

CITY COUNCIL MEETING,
THURSDAY,
OCTOBER 12th, 1939.

A G E N D A

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 24. Card of acknowledgment, family of late Alderman Burgess.
 25. Report Charities Committee re Superintendent's report re inmates in the City Home.
 26. Report City Auditor re departmental appropriations and expenditures.
 27. " " tax collections for the month of September, 1939.

EVENING SESSION

8.00 o'clock,
Council Chamber,
City Hall,
October 12th, 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 Breen, MacKay, Donovan, Kinley, Curran, Sullivan, Freda, Adams, Lloyd, Keshen, O'Toole, Curtis, Walker and W. A. MacDonald.

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

CIVIC ELECTION - CASUAL VACANCY, WARD #6

Read return of the City Clerk of the election of Alderman for casual vacancy in Ward No. 6 covering the nomination of Joseph Toussaint Landry.

September 25th, 1939.

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

Agreeably to the provisions of the Halifax City Charter and acts in amendment thereof in respect to the election of Aldermen for the City of Halifax, I herewith submit the original nomination papers of Joseph Toussaint Landry for the office of Alderman for Ward No. 6 of the City of Halifax to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Alderman Harry E. Burgess, he being the only candidate nominated for the said office at the election to be held on September 27th, 1939.

Yours very truly,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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The City Clerk thereupon declared Joseph Toussaint Landry duly elected to the office of Alderman to fill the vacancy in Ward #6 caused by the death of Alderman Harry E. Burgess; term expiring April 30th, ~~1939~~. 1942

His Worship the Mayor then administered the oaths of office, of allegiance and of Justice of the Peace to Alderman Landry, and, after signing the aldermanic roll he took his seat in Council.

8.02 o'clock,

Alderman Batson arrives and takes his seat in Council.

Moved by Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Walker that all vacancies on civic committees caused by the death of Alderman Harry E. Burgess be filled by the appointment to such vacancies of Alderman Landry. Motion passed.

ACCOUNTS

The following resolution covering accounts of various committees was submitted.

RESOLVED that the Council approve for payment the bills and accounts of expenditures submitted to this meeting by the Committee on Finance amounting to \$6,854.84; Committee on Charities amounting to \$12,026.06; Gardens Committee amounting to \$2,043.42, Fleming Park amounting to \$270.98; City Prison Committee amounting to \$1,755.44; Committee on Firewards amounting to \$15,595.75 chargeable to Fire Department and \$562.35 chargeable to Fire Alarm; Committee on Works amounting to \$8,739.79; City Health Board amounting to \$7,844.81; Committee on Camp Hill Cemetery amounting to \$998.66; Library Committee amounting to \$357.90; Police Committee amounting to \$9,994.50 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.

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PURCHASE OF BOOK-KEEPING MACHINE

Read report of the Finance Committee
and letter of the City Auditor re purchase of book-
keeping machine.

Committee Room, City Hall,
October 11th, 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 recommending the purchase of a National
typewriter book-keeping machine, style no. 30410
(120-8) 18" at \$2,152.50, less 2%, ten days, was
considered.

Your committee concurs in the
recommendation of the City Auditor and forwards same
to the City Council for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. Donovan,
CHAIRMAN.

October 11th, 1939.

The Chairman,
Finance Committee.

Dear Sir:-

To complete the machine equipment
necessary for the billing and posting of all rates
and taxes in conjunction with the machine already
ordered, the purchase is recommended of one National
typewriter book-keeping machine, style No. 30410
(120-8) 18", \$2,152.50, less 2%, ten days.

The mechanical features of this
machine will permit of the extension of accounting
control over the general ledger, the water ledger,
the appropriation ledger and accounts payable.
Whether a single machine will ultimately be sufficient
for all such work, it is difficult to say, but as
these several tasks will be gradually developed a
single unit will be adequate for the time being.

The decision to recommend this
equipment comes as the result of a thorough study
made of it by the assessor, the assistant collector
and the assistant auditor.

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These officials, together with the writer, recommend it to your committee as the equipment most efficiently suited to perform the various accounting tasks to be assigned to it.

Your committee's and the council's approval of this recommendation is requested.

The steel equipment necessary for the housing of the ledgers will be reported on after the nature and extent of new vault facilities is known.

Yours very truly,

A. M. Butler,
CITY AUDITOR.

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

Health Board TENDERS FOR BRICK WORK - TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

Read report of the City Health Board re tenders for brick work at the Tuberculosis Hospital.

October 11th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members City Council.

At a meeting of the City Health Board held on Tuesday, October 10th, tenders for exterior brick work at the Tuberculosis Hospital were considered from the following:-

George E. Zinck, 9 Swaine Street	\$487.00
W. G. Foley	450.00
Bedford Construction Company	205.00
James P. Kelly, 28 Kent Street	900.00

The Board recommends that the tender of W. G. Foley be accepted.

Copies of all tenders are attached.

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. Keshen,
CHAIRMAN, C. H. B.

Moved by Alderman Keshen, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

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Health Board

APPOINTMENT OF NURSE - INFECTIOUS DISEASE HOSPITAL

Read report of the City Health Board re appointment of nurse, Infectious Disease Hospital.

October 11th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members City Council.

At a meeting of the City Health Board held on Tuesday, October 10th, applications for appointment of a graduate nurse to the staff at the Infectious Disease Hospital were considered.

The Board recommends the appointment of Miss Muriel B. Davis, R.N. 296 North Street.

Copies of all applications are attached.

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. Keshen,
CHAIRMAN, C. H. B.

Moved by Alderman Keshen, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

TENDERS FOR PLUMBING - CITY HOME

Read report of the Charities Committee re tenders for plumbing, City Home.

Halifax, N. S.,
October 10th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

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

Members Present:- The Chairman, Aldermen Breen, Curtis and Kinley.

Tenders for plumbing were opened and read as follows:-

F. DeStephen	\$10,000.00
Ernscliff & Co.	9,736.76
J. V. McPherson	10,500.00

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The tender of Ernscliff & Co. for \$9,736.76, being the lowest, is recommended for acceptance.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Freda,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Freda, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be adopted. Motion put and passed. The following Aldermen being present and voting therefor:-

Aldermen Breen
Batson
MacKay
Donovan
Kinley
Curran
Sullivan
Freda
Adams
Lloyd
Keshen
O'Toole
Curtis
W.A. MacDonald
Walker
Landry

DIRECT RELIEF AGREEMENT

Read report of the Direct Relief Committee re Direct Relief Agreement as follows:-

"Extract from minutes Relief Committee Meeting,
September 18th, 1939.

Contract Agreement in regard to Direct Relief between Provincial Government and City Council referred to Committee by City Council. Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Freda that contract be approved and recommended for execution. Motion passed.

C. H. Vaughan,
SECRETARY. "

THIS AGREEMENT entered into this 12th day of October, A. D. 1939

BETWEEN:

The Government of the Province of Nova Scotia, hereinafter called "The Province, represented herein by the Honourable L. D. Currie, Minister of Labour, duly authorized in this behalf by an Order of His Honor The Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia in Council,
OF THE FIRST PART

October 12th, 1939.

and

The City of Halifax in the Province of
Nova Scotia, hereinafter called the
"Municipality",

OF THE SECOND PART.

WHEREAS by Subsection (2) of Section 7 of
the Nova Scotia Unemployment Act 1932, as that
Subsection is enacted by Chapter 45 of the Acts of
1935, it is enacted as follows:-

(2) The Governor-in-Council and every
Municipality shall have full power and
authority to enter into, carry out and
perform any agreement between the Governor-
in-Council and the Municipality respecting
the furnishing of relief in money or
money's worth to persons who are in
necessitous circumstances. Such agreement
may contain such terms and conditions and
may provide for the making of such
contribution in money or money's worth
by the Governor-in-Council and the
Municipality respectively as may be agreed
upon.

AND WHEREAS while recognizing that direct
relief is a responsibility of the said Municipality,
it is deemed necessary and expedient, owing to the
emergency conditions existing therein, to enter into
this agreement.

NOW THEREFORE it is agreed by and between
the Province and the Municipality as follows:-

1. In this agreement "direct Relief" shall
mean the supplying to those who are unemployed, who
are physically and mentally fit to be employed,
who are heads of families, who are able and willing
to be employed and who are in need thereof of such
articles, commodities and services as may from time
to time be determined by The Province and the
Municipality, and where available such articles and
commodities are to be those produced in Nova Scotia.

2. The Province agrees to contribute 40
percent of the cost of direct relief furnished by
the Municipality as approved by the Minister of
Labour but only if and while the Government of the
Dominion of Canada pays to the Province moneys as
a grant in aid to be used for the purpose of
furnishing relief in money or money's worth to persons
who are in necessitous circumstances, and the
Province further agrees out of such Dominion grant to
contribute a further 40 percent, provided the amount
of such grant is sufficient, but if at any time it
is found to be insufficient then only a due
proportionate part of such 40 percent will be
contributed, having regard to agreements respecting
direct relief made by the Province with other cities,
towns and municipalities.

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All moneys received by the Municipality by virtue of this agreement shall be used solely for the purpose herein prescribed, without any discrimination as to race, religious views or political affiliations of the recipients.

3. The Municipality shall prepare and submit to the Province quarterly in advance, commencing the first day of October, 1939, an estimate of the amounts required by it for direct relief for the next three months period.

4. The Municipality shall appoint a committee to control the distribution of direct relief, to be composed of not less than three persons who shall be real estate owning ratepayers of the Municipality. If any member of the committee who is a Town or Municipal Councillor becomes disqualified as a Town or Municipal Councillor he shall thereupon cease to be a member of the committee, and the Municipality shall immediately upon being notified by the Government Relief Inspector so to do appoint in his place a qualified person to be a member of the committee. The Government Relief Inspector shall be ex officio a member of the Committee. Such Committee shall establish a thorough system of investigation of all applicants for direct relief, and shall certify approbation of each applicant before issuing orders to him for direct relief. All orders for direct relief shall be issued on a form approved by the Minister of Labour, in accordance with Schedule from time to time approved by the said Minister of Labour, and shall be for staple commodities as specified by him, which shall be purchased at standard prices only. The names and addresses of all recipients of direct relief, with amounts issued to each, shall be available for inspection. All accounts submitted must be approved by the Committee before payment, and all records and accounts in connection with direct relief shall be open to inspection and audit at any time by such person as the Governor-in-Council appoints for the purpose.

5. The Municipality shall pay accounts for direct relief semi-monthly, and shall deduct therefrom any outstanding taxes due and owing to the Municipality by any merchant selling to it supplies for that purpose; such accounts to be so approved.

6. An index system of registration shall be adopted, registration shall be renewed every four months, and the circumstances of every recipient of direct relief shall be inquired into at least once a month.

7. The giving of orders for direct relief shall be left in the complete control of the Relief Committee, but such Committee shall divide the orders fairly among all the merchants in the Municipality.

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8. The Municipality may require applicants for direct relief to do work for the Municipality, provided such work would not be part of the regular services of the Municipality, and the direct relief furnished for such work shall be the equivalent of the regular standard of wages prevailing in the Municipality for such work, provided such regular standard of wages does not exceed the regular schedule of relief.

9. The Municipality shall pay immediately all amounts due and owing by it to merchants up to and including the date of termination of this contract for direct relief, and shall furnish the Province with a list of such amounts with names and addresses of the creditors.

10. This agreement supercedes any and all previous agreements between the Province and the Municipality in any way relating to Direct Relief.

11. This agreement shall be effective as from the first day of April, A. D. 1939, and shall expire on the 31st day of March, A.D. 1940 but may be terminated at any time by either party giving the other thirty days notice in writing.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF The Honourable L. D. Currie, Minister of Labour, has hereunto set his hand and seal of office, and the name of the Municipality has hereunto been subscribed and its corporate seal affixed by its proper officers, the day and year first above written.

Signed and sealed by
The Honorable L. D. Currie
in the presence of

MINISTER OF LABOUR.

Signed and sealed on behalf
of the Municipality in
the presence of

MAYOR.

CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Curtis, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the report be adopted and the Mayor and City Clerk authorized to sign the agreement on behalf of the City of Halifax. Motion passed.

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DIRECT RELIEF BORROWING

Read resolution of the Direct Relief Committee re borrowing.

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 Forty-five thousand Dollars (\$45,000.) to be expended between the first day of November, 1939 and the thirty-first day of January, 1940, 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 Forty-five Hundred Dollars (\$4,500.) for the purpose of defraying the cost of administration of Direct Relief for the period from November 1st, 1939 to January 31st, 1940.

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.

Moved by Alderman Curtis, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the resolution be adopted. Motion put and passed unanimously. The following Aldermen being present and voting therefor.

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Aldermen Adams
Batson
Breen
Curran
Curtis
Donovan
Freda
Keshen
Kinley
Landry
Lloyd
W.A. MacDonald
MacKay
O'Toole
Sullivan
Walker

CIVIC EMPLOYEES ENLISTING FOR WAR SERVICE

Read report of the Special Committee
re civic employees enlisting for war service.

Mayor's Office,
October 12th, 1939.

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

At a meeting of the Special Committee appointed to establish regulations with reference to civic employees who enlist or are called out in the military, naval or air services, the following regulations were approved.

1. That the Council undertake and will recommend to ensuing Councils that they also undertake to assure to all such employees re-employment in the positions they held when granted leave of absence for military, naval or air duty, or re-employment in such equivalent positions as soon as the one or the other may be available, provided however, that such employees, when seeking re-employment with the City after demobilization, are capable of performing the duties attached to the particular position to be filled.
2. That this Council, in filling any positions caused by a grant of leave of absence for the purpose of military, naval or air duty, shall do so by acting, or temporary appointments only, unless for particular reasons it is otherwise decided by a special resolution of the Council. This Council will recommend to ensuing Councils that they give a like undertaking.
3. That any civic employees who enlist or are called out for military, naval or air service and who, at that time, were contributors to a pension fund, shall, if they wish to preserve their pension rights, continue to make monthly contributions

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based on the salary they were receiving when granted leave of absence or based on the pay and allowances in effect from time to time received while in the defense services, whichever between the former salary and such pay and allowances is the lesser. Such contributions shall not in any event exceed the percentage rate established by law. Such payments made during military, naval or air service and within six months after hostilities have ceased shall count as having been made as if active service had been performed with the City, and if the calculation of the service period for the purposes of ascertaining any future pension the time served with the military, naval or air services in the present war and within six months thereafter shall count as time served with the City.

4. That any of the recommendations made herein will not apply and leave of absence will not be granted when the Mayor, at the request of a two-thirds' majority of any committee, is able to arrange for the continuance in the City's employ of an employee who has enlisted or has been called for service, because such employee occupies a key position with the City, and such employee nevertheless remains on military, naval or air service during the present war.

Your committee recommends adoption of these regulations by the Council.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter Mitchell,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion put and passed unanimously.

LETTER, CITY CLERK RE APPOINTMENTS TO SCHOOL BOARD AND EXHIBITION COMMISSION.

*School Board
Exhibition Comm.*

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

October 6th, 1939.

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

There will be two vacancies on the Board of School Commissioners caused by the expiration of the term of office of Alderman Curtis and Alderman Curran on October 31st, 1939. It will be necessary for Council to appoint two Aldermen to fill these vacancies; the term of which will be for a period of three years.

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There will also be a vacancy on the Exhibition Commission caused by the expiration of the term of office of Alderman Harold F. Curran. Council should therefore appoint an Alderman to fill this vacancy; the term of which is for four years.

Yours very truly,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

School Board Appointments

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

Alderman Batson nominated Alderman Curtis.

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

His Worship the Mayor then declared Aldermen Curran and Curtis duly elected to the Board of School Commissioners for a period of three years ending October 31st, 1942.

Exhibition Commission Appointments

Alderman Donovan nominated Alderman Curran as a member of the Exhibition Commission for a period of four years.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Breen that nominations cease. Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor then declared Alderman Curran duly elected to the Exhibition Commission for a period of four years, term expiring October 31st, 1943.

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JUNK DEALER'S LICENSE FEE

Laws Priv. Com.
Moved by Alderman Batson, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that this item be referred back to the Laws and Privileges Committee. Motion passed.

QUALIFICATIONS OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

Laws Priv. Com.
Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Keshen that this item be referred back to the Laws and Privileges Committee. Motion passed.

NOTICE OF MOTION BY ALDERMAN LLOYD RE BUSINESS AREA, QUINPOOL ROAD

Council
Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Keshen that this item be deferred. Motion passed.

LETTER, CITY AUDITOR RE APPROPRIATION FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO COMMONS.

Auditor Solicitor
Read letter City Auditor re appropriation for improvements to Commons.

October 12th, 1939.

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

The Chairman of the Gardens Committee, Alderman A. M. MacKay, has discussed with me the inadequacy for the present year of the appropriation provided sometime ago, which, as you will recall, was an authorization to the City to expend \$2,000.00 annually for a period of five years on improving the Commons.

The intention of the legislation, as I remember it, was to assess an amount of \$2,000.00 each year, which money, if not spent in any one year in which it was assessed, could be expended later.

It appears, however, that the legislation is not drawn in such manner and it is suggested that the law should be amended at the coming session of the Legislature so that the City may expend the money in the accumulated fund.

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In the meantime the Gardens Committee requires approximately \$300.00 over the \$2,000.00 to carry on the work planned for this year and it is my suggestion that the Council authorize the withdrawing of such an amount from the revenue account of the Commons commutation fund, which at the end of April last amounted to \$2,483.75.

After amending legislation has been secured and the unexpended monies for the first year released, this fund could be recouped the amount not being borrowed, but should the Legislature not pass the amending legislation the withdrawal of the said \$300.00 from the fund would still be quite legal.

Yours very truly,

A. M. Butler,
CITY AUDITOR.

Moved by Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Donovan that the letter be adopted. Motion put and passed unanimously. The following Aldermen being present and voting therefor:-

Aldermen Breen
Batson
MacKay
Donovan
Kinley
Curran
Sullivan
Freda
Adams
Lloyd
Keshen
O'Toole
Curtis
W. A. MacDonald
Walker
Landry

PURCHASE OF MOTOR CARS

Read report of the Committee on Works re purchase of cars.

October 12th, 1939.

The City Council.

The City Council at a meeting held on September 14th, 1939, empowered the Committee on Works to purchase two suitable cars to replace the Terraplane cars used by the Superintendent of the Water Department and the Superintendent of Streets for a sum not to exceed \$950.00 each and the old cars.

*Engineer
Clerk of Works*

October 12th, 1939.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on September 26th, 1939, considered a report of the City Engineer on tenders received for supplying two cars and a motion by Alderman Donovan that the tender of the Acadia Motors to supply two - 1939 Sedans, Hudson 112, for a total price of \$1790.00 plus the two Terraplane cars then in use be accepted, was seconded by Alderman MacKay and adopted unanimously.

It is recommended that the City Council ratify this acceptance.

An extract from minutes of the City Council meeting of September 14th, 1939, in reference to the above and the report of the City Engineer above mentioned, are attached hereto.

Walter Mitchell,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

JOSEPH HOWE SCHOOL - SIDEWALKS

*Engineer
Clerk of Works*
Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re Joseph Howe school, sidewalks.

October 12th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on October 10th, 1939, the attached report of the City Engineer dated October 10th, 1939, and entitled "Joseph Howe school - sidewalks", was on motion of Alderman Walker and Alderman Donovan, approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

Walter Mitchell,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

October 10th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on a petition from the Board of School Commissioners for permanent sidewalks on the north side of Charles Street between Maynard and Creighton Streets and on the west side of Creighton Street from Charles Street northwardly to the north boundary of Joseph Howe School, that at present there is a sidewalk with curb and gutter on the east side of Maynard Street from Charles Street to North Street.

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Sidewalks are under construction on Charles Street as far east as Maynard Street and have been ordered on Creighton Street north to the south line of Charles Street.

The estimated cost of curb, gutter and sidewalk on the north side of Charles Street is \$650.00, of which the City's share would be about \$380.00.

The cost of the work on the west side of Creighton Street from Charles Street northwardly to the boundary of the School property is \$1200.00, of which the City's share would be about one-half.

It is recommended that curbs, gutters and concrete sidewalks be laid on these two streets this year, if possible.

As stated above curbs, gutters and sidewalks have already been ordered on both sides of Creighton Street as far north as Charles Street and in my opinion these would be ordered extended northwardly to North Street. The work to be done next year.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER.

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

GERRISH STREET SIDEWALK

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

October 12th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on October 10th, 1939, the attached report of the City Engineer dated October 10th, 1939, and entitled "Gerrish Street - sidewalk", was on motion of Alderman Donovan and Alderman Freda, approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

Walter Mitchell,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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October 10th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on an application from Mr. Young, the owner of the property on the north side of Gerrish Street, extending from Creighton Street about 94 feet eastwardly, for the construction of a concrete sidewalk in front of his property, that the estimated cost of the work is \$250.00, of which the City's share would be one-half.

The estimated cost for the whole block is \$650.00, of which the City's share would be one-half. The curb and gutter has already been laid.

It is recommended that the work in the whole block be placed on the order paper to be constructed when the committee considers it advisable.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER.

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

Motion passed.

ARMVIEW AVENUE - SEWER AND WATER EXTENSION

*Engineer
Block of Work*

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

October 12th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on October 10th, 1939, the attached report of the City Engineer dated October 3rd, 1939, and entitled "Armview Avenue - sewer and water extension" was on motion of Alderman Donovan and Alderman Freda, approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

Walter Mitchell,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

October 3rd, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

The sewer and water pipes are laid on Armview Avenue to within approximately a distance of 200 feet westwardly from Prince Arthur Street.

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The pavement was laid during this season along this street from Quinpool Road to the end of the pipe. Next year the paving should be completed to Pryor Street. Before this is done the water pipe and sewer pipe should be extended.

The estimated cost of extending the water pipe to connect with the dead end on Prince Arthur Street is \$825.00, and the estimated assessment \$500.00.

The estimated cost of the sewer is \$950.00.

It is recommended that the sewer and water be ordered to be extended.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER.

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

MORRIS STREET WIDENING

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

October 12th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on October 10th, 1939, the attached report of the City Engineer in reference to No. 391 Morris Street was considered.

On motion of Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Walker, the committee recommended to Council that the property No. 301 Morris Street be purchased by the City of Halifax for the sum of \$3,000.00 in accordance with Section 624A. of the City Charter.

Walter Mitchell,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

VACANCY ON CITY HEALTH BOARD

*Health Board
Vacancy*
The Mayor informed the Council that there was a vacancy on the City Health Board, which would have to be filled.

October 12th, 1939.

Moved by Alderman Freda, seconded by Alderman Adams that Alderman Sullivan be appointed as a member on the City Health Board.

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

The motion was then put and passed unanimously.

His Worship the Mayor declared Alderman Sullivan duly appointed a member of the City Health Board.

PURCHASE OF LEAD PIPE

*Engineer
to Council Works*
Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re purchase of lead pipe.

October 12th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on October 10th, 1939, the attached report of the City Engineer dated October 10th, 1939, and entitled "Lead pipe", was on motion of Alderman Donovan, seconded by Alderman Freda, approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

Walter Mitchell,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

October 10th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

We require some lead pipe for present use and for immediate future requirements.

I have obtained tenders as follows:-

Jas. Simmonds Ltd.	\$8.15	per 100 lbs.
Cranes Ltd.	8.41	"
Wm. Stairs Son & Morrow	8.48	"
Crowell Bros. Ltd.	8.52	"
Austen Bros.	8.59	"
T. McAvity & Sons	10.00	"

October 12th, 1939.

The tender of Jas. Simmonds Limited is the lowest and is recommended for acceptance.

After consultation with the Mayor, as the quotations were only good for practically immediate acceptance, an order was placed with the lowest tenderer. The estimated quantity required is ten tons.

It is recommended that the Council ratify this acceptance.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER.

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

CLAIM - MRS. M. DAY

*Engineer
Clerk of Works*
Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re claim, Mrs. M. Day.

October 12th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on October 10th, 1939, the attached report of the City Engineer dated October 3rd, 1939, and entitled "Claim - Mrs. M. Day", was considered.

On motion of Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Donovan, the committee recommended to Council that the claim be paid.

Walter Mitchell,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

October 3rd, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on a claim of Mrs. M. Day, for \$15.00 for damage to clothing, etc., caused by slipping on Chebucto Road where the street was oiled, that the accident happened on August 15th. In crossing the road Mrs. Day stepped on what appeared to be solid ground but actually was street oil which had run into the gutter and was covered with dust and gravel, looking like ordinary street surface.

October 12th, 1939.

The question of the City's liability was referred to the City Solicitor and he, without admitting the City's liability, is of the opinion that in view of certain doubts as to how the law might be construed, recommends that the claim be settled.

As regards the amount of the claim I saw the damaged articles and the amount claimed would appear to be a reasonable valuation.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER.

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

Motion passed.

RIDGEWOOD DRIVE - STREET LIGHT

*Engineer
Clerk of Works*
Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re Ridgewood Drive, street light.

October 12th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on October 10th, 1939, the attached report of the City Engineer dated October 10th, 1939 and entitled "Ridgewood Drive - street light" was on motion of Alderman Donovan, seconded by Alderman MacKay, approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

Walter Mitchell,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

October 10th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor,

Sir:-

I beg to report on the application of Mr. Rankin, owner of property on the west side of Ridgewood Drive, south of Oakland Road, asking for the installation of a light on this drive, that there are at present four poles on the drive.

If one 250 C.P. street light were installed on Pole D the cost of installation would be \$30.00 and maintenance \$20.00 per annum. This would make a considerable improvement in the lighting of the drive.

October 12th, 1939.

A still greater improvement would be made if two lights were installed, but for the present it is recommended that one 250 C.P. light be installed.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,
CITY ENGINEER.

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

Motion passed.

FINAL CERTIFICATE - STANDARD PAVING MARITIME LTD.

*Engineer
Clark of Works*
Read report of the Committee on Works re final payment to the Standard Paving Maritime Ltd.

October 12th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on October 10th, 1939, the attached final certificate of the City Engineer recommending payment to the Standard Paving Maritime Limited of the sum of \$20,110.27, on account, on their paving contract, was on motion of Alderman Donovan and Alderman Walker, approved and recommended to Council for payment.

Walter Mitchell,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

Motion passed.

CARD OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Read card of acknowledgment from the family of the late Alderman Harry E. Burgess.
FILED

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

Read report of the Charities Committee for the month of September, 1939, showing the number of inmates in the City Home to be 457.
FILED

October 12th, 1939.

DEPARTMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

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

TAX COLLECTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPT, 1939.

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

TAX COLLECTIONS, SPETEMBER, 1939

Years Taxes	Reserve	Outstanding Balances August	New Accounts and adjustments	September Collections	Outstanding Balance September.
36-37	\$51,463.84	\$116,156.10	Cr. \$333.30	\$8,971.58	\$106,851.22
37-38	64,793.76	247,133.85	52.21	8,790.56	238,395.50
38-39	42,944.44	448,729.48	Cr. 14,506.07	16,210.98	418,011.43
		<u>812,018.43</u>	Cr. 14,787.16	33,973.12	763,258.15
urrent Taxes					
39-40	47,975.38	840,790.64	4,310.75	96,287.14	748,814.25
ter Dept. rates, etc.		50,409.18	29,841.13	5,963.82	74,286.49
		<u>1,703,218.25</u>	19,364.71	136,224.08	1,586,358.89
l Taxes					
33-34		561.40	Cr. 1.00	12.50	547.90
34-35		1,848.94	Cr. 2.00	29.00	1,817.94
35-36		1,678.95	4.40	42.93	1,640.42
36-37		1,890.10	10.00	84.57	1,815.53
37-38		2,071.26	10.00	183.00	1,898.26
38-39		6,020.25	Cr. 25.50	641.50	5,353.25
39-40		19,105.00	37.00	640.50	18,501.50

Additional Collections	1939-40	1938-39
years 1908-9 to 1924-25	\$25.61	
corresponding period last year		\$347.12
years 1925-26 to 1935-36	3,264.08	
corresponding period last year		10,174.71
collections per above statement	136,224.08	
corresponding period last year	<u>139,513.77</u>	<u>127,255.36</u>
collections of Poll Taxes		
by 1st, 1939 to September 30th, 1939	14,121.49	
corresponding period last year		12,230.39

A. M. Butler,
CITY AUDITOR.

FILED

October 12th, 1939.

LETTER, CLERK OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL RE
EXTENSION OF LIENS.

Callahan
Read letter from the Clerk of the Executive Council submitting copies of Orders in Council re extensions of liens.

Halifax, N. S.,
October 11th, 1939.

Dear Sir:-

I enclose herewith two certified copies of Orders in Council made the 7th instant, extending the lien of the City of Halifax with respect to taxes.

Yours truly,

A. Evelyn Horne,
for
Clerk of the Executive Council.

City Clerk,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.

"The Governor in Council, at the request of the City of Halifax and under the provisions of Section 10 of Chapter 65 of the Acts of 1939, is pleased to extend the lien of the City upon real property for rates and taxes assessed for the civic year 1936-37 beyond the 1st day of November, 1939 until the 1st day of February, 1940.

The Governor in Council, at the request of the City of Halifax and under the provisions of Section 11 of Chapter 65 of the Acts of 1939, is pleased to extend the lien on the personal property of any person for real property tax and business tax for the civic year 1938-39 conferred by Section 438 of the Halifax City Charter, beyond the 1st day of November, 1939, until the 1st day of February, 1940.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of Orders of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia in Council made the 7th day of October, A. D. 1939.

Arthur S. Barnstead,
Clerk of the Executive Council. "

FILED

8.45 P.M.,

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

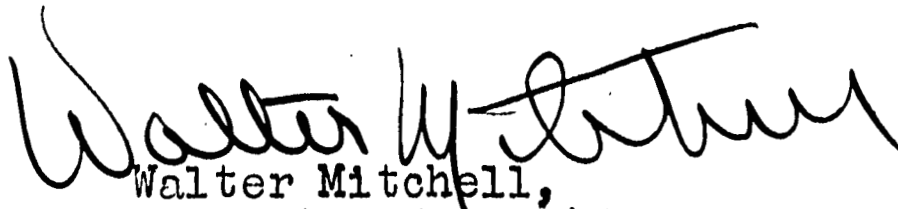
Motion passed.


Meeting adjourned.

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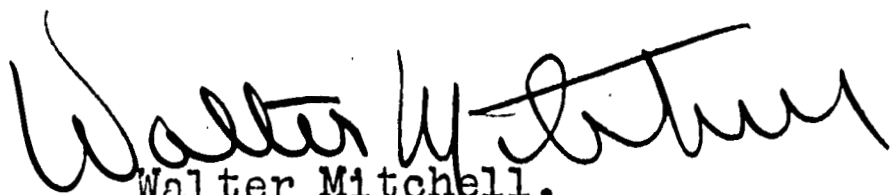

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W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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