not granted was voted upon as follows:

For the motion - Aldermen MacKay and Donovan,
Against - Aldermen Lloyd, Walker, Freda and O'Toole.

Walter Mitchell,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman O'Toole that the permit be granted.

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Alderman MacKay stated that there was a large delegation present wishing to be heard on this matter, and he would move that one representative for those in favor of the erection of a filling station and one representative for those opposing the erection of a filling station be permitted to address Council for a period not exceeding five minutes.

The motion was seconded by Alderman Batson and passed unanimously.

Mr. W. D. Outhit appeared on behalf of the Universales Sales Company and stated that this company wished to erect a show room and service station on the corner of Elm Street and Quinpool Rd.

Mr. Outhit said that in his opinion the location of this filling station is in a section where the main traffic into Halifax passes, and this part of Quinpool Road has gradually become a business district. The type of buildings, he said, which would be erected would, in his opinion, be an improvement to this district.

M. S. Clarke and G. A. Gladwin, real estate dealers, he stated, have gone on record as saying that the value of real estate in this district would be increased by the erection of such filling station.

Mr. J. E. Rutledge, K.C. appeared before Council representing property owners in this district who are opposed to the erection of a filling station.

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Mr. Rutledge said that the petitions against the filling station contained the names of almost all the property owners who would be most vitally interested.

The district in question, he stated, is primarily a residential district and expensive dwellings have been erected there within the past few years. If a filling station is placed there, he said, it will depreciate the value of said dwellings. Another feature to be considered, Mr. Rutledge stated, is the noise that would be caused by horns blowing, etc.

Mr. William Wickwire, who represented Mr. R. Magerrall, stated Mr. Magerall has been trying to sell his property for the past twenty-five years without success, and feels that if the filling station were erected it would greatly increase the value of this property.

The motion was then put and passed, 9 voting for the same and 7 against it as follows:-

FOR THE MOTION

Aldermen Kinley
Gurran
Freda
Lloyd
Keshen
O'Toole
Power
Curtis
Walker

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AGAINST IT

Aldermen Batson
MacKay
Donovan
Sullivan
Adams
J.F. McDonald
W.A. MacDonald

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Alderman J. F. McDonald gives notice of reconsideration.

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NOTICE OF MOTION BY ALDERMAN LLOYD

Council
Alderman Lloyd stated that at the next regular meeting of the City Council he would introduce a motion to amend the City Charter in such a manner as to prevent the further extension of the commercial business area on Quinpool Road.

SHOP IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT - 174 QUINPOOL ROAD

*City Engineer
letter of
Works*
Read report of the Committee on Works re shop in residential district, 174 Quinpool Rd.

August 17th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on August 16th, 1939, the attached report of the City Engineer on an application by Mr. J. S. Brunt for permission whereby a private garage in the rear of 174 Quinpool Road, between Vernon Street and Preston Street, could be used for the purpose of a tinsmith shop, was considered.

A motion by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Freda, that the committee recommend to Council that the permission applied for be granted, was voted upon as follows:-

For the motion - Aldermen Walker, Freda, O'Toole.
Against - Aldermen MacKay, Donovan.

Walter Mitchell,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.

INCINERATOR REPAIRS

*City Engineer
letter of
Works*
Read report of the Committee on Works re incinerator repairs.

August 17th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on August 8th, 1939, the City Engineer reported that while repairs were being made to two cells in the Incinerator, it was found that the condition of the remaining wall and of the combustion chamber was such that these arches and walls had to be rebuilt.

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The total cost of the work of the four units would be beyond the amount of \$500.00 allowed under the Charter to be spent by the Committee.

As it was important that the Incinerator be placed in working condition as soon as possible, it was decided to proceed with the work up to an amount not to exceed \$500.00 and it was recommended to Council that the committee be authorized to proceed with the completion of the work.

Walter Mitchell,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

DEED OF LAND TO CITY

City Engineer
clerk of
works
Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re deed of land to City.

August 17th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on August 16th, 1939, the attached report of the City Engineer on a letter from Mr. D. Bell, owner of property at the corner of Blink Bonnie Terrace and MacDonald Street, offering to deed to the City a triangular piece of property at the intersection of the west line of the Terrace, with the east line of the said street, was considered.

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 Freda that the reports be adopted.
Motion passed.

PURCHASE OF TRUCK - WATER DEPARTMENT

City Engineer
clerk of
works
Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re purchase of truck, Water Department.

August 17th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on August 16th, 1939, the attached report of the City Engineer recommending the purchase of a new truck for the Water Department from MacGregor Motors Limited, for the sum of Seven Hundred and Fifteen (\$715.00) Dollars, and the old truck was on motion of Alderman Lloyd and Alderman MacKay approved and recommended to Council for adoption, Aldermen Walker voting against.

Walter Mitchell,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

August 16th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

The Chevrolet Service Truck used for the Water Department, which was purchased in 1933 and shows a mileage of 77,573 miles is now in such shape that it is no longer of any use to the Department.

I have obtained prices for a similar type of truck as follows:-

MacGregor Motors Limited	- net cost	- \$715.00
Universal Sales Limited	- "	- 750.00
Halifax Motors Limited	- "	- 750.00

The above prices include the exchange of the old truck. The records show that the present Chevrolet Truck has given splendid satisfaction and it is recommended that the new truck be purchased from MacGregor Motors Limited, for the sum of Seven Hundred and Fifteen Dollars (\$715.00) and the old truck.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Donovan that the reports be adopted. Motion put and passed, 12 voting for the same and 3

against it as follows:-

FOR THE MOTION

Aldermen Batson
MacKay
Donovan
Kinley
Sullivan
Freda
Adams
Lloyd
J.F. McDonald
Keshen
O'Toole
W.A. MacDonald

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AGAINST IT

Aldermen Power
Curtis
Walker

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SUPT'S REPORT RE INMATES IN THE CITY HOME
FOR THE MONTH OF JULY, 1939.

Read report of the Charities Committee for the month of July, 1939, showing the number of inmates in the City Home to be 462.
FILED

DEPARTMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES.

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

TAX COLLECTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY, 1939.

Read report of the City Auditor re tax collections for the month of July, 1939.

TAX COLLECTIONS, JULY, 1939.

Years Taxes	Reserve	Outstanding Balances June	New Accounts and adjustments	July Collections	Outstanding Balance July.
6-37	\$54,668.22	\$139,193.25		\$9,286.49	\$129,906.76
7-38	58,039.29	278,401.31		12,844.13	265,557.18
8-39	46,534.29	489,953.54		20,160.91	469,792.63
		<u>907,548.10</u>		42,291.53	865,256.57
Percent Taxes					
9-40	45,632.27	978,568.53		34,818.61	943,749.92
er Dept. tes, etc.		121,343.49		58,715.53	62,627.96
		<u>2,007,460.12</u>		135,825.67	1,871,634.45
l Taxes					
3-34		593.40		22.00	571.40
4-35		1,944.94		60.00	1,884.94
5-36		1,755.02		47.00	1,708.02
6-37		2,020.80		67.70	1,953.10
7-38		2,366.01		164.75	2,201.26
8-39		7,948.75		1,055.00	6,893.75
9-40		21,414.00		1,425.50	19,988.50

Additional Collections	1939-40	1938-39
years 1908-9 to 1924-25 corresponding period last year	\$10.98	\$46.94
years 1925-26 to 1935-36 corresponding period last year	5,154.05	15,103.58
collections per above statement corresponding period last year	135,825.67	101,254.13
	<u>140,990.70</u>	<u>116,404.65</u>
collections of Poll Taxes y 1st, 1939 to July 31st, 1939 corresponding period last year	\$10,401.87	\$9,174.50

A. M. Butler,
CITY AUDITOR.

August 17th, 1939.

9.50 P.M.,

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

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CITY CLERK.

Walter Mitchell
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MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.