

April 16th, 1942.

EXPROPRIATION OF LAND FOR WATER EXTENSION, BIG INDIAN LAKE

Read report of the Committee on Works and Commissioner of Works, submitting description of lands to be expropriated by the City of Halifax, resolution of Committee on Works and resolution of Council.

April 16th, 1942.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Attached hereto is a report of the Commissioner of Works dated April 13th, 1942, entitled as above, which with the plan and description referred to in the said report, was submitted by him to the Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 14th instant. The said report is designated "A". The said description is designated "B".

Attached also is a resolution in connection therewith, which was passed by the Committee on Works at the said meeting, on motion of Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Kinley. This resolution is designated "C".

Attached also is a proposed resolution for Council in connection with the above as approved by the Committee on Works at the said meeting. This resolution is designated "D".

Submitted herewith is the Plan referred to in the said report of the Commissioner of Works.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

April 13th, 1942.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

A plan and description are herewith submitted showing lands required for the pipe line and power transmission line for proposed water project, also for lands around Big Indian a portion of which will be flooded when the lake elevation is raised.

The descriptions show the names of the reputed owners or heirs of those to whom the lands have been granted as obtained from the City Solicitor's Department.

It is very urgent that a title to these properties (shown on plan bounded in red) be obtained as soon as possible so as the construction work may get underway.

In view of the diversity of ownership in the lands required, the uncertainty of title thereto and impossibility of establishing the respective boundaries of the properties of the various owners and the resulting impossibility of ascertaining the amounts to be paid in respect to each, it is recommended that all the land and interests therein be expropriated in three parcels to be known as Parcels A, B and C and that the City pay into Court in respect thereto the following:

Parcel "A" - along eastern side of Big Indian Lake	\$4730.
Parcel "B" - along western side of Big Indian Lake	2530.
Parcel "C" - strip of land 80' wide from Big Indian Lake to near Long Lake	740.
	<u>\$8000.</u>

The plan referred to is filed in the Commissioner of Works Office as Plan No. JJ-1-9064.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,
COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

Commissioner of Work's Office,
Halifax, N. S.

April 13th, 1942.

Description of lands to be expropriated by the City of Halifax at Big Indian Lake and along a proposed pipe line from Big Indian Lake to Long Lake in the County of Halifax.

Parcel "A"

All that certain lot, piece and parcel of land including buildings shown as Marked "A" on a plan entitled "Plan of Lands to be expropriated by the City of Halifax at Big Indian Lake and along a proposed pipe line from Big Indian Lake to Long Lake", signed by R. M. MacKinnon, Commissioner of Works, dated April 13, 1942, and filed in the Commissioner of Works Office at Halifax, N. S. as Plan No. JJ-1-9064, said land being more particularly described as follows:-

Beginning at the point where the centre line of the Creek flowing from Blueberry Lake intersects the north-eastern shore line of Big Indian Lake;

Thence southwardly, southwestwardly and north-westwardly along the eastern shore of Big Indian Lake to the southern bank of the Creek flowing from Big Indian Lake into Little Indian Lake;

Thence westwardly along the said southern bank of the Creek flowing from Big Indian Lake into Little Indian Lake and along the eastern shore of Little Indian Lake to a point in the eastern Cove of said Lake;

Thence S. 16° 55' E. 240 feet more or less, or to the centre line of the Old St. Margaret's Bay Road, so called;

Thence eastwardly along the said centre line of the Old St. Margaret's Bay Road, so called, 1400 feet;

Thence N. $54^{\circ} 46'$ E., a distance of 3010 feet;

Thence N. $41^{\circ} 48'$ E. a distance of 2555 feet;

Thence N. $2^{\circ} 07'$ E. a distance of 1650 feet, more or less, or to the centre line of the Creek flowing from Blueberry Lake;

Thence southwestwardly along the centre line of the Creek from Blueberry Lake to the place of beginning.

The above described land being now, or formerly owned or claimed by the following;

Heirs of Alfred M. Drysdale
Owner unknown
Bert Umlah
A parcel claimed by Fred Drysdale
Jessie Umlah
Roger Conrad
A portion claimed by Heirs of John E. Butler and the Crown
Faregood Outling Club
-----and others.

Parcel "B"

All that certain lot, piece and parcel of land including buildings shown as Marked "B" on a plan entitled "Plan of Lands to be expropriated by the City of Halifax at Big Indian Lake and along a Proposed Pipe Line from Big Indian Lake to Long Lake", signed by R. M. MacKinnon, Commissioner of Works, dated April 13th, 1942, and filed in the Commissioner of Works Office at Halifax, N. S. as Plan No. JJ-1-9064, said land being more particularly described as follows:-

Beginning at the point where the centre line of the Creek flowing from Blueberry Lake intersects the northeastern shore line of Big Indian Lake;

Thence northeastwardly along the centre line of the said Creek 1530 feet;

Thence N. $60^{\circ} 16'$ W. a distance of 2185 feet;
Thence S. $76^{\circ} 34'$ W. a distance of 855 feet;
Thence S. $40^{\circ} 26'$ W. a distance of 4155 feet;

Thence S. $5^{\circ} 26'$ W. a distance of 1250 feet, more or less, or to the southern bank of the Creek flowing from Big Indian Lake into Little Indian Lake;

Thence eastwardly along the southern bank of the said Creek to a point marked "F" on said plan;

Thence northwardly and eastwardly along the western shore line of Big Indian Lake to the place of beginning.

The above described land being now, or formerly owned or claimed by the following:

Faregood Outling Club
Heirs of John E. Butler
The Crown
Heirs of Alfred M. Drysdale
-----and others.

Parcel "C"

All that certain lot, piece and parcel of land being 80 feet in width shown as marked "C" on a plan entitled "Plan of Lands to be expropriated by the City of Halifax at Big Indian Lake and along a proposed Pipe Line from Big Indian Lake to Long Lake" signed by R. M. MacKinnon, Commissioner of Works, dated April 13th, 1942, and filed in the Commissioner of Works' Office at Halifax, N. S. as Plan No. JJ-1-9064, the centre line of said land being more particularly described as follows:-

Beginning at a point on the eastern boundary line of the land marked "A" on said plan, said point of beginning being distant 550 feet, more or less, from the eastern shore of Big Indian Lake;

Thence N. 78° 23' E. a distance of 4929 feet;
Thence No. 80° 49' E. a distance of 1086.1 feet;
Thence N. 83° 27' E. a distance of 1375 feet;
Thence N. 66° 00' E. a distance of 1373.6 feet.

Thence S. 87° 55' E. a distance of 3800 feet, more or less or to the northern boundary line of Lot no. 2 of the Goodwood Grant said lot being now owned by the City of Halifax.

The above described land being now, or formerly owned or claimed by the following:

Bert Ullah
Heirs of John E. Butler and the Crown
Heirs of Alfred W. Drysdale
Successors in Title to the land granted to John
Garbee May 1, 1770.
-----and others.

AND ALSO a right of way to the City of Halifax to have free and uninterrupted access to the old road or right of way running northwesterly from the intersection of the Prospect Road and the Old St. Margaret's Bay Road, the dwelling house of Bert Ullah being situated at the said intersection, to the end of the road thereof said road being known at one time as the road leading to land claimed by one Heasman.

WHEREAS the Commissioner of Works has submitted a report dated April 13th, 1942, and also a plan and descriptions covering the expropriation of certain lands and interests in lands for the purpose of improving and adding to the water supply of the City of Halifax and for the purpose of preserving the purity thereof;

AND WHEREAS the Committee on Works is of the opinion that the said lands and interests in lands should be acquired for the purposes aforesaid;

AND WHEREAS the owners of all the said land and interests are not known or cannot be definitely ascertained and that it is unlikely that good titles can be given for certain portions of the said lands and interests;

AND WHEREAS the Committee deems it necessary that the said lands and interests therein be expropriated;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED and it is recommended to the City Council that the said lands and interests therein be expropriated;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the price or sum to be paid to the owners of the land or interests therein taken be as follows:

To the owners of the land and interests in land described as Parcel "A" jointly the sum of	\$4730.
To the owners of the land and interests in land described in Parcel "B" jointly the sum of	2530.
To the owners of the land and interests in land described in Parcel "C" jointly the sum of	740.

BE IT RESOLVED that this Council does hereby adopt the resolution of the Committee on Works for the expropriation of certain lands and interests in lands situated at Big Indian Lake and along a proposed pipe line from Big Indian Lake to Long Lake in the County of Halifax and that the lands and interests in lands set out in the resolution adopted by the Committee on Works at a meeting held the 14th day of April, 1962, the expropriation whereof is therein recommended be and the same are hereby expropriated.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the price or compensation named in the said resolution for the said lands and interests therein respectively be paid to the owners of the said lands.

Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by

Alderman Steach that the reports, description and resolutions as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

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TENDERS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF COMFORT STATION

Read report of the Committee on Works
re tenders for construction of comfort station.

April 16th, 1942.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on this date, the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated April 14th, 1942, on tenders received for the construction of a proposed comfort station, in the Police Garage, Barrington Street, was considered.

The said report recommending that the tender of W. C. Sawler at \$5,900.00, being the lower, be accepted, was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK,

Per: T. J. Moore.

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

TENDERS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF CONCRETE SIDEWALKS

Read report of the Committee on Works
re tenders for construction of concrete sidewalks.

April 16th, 1942.

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 April 14th, 1942, on tenders received for the construction of concrete sidewalks, curbs and gutters, etc., and also for construction of new pavements and repairs.

The said report recommending that the paving contract for repairs to existing pavements and for new construction be awarded to the Standard Paving Maritime Limited, was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

The committee directed that the portion of the said report concerning tenders for the construction of concrete sidewalks, curbs, gutters, etc., be referred to Council without recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

-539- Per: T.J. Moore.

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Moved by Alderman Kinley, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that the portion of the report dealing with the construction of sidewalks, curbs, gutters, etc., be referred back to the Committee on Works for further consideration and report at the special meeting of Council which will be held during the latter part of April. Motion passed.

It was then moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Stech that the remainder of the report be adopted. Motion passed.

TENDERS FOR INSURANCE ON CARS

Read report of the Committee on Works re tenders for insurance on cars.

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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 April 14th, 1942, on tenders received for insurance on the Works Department motor cars and trucks.

The said report advised that the tender of the Halifax Insurance Company is the lowest.

On motion of Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Walker, the committee recommended to Council that the insurance contract regarding equipment referred to be awarded to the Halifax Insurance Company but that the Public Liability Insurance be for \$10,000.00 and \$20,000.00 limits instead of \$5,000.00 and \$10,000.00 limits on which the tenders were asked.

Attached hereto is a letter received subsequently from the Halifax Insurance Company advising that their price for the insurance revised as above indicated, would be \$566.00.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per:
T. J. Moore.

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

TENDERS RE FIRE INSURANCE ON CITY PROPERTY

Read report of the Committee on Works re tenders, fire insurance on City property.

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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 April 14th, 1942, on tenders received for fire insurance on City property for a three-year period.

The said report recommending that the tender of the Halifax Insurance Company at \$5,000.00, being the lowest be accepted, was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

REDUCTIONS IN WATER BILLS

Read report of the Committee on Works re reductions in water bills.

April 16th, 1942.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this date, the following reductions in water bills were approved and recommended to Council for adoption:-

<u>Acct No.</u> 60323	-	3 Albert St. Consumption for September 1941 to be reduced from 344,000 gallons to 3,000 gallons.
30067	-	238 Argyle St. Consumption from July to October 1941 to be reduced from 426,500 gallons to 226,500 gallons.

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- 40270 - 653 Barrington St. Consumption for January and February 1942, to be reduced by a total of 40,000 gallons.
- 50265 - 880 Barrington St. February 1942, consumption of 22,900 gallons to be reduced by 12,900 gallons.
- 40215 - 195-199 Brunswick St. Consumption for the half year ending April 1941 to be reduced by 20,000 gallons.
- 50561 - 136 Creighton St. Consumption for December 1941 and January, February and March 1942 to be reduced to 6,000 gallons for each month.
- 50562 - 138 Creighton St. Consumption for November and December 1941 and January and February 1942 to be reduced to 6,000 gallons for each month.
- 10638 - Morris Street - Children's Hospital. Quantity charge for the half year ending October 1941 to be reduced by \$60.00 from the original charge of \$185.01.
- 10341 - #27 Henry St. Consumption for the half year ending October 1941 to be reduced to a total of 34,200 gallons.
- 61121B - Hospital Lane. Consumption for the period April 20th to April 30th, 1940, to be reduced by one-half or 79,700 gallons.
- 61557 - 47 Mumford Road. Consumption for December 1940, January, February, March and April 1941 to be reduced to 2,000 gallons for each month.
- 41400 - 17 Poplar Grove. Consumption for the period October 1940 to April 1941 to be reduced to a total of 15,000 gallons, without prejudice, to the charge for the corresponding period in the preceding year.
- 62369 - St. James Church - Dutch Village Road. Consumption from June 30th to October 2nd, 1941, to be reduced by a total of 125,000 gallons.
- 62386 RR- (Eugenie M. Bennett) St. Margaret's Bay Road. Consumption from June 30th to October 1941 to be reduced by a total of 75,000 gallons.
- 11114 - 13 Victoria Road. Consumption for May 1941 to be reduced from 10,000 gallons to 6,500 gallons.
- 11127 - 41 Victoria Road. Consumption for the period October 21st to November 26th, 1941, to be reduced to 7,000 gallons.

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- 21964 -- 242 Lower Water St. Consumption from July to August 1941, 69,500 gallons to be reduced to 1,000 gallons.
- 51654 -- 18 Willow St. Consumption from September 23rd to October 23rd, 1941, to be reduced by 5,000 gallons.
- 62374 -- St. Margaret's Bay Road., Bethany Church. Consumption from October 1940 to March 31st, 1941, to be reduced by 300,000 gallons.

The reports of the Commissioner of Works are attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

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

RELEASE TO H. M. THE KING (BROKEN HYDRANT)

Read report of the Committee on Works re release to H. M. The King.

April 16th, 1942.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on this date, considered the attached letter from Treasury Officer, J. A. Fraser, M. D. #6, advising that the City of Halifax charge against the Department of National Defence amounting to \$135.55, for the cost of replacing a hydrant has been approved for payment, but that before a cheque is issued, it will be necessary for the City of Halifax to complete the attached declarations in duplicate and return them to the said Treasury Officer.

The Committee recommended to Council that the said declarations be completed and returned in accordance with the said letter.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

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Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

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

RELEASE TO H. M. THE KING (BROKEN HYDRANT)

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April 16th, 1942.

The City Council.

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The Committee recommended to Council that the said declarations be completed and returned in accordance with the said letter.

Respectfully submitted,

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

April 16th, 1942.

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

TRAM TRACKS - QUINPOOL ROAD

Read report of the Committee on Works re tram tracks, Quinpool Road.

April 16th, 1942.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Attached hereto is a letter to the Commissioner of Works from Mr. J. B. Hayes, Manager, Nova Scotia Light and Power Company Ltd., in which the said Company makes formal application for permission to extend the existing turn-out on Quinpool Road westerly and northerly, a distance of approximately 1000 feet from the present location at the west end of the Railway Bridge to a point on Quinpool Road, shown on their accompanying plan R-5-T-35.

The plan referred to in the said letter is submitted herewith.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on this date, on motion of Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Walker, recommended to Council that the permission applied for in the said letter, be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

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

LEGISLATION

Read report of the City Solicitor re legislation as follows:-

Halifax, N. S.,
April 1, 1942.

His Worship the Mayor
and Members of the City Council.

As you know, Bill #49, now Chapter 51 of the Acts of 1942, has passed the Legislature.

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For the information of the Council I wish to report on the changes made when the Bill was before the House. Certain sections of the Bill were deleted either by the Committee or by the House and are now more particularly referred to.

Section 17. This section was prepared and submitted on the understanding that the City would no longer be permitted to charge a tax against the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company Limited based on its gross receipts and tolls. Subsequent to the submitting of this legislation I had an opportunity of examining the agreement between the Province of Nova Scotia and the Dominion and found that the right to impose this type of tax is retained to the City, and as a result the greater part of Section 17 of the Bill is no longer necessary. This change was made by the Committee with my consent.

Section 18. This section dealt with the annual tax of \$25,000.00 which it is proposed to impose on the Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Company Limited. After the study of Dominion-Provincial agreement above referred to it was considered advisable to change this section slightly in order that the tax would conform to the agreement.

Section 21. This section provided a Poll Tax based on the value of the building in which the Poll Tax payers resided. It was found after careful examination and study to be inequitable and unworkable and as a result the tax was changed from a graduated one to a straight \$10.00 Poll Tax which is estimated to produce approximately \$60,000.00. This change was made by the Committee and approved by the House.

Section 23. This section as submitted provided a \$10.00 tax on non-residents of the City as a prerequisite to entering employment in the City. Strong objection was made to this section but after careful study and discussion the Private and Local Bills Committee finally recommended to the Legislature a \$5.00 tax. When the matter came before the Committee of the whole House even this tax was defeated and the section deleted from the Bill.

Section 25. Re tax on professional men, etc., carrying on a profession, etc. in a residence. This section was approved in the form submitted but its application was excluded at the suggestion of the Committee to any real property assessed for \$2000.00 or less on the basis that the types of profession or business carried on in buildings of this value would not justify a tax of the amount contemplated by the section.

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Section 375B, respecting the tax on lodging houses. This section was approved in the form submitted.

Section 375C. This section as originally drafted caused a great deal of discussion and it was felt that a number of the suggestions made as to its inequity were reasonable. As a result the Committee and the Legislature both agreed that the application of this section should extend not only to apartment buildings but also to all property which is not occupied by the owner for his residence. As finally passed, the section provides that the owner of real property is entitled to be rated at the fixed rate of \$3.50 on the value of the premises occupied by himself both for real property tax and household tax and also at the same rate on the balance of his real estate up to \$5000.00. All real property owned by him in excess of the foregoing will be rated at the rate provided for business premises.

Section 32. This is the section providing for the fixing of the rate of taxation and as originally submitted it was planned that it would apply for the five civic years commencing with 1943-1947. The Committee felt that this period was too long and reduced it to three years. There are some slight changes made in subsection (3) of this section due to the inclusion of rented property other than apartment houses.

Section 36. This section provided for requiring taxis to have public liability insurance covering their passengers. This was deleted by the Committee on the grounds that it was really a matter of Provincial interest and it was suggested that the City take this matter up without delay with the Department of Highways so that if it were decided to amend the Motor Vehicle Act in this respect, that ample time would be available to prepare the legislation therefor.

Section 37. Now Section 36. This is the section providing for the prohibition of the operation of automatic vending machines in the City of Halifax. Strong representations were made before the Committee both for and against this section. The Committee, however, decided to recommend its enactment in the form submitted with the sole proviso that it would not apply to machines which vended towels and sanitary articles.

Section 39. This section permitting the City to accept streets notwithstanding their being less than 60 feet in width was deleted by the Committee on the grounds that any exception to the standing rule should stand upon its own merit and this authority should not be of a blanket nature. It was felt that if possible a street should not be accepted of less than 60 feet in width if it were possible at all to widen the same.

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Section 47 of the Bill, which provided that reports to the Committee on Public Health and Welfare should be submitted only by the Commissioner of Public Health and Welfare was deleted, the Committee being of the opinion that the various division heads should have direct access to the Committee due to the responsibilities imposed upon them by the Charter. It appeared to me that submissions had been made to the Committee setting forth reasons why the existing method should be continued.

Section 50. This section dealing with the same matter as the foregoing section was also deleted.

Section 59 was deleted for the reason that no limit was placed on the amount which the City could expend under the authority given by this section. This section permitted the City to put into effect any or all of the recommendations of the Rockefeller Foundation respecting the improvement of public health conditions of the City. The Committee was of the opinion that before legislative authority is given to expend money the amount should be ascertained.

Section 58 which empowered the Halifax Civilian Emergency Committee to make regulations was not approved in that form by the Committee. It was felt that this authority should be vested in the City Council. This amendment is not of serious import and in view of the fact that the Halifax Civilian Emergency Committee has no statutory entity, it is perhaps better that this authority should be vested in the Council.

Section 78. When the authority sought by the City to use the surplus revenue for the years 1937 to 1941 was considered by the Committee, it was intimated by some of the members that they did not consider this type of legislation desirable and hoped that it would not be necessary for the City to again submit legislation of this type.

The committee permitted the addition to the Bill of the section giving the Public Health and Welfare Committee authority to order the owner of premises not to relet the same to any other tenant until the Committee has given permission therefor. The purpose of this, of course, is to enable the Committee to see to it that such premises comply with the sanitary regulations of the City of Halifax.

I would again like to point out that if it is at all possible, and I think it is, our legislation should be fully completed by the Council at least two weeks prior to the opening of the House, so that ample time will be provided to study the final draft as approved by Council and at the same time have the Bill introduced in the House early in the session so that there will be more ample opportunity for the Committee to study the same and avoid a repetition of our experience this year.

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After the public hearings were held the Bill was considered by the Committee the Friday evening before adjournment. Its consideration lasted until midnight. The Bill was then referred to the Committee of the Whole and was finally approved, approximately at 1:30 in the morning. Some criticism was made of this fact in the House, and I would urge that steps be taken so that this criticism will not be justified in the future.

In accordance with my practice, I furnished each member of the Legislature with a copy of the Bill containing a brief description of each section of the Bill. I understand that this has proved in past years to be of considerable value to the members of the Legislature in understanding our City Bill.

Finally I would suggest that some further consideration be given by the Council to the imposition of the non-resident tax. I believe as a matter of equity that a person who resides in one municipality and earns his living in another, should contribute something to the maintenance of the services in the municipality in which he earns his living. Whether this should be done by way of a poll tax or by a moderate tax of the type proposed this year is a matter of opinion. I would suggest that it be considered as soon as possible and some decision arrived at for next year.

It has also been pointed out to me on several occasions that it would be desirable to revise and consolidate the City Charter. There have been a great many amendments made to the Charter since its last revision and consolidation and it is now very difficult for any person not familiar with the same to follow the various provisions. This is a matter which I trust will be considered during the early part of next year.

Respectfully submitted,

Carl P. Bathune,
CITY SOLICITOR.

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Moved by Alderman Coffin, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the City Solicitor be requested to seek the information from the Chairman of the Private and Local Bills Committee as to who made the representations to have the sections in the City's bill dealing with the Public Health and Welfare Department deleted from the bill. Motion passed.

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ANNUAL REPORT - CITY ASSESSOR

Read annual report of the City Assessor
as follows:-

1942-1943

S T A T E M E N T

WARD	REAL ESTATE	BUSINESS TAX	HOUSEHOLD TAX	TOTAL
1	\$8,722,300.	\$ 472,950.	\$671,790.	\$9,867,040.
2	14,051,950.	3,495,455.	772,005.	18,319,410.
3	9,631,600.	2,333,605.	493,785.	12,458,990.
4	6,206,450.	667,880.	532,415.	7,406,745.
5	4,516,000.	550,980.	364,820.	5,431,800.
6	8,696,700.	976,915.	783,910.	10,457,525.
	<u>\$1,825,000.</u>	<u>8,497,785.</u>	<u>3,618,725.</u>	<u>63,941,510.</u>

Increase.....\$1,750,040.

FILED

TAX COLLECTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH, 1942

Read report of the Chief Accountant.

ra tax collections for the month of March, 1942.

Years Taxes	Year	Reserves	Outstanding Balances December	New Accounts and adjust-ments	March Collections	Outstanding Balances March.
1938-39		\$49,746.99	\$ 55,447.95		\$7,721.18	\$47,726.77
1939-40		52,300.74	144,945.27		9,285.64	135,659.63
1940-41		59,215.20	254,323.95		13,561.62	240,762.33
Current Taxes						
1941-42		35,680.17	443,038.84		38,286.71	404,751.63
Water Dept., Rates, etc.			83,663.24		13,333.33	80,329.91
			<u>981,418.75</u>		<u>82,188.48</u>	<u>899,230.27</u>
All Taxes						
1933-34			166.40		28.50	137.90
1934-35			1,128.44		92.50	1,035.94
1935-36			777.92		33.00	744.92
1936-37			539.60		16.00	523.60
1939-40			785.06		106.50	678.56
1940-41			1,420.30		245.00	1,175.30
1941-42			<u>1,829.29</u>		<u>727.19</u>	<u>1,102.10</u>
Additional Collections						
for years 1908-9 to 1924					1941-42	1940-41
corresponding period last year					\$38.96	\$97.52
for years 1925-26 to 1937-38					2,616.50	5,559.17
corresponding period last year						
Collections per above statement					82,188.48	
corresponding period last year					<u>82,843.94</u>	<u>85,431.97</u>
Collections of Poll Taxes						
for year 1st, 1941 to Marc. 31, 1942					36,475.40	
corresponding period last year						30,589.08

M. L. Bellew,
CHIEF ACCOUNTANT.

FILED

April 16th, 1942.

APPROPRIATIONS

Read report of the Chief Accountant
re appropriations.

REPORT ON APPROPRIATIONS AS AT
MARCH 31, 1942.

To the City Council.

The following is the state of civic
appropriations on the above date after deducting
unpaid orders.

<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>	<u>FREE BALANCE</u>
City Home maintenance	4,545.43
City Home salaries	3,538.01
Foist Pleasant Park	185.21
Fleming Park	440.20
Public Gardens	90.74
Camp Hill Cemetery	12,401.77
Tuberculosis Hospital maintenance	241.25
Tuberculosis Hospital salaries	2,164.39
Infectious Disease Hospital maintenance	9,815.53
Infectious Disease Hospital salaries	7,589.94
Public Health & Welfare maintenance	7,524.86 #
Public Health & Welfare salaries	1,845.58
Police Dept. maintenance	732.43
Police Dept. salaries	10,917.72
City Prison maintenance	816.81
City Prison salaries	834.89
Works Department	3,723.28
Fire Dept. maintenance	577.39
Fire Dept. salaries	11,255.81
Fire Alarm Telegraph service	486.04
Fire Alarm salaries	563.94
Printing and stationery	1,148.53
Library maintenance	1.00
Library salaries	300.00

To be credited with a supplementary appropriation.

M. L. Bellew,
CHIEF ACCOUNTANT.

FILED

ORDER IN COUNCIL RE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT
FOR SCHOOLS

Read Order in Council re purchase
of equipment for schools.

WHEREAS the Board of School
Commissioners for the City of Halifax requires an
amount necessary for the purchase of equipment as
general improvement to existing schools, the
said equipment to cost approximately Five
Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00);

April 16th, 1942.

AND WHEREAS the said Board has applied to the Governor in Council for an order directing the City of Halifax to issue its debentures or stock to the amount so required;

AND WHEREAS the Governor in Council appointed Monday, the 23rd day of March, A. D. 1942, at 12 o'clock Noon, in the Executive Council Chamber, Province House, City of Halifax, as the time and place at which the matter of such application should be heard;

AND WHEREAS due notice of the amount so required and the purpose for which the same is required and of the time and place so appointed were given to the Mayor of the City;

AND WHEREAS the matter of said application was heard at the said time and place, the Council of the said City not appearing at the hearing;

NOW THEREFORE the Lieutenant Governor acting by and with the advice of the Executive Council, and under and by virtue of Section 921 of the Halifax City Charter, is pleased to order and direct and hereby orders and directs the City of Halifax to issue debentures or stock to raise the amount so required.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an Order of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia in Council made the 31st day of March, A. D. 1942.

Arthur S. Barnstead,
CLERK OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

FILED

10.10 P.M.,

Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by
Alderman Stech 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.

AFTERNOON SESSION
SPECIAL MEETING.

12.10 o'clock,
Council Chamber,
City Hall,
April 24th, 1942.

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, Kinley, Rosterman, Coffin, Adams, McDonald, Walker, O'Toole and Ahern.

The meeting was called specially to consider report from the Committee on Works to provide supplementary appropriation to meet payment of wages, salaries and maintenance for balance of civic year 1941-42.

APPROPRIATION TO MEET PAYMENT OF WAGES, SALARIES
AND MAINTENANCE FOR WORKS DEPARTMENT

Read reports of Committee on Works,
Commissioner of Works and resolution as follows:-

Halifax, N. S.,
April 24th, 1942.

Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day, the matter of a pending overdraft in the Works appropriation was considered.

The attached resolutions are presented to the Council, for approval. Attached also is the report of the Commissioner of Works on the matter.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per:
T. J. Moore.

April 23rd, 1942.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

In checking over the expenditures for the Works Department 1941-1942, it is found that there will be an over expenditure of approximately \$22,039.41, the greater part of which is due to the increase of pay given to labor employees about the middle of September, retroactive to the first of August.

April 24th, 1942.

At that time we hoped with a mild winter and the absence of severe snow storms, our costs of snow removal would be below our estimate and that with other reductions we could make up for part of our unforeseen payroll increase. However, due to two fairly heavy snow storms the opposite happened. This, together with the additional cost for ashes and garbage removal resulted in an over expenditure as stated above.

The expenditure due to wage increase was approximately \$11,000, and the cost of snow removal for February and March was approximately \$11,500.

Section 518--518 sub-section 7 of the City Charter makes provision for the borrowing of a certain amount to meet a portion of this overdraft. We also have some amount yet to be credited to the Works Department for different chargeable accounts, and the amount remaining after these credits have been taken could be deferred for payment until after May 1st.

Such work as ash and garbage removal, street repairs, removal of snow and ice, could not very well be stopped in order to curtail expenditures.

Attached is a statement showing the financial position of this Department and the amount required to carry us through until May 1st, or the end of our fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,
COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

WHEREAS Section 518 of the Halifax City Charter permits the use of an amount \$4,500.00 on the internal health service between the months of January and April in any year;

AND WHEREAS such amount has been fully expended in such period;

BE IT RESOLVED that Council authorizes transfer of the said sum to the current appropriation.

WHEREAS Section 518 sub-section 7 of the Halifax City Charter authorizes the use of an amount of \$5,000.00 from the appropriation of the ensuing year to the current appropriation and such money is now required;

BE IT RESOLVED that the said sum of \$5,000.00 (Five Thousand Dollars) be made available to the current appropriation of the Works Department and repaid in accordance with the law.

April 24th, 1942.

WHEREAS there is an amount available in the pavement repair account of \$3,900.00 (Thirty-nine Hundred Dollars) more or less, and a sum greater than this has been expended in the current year on pavement repairs.

BE IT RESOLVED that the said sum be paid over to the current appropriation of the Works Department on a permanent basis.

RESOLVED that the Commissioner of Finance and Accounts be authorized to arrange to defer payment of certain accounts of the Works Department in an amount not exceeding Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) until legislation can be secured to pay them, with interest on the same.

Moved by Alderman Kinley, seconded by Alderman Adams that the reports and resolutions as submitted be approved. Motion put and passed unanimously; the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor:-

Aldermen MacKay
Kinley
Hosterman
Coffin
Adams
McDonald
O'Toole
Walker
Ahern

12.22 P.M.,

Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman McDonald that the meeting do now adjourn.

Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

W. E. Donovan,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

AFTERNOON SESSION
SPECIAL MEETING.

4.40 o'clock,
Council Chamber,
City Hall,
April 30th, 1942.

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, Kinley, Hosterman, Coffin, Adams, McDonald, Walker, O'Toole, Burgess and Ahern.

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

1. Election returns.
2. Report Finance-Executive Committee re laundry equipment, City Home.
3. Report Works Committee re Knox claim.
4. " " " " incinerator.
5. " " " " diversion of road, entrance to City.
6. " " " " north end ferry landing.
7. " " " " lease, Wanderers Grounds.
8. " " " " sidewalks.

ELECTION RETURNS
ELECTION OF MAYOR

Read re' rn of the City Clerk of the election of Mayor for the City of Halifax.

April 30th, 1942.

His Worship the Mayor
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Agreeably to the provisions of the Halifax City Charter and Acts and amendments thereto in respect to the election of Mayor for the City of Halifax, I herewith submit the original nomination papers of William Edward Donovan, Manufacturer, for the office of Mayor for the City of Halifax, he being the only candidate nominated for the said office at the election to be held April 29th, 1942.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

April 30th, 1942.

The City Clerk then declared William Edward Donovan duly elected Mayor of the City of Halifax for the civic year 1942-43.

PURCHASE OF LAUNDRY EQUIPMENT - CITY HOME

Read reports of the Finance and Executive Committee and Public Health and Welfare Committee re purchase of laundry equipment for City Home.

Halifax, N. S.,
April 30th, 1942.

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 Public Health and Welfare Committee recommending the purchase of laundry equipment to the value of \$6,710.00 was approved and recommended for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Halifax, N. S.,
April 30th, 1942.

The Chairman and Members
Finance and Executive Committee.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on April 29th, 1942, tenders for laundry equipment were considered.

It is recommended that the following equipment be purchased from the Canadian Laundry Machinery Company Limited -

One-#51 Zarno Press, one-#5138 Zarno Press, one-#106 Zarmoette Press and one -#103 Zarmoette Press, now in operation at the Victoria General Hospital as is, price \$1250.00.
One-26" Canadian Solid Curb Extractor, motor driven 220 volts, 3 phase, 60 cycles, with automatic safety cover, price \$1144.00.
One-36 x 30 Zone-Air Tumbler, Laundry single motor type, 220 volts, 3 phase, 60 cycles, price \$446.00.
One-120" 2 Roll Return Apron Flat-Work Ironer, motor driven, 220 volts, 3 phase, 60 cycles, price \$3870.00.

April 30th, 1942.

This equipment is to be installed in the City Home and will be used for laundry work in connection with the hospitals as well as the City Home.

It is further recommended that the sum required for the purchase of the above machinery be borrowed in accordance with legislation secured at the last session of the Legislature.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the reports be adopted. Motion put and passed unanimously; the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor:-

Aldermen Adams
Ahern
Burgess
Coffin
Hosterman
Kinley
McDonald
MacKay
O'Toole
Walker

KNOX CLAIM

Withdrawn.

INCINERATOR

Withdrawn.

DIVERSION OF ROAD - ENTRANCE TO CITY

Read report of the Committee on Works re diversion of road, entrance to City.

April 30th, 1942.

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 April 30th, 1942, entitled as above.

The Committee recommended to Council that the road be proceeded with as approved by the City Council on July 3rd, 1941, and that the Governor-in-Council be requested to approve of the expenditure to be made therefor as provided by Section 58 of Chapter 56 of the Acts of 1941 as amended by Section 55 of Chapter 51 of the Acts of 1942.

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

Per: T. J. Moore.