

CITY COUNCIL MEETING,
THURSDAY,
DECEMBER 17th, 1942.

A G E N D A

Minutes.

1. Resolution re accounts.
2. Report Finance and Executive Committee re superannuation, D. J. Hennigan.
3. " " " " amendment to Ordinance #12, Camp Hill Cemetery. Second reading.
4. " " " " bonding of officials, etc.
5. " " " " bonding, Constable O'Brien.
6. " " " " salaries, Constables Moore and Malay.
7. " " " " account, Leadley children.
8. " " " " automatic salaries.
9. " " " " purchase of land, Oxford and North Streets.
10. " " " " sewer and water extension, Rector St.
11. " " " " comfort station.
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13. " " " " Inspector, Board of Fire Escapes.
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15. " " " " rental, property, Almon Street.
16. " " " " purchase of pumper.
17. " " " " salaries.
18. " " " " commutation of land on Robie Street.
19. Report Public Health and Welfare Committee re tenders for groceries.
20. " " " " re tenders for fish.
21. " " " " re account for lumber.
22. Letter His Worship the Mayor.
23. Questions by Aldermen.
24. Report Comm. on Works re sale of property, Phillips Street.
25. " " " " overhanging sign - 34 Gottingen Street.
26. " " " " letter, Fred M. Young et al re Ardmore Park area.
27. " " " " letter, Dr. S. H. Prince re Housing.
28. " " " " purchase of properties, Long Lake watershed, Prospect Road.
29. " " " " Kempt Road fire hydrant.
30. " " " " tenders for construction of Maitland Street sewer.
31. " " " " proposed bus route, North End.
32. Letter Chief Justice re appointment to Court of Tax Appeals.
33. Report Chief Accountant re tax collections for the month of November, 1942.
34. " " " " re appropriations.

EVENING SESSION

8.00 o'clock,
Council Chamber,
City Hall,
December 17th, 1942.

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, Kinley, Hosterman, Coffin, Adams, Lloyd, McDonald, Walker and Burgess.

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

MINUTES

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

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Adams that due to the very large agenda before this meeting, that the reports be mentioned by titles only and read or explained if requested by an Alderman. Motion passed.

The following named papers were submitted:-

ACCOUNTS

Resolution covering accounts of various committees.

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 \$20,998.25; the Committee on Safety amounting to \$796.79 chargeable to Fire Alarm, \$14,967.80 chargeable to Fire Department and \$16,352.42 chargeable to Police Department; the Committee on Public Health and Welfare amounting to \$20,642.34 chargeable to Health Department; \$11,768.56 chargeable to City

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Home and \$2,282.67 chargeable to City Prison; the Committee on Works amounting to \$18,547.27; Civic Defence Committee amounting to \$1,103.41, Directors of Point Pleasant Park amounting to \$809.15, under the provisions of Section 315 of the City Charter.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Adams that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

SUPERANNUATION - DANIEL J. HENNIGAN

Report of the Finance and Executive Committee re superannuation, Daniel J. Hennigan.

Halifax, N. S.,
December 16th, 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, a report from the Committee on Works recommending that Mr. Daniel J. Hennigan be superannuated as from January 1st next at an annual allowance of \$1,175.12 was considered.

Your committee approves of this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE #12 RESPECTING CAMP HILL CEMETERY

Report of the Finance and Executive Committee re amendment to Ordinance #12 respecting Camp Hill Cemetery.

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Halifax, N. S.,
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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 amendment to Ordinance #12 respecting Camp Hill Cemetery which was read and passed a first time at the last regular meeting of the City Council was considered.

Your committee now recommends that this amendment be read and passed a second time and forwarded to the Governor-in-Council for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Motion passed.

Read amendment to Ordinance #12
as follows:-

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

1. Section 25 of Ordinance #12 respecting Camp Hill Cemetery is repealed and the following substituted therefor:-

25. (1) Lot owners may have their lots kept in order during the season in perpetuity by depositing the sums hereinafter set out with the City Collector:

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| (a) For each lot 9 feet by 9 feet | \$100.00 |
| (b) Where any person is the owner of two lots adjoining each other and desires such lots to be kept in order as set out above | 150.00 |
| (c) For each additional adjoining lot owned by such person | 75.00 |

(2) In any case where the owner of any lot has died or fails to pay for the keeping in order of any lot owned by him or fails to keep the same in good order, the Committee may make such arrangements as it may deem proper with any person desiring to have such lot kept in order during the season in perpetuity.

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(3) The owner of any lot or any person interested in the same may arrange with the Committee for the same to be kept in order during the season by paying annually to the City Collector such sum as the Committee may determine as is in accordance with the amount of work required to be done on such lot, not exceeding the sum of \$6.00 per lot per year.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Adams that the amendment as set out above be read and passed a second time and forwarded to the Governor-in-Council for approval. Motion passed.

BONDING OF OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES

Report of the Finance and Executive Committee submitting bond covering officials and employees.

Halifax, N.S.,
December 16th, 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 letter from the Commissioner of Finance in connection with Fidelity Bond issued by the U. S. Fidelity and Guaranty Co. was considered and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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Chairman,
Finance and Executive Committee.

Dear Sir:-

I enclose herewith fidelity bond issued by the U. S. Fidelity and Guaranty Company of which Messrs. Saunders and Duffus are the local agents.

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I have had the form of this bond examined and find that it represents adequate coverage for the City. The local agents have sent it to us as it incorporates some features not found in the old bond and because of these inclusions the new form should receive the Council's approval of its acceptance.

Yours very truly,

A. M. Butler.

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

BONDING - CONSTABLE VINCENT O'BRIEN

Report of the Finance and Executive Committee re bonding, Constable Vincent O'Brien.

Halifax, N. S.,
December 16th, 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 Safety Committee recommending that Constable Vincent O'Brien of the Police Department be bonded due to the fact that he has been appointed to a position where he is handling money was considered.

Your committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

SALARIES - CONSTABLES MOORE AND MALAY

Report of the Finance and Executive Committee re salaries, Constables Moore and Malay.

*Chief Clerk
W.P. Publicover*

December 17th, 1942.

Halifax, N. S.,
December 16th, 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 letter from the Commissioner of Finance regarding an application from Constables Roy Moore and Edgar Malay of the Police Force for payment of an automatic increase of \$60.00 deferred for a period of three years was considered.

The Commissioner points out that these two Constables are each entitled to the sum of \$180.00, less 10%.

Your committee recommends that this amount be paid to Constables Moore and Malay if funds are available in the current Year's estimates of the Police Department, if not that it be included in the estimates for the year 1943-44 and paid therefrom.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

LEADLEY CHILDREN

Report of the Finance and Executive Committee re Leadley children.

Halifax, N.S.,
December 16th, 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 letter from the Commissioner of Finance in reference to an account from the Home of the Guardian Angel for maintenance of two Leadley children who were admitted to the Home on August 22nd, 1940, was considered.

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As it is necessary for the City to secure legislation for authority to pay for the maintenance of these children at the Home of the Guardian Angel, your committee recommends that this be done.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

AUTOMATIC SALARIES

Report of the Finance and Executive Committee and Personnel Committee re automatic salaries.

Halifax, N. S.,
December 16th, 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 Personnel Committee in reference to the question of having employees reach their maximum salaries within a five year period was considered and recommended to Council for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Halifax, N. S.,
December 4th, 1942.

The Chairman and Members
Finance and Executive Committee.

Gentlemen:-

The Personnel Committee at a meeting held on the above date, had for consideration the attached report from a sub-committee dealing with the question of having employees reach their maximum salaries within a five year period.

*Chief Acct.
Heads of all dep'ts.*

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The Personnel Committee is recommending this report for approval in view of the decision made whereby all employees will reach their maximum salary five years after their first automatic increase or less and will supercede all existing regulations on the matter.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

At a meeting of the sub-committee consisting of Mr. A. M. Butler, Mr. J. F. McManus, Mr. R. M. McKinnon and Dr. A. R. Morton, the question of having employees reach their maximum salaries within a five year period was discussed and the following resolution was adopted after considerable study on the situation:-

1. That the attached scale be recommended to Council for adoption showing each difference between minimum and maximum salaries and the rate of annual automatic increase for each difference. This means that the policemen, firemen and prison guards will receive an automatic increase of \$80.00 per annum.
2. It is further recommended that the prison guards who have already received an automatic increase of \$60.00 should have a further \$20.00 paid to them retroactive to May 1st, 1942. The Deputy Governor at the Prison who has not yet reached his new minimum salary should have received a double automatic increase on May 1st, 1942, and did not, and is, therefore, entitled under the regulation passed February 1942, to an additional \$60.00 and that this should be retroactive to May 1st, 1942.

Proposed Scale - Automatic Increases

When the difference
between the minimum
and maximum is

\$60.00	-	\$30.00	annually
100.00	-	50.00	"
120.00	-	60.00	"
150.00	-	50.00	"
180.00	-	60.00	"
200.00	-	50.00	"
220.00	-	55.00	"
240.00	-	60.00	"
250.00	-	50.00	"
300.00	-	60.00	"
400.00	-	66.66	"
480.00	-	80.00	"

If salary is \$2,000.00 or over, all automatic increases are \$100.00. If less, this scale to be used.

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Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by
Alderman Adams that the reports be adopted.
Motion passed.

8.10 P.M. Alderman ABERN arrives.

PURCHASE OF LAND - OXFORD AND NORTH STREETS

Report of the Finance and Executive
Committee re purchase of land, Oxford and North
Streets.

Halifax, N. S.,
December 16th, 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 Committee on Works
recommending the purchase of land for the widening
of Oxford Street and the north-west corner of North
and Oxford Streets was considered and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

December 16th, 1942.

Chairman and Members
Finance and Executive Committee.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting
held on the 15th instant, considered the attached
report of the Commissioner of Works dated December
12th, 1942, entitled as above.

On motion of Alderman MacKay, seconded
by Alderman Walker, the said report was approved and
the Committee directed that it be forwarded to the
Finance and Executive Committee for concurrence and
recommended to the City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

*Com of Works
Clerk*

December 17th, 1942.

December 12th, 1942.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

For over twenty years negotiations have been carried on between the City and the different owners of property on Oxford and North Streets, but without success.

The present owners, Messrs. Butler Bros. and Mrs. Nettie Caines, are now willing to sell at the rate of fourteen cents (.14) per square foot, which amounts to \$505.82. This is approximately the price set by an Arbitration Board in 1922.

I would recommend that the land be purchased at this price as it is necessary for the widening of the two streets mentioned in order to bring them to the regulation width of 60 feet.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,
COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

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

SEWER AND WATER EXTENSION - RECTOR STREET

Report of the Finance and Executive Committee and Works Committee re sewer and water extension, Rector Street.

Halifax, N. S.,
December 16th, 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 Committee on Works recommending the extension of sewer and water on Rector Street was considered and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

*Com. of Works
Clerk*

December 17th, 1942.

Dec. 16th, 1942.

Chairman and Members
Finance and Executive Committee.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 15th instant, considered the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated December 9th, 1942, on an application from Mr. Sylvester Organ to have the sewer and water extended to serve his lot on the north side of Rector Street.

On motion of Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Walker, the said report recommending that the sewer and water be extended on Rector Street, was approved and the Committee directed that it be forwarded to the Finance and Executive Committee for concurrence and recommendation to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

December 9th, 1942.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on an application from Mr. Sylvester Organ to have the sewer and water extended to serve his lot on the north side of Rector Street.

The estimated cost of the sewer is \$320. and water \$160. The estimated assessment for sewer \$175. and water \$70.00.

It is recommended that the sewer and water be extended on Rector Street.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,
COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Adams that the reports be adopted.

Motion passed.

COMFORT STATION

Report of the Finance and Executive
Committee re comfort station.

December 17th, 1942.

Halifax, N. S.,
December 16th, 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 Committee on Works recommending an extension of time on the contract of Mr. Sawler for the construction of the confort station to January 31st, 1943, was considered and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded

by Alderman Adams that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

Electrician

FIRE ALARM TELEGRAPH EQUIPMENT FOR NEW
FIRE STATION

Report of the Finance and Executive
Committee re. Fire Alarm Telegraph equipment for new
fire station.

Halifax, N. S.,
November 27th, 1942.

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 reports from the City Electrician regarding the purchase and installation of fire alarm telegraph equipment in the proposed new fire station at a cost of approximately \$1,141.40.

Your committee recommends that the expenditure of this money be made under the authority granted by Chapter 51 of the Acts of 1942, Schedule A.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

December 17th, 1942.

November 9th, 1942.

To the Chairman and Members
of the Safety Committee.

Dear Sirs:-

I understand there is a possibility that the City may build a Fire Station in the North or north-west section of the City. If this station should be constructed provision will have to be made for the purchase and installation of the following Fire Alarm Telegraph Equipment;

1. Punch register with take-up reel	\$343.30
1. Transfer switch	15.00
2. 6" turtle gongs @ 57.50 each	114.60
1. Service panel for alarm and box circuit	76.00
Installing the above	35.00
Conduit, wire and labor for inside wiring of Fire Alarm	<u>75.00</u>
Total for above items at present day prices approximately	\$ 658.90

Line construction

Not knowing where the station may be located at the time of compiling this estimate but assuming it would likely require two and one-half miles of line construction the cost would be approximately

482.50

Total cost for Fire Alarm Telegraph based on above mileage, approximately \$1,141.40

If line extension should be greater than two and one-half miles the cost will be proportionately at \$193.00 per mile.

Special priority would be required to obtain this equipment which would no doubt take some time to deliver.

Respectfully submitted,

G. H. Durling,
CITY ELECTRICIAN.

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

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Aldermen MacKay
Kinley
Hosterman
Coffin
Adams
Lloyd
McDonald
Walker
Burgess
Ahern

*Com. of Works
Clerk*

NEW FIRE STATION

Report of the Finance and
Executive Committee re new fire station.

Halifax, N. S.,
December 16th, 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 Committee on Works
recommending for acceptance the tender of B. J.
Vaughan of \$25,882.00 for the erection of a fire
station on the Incinerator Field was considered.

Your committee recommends that
same be approved, providing that Mr. Vaughan can
give satisfactory sureties to the Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

December 16th, 1942.

Chairman and Members
Finance and Executive Committee.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on
Works held on the 15th instant, the following
tenders were submitted for construction of a fire
station on the Incinerator Field:-

B. J. Vaughan	\$25,882.00
W. G. Foley	27,995.00

On motion of Alderman MacKay,
seconded by Alderman Coffin, the committee
recommended that the tender of B. J. Vaughan be
accepted, subject to the City Council obtaining the

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Governor in Council's or the Premier's assurance of their good offices in securing at the next session of the Legislature, legislation to permit a further borrowing of \$8,500.00 with reference to this project, to supplement the authorization granted therefor at the 1942 session of the Legislature.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

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

Aldermen MacKay
Kinley
Hosterman
Coffin
Adams
Lloyd
McDonald
Walker
Burgess
Ahern

Com. of Works
Clerk

APPOINTMENT OF INSPECTOR - BOARD OF FIRE ESCAPES

Report of the Finance and

Executive Committee re appointment of Inspector,
Board of Fire Escapes.

Halifax, N. S.,
December 16th, 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 Committee on Works in connection with the appointment of a full time inspector by the Board of Fire Escapes was considered.

Your committee recommends that the Board of Fire Escapes be empowered to hire such a man and that his salary be paid from the estimates of the Committee on Works.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

December 17th, 1912.

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

Moved in amendment by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Burgess that the clause "With the approval of Council" be added to the report.

After some discussion on this subject, Alderman Walker with the approval of the seconder of his amendment, withdrew same.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the appointment be as a temporary measure only, and the report be approved with this understanding.
Amendment passed.

Motion not put.

VALUATION - N. S. LIGHT AND POWER CO. LTD.

Report of the Finance and Executive Committee re valuation, N. S. Light and Power Co. Ltd.

Halifax, N. S.,
December 16th, 1912.

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 with reference to the services of Mr. J. S. Roper, K. E. who has been engaged for the purpose of assisting the Solicitor at the hearings before the Public Utilities Board on the valuation of the N. S. Light and Power Co. Ltd. was considered.

Your committee recommends that the services of Mr. Roper be retained until the present hearings before the Board of Public Utilities are completed.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

*Solicitor
Major J. R. C.*

December 17th, 1912.

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

Moved in amendment by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Burgess that the clause "With the approval of Council" be added to the report.

After some discussion on this subject, Alderman Walker with the approval of the seconder of his amendment, withdrew same.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the appointment be as a temporary measure only, and the report be approved with this understanding.
Amendment passed.

Motion not put.

VALUATION -- N. S. LIGHT AND POWER CO. LTD.

Report of the Finance and Executive.

Committee re valuation, N. S. Light and Power Co. Ltd.

Halifax, N. S.,
December 16th, 1912.

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 with reference to the services of Mr. J. S. Roper, K. E. who has been engaged for the purpose of assisting the Solicitor at the hearings before the Public Utilities Board on the valuation of the N. S. Light and Power Co. Ltd, was considered.

Your committee recommends that the services of Mr. Roper be retained until the present hearings before the Board of Public Utilities are completed.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

*Solicitor
Mr. J. S. Roper, K. E.*

December 17th, 1942.

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

RENTAL OF PROPERTY TO E. L. RUDDY CO. LTD.

Report of the Finance and
Executive Committee re rental of property to E. L.
Ruddy Co. Ltd.

Halifax, N. S.,
December 16th, 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 Committee on Works in
connection with an application from E. L. Ruddy
Co. Ltd. for rental of property on Almon Street,
west of Gottingen Street, for the purpose of
advertising on a billboard was considered.

The E. L. Ruddy Co. Ltd. is willing to
pay the sum of \$5.00 per year rental for this
property and your committee recommends that same be
accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

PURCHASE OF PUMPER

Report of the Finance and Executive
Committee re purchase of pumper.

Halifax, N. S.,
December 16th, 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
committee was informed that the Safety Committee
has under consideration tenders for the purchase
of a 1,000 Imperial gallon pumping engine.

*Com. of Works
Clerk*

December 17th, 1942.

Your committee approves of the purchase of a pumping engine for the Fire Department and recommends that the sum required for same be borrowed under the provisions of legislation secured at the last session of the Legislature.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Aldermen Adams
Ahern
Burgess
Coffin
Hosterman
Kinley
Lloyd
McDonald
MacKay
Walker

Read report of the Safety Committee

as follows:-

Halifax, N. S.,
December 17th, 1942.

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 the purchase of a 1,000 Imperial gallon pumping engine as follows:-

Bickle Seagrave Ltd.	\$29,390.00
LaFrance Fire Engine and Foamite Ltd.	19,390.00

Your committee forwards both tenders to Council without recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Kinley, seconded by Alderman Walker that a pumper be purchased from the Bickle Seagrave Ltd.

December 17th, 1942.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Adams that a pumper be purchased from the LaFrance Fire Engine and Foamite Ltd. Amendment put and lost, 3 voting for the same and 7 against it as follows:-

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Aldermen Hosterman
Adams
Lloyd

-3-

AGAINST IT

Aldermen MacKay
Kinley
Coffin
McDonald
Walker
Burgess
Ahern

-7-

The motion was put and passed, 7 voting for the same and 3 against it as follows:-

FOR THE MOTION

Aldermen Ahern
Burgess
Coffin
Kinley
McDonald
MacKay
Walker

-7-

AGAINST IT

Aldermen Adams
Hosterman
Lloyd

-3-

PAY FOR CIVIC EMPLOYEES

Report of the Finance and Executive Committee re pay for civic employees.

Halifax, N. S.,
December 16th, 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 matter of paying salaries of civic employees for the month of December was considered.

It is recommended that the same employees who were given their pay for the month of December before Christmas last year be accorded the same treatment this year.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

December 17th, 1942.

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

DEED OF LAND ON ROBIE STREET

*Com. of Works
Solicitor*

Report of the Finance and
Executive Committee re deed of land on Robie Street.

Halifax, N. S.,
November 27th, 1942.

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 a report from the City Clerk respecting
the commutation of lands on Robie Street to the
Estate of Hibbert Woodbury during the year 1922.

On March 13th, 1922, the sum of
\$239.75 was paid to the City by the Eastern Trust
Company, Trustees of the Estate of Hibbert
Woodbury for the commutation of land on Robie
Street, being part of common lots #22 and #23, but
an insufficient description was inserted in the deed
given by the City in that the property was
described as having a frontage on Robie Street of
50 feet, whereas in fact the total frontage
on both lots amounted to approximately 123 feet.

In view of this fact, your
committee recommends that the City Solicitor be
requested to prepare a new deed to take care of
the balance of the lands omitted in the deed above
referred to.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

TENDERS FOR GROCERIES - CIVIC INSTITUTIONS

Report of the Public Health and
Welfare Committee re tenders for groceries, civic
institutions.

December 17th, 1942.

Halifax, N. S.,
December 14th, 1942.

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 groceries to civic institutions for a period of one month from December 20, 1942, were considered as follows:-

<u>City Home and City Prison</u>	
John Tobin & Co. Ltd.	4426.75
<u>Hospitals</u>	
John Tobin & Co. Ltd.	446.40

Your committee recommends that these tenders be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Motion passed.

TENDERS FOR FISH - CIVIC INSTITUTIONS

Report of the Public Health and Welfare Committee re tenders for fish, civic institutions.

Halifax, N. S.,
December 14th, 1942.

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 fish to civic institutions were considered as follows:-

Boutilliers Ltd. for a period of 3 months	\$1,593.37
Burns Fisheries Ltd. " " 6 " "	2,550.00

Being the lower, your committee recommends that same be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

December 17th, 1942.

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

Motion passed.

ACCOUNT FOR LUMBER - LAURIE M. LIVELY

Report of the Public Health and
Welfare Committee re account for lumber, Laurie M.
Lively.

Halifax, N. S.,
December 14th, 1942.

His Worship the Mayor
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Public Health and
Welfare Committee held on the above date, the
attached account from Laurie M. Lively amounting to
the sum of \$433.⁰⁰ for lumber supplied to the City
Home was approved and recommended to Council for
payment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Motion passed.

LETTER. HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR

Read letter from His Worship the
Mayor as follows:-

December 17th, 1942.

The City Council
of the City of Halifax.

Dear Aldermen:-

For the purpose of the record, I
wish to advise you that following instructions of
the Council, I appointed a delegation from the City
which proceeded to Ottawa and, on Monday, December
7th, 1942, submitted to the Government of Canada
through Hon. J. L. Illsley, Minister of Finance, a
request for financial assistance for the City during
the continuation of the present war to enable it to
meet the expenses already incurred due to the war
and to provide the funds necessary to enable it to
expand certain of its services in order to meet the
exceptional demands made upon the Corporation by the
greatly increased population of the City, and the
presence here of many governmental enterprises.

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The delegation consisted of myself, Deputy Mayor Kinley, Alderman Lloyd, Commissioner of Finance, the City Solicitor and City Assessor. The delegation was accompanied by Messrs. Gordon B. Isnor, M. P. and W. C. Macdonald, K.C., M. P., and by Hon. Harold Connolly, M. L. A., officially representing the Province of Nova Scotia, in order to give official support to the City's claim. The support of these three gentlemen was vigorously expressed and we are greatly appreciative of their assistance. I should like to see the Council thank them for it.

Attached hereto is a copy of the Memorandum and Brief submitted to the Government.

After hearing the spokesmen for the delegation and asking questions concerning certain phases of the matter, Mr. Hilsley stated that the facts submitted would be investigated and studied and the matter referred to the War Cabinet.

The reception accorded the delegation was most cordial, and it is my opinion that our taxpayers should be heartened by the assurance given to us that the City's claim will be investigated. The fact that this, of the many claims made by the City, is to receive such consideration is of particular interest. I am confident that our claims are so good that they will withstand the most rigid inspection by the Government and will justify our hopes for substantial relief.

Yours very truly,

W. E. Donovan,
MAYOR.

To: The Government of the
Dominion of Canada,
OTTAWA.

On behalf of the citizens of the City of Halifax, I am submitting the attached memorandum.

We believe that the development of the conditions set forth in our memorandum have aggravated the disproportionate burden of taxation already present in peace-time. We are sincere when we ask for their examination by the Government of Canada.

Our conclusion that Halifax should be granted financial assistance is based on the following known facts which are directly attributable to the war:

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Increased expenditures on Public Health	\$45,000.00
Increased expenditures on Internal Health (i.e. garbage collection, sewers, etc.)	25,000.00
Expenditures for additional police and equipment	25,000.00
Expenditures for account of Fire Boat	12,000.00
Increased expenditure on Education, for teachers salaries only	10,000.00
Loss of Revenue through Government acquisition of assessable property to value of \$376,000.00	16,000.00
	<u>\$133,000.00</u>

The City would also make reference to certain other factors influencing our position. These are matters which will give rise to immediate expenditures and are:

Provision for 15 additional policemen and equipment	21,000.00
Provision for 15 additional firemen and equipment	21,000.00
Provision for the additional expense for Public Health Department for prevention of communicable diseases	25,000.00
Provision for complete charges for new Fire Station and pump for service Wartime Housing limited projects and military establishments on Halifax Airport	3,000.00
Provision for rehabilitation of streets and permanent paving, due to heavy substantially accelerated depreciation during the war	(unascertainable)

It should be realized that if the Canadian National Railways paid taxes to the City of Halifax, as in the case of other metropolitan centres we would receive at least \$200,000.00 annually and the matter of direct assistance by the Government during the war could be held in abeyance.

Otherwise we urge that an annual grant for the duration of the war, equivalent to the amount of our known and immediately potential costs, should be made.

Respectfully submitted,

City of Halifax.

Wesley E. Donovan,
Mayor.

December 7, 1942

MEMORANDUM SUBMITTED BY THE
CITY OF HALIFAX
SEEKING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE
DOMINION GOVERNMENT.

To: The Government of the
Dominion of Canada,
OTTAWA.

On several occasions in the past, the City has represented to the Dominion Government that it should, for several reasons, compensate the City for services rendered.

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The City presented its claim, based on peacetime conditions, before the Royal Commission on Dominion-Provincial Relations, and favourable recommendations were made by the Commission.

The strategic importance of Halifax has been twice proved in the two World Wars of this generation.

Heavy wartime taxation has been intensified for its citizens because of many direct community contributions. Much of our increased civic taxation can be traced to the war.

Our population of 65,000 has risen to 115,000 not including the armed services in barracks, and our housing facilities are taxed to overflowing.

Attached is a table showing total assessable real property, total exemptions, the value of Dominion Government property, with relative percentages of each,

The Government of Canada has, since the war, increased its holdings by the amount of \$4,099,550.00.

As a community effort, for a national cause, the City has contributed full taxation amounting to \$20,000.00 to the hostels, canteens and recreational establishments operated for the benefit of the services and the merchant navy.

The ship building industry located here has enjoyed for years heavy tax concessions. In war times, with the plant working at all-out capacity, these concessions represent a community contribution to a national cause.

The war has made necessary large increases in our services for fire protection, police protection, public health and street repairs, and we are without ways to find supporting revenue.

The influx of people due to the war has made necessary the extension of our educational facilities without compensating revenues to provide for them.

The war has made necessary the enlargement of the water supply of the City. In co-operation with the Dominion Government the City has assumed a direct obligation amounting to \$600,000.00.

Both in peace and war the National Harbours Board, enjoying a full tax exemption, competes directly with business which does not enjoy a similar concession.

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Further, the property of the Canadian National Railways, owned by the Government of Canada, does not contribute to our revenues, but the property of the Canadian National Railways in many other metropolitan centres of Canada pays huge sums in taxation.

The City of Halifax claims, in view of the foregoing facts, that it is entitled to substantial compensation from the Government of Canada by way of payment of taxes in respect of real property of the Crown engaged in business and for services rendered by the City in respect of real property used for administrative purposes, as recommended by the report of the Rowell-Sirois Commission on Dominion-Provincial Relations, where special reference was made to the situation in the City of Halifax.

As a vital war City the significance of Halifax is unique. It was a casualty of World War I. It is bearing heavy burdens in World War II. The ever-growing enlargement of Federal projects has called on its citizens to make disproportionate contributions while they continue to meet wartime exactions like other Canadians. Surely if the recommendations of the Royal Commission were written to deal equitably with the City's position in peace-time, it is not too much to ask, in view of the several burdens arising from the war, for immediate and generous treatment to ameliorate a civic condition not to be found elsewhere in the Dominion of Canada.

Respectfully submitted

On behalf of the Corporation
of the City of Halifax.

W. E. Donovan,
MAYOR.

W. F. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Halifax, N. S.,
December 1, 1942.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded
by Alderman Kinley that the City Clerk be
instructed to convey the appreciation of this
Council to Messrs. G. B. Isnor, M. P., W. C.
Macdonald, K.C., M.P. and Hon. Harold Connolly, M.L.A.
for their co-operation in presenting the City's
brief at Ottawa. Motion passed.

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QUESTIONS

Alderman Coffin referred to the matter of the clearing of snow in the City and mentioned the fact that it was often difficult for people to have their sidewalks shovelled due to the fact of the shortage of labor today and he suggested that the Works Department might be able to supply the labor.

Moved by Alderman Coffin, seconded by Alderman MacKay that this matter be referred to the Commissioner of Works for the purpose of investigation and report to the Committee on Works. Motion passed.

Alderman Walker asked if any provision had been made to put fire escapes on the City Hall.

The Commissioner of Works answered in the negative.

Com. A. Mackay
Alderman Ahern asked that the Commissioner of Works have the sand trucks sprinkle the streets as they are in a very dangerous conditions.

He mentioned Salter Street in particular.

AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE #14 RELATING TO VEHICLES
TRANSPORTING GOODS FOR HIRE

Report of the Safety Committee re amendment to Ordinance #14 relating to Vehicles transporting goods for hire.

Halifax, N. S.,
December 17th, 1942.

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 amendment to Ordinance #14 relating to vehicles transporting goods for hire as prepared by the City Solicitor was considered.

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Your committee recommends that this amendment be read and passed and forwarded to the Minister of Highways for his recommendation to the Governor-in-Council for enactment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Read amendment to Ordinance No. 14 as follows:-

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

Section 6 of Ordinance No. 14, respecting "The Regulation of Vehicles Used for Transporting Goods for Hire", is amended by adding thereto the following subsections:

- (2) Such plate shall be affixed by the owner thereof upon the outside of the vehicle in respect of which the same was issued and in close proximity to the "weight plate" (so-called) issued by the Department of Highways of the Province of Nova Scotia, and shall be so placed as to be plainly visible and shall at all times be maintained by every such owner free from foreign materials and in a condition to be clearly legible. If any such plate shall become lost or defaced, an additional plate may be obtained from the Clerk upon proof being given satisfactory to the Clerk that such plate has in fact become lost or defaced; upon an application being made to the Clerk for any additional plate, as hereinbefore provided, the person so applying shall with the application pay the sum of One Dollar for each plate required.
- (3) Every such owner who fails to comply with any of the provisions of this section, wherein any duty is imposed upon such owner, shall for each offence be liable to a penalty of not less than ten dollars nor more than twenty-five dollars, and in default of payment to imprisonment for a period of not less than seven days nor more than twenty days; provided however, that it shall be a defence to a prosecution for a violation of this section in respect of the duty upon such owner to affix such plate if such owner has previously made an application

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to the Clerk for an additional plate to replace any plate which has become lost or defaced and which additional plate has not been delivered to such owner by the Clerk.

Moved by Alderman Burgess,
seconded by Alderman Walker that the amendment as set out above be read and passed and forwarded to the Minister of Highways for recommendation to the Governor-in-Council for enactment. Motion passed.

RELEASE OF MORTGAGE - BUCKLEY PROPERTIES

Read letter from the Commissioner of Finance as follows:-

December 17th, 1942.

Mr. W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Dear Sir:-

Would you please request permission of the Mayor to bring the following urgent matter before the Council:

Subject/ Release of Mortgage, Buckley Properties.

The property at number 3 Gottingen Street is being sold for an amount in excess of the assessed value but there will be no funds available from the proceeds to pay on account of the City's second mortgage which, in this case, is on this and two adjoining properties. The matter only came to my attention today, and since there is some urgency about it I would recommend that authorization be given to the proper officials to sign the release, the price received being consistent with the value.

Yours truly,

A. M. Butler.

Moved by Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the letter be approved. Motion passed.

PURCHASE OF PROPERTY - PHILLIPS STREET

Report of the Committee on Works re purchase of property, Phillips Street.

Com of Works
12/17/42

December 17th, 1942.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on November 26th, 1942, considered the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated November 25th, 1942, on a letter from Mr. Guy C. Dauphinee, in which the latter asked if he can purchase a piece of land owned by the City adjoining his property on Phillips Street.

On motion of Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Walker, the said report of the Commissioner of Works, recommending that the area concerned being 5600 square feet be sold to the applicant for \$300.00, if the price is agreeable to the purchaser, was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

A sketch of the area concerned is attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

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

Motion passed.

OVERHANGING SIGN - 34 GOTTINGEN STREET

Report of the Committee on Works re overhanging sign, 34 Gottingen Street.

December 17th, 1942.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on November 26th, 1942, considered the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated November 24th, 1942, on an application from Mr. Tom Hum, Dalo Cafe, for permission to erect an overhanging sign at his premises 34 Gottingen Street.

On motion of Alderman Kinley, seconded by Alderman MacKay, the committee recommended to Council that the agreement referred to in the said report be executed.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. Publicover,
CITY CLERK;

Per: T. J. Moore.

*Com of Works
Clerk*

December 17th, 1942.

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

Motion passed.

LETTER, DR. S. H. PRINCE RE WARTIME HOUSES

Read letter from Dr. S. H. Prince
re wartime houses.

October 29th, 1942.

Mayor W. E. Donovan,
City Hall,
Halifax,

Dear Mr. Mayor:-

At a meeting of the Executive
Committee of the Council of Social Agencies held
on October 29th, the following resolution was
passed:

Resolved:

That the Executive Committee of the
Council of Social Agencies express
appreciation of what Wartime Housing
Ltd. has already done in Halifax,
but that at the same time the City
Council be asked to urge the
Dominion Government to provide more
pre-fabricated houses to meet the
serious housing shortage among
the civilian population of Halifax.

Respectfully yours,

S. H. Prince,
President.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by
Alderman MacKay that this matter be deferred until
the next item, which deals with the same subject,
is considered. Motion passed.

WARTIME HOUSES IN ARDMORE SECTION

Read letter from Mr. Fred M. Young
et al addressed to the City Council and letter from
Mr. Young et al addressed to Wartime Housing Ltd.

December 17th, 1942.

Halifax, N. S.,
November 19th, 1942.

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

Gentlemen:-

We, representatives of the property owners adjacent to the Ardmore Park area, respectfully bring to your attention the enclosed copy of a petition sent by us to Wartime Housing Limited.

We furthermore request that the City Council do everything in its power to implement the promise made us in July.

Sincerely,

Fred M. Young

Ira S. Killam

Alfred B. Breen

H. W. Butler.

Halifax, N. S.,
November 19th, 1942.

Wartime Housing Limited,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sirs:-

In view of the reported action of Wartime Housing in proceeding to erect prefabricated houses in the area bounded by Connolly, Liverpool, Oxford, and Clive Streets, we, the undersigned, representing the property holders adjacent to this area, call to your attention the following facts:

1. That in July 1942, a petition signed by forty-one property owners of this area was presented to the City Council asking that no prefabricated houses be erected in the Ardmore Park area.
2. That a delegation representing the said property owners attended two meetings of the City Council dealing with this matter.
3. That at the second meeting this delegation was assured that no prefabricated houses would be erected east of Connolly Street, and upon this assurance withdrew its protest as far as it affected the area west of Connolly Street. This compromise was agreed to only upon the aforementioned condition, namely, That no prefabricated construction would take place between Connolly and Oxford Streets.

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We, therefore, respectfully request that the promise made to us by the elected representatives of the City of Halifax be adhered to and that the contemplated erection of prefabricated houses in the area bounded by Connolly, Liverpool, Oxford and Clive Streets be not proceeded with.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred M. Young.
Ira S. Killam
Alfred B. Breen
H. W. Butler.

Moved by Alderman Dloyd, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the City Clerk be instructed to write to Mr. Goggin of Wartime Housing Limited and ask for an explanation for the benefit of Council as to why he deemed it necessary to forego his previous policy of consulting the City of Halifax on the selection of sites, and also that the City Clerk inform Mr. Goggin that the City has received strong protests regarding the erection of houses in the Ardmore section, east of Connolly Street. Motion passed.

The City Clerk was then instructed to write to Dr. S. H. Prince and inform him that in addition to the houses erected by Wartime Housing Ltd. for the families of men engaged in war work the City is having some 200 houses constructed and when these are completed the City Council will consider the matter of having additional houses erected.

LONG LAKE WATERSHED

Report of the Committee on Works and Commissioner of Works re Long Lake watershed.

Edward Horke

December 17th, 1942.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:--

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on the 15th instant, the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated December 14th, 1942, entitled "Long Lake watershed -- Prospect Road", was on motion of Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Coffin, approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted;

W. F. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

December 14th, 1942.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:--

I was interviewed by several property owners on the watershed of Long Lake, fronting on Prospect Road. These property owners had begun clearing and building and were asked to submit prices, which are submitted herewith, together with the recommended purchase price. I am not negotiating at present with owners of occupied buildings.

Lot owned by Walter Burt

For lot 50 x 200 plus work on clearing and grubbing and excavation for pier foundation \$160.00
Price recommended \$160.00

Cecil E. Bevis

Two lots of land, house partly furnished and occupied 600.00
I do not consider this price too high and would recommend the purchase at \$600.00.

Mrs. George Devlin

House and one lot 50 x 200, house 17 x 21 frame and mostly rough boards. This was erected over a year ago and the owner died before it was completed. The value agreed upon was 365.00
Present owner to remove house, or have it removed and to retain possession of the lumber.

Mr. H. Shanks

The price asked for by Mr. Shanks is \$513.00. In my opinion this is too high. Mr. Shanks claims that the City should pay for the lot on which he proposes to move, which will cost him \$250.00. It is recommended that a price of not over \$350.00 be paid to Mr. Shanks for his property.

In all cases where houses are under construction the salvaged lumber from the house will be the property of the present owner.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,
COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

December 17th, 1942.

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

Motion passed.

KEMPT ROAD FIRE HYDRANT

Report of the Committee on Works
and Commissioner of Works re Kempt Road fire hydrant.

December 17th, 1942.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on the 15th instant, the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated December 14th, 1942, entitled "Kempt Road Fire Hydrant", was on motion of Alderman Coffin, seconded by Alderman O'Toole, approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. Publicover,
CITY CLERK,

Per: T. J. Moore.

December 14th, 1942.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

In accordance with a request from the Safety Committee I wish to submit the following.

The hydrant in question on Kempt Road which was used at the fire of the Dartmouth Lumber Company is on a dead end, and on the 6-inch main.

As you will see by the accompanying sketch the quantity of water to this hydrant can be doubled by connection to another main across the street with a 6-inch pipe.

The estimated cost for this connection is \$350.00 and it is recommended that the connection be made.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,
COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

*Com. of Works
Book*

December 17th, 1942.

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

TENDERS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF MAITLAND STREET SEWER

Report of the Committee on Works re tenders for construction of Maitland Street sewer.

December 17th, 1942.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on the 15th instant, tenders were submitted from the following for trenching, backfilling and laying of sewer pipe on Maitland Street - Cornwallis Street to Prince William Street:-

Standard Faving Maritime Limited
Lewis Corey

Each tenderer quoted unit prices.

Following discussion, the Committee on motion of Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Coffin, recommended to City Council that the tender of Lewis Corey, being the lower, be accepted provided he signs a contract containing provisions satisfactory to the City Solicitor. The specifications and tenders are attached hereto. Attached also is a form of contract which has been approved by the City Solicitor.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

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

Aldermen MacKay
Kinley
Hogerman
Coffin
Adams
Bloyd
McDonald
Walker
Burgess
Ahern

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PROPOSED BUS ROUTE - NORTH END

Report of the Committee on Works
re proposed bus route, north end.

December 17th, 1942.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:--

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on this date, discussed with Mr. J. B. Hayes, Manager, Nova Scotia Light and Power Co. Ltd., a proposal whereby the Tram Company would operate as an experiment a proposed bus service in the north end of the City.

The Commissioner of Works submitted a plan showing the proposed route, and a memo of estimated expenses relative to the streets involved, including the estimated expenses of sanding and snow removal, all in excess of the estimated normal expense thereof.

Mr. Hayes indicated that his Company is willing to experiment with the said proposed bus service because of the wartime emergency, although it is possible that the operation might result in a substantial loss. He indicated also that weekly tram passes would not be acceptable as bus fares.

Following discussion, the Committee on Motion of Alderman Kinley, seconded by Alderman MacKay, recommended to City Council that the City of Halifax co-operate with the Tram Company for a six months test period, as an experiment for the operation of the proposed bus service, with the privilege of further negotiations any time after three months from the beginning, and that the City of Halifax pay all the street expenses referred to.

The plan of the proposed route and the estimate of street expenses are obtainable from the Commissioner of Works.

Respectfully submitted.

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

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

Motion passed.

*Com of Works
Clerk*

December 17th, 1942.

APPOINTMENT TO VACANCY - COURT OF TAX APPEALS

Solicitor

Letters from the Chief Justice as

follows:-

The Law Courts,
Halifax, N. S.,
December 1st, 1942.

W. E. Donovan, Esq.,
Mayor,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Mr. Mayor:-

I beg to enclose herewith the
appointment of Mr. Fahie to the vacancy on the
Court of Tax Appeal.

Yours truly,

Joseph Chisholm.

I, Sir Joseph Chisholm, Chief Justice
of Nova Scotia, do hereby appoint Edward J. Fahie
of the City and County of Halifax, Esquire, to
be a member of the Court of Tax Appeal for the
City of Halifax, in the place and stead of H. N. M.
Stanbury, resigned, as provided by Section 398 of
the Halifax City Charter.

Dated the 1st day of December, A. D.
1942.

Joseph Chisholm,
Chief Justice of Nova Scotia.

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TAX COLLECTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1942

Report of the Chief Accountant re tax
collections for the month of November, 1942.

Arrears Taxes

Civic Year	Reserves	Outstanding Balances Sept. 1942	New Accounts and adjust- ments	November Collections	Outstanding Balances November.
1939-40	\$49,050.90	\$ 73,390.58		\$20,341.59	\$53,048.99
1940-41	90,104.58	145,737.73	Dr. \$2.00	9,331.06	136,408.67
1941-42	46,414.27	250,626.82		13,825.26	236,801.56
Current 1942-43	48,109.69	481,490.46	Dr. 7.00	37,255.67	444,241.79
Water Dept. Rates, Etc.		93,151.21	Dr. 1,051.55	11,960.31	82,242.45
		<u>1,044,396.80</u>	<u>Dr. 1,060.55</u>	<u>92,713.89</u>	<u>952,743.46</u>

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Poll Taxes

1933-34	\$13,65	\$6.00	\$7.65
1934-35	776,44	29.50	746.94
1935-36	615,42	18.00	597.42
1936-37	372.35	30.00	342.35
1942-43	<u>25,578.35</u>	<u>12,173.01</u>	<u>13,405.34</u>

Additional Collections

Tax years 1908-9 to 1924-25	12.04	88.59
Corresponding period last year		
Tax years 1925-26 to 1938-39	4,496.69	2,697.24
Corresponding period last year		
Collections as per statement above	92,713.89	
Corresponding period last year	<u>97,222.62</u>	<u>77,348.87</u>
		<u>80,134.70</u>
Collections of Poll Tax		
May 1st, 1942 to Nov. 30th, 1942	35,156.68	
Corresponding period last year		27,209.15

M. L. Bellew,
CHIEF ACCOUNTANT.

FILED

APPROPRIATIONS

Report of the Chief Accountant re
appropriations.

REPORT ON APPROPRIATIONS
AS AT NOVEMBER 30, 1942.

To the City Council:

The following is the state of Civic
Appropriations on the above date after deducting
unpaid orders.

APPROPRIATION	FREE BALANCE
City Home Maintenance	\$23,997.08
City Home Salaries	15,835.56
Fleming Park	1,132.27
Public Gardens	6,108.34
Tuberculosis Hospital Maintenance	8,937.10
Tuberculosis Hospital Salaries	9,091.26
Infectious Diseases Hospital Maintenance	186.88
Infectious Diseases Hospital Salaries	1,249.98
Public Health & Welfare Maintenance	7,145.14
Public Health & Welfare Salaries	7,845.95
Field Nursing Service	2,246.92
Police Department Maintenance	56,908.50
Police Department Salaries	7,272.14
City Prison Maintenance	6,361.47
City Prison Salaries	

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Works Department	\$146,511.44
Fire Department Maintenance	3,366.29
Fire Department Salaries	73,059.36
Fire Alarm Telegraph Service	1,337.88
Fire Alarm Salaries	2,696.81
Printing and Stationery	4,282.82
Library Maintenance	1,171.87
Library Salaries	1,431.00

Sufficient Funds in Surplus Revenue to cover these accounts.

M. L. Bellew.
CHIEF ACCOUNTANT.

FILED

10 P.M.,

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

Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

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MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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CITY CLERK.

AFTERNOON SESSION

SPECIAL MEETING.

5.10 P.M.,
Council Chamber,
City Hall,
December 29th, 1942.

A meeting of the City Council was held this afternoon. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen Stock, Mackay, Kinley, Hostenner, Coffin, Adams, O'Boyle, Walker and Ahern.

The meeting was called specially to consider report of Finance and Executive Committee re loan redemption.

LOAN REDEMPTION

Here report of the Finance and Executive Committee and resolution re loan redemption.

Halifax, N. S.,
December 29th, 1942.

His Worship the Mayor
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:

The attached letter from the Commissioner of Finance recommending that Council be asked to issue the necessary directions to call the redemption of a certain loan on January 1st, 1943, was approved by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held at Noon today, and the following special resolution is recommended for adoption:

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. Fothergill,
CITY CLERK.

December 28th, 1942.

The Chairman,
Finance and Executive Committee,
City of Halifax,
CITY HALL

Dear Sir:

The City is a contractor in a debenture bond issue of \$500,000 which amounts to

December 29th, 1942.

\$502,200.00. The issue is associated with financing some many years ago and the loan could be regarded as a perpetual issue, since the option to call it remains with the City.

In view of the average cost of money to the City - somewhere between $3\frac{1}{2}\%$ and $3\frac{3}{4}\%$ and the rate paid on this loan, namely $4\frac{1}{2}\%$, I believe the time is opportune to call the loan and serve the one year's notice on the holders in order to redeem it on January 1st, 1944.

Later, steps could be taken to make a new renewal issue which would be paid off over a period of from fifteen to twenty years from the resources of the General Sinking Fund and the Water Department, since about half the loan was for water construction purposes.

I feel that the resources of the General Sinking Fund, as they will accumulate in the future, will be able to liquidate its share of the proposed loan without any charge on the estimates of the City.

In view of the foregoing reasons, I would recommend that the Council be called to issue the necessary directions to call for redemption the said loan on January 1st, 1944.

Yours very truly,

A. M. Butler.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Halifax, as a Special Resolution, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 24 of the Acts of the Legislature of Nova Scotia for the year 1880 and of Chapter 50 of the Acts of the Legislature of Nova Scotia for the year 1888, that the City of Halifax on the first day of January 1944 to call in and pay off all sums of money borrowed by the City on its New Consolidated Stock issued under the authority of the said enactments, and bearing interest at the rate of 4 percent per annum

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that one year's notice of the City's intention to so call in and pay off such stock be given to the persons registered as the owners or holders of such New Consolidated Stock and that such notice be sent by registered letter to such registered owners or holders at the address of such owners or holders registered in the office of the City Treasurer as provided by Sections 7 and 8 of said Chapter 50 of the said Acts of 1888.

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Moved by Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Stech that the report and resolution as submitted be adopted. Motion put and passed unanimously; the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor:-

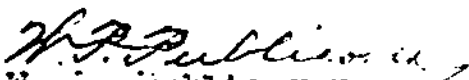
Aldermen Stech
MacKay
Kinley
Hosterman
Coffin
Adams
O'Toole
Walker
Ahern

5.13 P.M.

Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Ahern that this meeting do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.


W. E. Donovan,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.


W. F. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.