

AFTERNOON SESSION

SPECIAL MEETING.

5.00 o'clock,  
Council Chamber,  
City Hall,  
July 3rd, 1941.

A meeting of the City Council was held this day. There were present His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen MacKay, Stech, Kinley, Hosterman, Coffin, Adams, McDonald, Lloyd, Walker, O'Toole and Landry.

The meeting was called specially to consider the following items:-

1. Resolution re vulnerable areas.
2. Report Public Health and Welfare Committee re health program.
3. Report Comm. on Works re new road, Mumford Road to Fairview.
4. Report Comm. on Works re lease of Airport.

VULNERABLE AREAS

Read letter from the City Clerk submitting resolution re vulnerable areas.

Halifax, N. S.,  
July 3rd, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Delegates from the Cities of St. John and Moncton, New Brunswick and Halifax and Sydney, Nova Scotia, met in the Scotia Hotel at Truro, N.S. on June 27th, 1941, for the purpose of discussing the matter of compensation for any loss of life or injuries or damage to persons or property suffered by reason of enemy action or counter action.

The City of St. John was represented by Aldermen H. Gerald Teed, J. Paul Barry and Common Clerk H. D. Hopkins; the City of Moncton by Alderman Albert Stone and City Clerk L. T. Tingley; the City of Sydney by Mayor G. B. Slaven and the City of Halifax by Mayor W. E. Donovan, Deputy Mayor A. H. MacKay and City Clerk W. P. Publicover.

Mayor Donovan was appointed Chairman and Mr. H. D. Hopkins, Secretary.

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After due deliberation the attached resolution was unanimously adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover.

WHEREAS delegates from the Cities of Halifax and Sydney, Nova Scotia, and Moncton and Saint John, New Brunswick have met together to discuss the matter of compensation for any loss of life or injuries or damage to persons or property suffered by reason of enemy action or counter action;

AND WHEREAS the consensus of opinion of the delegates is that these Cities, situated as they are on the Atlantic Seaboard, are particularly exposed to damage caused by acts of war;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Dominion Government be asked to declare forthwith that these Cities are "vulnerable areas" together with any other localities in Canada which are similarly exposed to danger and that they shall be compensated for any loss to life or property as herein set forth,

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such compensation be the responsibility of the Dominion Government and of the people of Canada as a whole in order that the residents of such vulnerable areas shall not be called upon to bear an unfair share of the costs of war;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such compensation for personal injury or death be on the same basis as compensation to combatants and their dependents and for damage to property on the basis of the real and true value of the property destroyed;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of National Defence, the Minister of Transport, the Federal Ministers representing Nova Scotia and New Brunswick and the Federal representatives of the Cities herein mentioned;

Moved by Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the resolution as submitted be approved.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Kinley that before we forward this resolution to any parties in Ottawa that a copy be sent to the Provincial Governor in Council for approval. Amendment put and lost, 5 voting for the same and 6 against it as follows:-

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FOR THE AMENDMENT

Aldermen Steach  
Kinley  
Hosterman  
Lloyd  
Walker

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AGAINST IT

Aldermen Coffin  
Adams  
McDonald  
MacKay  
O'Toole  
Landry -6-

Motion put and passed, 6 voting for  
the same and 5 against it as follows:-

FOR THE MOTION

Aldermen Adams  
Coffin  
Landry  
McDonald  
MacKay  
O'Toole

-5-

AGAINST IT

Aldermen Hosterman  
Kinley  
Lloyd  
Steach  
Walker

-5-

HEALTH PROGRAM

*Comm. of Health  
Com. of Fin.  
P. of St. Com.*

Read report of the Public Health and  
Welfare Committee re health program.

Halifax, N. S.,  
July 3rd, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee of  
Public Health and Welfare held on Monday, June 30th,  
consideration was given to two reports dealing with  
an improved program of health for the City  
submitted by Dr. W. R. Morton, Commissioner of Public  
Health and Welfare. These reports were prepared  
following a letter from Dr. F. R. Davis, Minister of  
Health for Nova Scotia. The reports were first  
considered by a special sub-committee of the Committee  
of Public Health and Welfare.

The Committee unanimously decided to  
recommend to the City Council that in view of the  
continuance of the present epidemic disease and the  
further threat of the epidemic -

THAT ten Registered nurses be  
appointed without delay to do Public Health work,  
and that an assistant be appointed to the Commissioner  
of Public Health and Welfare at a salary not  
exceeding \$3,000.00 per annum.

THAT the City endorse the principle  
of a policy to increase the bed accommodation at the  
City Tuberculosis Hospital in order that it may be  
increased from 64, as at present, to 150, with a  
proviso, however, that no action be taken in  
connection with this matter until such time as the  
whole situation is surveyed to determine the  
immediate need, and when provision can be satisfactorily  
made to finance and obtain financial assistance  
towards any such undertaking.

Respectfully submitted,  
W.P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

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Moved by Alderman Hesterman, seconded  
by Alderman Berlin that the report be adopted.

Alderman Kinley was of the opinion that Tuberculosis patients should be cared for at the Kentville Sanitarium rather than in Halifax and he felt that the Provincial Government authorities should be interviewed with a view to having all Tuberculosis patients centralized in Kentville where the climatic conditions are more advantageous to such patients.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Hesterman that Dr. Horton the Commissioner of Health be asked to express his views, Motion passed.

Dr. Horton stated that the Provincial Government has built Tuberculosis annexes in the City of Sydney and the Town of Glace Bay. Subsidies were given to these annexes, but not to the Tuberculosis Hospital because the Government felt that it was paying to some extent for the maintenance costs of the deficits of the Victoria General Hospital.

Dr. Horton said that in regard to the necessity for additional nurses, he had recommended to the committee that six additional nurses be engaged, but Dr. Davis had stressed the need for more to handle the situation adequately, and his recommendation was that ten nurses be engaged.

Dr. Horton said that it was suggested by a member of Council that the V.O.N. help in communicable disease work. The V.O.N., he explained, refuse to do communicable disease work for the reason that most of their time is devoted to the care of mothers and infant children.

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Mr. Morton further stated that the reason an assistant to the Commissioner of Health was recommended was that due to the increase in the nursing staff and their duties that someone would be required to supervise this and also do extra duties in communicable disease work. This, he said, he would not be able to do alone and it was for this reason that it was necessary to engage an Assistant.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman MacKay that ten registered nurses be appointed temporarily to the Health Department to do public health work and that an assistant to the Commissioner of Public Health and Welfare be appointed temporarily at a salary not exceeding \$3,000.00 per annum, under the provisions of Section 879 of the City Charter and that the matter of increasing the bed accommodation at the Tuberculosis Hospital be referred back to the Public Health and Welfare Committee for further consideration, Amendment put and passed unanimously; the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor:-

Aldermen MacKay  
Stech  
Kinley  
Hosterman  
Coffin  
Adams  
McDonald  
Lloyd  
Walker  
O'Toole  
Landry

LEASE OF AIRPORT

Read report of the Committee on Works  
re lease of airport.

*Com. of Works  
Clerk*

July 3rd, 1941.

The City Council:

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works, at a meeting held on this date, considered the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated July 3rd, 1941, entitled "Airport"; also a letter from Brigadier G.E. Connolly, District Officer Commanding Military District No. 6, under date of July 1st, 1941; and a letter from Lieutenant Commander A. E. Chilcott, R.C.N.V.R., under date of June 13th, 1941, regarding the Halifax Airport.

It was moved by Alderman Kinley, seconded by Alderman Adams, that the request on behalf of the Department of National Defence be approved and that the City lease the Airport to the said Department from and after the date of the termination of the present lease to the Halifax Aero Club, namely July 14th, 1941, for the period of the duration of the War and six months thereafter at a monthly rental of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per month, payable monthly, and that a term of the said lease provide that the said Department shall have the right to erect buildings on the said Airport in such location as indicated to the Committee by representatives of the Department, provided such location shall not interfere with the use of the existing run-ways on the said Airport, the said lease to contain such other terms as may be approved by the Solicitor, and that in view of the fact that the term of this lease may exceed in duration the period of five (5) years that the City apply to the Governor-in-Council under Section 614 of the City Charter for approval of the said lease of the said Airport for the said period and that upon the approval of the Governor-in-Council being obtained that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the said lease.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.  
Per: T. J. Moore,  
Clerk of Works.

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

NEW ROAD - MUMFORD ROAD TO FAIRVIEW

Read report of the Committee on Works  
and Commissioner of Works re new road, Mumford  
Road to Fairview.

*Com. of Works  
Clerk of Works*

July 3rd, 1941.

City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on June 24th, 1941, considered the attached report, dated June 23rd, 1941, entitled "Entrance to City", submitted by the Commissioner of Works on behalf of the Sub-committee of the Committee on Works appointed on May 26th, 1941, to study conditions and recommend improvements in connection with the entrance to the City at the Bedford Road, Dutch Village Road and Kempt Road intersection.

On motion of Alderman Kinley, seconded by Alderman McDonald, the committee recommended unanimously to City Council that the second proposal, as shown in the said report, and concerning the construction of a new road, be approved and proceeded with.

On motion of Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman Adams the committee also recommended unanimously to City Council that the City of Halifax ask the proper authorities of the Federal Government for a hearing concerning the improvement at the Kempt Road Bridge, as referred to in the first proposal contained in the said report.

The committee recommended also that if the new road is to be proceeded with the City of Halifax should take action immediately to secure the required land.

Attached also are a letter from the Hon. J. D. McKenzie, Minister of Highways and Public Works, under date of May 22nd, 1941; and a letter from Mr. P. F. Baillargeon, Secretary of the Board of Transport Commissioners for Canada, under date of June 12th, 1941.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK,  
Per: T. J. Moore,  
Clerk of Works.

June 23rd, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

Your sub-committee of the Committee on Works appointed on May 26th, 1941, to study conditions and recommend improvements in connection with the entrance to the City at the Bedford Road, Dutch Village Road and Kempt Road intersection, beg to report as follows:-

After meeting several times and studying the situation on the ground we concluded that to eliminate the danger at this point two major improvements should be recommended.

1st. The widening of the present subway to approximately double the present width and having the northern abutment constructed more in alignment with the Kempt Road, Bedford Road, than the right angle which exists at present. -90-

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2nd. The construction of a new road along the eastern side of the Halifax southwestern railway from a point on the Dutch Village Road where the old Halifax southwestern right of way intersects to a point on the Dutch Village Road near Mumford Road. Both proposals are shown on attached plan.

The estimate for the first is \$100,000. and parties involved who would be expected to share in the expenditure are the Board of Commissioners of Transport, the Canadian National Railways, the Provincial Highways Department and the City of Halifax. The parties involved were consulted.

The first states, on account of lack of funds for this purpose and war conditions they would not be able to contribute. The probabilities are that the C.N.R. would do likewise consequently the matter would have to be dropped for the present.

With regard to the second proposal the City would have to bear the whole cost between the points mentioned. The Highway Department would however, be a very contributing factor in this scheme and have expressed their willingness to cooperate by constructing a diversion from the Bedford Road to whatever point the City decides to begin the diversion.

The Canadian National Railways has been approached in this proposal to ascertain their attitude in regards to selling a portion of their right-of-way to the City which we considered a desirable location for the road diversion. This request, I understand, will be granted.

The advisability of crossing the right of way with a level crossing was discussed by your committee and it was the general opinion that on account of the light traffic on this railway and with a proper signalling device that the danger factors would be very small under present circumstances the Canadian National Railway however are desirous that the level crossing be eliminated at this point. A 60 foot right of way should be secured for the entire diversion and graded to a 40 foot width.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. MacKinnon,  
On behalf of the Sub-Committee.

Moved by Alderman Kinley, seconded by

Alderman Adams that the reports be adopted.

Motion passed.



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6.30 P.M.,

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

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*W. E. Donovan*  
W. E. Donovan,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

NOON SESSION

SPECIAL MEETING.

12.00 o'clock,  
Council Chamber,  
City Hall,  
July 7th, 1941.

A meeting of the City Council was held this day. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen MacKay, Steck, Kinley, Hosterman, Coffin, Adams, McDonald, Lloyd, Walker, O'Toole, Burgess and Landry.

The meeting was called specially to consider the following items:-

1. Report Comm. on Works re canteen privileges, Horseshoe Island.
2. " " " Navy League building.
3. " " " elevator, City Hall.

CANTEEN PRIVILEGES - HORSESHOE ISLAND

Read report of the Committee on Works re canteen privileges, Horseshoe Island.

July 3rd, 1941.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works, at a meeting held on June 24th, 1941, considered the attached report of the Commissioner of Works under that date, advising that Mr. C. H. Burbridge, whose tender of \$1.50 for the Canteen Privileges at Horseshoe Island baths had been accepted at the last meeting of the City Council, has subsequently requested that he be released from his obligation in connection therewith.

On motion of Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Walker, the committee directed that new tenders be called for and that the question of Mr. Burbridge's release be referred to City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on July 3rd, 1941, the attached report of the Commissioner of Works, dated July 3rd, 1941, regarding the new tenders received, was considered.

The committee unanimously recommended to Council for adoption the said latter report recommending that Niden Thos. Moran's tender of 100.00 be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore,  
Clerk of Works.

July 7th, 1941.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Walker that Mr. Burbidge's contract be cancelled and the tender of Niden Thos. Moran accepted. Motion passed.

NAVY LEAGUE BUILDING

Read report of the Committee on Works re Navy League Building.

July 3rd, 1941.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works, at a meeting held on this date considered the attached letter dated July 2nd, 1941, from Mr. D. H. Gibson, Dominion President, Navy League of Canada, concerning plans for a building for use by Merchant Seamen to be called The Allied Merchant Seamen's Club.

Following discussion, the committee, on motion of Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Walker, unanimously directed that the said letter be forwarded to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.  
Per: T. J. Moore,  
Clerk of Works.

The Mayor stated that representatives of the Navy League are present and asked if it were the wish of Council that they be heard.

Moved by Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that Mr. Andrew R. Cobb be permitted to address Council. Motion passed.

Mr. Cobb then spoke and stated that the plans for the proposed Navy League Building had been revised and they now provided for a brick front for the structure and side walls of brick extending back to a distance of 70 feet from the front; the rear of the building will be built of wood and the Navy League is prepared to give an undertaking in writing that this portion of the

*Comm. of Works  
Clerk of Works*

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building will be removed within a short period after the cessation of hostilities and the whole building made to conform with the City's building regulations.

The following resolution was then read.

BE IT RESOLVED that this Council record its opinion that due to the National emergency and the very urgent need for suitable accommodation for Merchant Seamen that, notwithstanding the restrictions of the City Charter requiring that any building erected in the district described in Section 741 of the said Charter be of first or second class construction, the said statutory provisions be disregarded and that no objection be taken by the Council to the erection within the said district of a Navy League Building of third class construction, but thoroughly equipped with a sprinkler system and other fire protection devices and that the front and two sides to a distance of not less than 70 feet be constructed of masonry walls in the same manner as for a second class building.

AND FURTHER RESOLVED that the assurances of the Navy League of Canada be accepted that within six months after the end of the present war the said Navy League of Canada will take action to so alter the said building so as to make the same conform to the requirements of the Halifax City Charter applicable to a building erected within the said building district described in said Section 741 of the Charter.

AND FURTHER RESOLVED that the good offices of the Government of this Province be sought with a view to securing its support for the passage of legislation to enable the City after the expiration of six months after the end of the present war to compel the alteration of the said building into a first or second class building as required by the said Charter, or its demolition if such alteration be not commenced within such time as the City shall direct, notwithstanding that no objection has been raised by the City Council at the present time to its erection as a third class building, and ratifying the action of the Council in passing this resolution and saving harmless the City, the members of the Council and its officials, from any action, claim or proceeding brought in respect of any of its acts pursuant to this resolution.

Moved by Alderman Kinley, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the resolution be adopted.  
Motion put and passed, 11 voting for the same and 1 against it as follows:-

July 7th, 1941.

FOR THE MOTION

Aldermen Adams  
Burgess  
Coffin  
Hosterman  
Kinloy  
Londry  
Lloyd  
McDonald  
MacKay  
O'Toole  
Stech  
-11-

AGAINST IT

Aldermen Walker

-1-

ELEVATOR - CITY HALL

Read report of the Committee on Works  
re elevator, City Hall.

July 7th, 1941.

City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on June 24th, 1941, the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated July 24th, 1941, entitled "Elevator - City Hall", was considered; also a report dated June 12th, 1941, from the Deputy Building Inspector to the Commissioner of Works concerning the installation of an electric passenger elevator in Halifax City Hall, attached to which was a comparison of tenders received concerning the various elevators.

The committee deferred consideration and requested the Commissioner to submit a report at a subsequent meeting showing the estimated cost of the required penthouse construction, wiring, shaft repairs, etc., plus the installed cost of the elevator itself.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on July 7th, 1941, the attached report of the Commissioner on Works dated July 7th, 1941, and entitled "Elevator - appropriation" was considered.

The committee recommended to Council that the "Turnbull" elevator, with operators' switch and standard button (Item #10 on the comparison of tenders attached) be acquired at an installed cost of \$7,350.00 and that the required Penthouse accommodations, be constructed, wiring installed, shaft repairs, etc. made, at an estimated cost of \$2,000.00 in excess of the \$7,350.00 above referred to, or a total estimated cost of \$9,350.00, in accordance with the above mentioned reports.

*Com. of Works -  
Electric Elevator  
Committee*

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The committee also approved of the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated July 7th, 1941, entitled "Accounting quarters - 3rd floor" and recommended to Council that the work of painting, wiring and installation of electric light fixtures, etc. on the 3rd floor in the quarters now used as a Police Gymnasium, be started as soon as possible at an estimated cost of \$1700.00, in accordance with the said report.

Reference to this work was made in the above mentioned report under date of June 24th, 1941.

Respectfully submitted,

T. J. Moore,  
Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman Kinley that the report be adopted and the necessary funds obtained in accordance with legislation secured at the last session of the Legislature. Motion put and passed unanimously; the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor:-

Aldermen Mackay  
Stech  
Kinley  
Hosterman  
Coffin  
Adams  
McDonald  
Lloyd  
Walker  
O'Toole  
Burgess  
Landry

12.30 P.M.,

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

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*W. E. Donovan*  
W. E. Donovan,  
MAYOR AND CHIEF CLERK.

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

CITY COUNCIL MEETING,  
THURSDAY,  
JULY 17th, 1941  
A G E N D A

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17. " " " unemployment insurance.
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20. " " " Health Clinic.
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25. " " " Report Safety Committee re course, fingerprint work.
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38. Letter of appreciation, Free Milk Dispensary (tag day).
39. Report Chief Accountant re tax collections for the month of June,
40. 1941.

EVENING SESSION

5.00 o'clock,  
Council Chamber,  
City Hall,  
July 17th, 1941.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor Chairman; Aldermen MacKay, Stech, Hosterman, Coffin, McDonald, Lloyd, Walker, O'Toole, Burgess and Landry.

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

MINUTES

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

HALIFAX COUNCIL OF SOCIAL AGENCIES

*Committee*

A delegation from the Halifax Council of Social Agencies representing the Dalhousie Public Health Clinic, Childrens Aid Society, Local Council of Women, Sisters of Service, Travellers Aid, Royal Canadian Navy, Halifax Visiting Dispensary, Catholic Womens League, Salvation Army, Victorian Order of Nurses, Y.W.C.A., Junior Board of Trade appeared before the committee in connection with the housing shortage in Halifax.

With the permission of Council, Rev. Dr. Curran spoke.

Dr. Curran stated that the delegation appearing before the City Council was here as a result of a meeting held a week ago at which it was decided to approach the City Council and ask that body to appeal to the Dominion Government for a re-opening of the Dominion Housing Loan to aid



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construction of low cost houses.

Dr. Curran said the housing situation, although serious before the war began, had been aggravated greatly since then.

A representative from the V.O.N. also stressed the urgency of proper housing conditions for the low income group of people.

8.07 P.M., Alderman Adams arrives and takes his seat in Council.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that this Council endorse the proposal of the Council of Social Agencies and that we forward a resolution to the proper authorities at Ottawa. Motion passed.

*Mayor* Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that the Mayor be authorized to appoint a committee consisting of six Aldermen and four citizens for the purpose of making a specific study of the general housing conditions in Halifax and to report to the City Council on its findings; the Mayor to have power to add any persons to this committee that he deems necessary. 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 Finance and Executive Committee amounting to \$9,889.43; the Committee on Safety amounting to \$912.53 chargeable to Fire Alarm; \$14,242.56 chargeable to Fire Dept. and \$12,576.69 chargeable to Police Department;

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The Committee on Public Health and Welfare amounting to \$11,598.67 chargeable to Health Department; \$10,858.02 chargeable to City Home and \$2,641.97 chargeable to City Prison; the Committee on Works amounting to \$19,256.90; Point Pleasant Park Commission amounting to \$1,504.22, under the provisions of Section 315 of the City Charter.

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman MacKay that the resolution be adopted.  
Motion passed.

ACCOUNT FOR ADVERTISING

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee re account for advertising in the Montreal Gazette.

Halifax, N. S.,  
July 16th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, the attached account from the Wallace Advertising Ltd. amounting to \$60.00 covering advertising in the Montreal Gazette was considered.

Your committee recommends that the account be passed for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

Motion passed.

ACCOUNT FOR CENTENNIAL BOOKLET

*Resumed*  
Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee re account for centennial booklet.

Halifax, N. S.,  
July 16th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, the attached

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account from John W. Rogan in trust amounting to \$462.00 covering 1540 copies of the booklet entitled "The Great Harbor" was considered.

Your committee recommends that the account be passed for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

APPOINTMENT OF COAL WEIGHER

Read report of the Finance and  
Executive Committee re appointment of coal weigher.

Halifax, N. S.,  
July 16th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and  
Executive Committee held on the above date, the  
attached letter from S. Cunard & Co., Ltd.,  
requesting to have Mr. James McGennis sworn in as  
a permanent coal weigher was considered.

Your committee recommends that  
the application be granted and Mr. McGennis  
appointed a permanent coal weigher.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

TAG DAYS

Read report of the Finance and  
Executive Committee re tag days.

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Halifax, N. S.,  
July 16th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, applications for permission to hold tag days were considered.

Your committee recommends that permission be granted the following organizations to hold tag days.

The Kinsmen Club	Date to be agreed on
Halifax Poppy Committee	Saturday, November 8th
Rainbow Haven	Saturday, July 26th.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

EXPROPRIATION OF LAND, BLUE BELL LANE

Read reports of the Finance and Executive and Works Committees and resolution re expropriation of land, Blue Bell Lane.

Halifax, N. S.,  
July 16th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, the attached report from the Committee on Works in connection with the Blue Bell Lane widening and the expropriation of land in connection therewith was considered.

Your committee recommends that the land in question be expropriated and the work of construction of curb and gutter and grading of Blue Bell Lane be proceeded with as early as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

*Comm. of Works  
Clerk of Works  
Court  
Secs*

July 17th, 1941.

July 16th, 1941.

Chairman and Members  
of Finance Committee.

Sirs:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on July 15th recommended to Council expropriation of property required for street purposes at the north-west corner of Bluebell Lane and Windsor Street, owned by the Heirs of Walter Taylor, in accordance with the attached report of the Commissioner of Works, dated July 15th, 1941, and entitled "Bluebell Lane widening, Heirs Walter Taylor property expropriation" and that the compensation to be paid for the said property be \$192.00 and the Committee submits the attached resolution in connection therewith.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY TO BE EXPROPRIATED FROM  
THE ESTATE OF WALTER TAYLOR - 158-158½ WINDSOR  
STREET - FOR WIDENING OF BLUE BELL LANE BY THE  
CITY OF HALIFAX.

ALL that certain lot, piece and parcel of land, situate, lying and being on the northern side of Blue Bell Lane in the City of Halifax, at the north-western angle of Windsor Street, said land being more particularly described as follows:-

BEGINNING at a point where the proposed northern line of Blue Bell Lane intersects the western line of Windsor Street;

Thence southwardly along the prolongation southwardly of the said western line of Windsor Street, ten feet and three tenths of a foot (10.3') more or less, or to the original northern line of Blue Bell Lane;

Thence westwardly along the said original northern line of Blue Bell Lane, one hundred and sixty feet (160') more or less, or to the prolongation southwardly of the eastern boundary line of the property now or formerly owned by Stella Isnor;

Thence northwardly along the said prolongation southwardly of the said eastern boundary line of the Stella Isnor property, ten feet (10') more or less, or to the proposed northern line of Blue Bell Lane;

Thence eastwardly along the said proposed northern line of Blue Bell Lane, one hundred and fifty-nine feet (159') more or less, or to the place of beginning.

July 17th, 1941.

The above description of property being intended to convey to the City of Halifax all the property owned by the Estate of Walter Taylor, lying between the original northern line of Blue Bell Lane and the proposed northern line of Blue Bell Lane, said land being shown bordered in Red on a plan entitled, "Expropriation Plan of Certain Land required by the City of Halifax for street widening on Blue Bell Lane, at the north-western corner of Windsor Street", signed by R. M. MacKinnon, Commissioner of Works, as Plan No. KK-5-8923.

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WHEREAS the Commissioner of Works has submitted a report dated the 15th day of July, A.D. 1941 and also a plan and description covering the expropriation of certain lands situate on the north side of Blue Bell Lane in the City of Halifax and which, as far as can be ascertained, is owned by the heirs-at-law of Walter Taylor, deceased.

AND WHEREAS the City is desirous of acquiring the said lands for the purpose of widening Blue Bell Lane aforesaid, but a good title to the said lands cannot be obtained due to the minority of certain of the owners and the inability to locate one of the other owners, and the Committee on Works is of the opinion that it is desirable and necessary that the said lands and interest therein should be acquired by the City by expropriation.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED and it is recommended to the City Council that the said lands and interests therein as the same are shown and described on the plan and in the description submitted by the Commissioner of Works and attached hereto be expropriated.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the price or compensation to be paid to the said owners of the said lands and interests therein for their entire interest therein be the sum of One Hundred and Ninety-two Dollars (\$192.00).

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

CONSTRUCTION OF SIDEWALKS, ETC.

Read report of the Committee on Works re construction of sidewalks, etc.

*Comm. of Works  
Clerk of Works*

July 17th, 1941.

Halifax, N. S.,  
July 16th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date had for consideration the attached report from the Works Committee recommending the construction of concrete sidewalks, curbs and gutters, etc. on the following streets:-

Chebucto Road,  
Joseph St. to Brndale Road  
McLean St., w.s. Atlantic St. to Inglis St.  
Needham St., both sides from Young St.  
to Fort Needham (curb and  
gutter only in the latter  
case),

at an estimated total cost of \$4,900.00.

Your committee approves of these  
recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman McDonald, seconded by  
Alderman Lloyd that sidewalks, etc. be constructed  
on all the streets mentioned in the report, with the  
exception of McLean Street which is to be referred  
back to the committee. Motion passed.

LIVERPOOL STREET, ACCEPTANCE, ETC.

Read report of the Finance and

Executive Committee re Liverpool Street, acceptance,  
etc.

Halifax, N. S.,  
July 16th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and  
Executive Committee held on the above date, the  
attached report of the Works Committee recommending  
that Liverpool Street from Windsor Street to Oxford  
Street be accepted and that concrete sidewalks,  
curb, ~~and~~ gutter and sodding be laid on the south side  
from Dublin to Oxford Street at a total cost of  
\$2,200.00 was considered.

*Comm. of Works  
Clerk of Works*

July 17th, 1941.

Your committee concurs in the recommendation of the Committee on Works.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

CLIVE STREET SEWER

*Comm. of Works  
Clerk of Works*

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee re Clive Street sewer.

Halifax, N. S.,  
July 16th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, the attached report from the Committee on Works recommending that a sewer be constructed on Connolly Street from Summit Street to Clive Street and easterly on Clive Street to a distance of approximately 550 feet at a total cost of \$4,000.00 was considered.

Your committee approves of this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

STREET SWEEPER

*Comm. of Works  
Clerk of Works*

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee re street sweeper.



July 17th, 1941.

Halifax, N. S.,  
July 16th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, the committee had for consideration the attached report from the Committee on Works recommending the purchase of a used street sweeper (Austen western patrol) at \$4,200.00 F.O.B. Hamilton.

The Finance and Executive Committee does not concur in the recommendation of the Committee on Works and advises against the purchase of the street sweeper in question.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

The Commissioner of Works informed Council that he had just received word that this street sweeper has already been sold.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman McDonald that this matter be referred to the Committee on Works for further consideration and report to Council.

Amendment passed.

Motion not put.

*Comm. of Works  
Clerk of Works*

SEWER AND WATER - REGINA TERRACE

Read report of the Finance and

Executive Committee re sewer and water, Regina Terrace.

Halifax, N. S.,  
July 16th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, the

July 17th, 1941.

attached report from the Committee on Works recommending the extension of sewer and water on Regina Terrace at a total estimated cost of \$350.00 was considered.

The Finance and Executive Committee approves of the recommendation of the Committee on Works.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee re unemployment insurance.

Halifax, N. S.,  
July 16th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, the attached correspondence in connection with Unemployment Insurance was considered.

Your committee recommends that the heads of all civic departments be directed to report to the Finance and Executive Committee forthwith insofar as the employees in their departments are affected respecting Unemployment Insurance.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

BUCKLEY ESTATE

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee re Buckley Estate.

*Publicover*

July 17th, 1941.

Halifax, N. S.,  
July 16th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, the attached letter from the Commissioner of Finance regarding the disposal by Mrs. Margaret Buckley of a parcel of land on the west side of Pryor Street on which the City holds a second mortgage was considered.

Your committee recommends that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the release of the property involved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by

Alderman MacKay that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

GRANT - DALHOUSIE PUBLIC HEALTH CLINIC

*Treasurer  
Comm. of Finance*

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee re grant, Dalhousie Public Health Clinic.

Halifax, N. S.,  
July 16th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, the attached letter from the Commissioner of Finance regarding the grant to the Dalhousie Health Clinic was considered.

Legislation was secured at the last session of the Legislature authorizing the City to increase the grant to the Dalhousie Health Clinic from \$5,000.00 to \$10,000.00 annually.

Your committee recommends that authority be given to pay the extra grant on a quarterly basis.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

July 17th, 1941.

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

Motion passed.

GRANT - HALIFAX TOURIST BUREAU

Read letter from the Commissioner of  
Finance re grant, Halifax Tourist Bureau.

July 17th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Mr. W. T. White, Chairman of Publicity,  
in the recent Victory Loan Campaign, has requested  
payment of an amount of \$500. toward the expenses  
of celebrating Torch Day in Halifax. This was the  
sum fixed this year for celebrating Halifax Natal  
Day.

In the original resolution, \$200. was  
allotted to provide a float for the procession held  
June 9th and \$300. to celebrate Halifax Natal Day  
June 18th.

As no expenditures were made in  
connection with the procession on June 9th, Council  
is asked to approve of spending the total sum of  
\$500. as a contribution toward the cost of  
celebrating Torch Day.

In view of the commitment of \$60.00  
for an account from the Montreal Gazette for  
advertising, the appropriation for the Halifax  
Tourist Bureau will have to be fixed at \$120.

All these accounts will completely  
absorb the advertising appropriation of the City in  
the current year, amounting to \$1,800.

Yours truly,

J. M. Butler.

Moved by Alderman MacKay, seconded by  
Alderman Lloyd that the sum of \$500.00  
appropriated for the celebration of Halifax Natal  
Day in conjunction with Torch Day be released for  
payment. Motion passed.

July 17th, 1941.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded  
by Alderman Coffin that the sum of \$1240.00 be granted  
to the Halifax Tourist Bureau. Motion put and passed,  
8 voting for the same and 1 against it as follows:-

FOR THE MOTION

Aldermen MacKay  
Stech  
Hosterman  
Coffin  
Adams  
McDonald  
Lloyd  
O'Toole  
-8-

AGAINST IT  
Aldermen Walker

-1-

EXHIBITION COMMISSION DEFICIT

*Treasurer  
Comm. of Finance*

Read report of the Finance and  
Executive Committee re Exhibition Commission deficit.

Halifax, N. S.,  
July 16th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and  
Executive Committee held on the above date, the  
attached letter from the Commissioner of Finance  
requesting permission to pay the City's share of the  
Exhibition Commission deficit for the fiscal period  
ending October 31st, 1940, amounting to \$13,201.27,  
less amounts owing by the Commission for local  
improvements, water rates, etc. was considered.

Your committee approves of the payment  
of this amount.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

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July 17th, 1941.

*Collector  
assessors*

SALE OF PROPERTIES

Read report of the Finance and  
Executive Committee re sale of properties.

Halifax, N. S.,  
July 16th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive  
Committee held on the above date, tenders for  
various properties advertised by the City for sale  
were considered.

Your committee recommends the sale of  
the following properties:-

Lot #3, Block A, north side of Rector St. to  
William Lawrence for the sum of  
\$60.00.

Lot #4, Block A, north side of Rector St. to  
Sylvester Organ for the sum of  
\$60.00.

Lots 51 & 52, south side of Chebucto Road to  
Leonard Kitz for the sum of  
\$501.00.

Lot, south side of Merkle Street to Provincial Realty  
Co. for the sum of \$126.00.

Lot, south side of Columbus St. to Provincial Realty  
Co. for the sum of \$227.50.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by  
Alderman MacKky that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

FINGERPRINT COURSE

Read report of the Safety Committee re  
fingerprint course.

Halifax, N. S.,  
July 11th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Safety Committee  
held on the above date, the attached letter from

July 17th, 1941.

the Chief of Police requesting permission to have Detective Langille take a fingerprint course at R.C.M.P. headquarters was considered.

Your committee recommends that authority be given to Detective Langille to take this course and a sum not exceeding \$150.00 granted to cover expenses in connection therewith.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Coffin, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

#### POLICE CHIEFS CONVENTION

Read report of the Safety Committee re Police Chiefs convention.

Halifax, N. S.,  
July 11th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date, the attached letter from the Chief of Police requesting permission to attend the Dominion Police Chiefs Convention in Winnipeg on September 16th, 17th and 18th was considered.

Your committee recommends that the Chief of Police be authorized to attend the convention and granted a sum not exceeding \$150.00 to defray expenses.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

#### FIRE CHIEFS CONVENTION

Read report of the Safety Committee re Fire Chiefs convention.

July 17th, 1941.  
Halifax, N. S.,  
July 11th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date, the attached letter from the Chief of the Fire Department requesting permission to attend the annual convention of the International Association of Fire Chiefs to be held in the City of Boston, August 19th to 21st was considered.

Your committee recommends that authority be given to the Chief to attend the convention and granted a sum not exceeding \$150.00 to cover expenses in connection therewith.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by  
Alderman Coffin that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

EXPROPRIATION - #311 MORRIS STREET

Read letter from the City Solicitor re

#311 Morris Street.

July 16th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:- Re: 311 Morris Street - Leo G. Esther

At the last meeting of the City Council it was decided to expropriate the above property for the purpose of widening Morris Street and to pay the sum of \$3000.00 into Court as compensation. This has been done.

In preparing my case for the expropriation hearing I have been endeavouring to secure evidence to offer to justify the sum of \$3000.00 paid in by the City but as I advised the Committee on Works at its meeting on the 15th instant I have been unable to secure what I consider satisfactory evidence to this effect.



July 17th, 1941.

We are faced with the independent valuation of Mr. J. K. Hunter, whose services were obtained by the City in agreement with Mr. Esther, the owner of the property. His valuation was \$4370.00.

I have consulted with two other persons of experience in valuating property and am advised by them that the value is between \$4000.00 and \$4500.00. The evidence of those persons would, I think, carry considerable weight with an arbitrator and I do not believe that a value of less than \$4000.00 would be found.

As to the manner at which the \$3000.00 figure was arrived at it was based on the assessment, which was \$2500.00 and to which was added 20%, bringing the total up to \$3000.00. From the Assessor's record it appears that the property is heated by a stove when in fact it is heated by a hot water furnace. In addition the finish is stated to be "ordinary" when in fact there are hard wood floors laid in the house. The Assessor also states that the building is in "good" condition.

Comparing this building with the adjoining buildings it will be noted that they were both assessed by the Assessor at \$2200.00, heated by stoves and with "ordinary" finish. The condition of each is stated "fair".

It would seem therefore that if the value of the hot water heating system, the hardwood floors and the superior condition of the building is taken into consideration and added to the assessment of \$2500.00, that the total would be in the vicinity of \$4000.00.

In accordance with the instructions from the Committee on Works, I interviewed Mr. Fielding, the Solicitor for the owner, and suggested that he accept \$4000.00. Mr. Fielding suggested without prejudice that the difference between \$4000.00 and the amount of Mr. Hunter's valuation of \$4370.00 be split and the City offer \$4185.00, when he stated his client would accept.

I would recommend that this additional sum of \$1185.00 be offered for the following reasons:

1. In addition to any sum which the arbitrator may allow an additional 10% would, in the case of a residence, in all probability be allowed, thus even if the compensation were fixed at \$3000.00, a further sum of \$300.00 would be allowed.

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2. Some substantial sum would doubtless be allowed for the hot water heating system and the hardwood floors. I am advised that the heating system would probably run to about 20% of the value of the building or \$500.00 on a \$2500.00 valuation.
3. Some allowance would be made for the hardwood floors.
4. The arbitrator's fee - probably \$100.00.
5. Witness fees.
6. Costs of owner of land on expropriation.

It therefore appears to me that under the circumstances it would be advisable to accept the offer of Mr. Esther at \$4185.00.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune,  
CITY SOLICITOR.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Coffin that an additional sum of \$1,185.00 be paid into Court and that the City also apportion the taxes with the seller as of the date of expropriation. The motion was put and passed unanimously; the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor:-

Aldermen Adams  
Coffin  
Hosterman  
Lloyd  
McDonald  
MacKay  
O'Toole  
Stech  
Walker

LEASE - BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS

Read letter from the City Solicitor  
re lease to Board of School Commissioners.

July 17th, 1941.

July 15th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

I am enclosing herewith in duplicate lease to the Board of School Commissioners for the City of Halifax of the land at Camp Hill.

I would suggest that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized by the Council to execute this lease on behalf of the City.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune,  
CITY SOLICITOR.

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

*Mayer*

LETTER, DR. F. R. DAVIS, MINISTER OF PUBLIC  
HEALTH RE A.R.P.

Read letter from Dr. F. R. Davis as

follows:-

Halifax, N. S.,  
15th July, 1941.

Mayor W. E. Donovan,  
Halifax,  
Nova Scotia.

Dear Mayor Donovan:-

Pursuant to authority vested in the Minister of the Department of Pensions and National Health, under Article 35 of the Defense of Canada Regulations as made and established by Order in Council P.C. 2483 of the 3rd day of September 1939, and as amended by Order in Council P.C. 3962, dated the 2nd day of June, 1941;

He has authorized me to make provisions by order under the aforesaid article in like manner and to all intents and purposes as though such order were issued by him; provided that any such order shall only be referable to the Province of Nova Scotia and further provided that no such order shall in any way relate to the Naval, Military or Air Services unless the concurrence of the Minister of National Defence, the Minister of National Defense for Naval Service, or the Minister of National Defense for Air, as the case may be, is first obtained; and further provided.

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that such orders in respect of areas declared vulnerable, issued in view of information received as to probable immediate visitation of the enemy shall be issued only with the concurrence of the senior Defence official of the area, designated by the Minister of National Defence as the responsible authority for this function.

I would respectfully request that you, as Chief Magistrate for the City of Halifax set up a committee for that district, along the lines suggested to you in our conversation, to co-ordinate all the different activities relating to the care of civilian lives and property, including the activities heretofore carried on by the Air Raids Precautions Committee and the Red Cross.

We have already set up a Provincial Committee which will be glad to assist and advise you at any time you so desire.

Would you kindly give this your immediate attention.

Yours very truly,

F. R. Davis,  
MINISTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman MacKay that the Mayor comply with the request and appoint a committee. Motion passed.

LETTER, CITY CLERK RE NOTICE OF ACTION

Read letter from the City Clerk re notice of action against the City by Walter Gorman.

July 17th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

I have been ~~XXXXXX~~ served with a notice of action against the City by one, Walter Gorman, who contends that the City by its servants, agents and workmen did unlawfully break, enter and trespass upon lands and premises on Bayers Road in the City of Halifax in possession of the said Walter Gorman and did also tear down, destroy and demolish a dwelling house and barn on the said property.

July 17th, 1941.

I would suggest that the City Solicitor be authorized to accept service of a writ and defend any action taken in this case.

Yours very truly,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

*Solicitor  
Treasurer* The Mayor informed the Council that copies of the evidence in the investigation by a County Court Judge into the purchase of trucks by the City are available at a price of \$70.00 per set.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Coffin that this Council be supplied with a set of evidence. Motion put and passed unanimously; the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor:-

Aldermen MacKay  
Stech  
Hosterman  
Coffin  
Adams  
McDonald  
Lloyd  
Walker  
O'Toole.

APPOINTMENT OF FENCE VIEWER

*Committee on Works  
Clerk of Works*

Read report of the Committee on Works re appointment of fence viewer.

July 17th, 1941.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 15th instant, on motion of Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman McDonald, approved and recommended to Council for adoption the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated July 12th, 1941, recommending that Mr. Curtis take over the duties of Fence Viewer and that he be appointed Official Fence Viewer.

Respectfully submitted,  
W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.  
Per: T. J. Moore.

July 17th, 1941.

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

*Comm. of Works  
Clerk of Works*

OVERHANGING SIGNS

Read report of the Committee on Works  
re overhanging signs.

July 17th, 1941.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on  
Works held on the 15th instant, the attached reports  
of the Commissioner of Works on applications for  
permission to erect overhanging illuminated signs at-

#426 Barrington Street

991 "

Y.M.C.A. premises - Barrington Street,  
were considered and approved.

The Committee recommended to  
Council that the leases referred to in the said  
reports be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

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

*Comm. of Works  
Clerk of Works*

TENDERS FOR PUMPS

Read report of the Committee on Works  
re tenders for pumps.

July 17th, 1941.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting  
held on the 15th instant, considered and approved  
the attached report of the Commissioner of Works  
dated July 15th, 1941, entitled "Tenders for pumps"  
and recommended to Council in accordance with the  
said report that the City of Halifax purchase from  
the Industrial Machinery Company, Halifax, a  
Worthington make "Booster" pump, with a Canadian  
General Electric motor, at a price of \$4,265.00  
installed (delivery eighteen weeks).

July 17th, 1941.

The Committee recommended also that the City of Halifax purchase from Wm. Stairs Son & Morrow Ltd., two Allis-Chalmers gasoline pumps with Continental gasoline engines at a price of \$2,110.00 each, and that suction hose couplings and foot valves for the above units be purchased from Wm. Stairs Son & Morrow Ltd., at a price of \$1,035.00 (delivery ten to twelve weeks).

The Committee recommended that the cost of these items be charged to "Capital account", of the Water Department.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.  
Per: T. J. Moore.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded

by Alderman McDonald that the report be adopted.

Motion put and passed unanimously; the following

Aldermen being present and voting therefor:-

Aldermen Adams  
Coffin  
Hosterman  
Lloyd  
McDonald  
MacKay  
O'Toole  
Stech  
Walker

*Comm. of Works  
Clerk of Works*

WATER SERVICE OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS

Read report of the Committee on

Works and letter of the City Solicitor re water service outside City limits.

July 17th, 1941.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on the 15th instant, the attached letter dated July 14th, 1941, from the City Solicitor to His Worship the Mayor re William Tapp- water outside City limits, was considered.





July 17th, 1941.

Alderman Lloyd asked the Commissioner of Works to submit a general report on the volume of water and the profit element that may exist in regard to the supply of water to ships entering the Harbor.

BRUNSWICK STREET FIRE STATION

*Comm. of Works  
Clerk of Works*

Read report of the Committee on Works and Commissioner of Works re Brunswick Street fire station.

July 17th, 1941.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on the 15th instant, the Commissioner of Works submitted the attached report concerning the inspection of the Brunswick Street fire station requested by City Council at its last meeting.

The Committee directed that the said report be forwarded to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.  
Per: T. J. Moore.

July 14th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

At the last meeting of the City Council I was instructed to have an inspection made of the Brunswick Street Fire Station and report thereon. I went over the entire building with Mr. O'Leary, Deputy Building Inspector and he had a detailed estimate made of the cost of repairs. We also have the opinion of the Fire Chief, as to the desirability of the location for a fire station.

The question of the suitability of the building or location is not the object of this report, but would have some bearing on the estimate of having the building put in condition so as to make it most profitable or saleable.

July 17th, 1941.

The building is in a bad state of repair and work should be started on it as soon as possible. The outside walls need to be pointed and repaired. The tower should be removed, windows reglazed and a number of sashes replaced and painted. The sidewalls should be anchored with cross ties and all the roof covered with tar and gravel roofing. This would protect the building from further deterioration for the present.

In addition to the work mentioned above, it would then require interior work (to make it suitable for whatever purpose or use intended) such as plastering, partitioning, painting, heating and plumbing.

The building was condemned several years ago as being unfit for the purpose for which it was used, and although it is still in use it is a much inferior building to what it was at that time. The possibilities are that it would be safe for occupancy for a year or two longer, but it must be remembered, the longer it is allowed to go without attention the more it will cost for repairs.

Without going into detail, the following estimates are submitted:-

Exterior repairs, including pointing and repairs to walls; removing tower; placing cross ties and anchors; roofing and window repairs	\$6,500.
Interior work, including plumbing and heating	<u>7,000.</u>
	\$13,500.

This estimate could be reduced by approximately \$1,000., if the third story were removed. Although this seems a small saving, I think in this locality the maintenance would offset the revenue that would be derived from a third story

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,  
COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that the report of the Commissioner of Works be filed. Motion passed.

Alderman Walker gave notice that he would move at the next regular meeting of Council that tenders be called for the sale or lease of the Brunswick Street fire station as is.

*Notice of motion for Council.*

July 17th, 1941.

APPOINTMENTS TO EXHIBITION COMMISSION

Read letter from the Clerk of the Executive Council re appointments to Exhibition Commission.

Halifax, 19th June, 1941.

Dear Sir:-

This will advise you that the Governor in Council on the 14th instant appointed Henry E. Potter, Deputy Provincial Treasurer, of Halifax in the County of Halifax, and A. B. Banks, Acting Superintendent of Exhibitions, of Truro in the County of Colchester, to be members of the Provincial Exhibition Commission under the provisions of Chapter 72 of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia 1923, as amended by Section 2, sub-section 2, Part (c) of Chapter 27 of the Acts of 1941.

Yours very truly,

Arthur S. Barnstead,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

LETTER, FREE MILK DISPENSARY

Read letter from the Free Milk Dispensary as follows:-

June 24th, 1941.

The City Clerk,  
City Hall,  
Barrington Street,  
CITY.

Dear Sir:-

Will you please, at the next meeting of the City Council convey the sincere thanks and appreciation of the committee in charge of the tag day for the Free Milk Dispensary for Undernourished children.

The response of the people to this appeal was most generous, giving us sufficient funds to clear off outstanding accounts and a comfortable working balance.

In the name of the children who will be the recipients of this effort, we again say, "thank you".

Yours sincerely,

The Free Milk Dispensary

Per: Ethel Wood, Secty.

FILED

July 17th, 1941.

TAX COLLECTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE, 1941

Read report of the Chief

Accountant re tax collections for the month of June, 1941.

Arrears Taxes

Civic Year	Reserves	Outstanding Balances May	New Accounts and adjustments	June Collections	Outstanding Balances June.
1938-39	\$49,732.49	\$125,083.20		\$6,607.20	\$118,476.00
1939-40	47,889.70	241,410.90		14,596.27	226,814.63
1940-41	41,462.37	372,106.13		25,118.58	346,987.55
		<u>738,600.23</u>		<u>46,322.05</u>	<u>692,278.18</u>

Current Taxes

1941-42	35,670.00	1,303,379.38		449,945.39	853,433.99
Water Dept., Rates, etc.		44,970.93		8,490.80	36,480.13
		<u>2,086,950.54</u>		<u>504,758.24</u>	<u>1,582,192.30</u>

Poll Taxes

1933-34	251.40	15.00	256.40
1934-35	1,223.94	7.00	1,230.94
1935-36	862.42	14.00	876.42
1936-37	750.60	32.00	782.60
1937-38	55.61	35.50	91.11
1938-39	385.37	99.00	484.37
1939-40	1,848.27	132.00	1,980.27
1940-41	4,335.60	495.55	4,831.15
1941-42	25,947.50	1,397.50	27,345.00

Additional Collections

Tax years 1908-9 to 1924		15.99	77.62
Corresponding period last year			
Tax years 1925-26 to 1937-38		4,194.09	5,926.53
Corresponding period last year			
Collections per above statement		504,758.24	776,117.15
Corresponding period last year		503,968.32	742,115.50
<u>Collections of Poll Taxes</u>		7,560.25	6,603.49
May 1st, 1941 to May 31st, 1941			
Corresponding period last year			

Note: Combined collections of May and June compared with same months of previous year are as follows:-

	1941-42	1940-41
Tax years 1908-9 to 1924-25	29.68	121.39
Do 1925-26 to 1937-38	12,505.75	8,612.25
Collections per above statement	1,702,132.20	1,558,226.43
Poll Taxes	7,560.25	6,603.49
	<u>1,722,227.88</u>	<u>1,573,794.56</u>

M.L. Beller, CHIEF ACCOUNTANT.

FILED

July 17th, 1941.

9:50 P.M.,

Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by

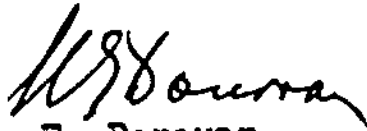
Alderman Stock that this meeting do now adjourn.

Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

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W. E. Donovan,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

  
W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

N O O N   S E S S I O N

SPECIAL MEETING.

12 o'clock Noon,  
Council Chamber,  
City Hall,  
July 31st, 1941.

A meeting of the City Council was called for this day. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen MacKay, Stech, Hosterman, Walker and O'Toole.

As there was not a quorum present, it was moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman MacKay that this meeting adjourn for a period of twenty minutes or until a quorum appears. Motion passed.

Roll call, 12.20 P.M. Present the above named and Aldermen Kinley and Lloyd.

The meeting was called specially to consider the following items:-

1. Dartmouth Natal Day.
2. Letter City Solicitor re Ordinances.
3. Report Comm. on Works re lease, Wanderers Grounds.
4.     "                     "             sewer and water, Edgewood sub-division.
5.     "                     "             final certificate for painting in Public Gardens.
6. Report Town Planning Board re locating of Zephyr Street.

DARTMOUTH NATAL DAY

Read letter from the Dartmouth Natal Day Committee and resolution re the celebrating of Dartmouth Natal Day.

July 19th, 1941.

Mayor W.E. Donovan,  
City of Halifax.

Dear Sir:-

At a recent meeting of the Dartmouth Natal Day Committee, I was instructed to write to

July 31st, 1941.

you asking you to proclaim August 6th a civic half holiday.

Hoping that this can be done as in other years, I am,

Yours truly,

Robert Roome,  
SECRETARY-TREASURER.

WHEREAS it is desirable to appoint a civic half holiday for the purpose of joining with the Town of Dartmouth in celebrating its Natal Day;

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 6th day of August, 1941, from 12 o'clock noon, to 12 o'clock evening, as a civic half holiday and that the City Clerk be requested to publish in the time appropriate to this effect in the newspapers of the City.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Walker that the letter and resolution be adopted. Motion passed.

#### ORDINANCES

Read letter from the City Solicitor submitting amendments to Ordinances as follows:-

July 26th, 1941.

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

Dear Sir:-

I am enclosing herewith in triplicate amendments to Ordinances No. 3, respecting streets, No. 4 respecting the City Electrician, No. 6 respecting Electric Wiring and the Use of Electrical Energy, No. 7 respecting Poles and Wires in the Streets and No. 8 respecting the City Prison. These amendments are necessary in order to make these Ordinances conform with the changes made in the City Charter by recent legislation.



July 31st, 1941.

Under the authority of the legislation, in any case in which it is certified by the City Solicitor that the amendment is necessary in order to make the Ordinance conform with the provisions of the Charter, the Ordinance need only be passed at one meeting of the Council instead of two.

I have attached to each of these Ordinances my certificate in accordance with the provisions of the Charter in that respect and would ask that these be brought up at the special meeting of the Council which I understand is to be held before the end of July.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune,  
CITY SOLICITOR.

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

Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 30, 35, 37, 40 and 40A of Ordinance No. 3, respecting "Streets", are respectively amended by striking out the words "engineer" wherever the same occurs therein and substituting therefor the words "Commissioner of Works and City Engineer".

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

Section 5 of Ordinance No. 4, respecting the City Electrician, is amended by striking out the word "engineer" and substituting therefor the words "Commissioner of Works and City Engineer".

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

(1) Section 2 of Ordinance No. 6, respecting "Electric Wiring and the Use of Electrical Energy", is amended by striking out the words "City Engineer" and "Engineer" wherever the same occur therein, and substituting therefor the words "Commissioner of Works and City Engineer".

(2) Section 39 of said Ordinance No. 6 is amended by striking out the word "Engineer" therein and substituting therefor the words "Inspector of Buildings".

JULY 27, 1941.

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

Clause (b) of Section 1 of Ordinance No. 7, respecting "Poles and Wires in the Streets" is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

(b) the expression "engineer" means the Commissioner of Works and City Engineer of the City.

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

Section 6 of Ordinance No. 8, respecting the City Prison, as that section is approved by the Governor-in-Council, on the 10th day of August, A.D. 1940, is amended by striking out the words "The City Medical Health and Welfare Officer" and substituting therefor the words "The Commissioner of Public Health and Welfare".

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Kinley that the amendments to Ordinances as set out above be read and passed and forwarded to the Governor-in-Council for approval. Motion passed.

LEASE - WANDERERS GROUNDS

Read report of the Committee on Works re lease, Wanderers Grounds.

July 29th, 1941.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on July 26th, 1941, considered the attached letters directed to His Worship the Mayor under date of July 26th, 1941, from the City Solicitor and under date of July 22nd, 1941, from the Wanderers Amateur Athletic Club concerning a request by the said Club that the City give its consent in writing to the said Club to sub-let a part of the premises known as the Wanderers Grounds to the military authorities of this District.

On motion of Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman Adams, the committee recommended to Council that the consent referred to in the said letters be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

July 29, 1941.

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

Motion passed.

*Com. of Works  
Clerk of Works*

SEWER AND WATER - EDGEWOOD SUB-DIVISION

Read report of the Committee on Works  
re sewer and water, Edgewood sub-division.

July 29th, 1941.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on July 24th, 1941, considered a request from Mr. G. H. Richards of Wartime Housing Limited, in connection with the Company's development in the Edgewood sub-division, for permission to use the City sewers on Bayers Road and Connaught Avenue, and for a supply of water for the said development.

On motion of Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Walker, the Committee recommended to Council that the said requests be granted and that for those purposes Wartime Housing Limited be permitted to connect to the City sewer and water mains in the Edgewood sub-division, from Oxford Street west and from Bayers Road to Regent Street, at no expense to the City of Halifax.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.  
Per: T. J. Moore.

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

*Com. of Works  
Clerk of Works*

FINAL CERTIFICATE - COSGROVE BROS.

Read report of the Committee on Works  
re final certificate, Cosgrove Bros.

July 29th, 1941.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on July 26th, 1941, the attached final certificate of the Commissioner of Works dated

July 25th, 1941.

July 25th, 1941, recommending payment to Cosgrove Bros. of the sum of \$135.00, being the balance in full on their contract for painting at the Public Gardens, was on motion of Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Walker, approved and recommended to Council for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.  
Per: T. J. Moore.

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

RELOCATION STREET LINES - ZEPHYR STREET

*Com. Walker  
Alderman Stech*

Read report of the Town Planning Board re relocation street lines, Zephyr Street.

July 30th, 1941.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on July 28th, 1941, considered the attached plan No. JJ-4-3927, of a proposed sub-division by Modern Homes Limited of the former Buckley property on Arview Avenue and Pryor Street. The Board approved of the proposed sub-division as shown on the said plan with the exception that there are to be only five lots on Pryor Street instead of six as shown on the said Plan; also the said approval is subject to legislation being obtained to change the location of Zephyr Street to conform with the said Modern Homes Limited plan of sub-division, if in the opinion of the Solicitor the same is necessary.

The Town Planning Board recommended to Council that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the legislation above mentioned.

Respectfully submitted,

T. J. Moore,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

July 31st, 1931.

SUPPLY OF WATER

*Solicitor*

The City Solicitor stated that the Commissioner of Works and himself had appeared before the Public Utilities Board regarding the supply of water to houses in the Edgewood sub-division.

It was felt, he said, that it would be too costly to place meters in all the houses and the suggestion was made that meters be placed in a number of the houses and the average rate taken and the other houses billed accordingly.

The City Solicitor suggested that an agreement be entered into between Wartime Housing and the City of Halifax bringing the above suggestion into force.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman MacKay that the City Solicitor be authorized to prepare the agreement. Motion passed.  
12.40 P.M.,

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

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*W. E. Donovan*  
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MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

A G E N D A  
 CITY COUNCIL MEETING,  
 THURSDAY,  
AUGUST 14th, 1941

Report Finance and Executive Committee re minutes July meeting.  
 Minutes.

1. Motion by Alderman Walker re Brunswick Street fire station.
2. Resolution re accounts.
3. Report Finance and Executive Committee re Police appropriation 1940-41.
4. " " electrical rates.
5. " " decision of Court, M.S. Trust Co. vs. City of Halifax,
6. " " appointment of coal weigher.
7. " " commutation of lease, Common lot.
8. " " salary, Court Stenographer.
9. " " Doctors Convention, Atlantic City.
10. " " convention, Canadian Bar Association.
11. " " sale of property.
12. " " tag day.
13. " " survey, cost of living data.
14. " " concrete sidewalk renewal, Gottingen Street.
15. " " Dublin Street concrete sidewalk and acceptance,
16. " " Stanley St. concrete sidewalk and acceptance.
17. " " sewer and water extensions.
18. Report Judge Murray re investigation, purchase of trucks,
19. Report Public Health and Welfare Committee re tenders for flour.
20. " " groceries.
21. Report Safety Committee re tenders for insurance, Fire Department.
22. " " tenders for hose, Fire Department.
23. " " purchase of frock coats, Police Department.
24. Questions by Aldermen.
25. Report Comm. on Works re booth, Canadian National Institute for the Blind.
26. " " purchase of cast iron specials.
27. " " claim of James Wood.
28. " " overhanging sign, #17 Buckingham Street.
29. " " Connaught Avenue - taxation exemption.
30. " " license covering sewer pipe crossing across C.N.R. right-of-way.
31. " " sidewalk excavation - lease, Grafton St.
32. " " shop in residential district.
33. " " final certificate - W. G. Foley.
34. " " tender for coal.
35. Letter Secretary Union of N.S. Municipalities.
36. Order-in-Council re lease of airport.
37. Report Chief Accountant re tax collections for the month of July, 1941.
38. Letter Clerk of Executive Council re approval of Ordinances.

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EVENING SESSION

8.00 o'clock,  
Council Chamber,  
City Hall,  
August 14th 1941.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen MacKay, Stech, Kinley, Coffin, McDonald, Lloyd, Walker, O'Toole, Burgess and Landry.

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

The following named papers were submitted:-

MINUTES

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee re minutes.

Halifax, N. S.,  
August 11 th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached letter from the City Clerk regarding the report of Finance and Executive Committee to Council respecting the partial release of mortgage of the property of Mrs. Margaret Buckley on Fryor Street was read.

The report which is entered on page 109 of the Council minutes refers to the execution of the partial release of the mortgage by the Mayor and City Clerk.

As the mortgage is between Mrs. Buckley and the Eastern Trust Company, as trustees for the City of Halifax, the signatory to the lease should be the Eastern Trust Company and your committee recommends that the minutes be changed accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

August 14th, 1941.

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman MacKay that the report of the Finance and Executive Committee be approved and the minutes changed accordingly. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Stech that the minutes of the previous meeting as now amended be approved. Motion passed.

*Walker. re  
Brunswick Street*

MOTION BY ALDERMAN WALKER RE BRUNSWICK STREET  
FIRE STATION

Read motion by Alderman Walker re Brunswick Street fire station.

" that tenders be called for the sale or lease of the Brunswick Street fire station as is".

Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Kinley that the motion as submitted by Alderman Walker be approved.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Kinley that the tenant of the Brunswick Street Fire Station be required to put the Brunswick Street Fire Station in the same condition as when taken over by him, and that the Building Inspector be instructed to see that this is done immediately and report to the Committee on Works before the next Council meeting.

His Worship the Mayor ruled the amendment out of order.

Moved in amendment by Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman McDonald that this matter be referred to the Committee on Works. Amendment passed unanimously.

Motion not put.



August 14th, 1941.

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 Finance and Executive Committee amounting to \$8,486.70; the Committee on Safety amounting to \$1,049.88 chargeable to Fire Alarm; \$13,184.44 chargeable to Fire Department and \$11,213.70 chargeable to Police Department; the Committee on Public Health and Welfare amounting to \$8,238.91 chargeable to Health Department; \$9,411.41 chargeable to City Home and \$2,658.67 chargeable to City Prison; the Committee on Works amounting to \$21,083.81, under the provisions of Section 315 of the City Charter.

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman MacKay that the resolution be adopted.

Motion passed.

OVERDRAFT - POLICE APPROPRIATION, 1940-41

*Submitted*  
Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee re overdraft, Police appropriation 1940-41.

Halifax, N. S.,  
August 11th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, the attached report from the Safety Committee regarding the overdraft of the Police appropriation for the last civic year was considered.

Your committee recommends that the accounts amounting to \$939.18 be paid and the necessary legislation ratifying the payment of same secured at the next session of the Legislature.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

August 14th, 1941.

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

Motion passed unanimously.

ELECTRICAL RATES

*Sol. Finance*  
Read report of the Finance and  
Executive Committee re electrical rates.

Halifax, N. S.,  
August 11th; 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and  
Executive Committee held on the above date, the  
attached letter from the City Solicitor regarding  
electrical rates, Halifax electric area was read  
and discussed.

Your committee recommends that the City  
Solicitor and Commissioner of Finance be requested to  
investigate this matter and report.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

August 8th, 1941.

W. E. Donovan, Esq.,  
Mayor and Chairman  
Finance and Executive Committee,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Sir:-      Re: Electrical Rates "Halifax Electric  
Area" - N.S. Light & Power Co. Ltd.

During the months of September and  
October 1937, I attended at hearings at the Public  
Utilities Board on behalf of the City when the  
petition of the Nova Scotia Light & Power Company  
Limited for a reduction in its rate schedule was  
heard.

After several full days during which  
evidence was taken and arguments presented by all  
counsel present, the Board finally on October 14th,  
1937, approved the rates proposed by the Company, as  
interim rates only, and stated that in order to  
properly consider the matter, in view of the points  
raised by counsel at the hearing, it was necessary to  
have "the proper facts and figures as to the value

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of the electrical department of the petitioner, its operating costs and full figures regarding its rates". A valuation was ordered and this has I believe been going on ever since.

Recently I wrote the Board suggesting that in view of the time which has elapsed since October 1937 to the present time that some decision should be arrived at in the near future. I am advised by the Board, however, that the magnitude of the task of valuating a company of this size is so great as to take a great deal of time and that the work was still proceeding.

In the meantime I believe it likely that the earnings of the company in this area have increased considerably insofar as the electrical department is concerned and it is possible if not probable that a new interim rate should be considered until such time as the valuation is completed.

Whether or not this is correct, I am unable to state as a certainty, but I would suggest that some investigation be made into this matter at the present time.

When the last hearing came on I had excellent co-operation from certain officers of the City and I have no doubt that if you decide to follow my suggestion above, I will again receive this same co-operation, if I am requested to look into this matter.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune,  
CITY SOLICITOR.

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

N. S. TRUST COMPANY VS. CITY OF HALIFAX

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee re N. S. Trust Company vs. City of Halifax.

Halifax, N.S.,  
August 11th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.  
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, the

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attached letter from the City Solicitor submitting decision of the Supreme Court in the case of the N. S. Trust Company vs. the City of Halifax was considered.

The City Solicitor does not advise an appeal in this case and your committee recommends that the matter be dropped.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

July 26th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the Finance and Executive Committee,  
City Hall,  
HALIFAX, N.S.

Dear Sir: Re: Nova Scotia Trust Company vs. The  
City of Halifax.

I wish to advise you that a decision has been handed down by Mr. Justice Archibald in this case. This case was argued about a year ago and the decision was delivered on July 19th of this year.

This is an action involving a dispute between the City and the Nova Scotia Trust Company, who hold a mortgage on certain property sold by the City at Tax Sale. Prior to advancing a further sum of money on the property in 1927 the Nova Scotia Trust Company obtained a Red Certificate from the City which stated that there was no street paving on West Young Street. The situation in fact was that there had been paving laid on West Young Street in front of this property in the year 1921 and the list was filed on August 16th, 1921, but instead of assessing this paving to Elizabeth Webber, who owned this property, the same was in error assessed to Samuel Webber. This error did not come to light until after the Red Certificate was given in 1927 and the money advanced by the Company on the strength of the Red Certificate. The error was not corrected by the City Engineer until July 24th, 1934, and the Company claims to be entitled to receive out of the proceeds of the Tax Sale of the property the amount of its second advance in priority to the payment to the City of the paving charge. If this is done there will be no money available to pay the paving charge.

This matter was considered by Mr. Bell, my predecessor, in 1929, and he gave an opinion that at that time the City was estopped from asserting the paving charge against the Nova Scotia Trust Company. I so advised the committee under date of November 29th, 1939, and stated that my opinion was in accord with that of Mr. Bell.

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The basis of this opinion was that if the Company had not felt that there was sufficient equity in the property over and above any claims of the City it would not have advanced the additional sum of \$715.00 in 1927, with the City's claim of about \$1000.00 taking priority to its advance.

However, my opinion was not followed by the Finance Committee or the City Council and at a meeting of the City Council held December 14th, 1939, the Council adopted the recommendation of the Finance Committee that the City Solicitor be instructed to accept service of a writ and to defend any action brought against it in this connection. This was done and the City's case was prepared exhaustively and submitted to the Court in July 1940.

The decision filed by Mr. Justice Archibald finds that the paving charge does not take precedence to the second advance made by the Company and the Company is therefore entitled to receive -

(a) The sum of \$1230.44, being the plaintiff's share of the proceeds received by the City on sale of the property for taxes.

(b) Deed of the said property from the defendant on payment to it by the plaintiff of the statutory fee of \$2.00.

(c) The plaintiff is entitled to receive the costs of this action.

I would not advise an appeal from this decision, unless it is considered desirable to obtain a further decision from the Supreme Court en banc on certain of the findings of the Trial Judge which might not necessarily affect the ultimate decision in this particular case.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune,  
CITY SOLICITOR.

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

#### APPOINTMENT OF COAL WEIGHER

Read report of the Finance and  
Executive Committee re appointment of coal  
weigher.

August 14th, 1941.

Halifax, N. S.,  
August 11 th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council,

Gentlemen:-

The attached letter from the Dominion Steel and Coal Corporation Limited making application to have Mr. James Byron Bray sworn in as a City Coal Weigher was considered at a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date.

The committee recommends that the application be granted and Mr. Bray appointed a coal weigher.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

COMMUTATION OF LEASE - 22 CARLETON STREET

*20/8/41*  
Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee re commutation of lease, 22 Carleton Street.

Halifax, N. S.  
August 11th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, the attached letter from Sir Joseph Chisholm enclosing a cheque under date of August 14th drawn for the sum of 139.40, payable to the City of Halifax for the purpose of commuting the lease on the property at 22 Carleton Street was considered.

As this is in accordance with Ordinance #26, your committee recommends that same be accepted and the City Solicitor instructed to prepare the necessary deed.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

August 14th, 1941.

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

SALARY - COURT STENOGRAPHER

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee re salary, Court Stenographer.

Halifax, N. S.,  
August 11th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, the attached report from the Salary Revision Committee recommending that the salary of Miss Dorothy Doyle, Court Stenographer, be set at a minimum of \$1,000.00 per annum as of May 1st, 1941, was considered.

Your committee recommends that the report be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

DOCTORS CONVENTION - ATLANTIC CITY

*Health Dept*  
Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee re Doctors Convention, Atlantic City.

Halifax, N.S.,  
August 11th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The attached report from the Public Health and Welfare Committee recommending that Dr. A. R. Morton be authorized to attend a convention of the American Public Health Association to be held in Atlantic City, October 14th to 17th and granted a sum not exceeding \$200.00 to cover expenses was considered, at a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date.

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Your committee approves of this recommendation providing the sum of \$200.00 can be obtained from the current year's estimates of the Health Department.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

CONVENTION - CANADIAN BAR ASSOCIATION

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee re convention, Canadian Bar Association.

Halifax, N. S.,  
August 11th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, the attached letter from the Canadian Bar Association regarding the annual meeting of that body to be held in Toronto on September 11th, 12th and 13th was considered.

Your committee recommends that the City Solicitor, Mr. C. P. Bethune, K.C. be authorized to attend this meeting and granted a sum not exceeding \$200.00 to defray expenses in connection therewith.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

SALE OF PROPERTY

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee re sale of property.



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Halifax, N. S.,  
August 13th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, tenders were considered for the sale of various City properties.

Your committee recommends the sale of the following properties.-

Lot W.S.Gottingen St. 24.5 x 75 to Provincial Realty Co., Ltd.	\$175.00
Lot 32 Highland Ave. 39.6 x 100 to Roy Howridge	125.00
Lot 8, block 2, Highland Park to Ethel M. Noonan	150.00

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

TAG DAY - INTER FAITH GOOD WILL GROUP

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee re tag day, Inter Faith Good Will Group.

Halifax, N. S.,  
August 13th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, a letter from the Inter Faith Good Will Group requesting permission to hold a tag day was considered.

Your committee recommends that the application be granted and the date for holding the tag day to be agreed on.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

August 14th, 1941.

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

Motion passed.

SURVEY - COST OF LIVING DATA

*Mayor*  
Read report of the Finance and  
Executive Committee re survey, cost of living data.

Halifax, N.S.,  
August 11th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Finance and Executive Committee  
at a meeting held on the above date had for  
consideration the attached letter from the Institute  
of Public Affairs, Dalhousie University, regarding a  
proposal for collecting cost of living data and setting  
up standard household budgets for typical groups of  
wage earners in Halifax.

Your committee recommends that the  
letter be approved and two members of the City  
Council appointed to the Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by  
Alderman Kinley that His Worship the Mayor name two  
members of Council to act on the committee. Motion  
passed.

CONCRETE SIDEWALK RENEWAL - COTTINGEN STREET

*200*  
Read report of the Finance and  
Executive Committee re concrete sidewalk renewal,  
Cottingen Street.

August 14th, 1941.

Halifax, N.S.,  
August 13th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The attached report from the Committee on Works recommending that the concrete sidewalk in front of the Casino Company Limited premises on the west side of Gottingen Street be renewed at an estimated cost of \$200.00 was approved by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

*Committee on Works*

DUBLIN STREET - CONCRETE SIDEWALK AND  
ACCEPTANCE

Read report of the Finance and  
Executive Committee re Dublin Street, concrete sidewalk  
and acceptance.

Halifax, N. S.,  
August 13th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The attached report from the Committee on Works recommending that Dublin Street be accepted from Edinburgh Street to Young Street and that a concrete sidewalk, curb, gutter and sodding be laid on the west side of Dublin Street between London and Liverpool Streets at a total estimated cost of \$725.00 was approved by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

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*Comm. Works*  
*Clark*

STANLEY STREET - CONCRETE SIDEWALK AND  
ACCEPTANCE .

Read report of the Finance and  
Executive Committee re Stanley Street, concrete side-  
walk and acceptance.

Halifax, N. S.,  
August 13th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The attached report from the Committee  
on Works recommending that Stanley Street be accepted  
from Isleville to Robie Streets and that curb and  
gutter only be laid on both sides of the street from  
Agricola to Robie Streets at a total estimated cost  
of \$1,050.00 was approved at a meeting of the  
Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

SEWER AND WATER EXTENSIONS

*Comm. Works*  
*Clark*

Read reports of the Finance and  
Executive Committee and Works Committee re sewer and  
water extensions.

Halifax, N. S.,  
August 13th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The attached report from the Committee  
on Works recommending certain sewer and water  
extensions was approved by the Finance and Executive  
Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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Chairman and Members  
Finance and Executive Committee.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 12th instant, approved and recommended for adoption the following attached reports by the Deputy Commissioner of Works entitled "Stairs Street, sewer extension", dated August 7th, 1941, and "Shore Acres, sewer and water extension", dated August 11th, 1941; also the attached report of the Commissioner of Works entitled "Charles Street, sewer and water extension", under date of July 24th, 1941.

The estimated total costs as shown in the said reports are as follows:-

Stairs Street - sewer extension	-	\$60.00
Shore Acres - " "	-	640.00
" " - water extension	-	1036.00
Charles Street-sewer extension	-	2600.00
" " -water extension	-	1000.00

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.  
Per: T. J. Moore.

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

REPORT JUDGE MURRAY RE INVESTIGATION -  
PURCHASE OF GARBAGE TRUCKS.

Read letter from Judge Murray  
submitting report re investigation of garbage trucks.

August 13th, 1941.

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

Dear Sir:-

I send herewith my report of the investigation into the purchase by the City of two garbage trucks from George W. Tingley Limited, which I held pursuant to a resolution of the City Council passed on June 12th last. The transcribed evidence will follow at a later date. I also send photostatic copies of a tabulation of the tenders to assist the members of the Council when the report is read.

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I wish to express my appreciation of the facilities which were afforded me in seeking necessary information and particularly the services of the City Solicitor, Mr. C. P. Bothune, K.C., who in a most delicate situation showed himself to be eminently fair and fearless, thus affording me a means of thoroughly investigating the matter. It will be noted that the evidence was presented in a logical sequence, which required much preliminary consideration on the part of myself and the Solicitor.

Yours very truly,

R. H. Murray.

Halifax, N.S.,  
August 13th, 1941.

To the City Council,  
City of Halifax.

Gentlemen:-

Re: Purchase of Garbage Trucks

PRELIMINARY.

Pursuant to a resolution of the City Council passed on June 12th, 1941, I held an inquiry under Section 136, s.s.(d) of the City Charter, as in the resolution set out, to investigate the events and matters leading up to and culminating in the purchase by the City from George W. Tingley Limited, of two garbage trucks, in order to ascertain whether that part of the City business in purchasing the said trucks had been properly conducted and to report to the City Council the result of the investigation and the evidence. I find that my duty under Section 136, s.s.(d) is confined to the investigation of any matter connected with the good government of the City or the conduct of any part of the public business thereof. The other sub-sections, dealing with the conduct of civic officials, do not apply to such an inquiry.

The tender of George W. Tingley Limited (hereinafter called "the Tingley Company") was for one motor truck, and was accepted for two G.M.C. trucks at \$3,416. each, making in all the sum of \$6,832. \$7,000. had previously been appropriated by the City for such a purchase by tender. The contract with the City was signed on the 21st of April, 1941, for the payment to the Tingley Company of the sum of \$6,832. but was not then made as the trucks had not yet been delivered. On May 31st, 1941, the Tingley Company and George W. Tingley wrote a joint letter to the City Clerk telling him they were informed of a mistake having been made by the Gar Wood Industries of Canada Limited, (hereinafter referred to as "the Gar Wood Company") manufacturers of

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the Medford body and that the price was \$770. instead of \$1,420. for each body. This would, and did, reduce the price of each truck to \$2,760. as compared to \$3,416. each, and for the two trucks \$5,520. instead of \$6,832., a difference in saving to the City the sum of \$1,312. In view of the delayed information regarding the discrepancy in the price, the time which must have been given by the purchasing civic department to checking through list prices and bulletins and the particulars found in the tenders, the later independent inquiry made by Mr. David C. Purdy through his solicitor, who felt that the tenders had not been intelligently considered, the dissatisfaction fully expressed in the resolution of members of the Council, and on motion of Alderman Lloyd and Alderman Hosterman as set forth in the preface to the resolution, the investigation before me was held in the Court House in June last when seventeen or more witnesses were examined and many documents produced as exhibits.

The evidence will be fully before the Council in a transcription now being made by the official stenographer and there was prepared a special tabulation, a copy of which was before the Committee on Works at its inquiry held on the afternoon of March the 13th at five o'clock before a few of the members of the Committee and the Deputy Commissioner R. M. MacKinnon. This tabulation was also introduced in evidence as Exhibit E/4.

As a result of the evidence I find:

1. That the different trucks, dealers and prices vary as follows:-

Fargo	Purdy Motors Ltd.	\$2,492.
Ford	Universal Sales Limited	2,770.
Dodge	Halifax Motors Limited	2,609.
Chevrolet, Atlantic	Chevrolet Oldsmobile Limited	2,850.
G.M.C.	Brantford Body, G.W. Tingley Ltd.	2,960.
		(not accepted)
Dodge	Halifax Motors Limited	2,984.
G.M.C.	The Tingley Company	3,416.
		(accepted)
Mack	The Argyle Garage Limited	3,700.
		for one.
		7,000.
		for two.
		10,500.
		for three.
	Price same with Wood, Medford or Boston bodies.	
	International Harvester Ltd.	
	Trainer Auto Service Ltd.	3,690.
White	The White Co. Ltd.	4,054.13
Federal	Aensia Motors Ltd.	6,995. for two trucks.

Two of these tenders were received too late, but they are reported on the tabulation, namely, The Chevrolet and the White trucks.

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They also appear in the letters from the Deputy Commissioner to the Mayor as "tenders".

2. A garbage truck consists of three parts (a) the chassis, (b) the body, and (c) the hoist which operates the body. The chassis and cab are produced by an auto manufacturer who has a regular price. There is also a price for the body and hoist manufactured by other companies. (see Nos. 10 to 14 inclusive in the tabulation).

The tenders were opened in the office of the Mayor on Friday, March 7th, 1941, at or before noon, by the Mayor and the then Commissioner of Works, H.W. Johnston, in the presence of Alderman Curran. The tenders for the Chevrolet and White trucks were not recognized by the Mayor and Commissioner as they came too late. About ten minutes were spent in looking over these tenders and they were then transferred to the office of the Commissioner of Works where they were tabulated under the direction of Deputy Commissioner, R. M. MacKinnon. The Commissioner of Works, Mr. Johnston, became ill and was unable to take any further part in the proceedings. This tabulation and the tenders were thereafter left open to inspection in the Deputy Commissioner's office from March 10th until March 13th at five o'clock, when the tabulation and tenders were placed before the Mayor, Aldermen O'Toole, Freda, Walker, Curran and the Deputy Commissioner of Works (sitting as the Committee on Works). The Deputy Commissioner, in writing, at the meeting recommended the acceptance of the tender of the Acadia Motors, (Federal truck) based upon his experience with the Federal trucks. Alderman Curran advocated the acceptance of the Tingley Company tender. Previous to, and after Alderman Curran had spoken, Mr. Harold D. Robertson, the assistant manager of the Tingley Company, was permitted to address the Committee on the advantages of the service rendered by the U.M.C. trucks and the saving which would be made by their purchase, in comparison with an American truck. No discussion took place regarding the prices of any of the other trucks nor of the written recommendation made by the Deputy Commissioner of Works MacKinnon in favor of the Federal truck. The motion made by Alderman Curran, seconded by Alderman Freda, that recommendation be made to the Council to accept the Tingley Company tender for two trucks costing \$3,416. each, provided with the Medford body manufactured by the Gar Wood Company, was unanimously carried, although Alderman O'Toole was not sure whether he had given a vote. He knew nothing about trucks, but stated in his evidence that he trusted to Alderman Curran as an expert and voted, as he believed, in the best interests of the City. On the evening of March 13th the recommendation of the Committee went before the City Council, when it was unanimously confirmed, although some inquiry was made by Alderman Lloyd regarding the recommendation of the Deputy Commissioner of Works.



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It was stated at the investigation by Alderman Curran and the Deputy Commissioner that they made no research into the qualities or values of the other trucks nor did they go into any details regarding the G.M.C. truck, Alderman Curran stating that they had \$7,000. at their disposal, and he felt that the tenders would be reliable in their prices. His Worship the Mayor, Alderman Curran and the Deputy Commissioner of Works did not, after hearing the evidence in court, feel that the methods they had pursued were satisfactory, nor did they feel that there had been used careful means of inquiring into the details of the prices.

3. On a study of the tabulation, which is the exhibit marked E/4, it will be seen that information could have been secured which would not have led to the unfortunate position in which the Council found itself afterwards. The information from bulletins and dealers was also available. The Deputy Commissioner expressed himself in the Court as feeling he was not capable, without expert assistance, of arriving at proper conclusions in such cases.

4. The recommendation of the Committee on Works to purchase two G.M.C. trucks was accepted by the Council on the night of March 13th, 1941. Very little, if any, discussion took place at the Council meeting, except Alderman Lloyd asking information regarding any recommendation by the Deputy Commissioner.

Mr. David C. Purdy, of the Purdy Motors Company, had previously asked the Mayor and Deputy Mayor that he be heard. In his evidence Mr. Purdy referred to ~~XXXX~~ the fact that it was not correct to specify in the notice of tender such things as the kinds of bodies and hoists required, and that the fairest way was that adopted by the Shipping Board during the last war. He stated that there were discrimination which he had experienced in trying previously to sell to the City of Halifax. He had, in this instance, called on certain city officials for fair consideration of his tender, and he asked only one thing - that he be defeated on nothing else than figures, and would not take the matter lying down. He was ignored. He pointed out that his price was nearly \$1,000. lower than the one accepted, and that was the reason why he set about his investigation. Mr. Purdy at the hearing pointed out the equipment of the truck he sold, that there was very little difference between trucks, and that competitive prices should be considered. He stated that he was entitled to consideration as he is one of the biggest taxpayers in Halifax, and undertook the investigation at his own expense to ascertain the reason why the competitive prices were not considered. He had paid out money for the information which helped lead to this investigation and he thought his course justified. Alderman Lloyd helped, at the request of Mr. Purdy, in securing information.

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5. On May 31st, long after the acceptance of the tender and the signing of the contract by the City, the Tingley Company wrote to the City Clerk that the price of the Medford body was \$770. and not \$1,420, as it had previously quoted, expressing its intention to allow the credit on the delivery of the trucks. The evidence shows that on March 1st, the Auto Equipment and Supplies (representing the Gar Wood Company) a local company of Halifax, sent out a circular to all automobile dealers in Halifax stating the same price as then quoted by the Tingley Company, - \$1,420, for the Medford bodies. A telegram was also received at the same time from the Gar Wood Company by the Tingley Company which was dealing directly with the Gar Wood Company, quoting the same price for the body. On March 4th the Auto Equipment and Supplies, representing the Gar Wood Company, sent out a lengthy letter containing a corrected quotation which, amongst other things, stated that the Medford body would only cost \$770. (instead of \$1,420. as previously quoted). A copy of this notice was received by the Tingley Company on March 4th, 1941, having been left with and receipted by the bookkeeper, Mr. A. F. Foley. On March 5th, the tender from the Tingley Company to the City for \$3,416. was forwarded to the City, which included the incorrect price of \$1,420. for the body. Mr. H. D. Robertson, the assistant manager of the Tingley Company, states that in doing so he would not regard communications except from his principals, the Gar Wood Company; that he did not remember seeing the correcting notice for \$770. instead of \$1,420. from the Auto Equipment and Supplies, although its receipt was acknowledged and it would be left on his desk on or about March 4th. This knowledge of the reduction was also circularized throughout the City to dealers but no inquiry was made by the civic authorities before or after March 7th. There was, in addition, also found a confirming order of about March 15th from the Auto Equipment and Supplies, who were then representing the Gar Wood Company, which is signed by George W. Tingley, Ltd., by H. D. Robertson, its assistant manager, confirming an order for a Medford truck at \$770.

6. In consequence of having reviewed the evidence, by hearing it read to me by the official reporter, I have had to summarize it as above, and in making the report on the evidence to the Council as required by the Charter, I now submit what I term "conclusions".

#### CONCLUSIONS

(a) The specifications for tenders issued by the City called for prices on two trucks. The letter attached to the specifications stated the City proposed to purchase either one or two or three trucks. If tenders conformed to this requirement in the specifications there might have been even a lesser amount than that paid for the trucks.

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(See the condensed tenders found in the tabulation - Acadia Motors and Argyle Garage Ltd).

(b) All members of the Committee on Works, including the Deputy Commissioner of Works, must bear their part of the responsibility in such matters arising in such conclusions. Several members of this large spending committee were absent and apparently little interested. The meeting convened at or shortly after 5 o'clock. About ten minutes was given to the garbage truck question, and the meeting closed at 6 o'clock. At the court hearing it was suggested that it was not a suitable hour for such deliberations. Probably the quotation from the poet Pope is applicable:

"The hungry judges soon the sentence sign,  
And wretches hang that jurymen may dine."

(c) The Deputy Commissioner and Alderman Curran took the responsibility to advise the accepting of tenders. The Deputy did not give any careful examination of the tenders or the tabulation. He was influenced by the previous favourable service of the Federal trucks, irrespective of the prices for the other trucks. He sought no information from any source to give the matter a full study. No reflection is cast on his integrity and his ability as a civic engineer, but a study of the tenders and the tabulation sheet would have given him more satisfactory data by applying the first principles of arithmetic, subtraction and addition. He also could have secured data from bulletins and dealers. He possibly needed no expert in this instance.

(d) Alderman Curran is an expert motor mechanic. The cursory attention he gave to the study of the tenders and the tabulation was so inconsiderable that it is not worth mentioning. I am of opinion that, in the main, his admiration for the tenderer and the G.M.C. truck were the influencing factors. The Committee and the Council seem to have placed entire reliance on him and no proper deliberate or other judgment was exercised by the Committee or the Council.

(e) Under the circumstances no harm was done by the Deputy Commissioner referring to the Chevrolet and the White trucks as included in the tabulation of the tenders. They came in too late but such a course of including such tenders should be carefully avoided. The information contained in the tenders for these trucks, however, was a source of information and comparison for the Deputy Commissioner, Alderman Curran and the rest of the Committee.

(f) In this case allowance must be made for the Deputy Commissioner who acted in good faith. It was a time of transition in the office when the Commissioner H. W. Johnston ceased to act and the responsibility was suddenly cast on the Deputy Commissioner who did not seem to fully understand how to deal with such human matters.

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(g) It is difficult to understand why the Tingley Company undertook to make the reduction at so late a date as May 31st. The course was not unlawful as it had a right to compete for any price it could get. As one of the witnesses put it, the maxim Caveat Emptor (buyer beware) applied to the City as a prospective buyer and the burden was on it to secure any necessary information. The difficulty is to reconcile the assertions by the Tingley Company that it would have corrected its tender of \$3,416. if it at an earlier date than May 29th had known of the mistake of the Gar Wood Company, with the evidence that it had on March 4th received the correction in the price and on March 15th signed an order for the body at the correct price of \$770. It was not until after May 29th, when they interviewed Mr. Lovett, Solicitor for Mr. Purdy, that the letter of May 31st was written. The Tingley Company, a very alert body of men, knew or should have remembered the notification of March 4th when the corrected information was given it, and March 18th when the two Medford bodies were purchased by it through Auto Equipment and Supplies. The object for allowing the discount so late as set out in the Tingley Company's letter of May 31st remains obscure.

(h) I am therefore of opinion that the members of the Council, being in a position similar to that of trustees, should take immediate steps to amend certain phases in the tender system, so that the funds belonging to the citizens would be more properly safeguarded. It would prove a benefit to the Committees, the Council and the public if the curse of lobbying could be curtailed.

(i) Instructions were given at the hearings that personal friendly relationships between officials and Aldermen and members of the public affected the awarding of tenders; that there should be a capable City Manager and/or a Purchasing Agent, who might, if necessary, call in an expert for consultation; and that the notice of tenders and specifications as sent out to dealers did not contain fair or satisfactory data. It is not my duty, nor would I presume to give advice in the matter, but I feel that it is proven in this case that the system of dealing with tenders must, in many instances, result in a detriment to proper civic administration.

(j) In general, I am of opinion, responsibility should be cast upon and borne by the heads of departments, who, in cases requiring special knowledge and research, are called upon to advise the Committees of Council. Data should be provided by them, based upon their study of the problem, which would give the Committee or Council an opportunity for thorough deliberation and determination of the issue. Of course it is not suggested that the liberty of these bodies, in deciding on a different course of action, should be curtailed, but they assume a responsibility which they should be ready to justify to the public.

R. H. Murray,

JUDGE - COUNTY COURT, HALIFAX, N.S.

N.B. The exhibits are attached hereto; a complete type-written transcript of the evidence will follow at a later date.

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Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Stock that the report of Judge Murray be filed with the City Clerk. Motion passed.

TENDERS FOR FLOUR

Read report of the Public Health and Welfare Committee re tenders for flour.

Halifax, N. S.,  
August 7th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date, tenders for supplying Flour to civic institutions were considered as follows:-

	<u>3 mon. period</u>	<u>12 mon. period</u>
Scotia Flour & Feed Co., Ltd. High Loaf top-patent 98's cotton or Jute	\$2.57½	\$2.67½
Cavalier Choice, second patent 98's cotton or Jute	2.37½	2.47½
Farquhar Ltd.		
First patent,		
Robin Hood 98's Jute	2.70	
Five Roses 98's Jute	2.70	
Second Patent,		
Western Queen 98's Jute	2.45	
Harvest Queen 98's Jute	2.45	
Howards Ltd. - unable to quote.		

Your committee recommends that the tender of Scotia Flour & Feed Co., Ltd. for Cavalier Choice, second patent flour at \$2.37½ per 95 lbs. for a period of three months be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

M. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Coffin, seconded by Alderman McDonald that the report be adopted.  
Motion passed.

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GROCERIES

Read report of the Public Health and Welfare Committee and letter from the Superintendent of Public Charities and Welfare re groceries.

Halifax, N.S.,  
August 8th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date, the attached letter from the Superintendent of Public Health and Welfare regarding tenders for groceries was approved and recommended for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

August 7th, 1941.

The Chairman and Members of  
Public Health and Welfare Committee.

Dear Sirs:- Re: Groceries

May it be suggested that instead of the usual method of calling for tenders for groceries, which has been complicated due to failure of firms to quote for any length of time, we make a list of supplies needed for the month and submit same to all grocery wholesalers in the City for quotations.

If your committee would then authorize the heads of institutions to accept the lowest bid and Council would give us this permission, as an emergency measure, I feel that same would be a satisfactory way of buying during this period of fluctuating prices.

Yours very truly,

A. E. Etinger,  
SUPERINTENDENT.

Moved by Alderman Coffin, seconded by Alderman McDonald that the report and letter as submitted be approved, with the understanding that the tenders will be ratified by the Committee on Public Health and Welfare. Motion passed.

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TENDERS FOR INSURANCE OF FIRE APPARATUS

Read report of the Safety Committee re  
tenders for insurance of fire apparatus.

Halifax, N. S.,  
August 8th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date, tenders were considered for insurance on 18 Fire Department vehicles covering Public Liability \$10/20,000. and Property Damage \$1,000. as follows:-

Richard Oland & Co. Ltd.	\$826.00
Thompson Adams & Co. Ltd.	943.67
Rainnie & Co. Ltd.	943.67
Jack & Co. Ltd.	943.67
Major Bros. Ltd.	943.67
John Strachan & Co. Ltd.	943.67
R.K. Kelley & Co.	943.67

Your committee recommends that the tender of Richard Oland & Co., Ltd. at \$826.00, being the lowest, be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Coffin, seconded by  
Alderman McDonald that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

Alderman Coffin suggested that the name of the company with which the insurance will be taken be disclosed.

The City Clerk then stated that the name of the company as submitted to him by Richard Oland & Co. Ltd. is the Anglo Canadian Underwriters, Lloyds contract.

TENDERS FOR HOSE - FIRE DEPARTMENT

Read report of the Safety Committee re tenders for hose, Fire Department.

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August 8th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date, tenders for supplying 1,000 feet of fire hose to the Fire Department were received from the following:-

Gutta Percha & Rubber Ltd.  
Dominion Rubber Co. Ltd.  
Dunlop Tire & Rubber Goods Co. Ltd.  
The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. of  
Canada Ltd.  
Wm. Robertson & Son Ltd.

All quotations being the same, it is recommended that 200 feet of 2½" hose be purchased from each of the tenderers at \$1.50 per foot. As the committee was advised that the price of hose will advance 10¢ per foot on August 11th, 1941, a tentative order was placed for the hose in order to take advantage of the saving.

Your approval of this action is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

Motion passed.

PURCHASE OF COATS - POLICE DEPARTMENT

Read report of the Safety Committee  
re purchase of coats, Police Department.

Halifax, N. S.,  
August 8th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date, the attached letter from the Deputy Chief of Police recommending the purchase of ten freck coats from the Bloomfields Mens Wear was considered.



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Your committee approves of the purchase of ten frock coats from Bloomfields Mens Wear at \$28.50 per coat.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

*Council*

NOTICE OF MOTION BY ALDERMAN BURGESS RE  
INCINERATOR

Read notice of motion by Alderman

Burgess as follows:-

at  
TAKE NOTICE that/the next meeting  
of the Council I will move the following resolution:

RESOLVED that the Commissioner of Works and the Committee on Works consider the matter of enlarging the incinerator facilities of the City either by providing increased accommodation at the existing incinerator or by providing an additional incinerator, and that a report regarding the same together with the cost thereof be submitted to this Council as soon as possible.

FAIRVIEW ENTRANCE TO CITY

*Solicitor*

Alderman Landry stated that he had heard much favorable comment concerning the brief prepared by the City Solicitor and fellow members of a sub committee which had been forwarded to Ottawa asking action on the railway underpass at the Fairview entrance to the City forming the centre of the "bottleneck" zone.

The members of the sub committee, Alderman Landry stated, who had assisted the City Solicitor in preparing the brief are Mayor Donovan, Alderman Kinley and the Commissioner of Works.

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Moved by Alderman Landry, seconded by Alderman Stech that resolved that this Council pass a unanimous resolution of congratulation and a commendation to the City Solicitor and other members of the sub-committee of the Committee of Works for the excellent brief which has been forwarded to Ottawa concerning the underpass at Fairview.

As His Worship the Mayor is a member of the sub-committee, Alderman MacKay, the Deputy Mayor put the motion which was passed unanimously.

SUPPLY OF WATER TO SHIPS

*Supply of water*  
Alderman Lloyd stated that at a previous meeting of the City Council he had asked the Commissioner on Works to report on the supplying of water to ships in the Harbor and Basin.

At a meeting of the Works Committee this week, he said, a report from the Commissioner's Office stated at least two firms were re-selling City water to boats in the Harbor and Basin at 60 and 70 cents per ton and paying only 4 cents and less per ton for it.

Alderman Lloyd said that the Committee of Works had instructed the Commissioner to make an investigation, but in his opinion the investigation should be made by the Public Utilities Board inasmuch as the authority for such inquiry is vested in that body.

Alderman Lloyd stated his reason for requesting the information, already furnished, was to ascertain the effect on the City water supply insofar as it may cause capital outlays which might be construed as being a direct or only result of

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wartime exigencies and therefore, costs of a capital nature might be a national matter and not entirely a cost to be borne solely by the citizens of Halifax.

Alderman Lloyd said he would either submit a notice of motion or a motion at this meeting if Council would agree.

The Council agreed to waive the Rules of Order of Council and accept a motion at this time.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Kinley that the City Solicitor be asked to consult with the Commissioner of Works, prepare what information they have and collect any additional data necessary and make an application to the Public Utilities Board to fix the rate. Motion passed.

#### APPOINTMENT OF NURSE

Alderman Lloyd referred to the appointment to the City's new Public Health Field Service of a nurse already past Federal civil service retirement age of 65 years, and stated that he did not think it is in the best interests of the City that this nurse be engaged.

He said that if it were not the intention to cancel this appointment, the committee should appoint at least two additional fully qualified public health nurses.

#### BOOTH - CANADIAN NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR THE BLIND

Read report of the Committee on Works re booth, Canadian National Institute for the Blind.

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The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on July 24th, 1941, recommended to Council for adoption the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated July 21st 1941, recommending that the Canadian National Institute for the Blind be allotted space for their booth at the west side of the stairway of the main entrance on the first floor of the City Hall, when the space now occupied by their booth is utilized by the proposed elevator, with the provision that permission to use the space could be withdrawn by the City at any time after giving the said Institute thirty days notice thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.  
Per: T. J. Moore.

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

Motion passed.

Alderman Walker against.

PURCHASE OF CAST IRON SPECIALS

Read report of the Committee on Works re purchase of cast iron specials.

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The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on July 24th, 1941, approved and recommended to Council for adoption the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated July 21st, 1941, recommending that the tender of the Canada Iron Foundries Limited at \$651.00, being the lowest tenderer, be accepted, for the purchase of two cast iron specials for making connections to the 27 watermain in connection with the installation of the Booster pumps.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.  
Per: T. J. Moore.

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

Motion passed.

CLAIM OF JAMES WOOD FOR ADJUSTMENT IN WAGES

*Solicitor  
re claim of James Wood  
for adjustment in wages*

Read report of the Committee on Works  
re claim of James Wood for adjustment in wages.

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The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting  
held on July 24th, 1941, considered the attached copy  
of letter dated July 18th, 1941, from Mr. J. E.  
Rutledge, K.C., to the City Solicitor re James Wood's  
claim for settlement of alleged arrears of wages  
up to date.

The Committee on motion of Alderman  
Stech, seconded by Alderman Adams, recommended to  
Council that the City accept the Notice of Action  
referred to in the said letter. Alderman Walker  
voted against.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.  
Per: T. J. Moore.

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

Moved in amendment by Alderman Lloyd,  
seconded by Alderman Kinley that the City Solicitor  
be authorized to consult with Mr. Wood's Solicitor  
and submit a report. Amendment passed.

Motion not put.

OVERHANGING SIGN - 17 BUCKINGHAM STREET

Read report of the Committee on Works  
re overhanging sign, 17 Buckingham Street.

August 14th, 1941.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 12th instant, considered the attached report of the Deputy Commissioner of Works dated August 11th, 1941, on an application from the Claude Neon General Advertising Limited to erect a Neon sign at the premises #17 Buckingham Street for the Lorne Taxi.

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

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.  
Per: T. J. Moore.

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

CONNAUGHT AVENUE - TAXATION EXEMPTION

Read report of the Committee on Works re Connaught Avenue, taxation exemption.

August 14th, 1941.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 12th instant, approved and recommended to Council for adoption the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated August 11th, 1941, entitled "Connaught Avenue - taxation exemption, Exshaw property", advising that it is the opinion of the City Solicitor that legislation should be obtained amending Section 550 of the City Charter to make its intention clear that the land which lies within the boundary lines of the street or proposed street, may be exempted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.  
Per: T. J. Moore.

August 14th, 1941.

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman Kinley that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

LICENSE COVERING SEWER PIPE CROSSING, C.N.R.  
RIGHT-OF-WAY.

Read report of the Committee on Works re license covering sewer pipe crossing, C.N.R. right-of-way.

August 14th, 1941.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 12th instant, on motion of Alderman McDonald, seconded by Alderman Kinley, recommended to Council that the attached license in triplicate covering sewer pipe crossing across the C.N.R. right of way at Regina Terrace be executed, in accordance with the attached letter from Mr. C. S. Pushie, Canadian National Railway Superintendent, to the City of Halifax, under date of July 29th, 1941.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

Moved by Alderman McDonald, seconded by Alderman Kinley that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

SIDEWALK EXCAVATION - LEASE, GRAFTON STREET

Read report of the Committee on Works re sidewalk excavation, lease, Grafton Street.

August 14th, 1941.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 12th instant, unanimously approved and recommended to Council for adoption the attached report of the Deputy Commissioner of Works dated August 11th, 1941, entitled "Sidewalk excavation - lease-Grafton Street", regarding an application

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From Moore Limited the permission to increase under the concrete sidewalk on the east side of Franklin Street between George and Duke Streets in front of their present building portion of their building.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Fitchman, Jr.,  
CITY CLERK.  
Per: T. J. Moore.

Moved by Alderman Fitch, seconded by

Alderman Mackey that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

SECS IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT

Read report of the Committee on Parks and Play in Residential Districts.

August 14th, 1941.

Re: City Journal.

For the record:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Parks and Play held on the 11th instant, the attached report of the Committee on Parks and Play dated August 12, 1941, in an application for an addition to the present lot situated at #71 Spring Garden Road was read and discussed.

On motion of Alderman Mackey, seconded by Alderman McDonald, the said report be adopted and the permit for the addition to the lot be granted, and it be referred and recommended to Council for its action.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Fitchman, Jr.,  
CITY CLERK.  
Per: T. J. Moore.

Moved by Alderman Mackey, seconded by

Alderman McDonald that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

SECS IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT

Read report of the Committee on Parks and Play in Residential Districts.



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The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 12th instant, approved and recommended for payment the attached final certificate of the Commissioner of Works recommending payment to W.G. Foley of One Hundred and Nine Dollars and Eighty Cents (\$109.80) being the balance in full on his contract for repairs to the band stand at the Public Gardens. This money is chargeable against Public Gardens. (Deferred Charges 332A).

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.  
Per: T. J. Moore.

Moved by Alderman Stech, seconded by Alderman Kinley that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

#### TENDERS FOR COAL

Read report of the Committee on Works and Commissioner of Works re tenders for coal.

August 14th, 1941.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 12th instant, on motion of Alderman Kinley, seconded by Alderman Walker, approved and recommended to Council for adoption the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated July 28th, 1941, entitled "Tender for coal".

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.  
Per: T. J. Moore.

July 28th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I have a letter from Mr. Matthews, of the Matthews Coal Company, stating that they would be unable to supply Bras d'or and Inverness Coal as quoted by them in their tender. Mr. Matthews wishes to substitute what is known as the Sullivan Seam Coal, and coal from the Drummond Mines.



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The usual preparations are being made and we are sure of a cordial welcome and a very pleasant reunion. There will be an excellent programme that will make an inspiring and successful Convention.

Please ask your Council to be sure that they are there well represented.

To City Clerk.

Yours faithfully,

Arthur Roberts,  
THE SECRETARY.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Stech that His Worship the Mayor, Alderman Kinley, Alderman Landry, City Clerk and the Commissioner of Finance be named as delegates to attend the Convention of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities to be held in Yarmouth September 2nd-3rd-4th, 1941. Motion passed.

ORDER IN COUNCIL RE LEASE OF AIRPORT

Read Order in Council re lease of Airport.

WHEREAS the City Council of the City of Halifax by resolution of the said Council at a meeting held on the 3rd day of July, A.D. 1941, agreed to lease the Airport to the Department of National Defence from and after the date of the termination of the present lease to the Halifax Aero Club, namely July 14th, 1941, for the period of the duration of the war and six months thereafter at a rental of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per month, payable monthly, and that a term of the said lease provide that the said Department shall have the right to erect buildings on the said Airport in such location as indicated to the Committee by representatives of the said Department, provided such location shall not interfere with the use of the existing run-ways on the said Airport, the said lease to contain such other terms as may be approved by the Solicitor;

AND WHEREAS under the provisions of Sub-section 3 of Section 614 of the City Charter no lease shall be made of any real property of the City for a longer term than five years without the approval of the Governor in Council;

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AND WHEREAS the term of the said lease may exceed in duration the said period of five years and the City has applied for the necessary approval of said lease;

NOW THEREFORE the Governor in Council is pleased to approve of the aforesaid lease of the said Airport for the said period.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an Order of His Honor the Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia in Council made the 25th day of July, A. D. 1941.

Arthur S. Barnstead,  
CLERK OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

FILED

TAX COLLECTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY, 1941

Read report of the Chief Accountant re tax collections for the month of July, 1941.

<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Reserves</u>	<u>Outstanding Balances June</u>	<u>New Accounts and adjust-ments</u>	<u>July Collections</u>	<u>Outstanding Balances July.</u>
<u>1935-39</u>	649,732.49	6118,476.00		67,032.42	6111,447.58
<u>1939-40</u>	47,689.70	226,614.63		9,253.87	217,560.76
<u>1940-41</u>	41,462.37	346,987.55		19,582.52	327,405.03
		<u>692,278.18</u>		<u>35,868.81</u>	<u>656,409.37</u>
<u>Current Taxes</u>					
<u>1941-42</u>	35,670.00	853,433.99		40,754.19	812,679.80
<u>Water Dept., Rates, etc.</u>		36,480.13	6190,000.00	105,974.28	120,505.85
		<u>1,582,192.30</u>	<u>190,000.00</u>	<u>182,597.28</u>	<u>1,589,595.02</u>
<u>Poll Taxes</u>					
<u>1933-34</u>		236.40		14.00	222.40
<u>1934-35</u>		1,216.94		13.00	1,203.94
<u>1935-36</u>		848.42		33.50	814.92
<u>1936-37</u>		748.60		70.50	678.10
<u>1938-39</u>		266.37		148.50	117.87
<u>1939-40</u>		1,716.27		183.50	1,532.77
<u>1940-41</u>		3,840.05		275.75	3,564.30
<u>1941-42</u>		24,550.00		896.00	23,654.00
<u>Additional Collections</u>					
<u>Tax years 1908-9 to 1924</u>				9.72	37.45
<u>Corresponding period last year</u>					
<u>Tax years 1925-26 to 1937-38</u>				4,210.23	3,762.04
<u>Corresponding period last year</u>					
<u>Collections per above statement</u>				182,597.28	
<u>Corresponding period last year</u>				<u>186,617.23</u>	<u>207,073.83</u>
<u>Collections of Poll Taxes</u>					
<u>May 1st, 1941 to July 31st, 1941</u>				9,288.50	9,496.91
<u>Corresponding period last year</u>					

M.L. Ballou,  
CHIEF ACCOUNTANT.

FILED

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APPROVAL OF ORDINANCES

Read letter from the Clerk of the  
Executive Council re approval of Ordinances.

Halifax, 12th August, 1941.

Dear Sir:-

This will advise you that the Governor  
in Council on the 9th instant approved of the  
following amendments to Ordinances of the City of  
Halifax, submitted with your letter of the 31st  
July:-

Amendment to Ordinance No. 3 respecting Streets.  
Amendment to Ordinance No. 4 respecting the City  
Electrician.

Amendments to Ordinance No. 6 respecting Electrical  
Wiring and the Use of Electrical Energy.

Amendment to Ordinance No. 7 respecting Poles and  
Wires in the Streets.

Amendment to Ordinance No. 8 respecting the City  
Prison.

I enclose herewith one copy of each  
of the above amendments duly certified as having  
been approved by the Governor in Council on the 9th  
instant.

Yours truly,

Marjorie I. MacKay,  
For: Clerk of the Executive Council

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10.25 P.M.,

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

Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

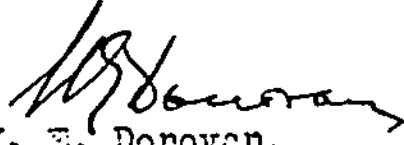
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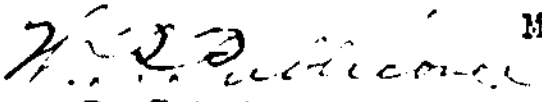
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W. E. Donovan,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

  
W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

AFTERNOON SESSION  
SPECIAL MEETING.

5.05 o'clock,  
Council Chamber,  
City Hall,  
August 25th, 1941.

A meeting of the City Council was held this day. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; and Aldermen MacKay, Kinley, Hosterman, Coffin, Adams, McDonald, Lloyd, Walker, O'Toole, Burgess and Landry.

The meeting was called specially to consider the following items:-

1. Report Finance and Executive Committee re entrance to City.
2. " " " " audit.
3. " " " " automatic salary increases.
4. " " " " war time bonus.

ENTRANCE TO CITY

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee re entrance to City.

Halifax, N. S.,  
August 25th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held this day, the attached reports of the Committee on Works and the Commissioner of Works regarding the diversion of the entrance to the City at Fairview were considered.

Your committee recommends that the reports be approved and when the approval of the Governor-in-Council is obtained that the work be proceeded with and a sum not exceeding \$55,000.00 be borrowed in accordance with the provisions of Section 58 of Chapter 56 of the Acts of 1941 and under the authority thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

August 25th, 1941.

August 18th, 1941.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

In accordance with instructions from the Committee on Works, surveys and estimates and plans have been completed, and property owners have been consulted regarding lands to be acquired.

The local C.N.R. Engineer's Office rendered invaluable assistance in furnishing us with necessary detailed plans to accompany our application for right of ways and crossings.

When the necessary authority is obtained for the financing of the project, properties will be acquired and tenders will be invited for grading.

Following is the estimate for the purchase of land required, moving of barriers off right of way, drainage, erection of fences, grading and surfacing and installation of signals at crossings, \$55,000.

Detailed estimates have been prepared.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. MacKinnon,  
COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

August 21st, 1941.

Chairman and Members of the Finance Committee,  
CITY.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on this date, the Commissioner of Works submitted a report entitled "Diversion of road - Fairview", dated August 18th, 1941.

It was moved by Alderman Kinley, seconded by Alderman McDonald and passed unanimously that the report be approved and forwarded to the Finance Committee for recommendation to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.  
Per: F. J. Moore.

Moved by Alderman Kinley, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the report of the Finance and Executive Committee be adopted.