

*Comm. of Works
Clerk of Works*

February 11th, 1943.

LEAMCO SUBDIVISION - IMPROVEMENT IN WATER SERVICE

Read report of the Committee on Works and Commissioner of Works re Leamco Subdivision, improvement in water service.

February 11th, 1943.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 9th instant, considered the attached petition regarding conditions in the "Leamco Subdivision" on Isleville Street Section and Leaman Street, together with the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated January 29th, 1943, with reference thereto.

On motion of Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Walker, the committee recommended to Council that the work of installing any booster pumps required and any new mains necessary to deliver a reasonable water supply to the area concerned, be proceeded with as quickly as possible.

The report of the Commissioner of Works relative to the estimated cost of such improvement to the water service is attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

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His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

Attached hereto is a tentative sketch of proposal to boost the water pressure at several high points in the low pressure area on the high service. At first it was thought that a small booster at each point of low pressure would be advisable but as these points are in close proximity to each other it seems advisable to have the one pump supply the whole area as outlined on the sketch and to connect these points by constructing a 6" water line.

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A little study has been given to this matter since Tuesday's meeting of the Committee on Works, and as it will take some time to procure the necessary priorities. if at all, there will be time for any suggested improvements or criticism.

Estimate:-

1 - 25 H.P. Motor with centrifugal pump	\$750.00
1 - 2000 Gallon expansion and storage tank	500.00
Installation	250.00
Housing	500.00
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1700 ft. of 6-inch main @ \$4 50	2,000.00
Total cost	7,650.00
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	9,850.00

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,
COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Kinley,

seconded by Alderman Walker that the report of the Committee on Works be adopted. Motion passed.

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TENDERS FOR PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE -
ELEVATOR, CITY HALL

Read report of the Committee on Works re tenders for Public Liability insurance, elevator, City Hall.

February 12th, 1943.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 9th instant, considered the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated February 9th, 1943, on tenders received for Public Liability insurance, for the City Hall elevator.

On motion of Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Collin, the said report recommending that the tender of R. F. Kelly & Co., be accepted, at a premium of \$86.40 was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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

Motion passed.

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SURVEY OF WATER SYSTEM - RATE BASE

Read report of the Committee on Works re survey of water system, rate base as follows:-

February 12th, 1943.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 9th instant, on motion of Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Kinley, directed the Commissioner of Works to make a complete survey of the water system for the purpose of establishing a proper rate base on which water rates might be established.

This matter is submitted to the City Council for its information.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Report was filed.

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FINAL CERTIFICATE - STANDARD PAVING MARITIME LTD.

Read report of the Committee on Works re final certificate, Standard Paving Maritime Ltd.

February 12th, 1943.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 9th instant, on motion of Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Coffin, approved and recommended to Council for payment the attached final certificate of the Commissioner of Works dated January 26th, 1943, recommending payment to the Standard Paving Maritime Limited, of the sum of Seven Hundred and Twenty-one Dollars and Eighty-four cents (\$721.84) in connection with their contract for street repairs.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

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

TAX COLLECTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY, 1943

Read report of the Chief

Accountant for the month of January, 1943.

<u>Arrears Taxes</u>	<u>Civic Year Reserves</u>	<u>Outstanding Balances Dec. 1942</u>	<u>New Accounts and adjustments</u>	<u>January Collections</u>	<u>Outstanding Balances January.</u>
1940-41	\$90,106.08	\$129,841.42		\$5,038.90	\$124,802.52
1941-42	46,418.77	225,858.85		9,612.16	216,246.69
Current 1942-43	30,395.01	496,071.02		32,826.34	463,244.68
Water Dept. Rates, etc.		74,837.91	100,000.00	51,987.06	122,920.85
		<u>926,679.20</u>	<u>100,000.00</u>	<u>99,464.46</u>	<u>927,214.74</u>
<u>Poll Taxes</u>					
1934-35		738.94		13.00	725.94
1935-36		585.42		10.00	575.42
1936-37		333.35		11.50	321.85
1942-43		10,569.35		1,444.93	9,124.42
Additional Collections					
Tax years 1908-9 to 1924-25				14.56	21.81
Corresponding period last year					
Tax years 1925-26 to 1939-40				4,723.00	3,035.68
Corresponding period last year					
Collections as per statement above				99,464.46	110,414.00
Corresponding period last year				<u>104,202.02</u>	<u>113,471.49</u>
Collections of Poll Tax					
May 1st, 1942 to Jan. 30th, 1943				40,336.28	33,134.48
Corresponding period last year					

M. L. Bellew,
CHIEF ACCOUNTANT.

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10.45 P.M.

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

Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

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CITY CLERK.

W. E. Donovan
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MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

AFTERNOON SESSION
SPECIAL MEETING.

4.35 P.M.,
Council Chamber,
City Hall,
February 26th, 1943.

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

The meeting was called to consider the following items:-

1. Report Finance and Executive Committee on 1943-44 estimates.
2. Legislation.

CIVIC ESTIMATES - 1943-44

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee re estimates as follows:-

Halifax, N. S.,
February 24th, 1943.

His Worship the Mayor
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held this day, final consideration was given to the estimates.

Fire Department

The application of the Chief of the Fire Department for funds to add 34 additional firemen to the Department was considered but not approved.

Police Department

The committee was sympathetic to the application of the Chief of Police for 20 additional men and necessary equipment. Due to financial difficulties, it was decided to make provision for 12 extra men for this department provided the final adjusted financial position would permit the increase.

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School Board

The resolution hereunder regarding certain amendments in the school estimates is recommended for approval of Council -

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council that the City Clerk be directed to notify the Board of School Commissioners that the Estimate of School Expenditure submitted by them for the civic year 19-3-44 and totalling \$740,127.51 is amended, reduced or otherwise altered in the following manner.

- (1) The appropriation for "Teachers" is altered or increased in the amount of \$8,910.00 and the estimate approved for \$506,597.00. Reason: To provide funds to adjust the salaries of teachers in common schools.
- (2) The appropriation for "Dental Inspection" is reduced in the amount of \$1,120.00 and this estimate approved for \$4,092.00. Reason: To provide for probable transfer of control of dental inspection to the Public Health and Welfare Department.
- (3) The appropriation for "Medical Inspection" is reduced in the amount of \$1,441.00 and this estimate approved for \$6,060.00. Reason: To provide for probable transfer of control of medical inspection to the Public Health and Welfare Department.
- (4) The appropriation for maintenance is reduced in the amount of \$50,000.00 and this estimate approved for \$29,498.00. Reason: To eliminate from the estimate provision for repairs and improvements of an extraordinary kind; funds for which will be otherwise provided.
- (5) The appropriation for water is reduced in the amount of \$1,000.00 and this estimate approved for \$7,000.00. Reason: Present appropriation sufficient.
- (6) The appropriation for "Supervisor" is reduced in the amount of \$385.80 and the estimate approved for \$3,855.00. Reason: Salary increases are contrary to Council's policy.
- (7) The appropriation for Secretary is reduced in the amount of \$270.00 and the estimate approved for \$2,700.00. Reason: Salary increases are contrary to Council's policy.

Further resolved that a copy of the estimates as amended, reduced or otherwise altered be forwarded to the Board of School Commissioners for its information.

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Salaries, Cost of Living Bonus and New Superannuation
SCHEME

After lengthy consideration, it was decided to place \$5,000.00 in the salary estimate for the purpose of adjusting certain salaries should the Council so decide.

The following resolution was passed, setting forth the City's position with respect to salaries and cost of living bonus:-

WHEREAS the burden placed on the City of Halifax will be particularly heavy during the forthcoming year and therefore the extent to which we can increase the remuneration of civic employees is definitely limited, and in view of the revised salary scale as recently adopted, together with the cost of living bonus, and the further necessity of preparing a superannuation plan for all so-called permanent civic workers;

BE IT RESOLVED that this committee recommends against any increase in the existing scale of cost of living bonus in order to assure the implementation of the superannuation plan in 1943.

Salaries of Constables, Firemen and Administrative
Employees

In order to carry out an undertaking made with the firemen and policemen in February, 1942, by which they would receive their maximum salaries with the sixth automatic increase and to arrange for equivalent but not identical treatment in the case of prison guards and administrative workers, the following resolution, which has the approval of the Personnel Committee is forwarded to Council for adoption:-

WHEREAS the City Council on February 27, 1942, agreed to adjust the salaries of the firemen and policemen at the rate of \$80.00 annually for six years and to adjust any such salary on the occasion of the fifth automatic increase to \$1,600.00 and to the maximum of \$1,850.00 in the sixth year;

AND WHEREAS the City Council agreed subsequently to extend this principle to the prison guards and members of the administrative staff, other than department heads;

AND WHEREAS the City Council recently superceded these regulations by approving of a minimum and maximum scale with variable automatic increases;

AND WHEREAS the Finance and Executive Committee, on the recommendation of the Personnel Committee, are of opinion that the undertaking made with the firemen and policemen should be maintained;

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AND WHEREAS there are difficulties in applying the method described above to the prison guards and administrative staff;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this Council adjust the salaries of firemen and policemen in accordance with the undertaking made February 27, 1942, and adjust the salaries of the prison guards and administrative staff in accordance with the recently approved scale of minimum and maximum salaries, and automatic increases; provided however, that a salary adjustment appropriation be established to adjust certain salaries as recommended by the Personnel Committee in conformity with the undertaking of Council passed February 27, 1942.

Personnel Committee Report

The attached letter from the Personnel Committee was read and approved. It is forwarded to the Council for its information and as part of the regulations pertaining to the salary scale.

" February 22, 1943.

Chairman and Members
Finance and Executive Committee.

Gentlemen:-

1. At a meeting of the Personnel Committee held on the above date a letter was read from the Deputy City Clerk asking for further explanation in regards the plan that maximum salaries should be paid employees who have had twenty years service with the City. The Personnel Committee wished to clarify this, stating that this applied only to employees holding the same position over that period of time.

2. A letter from the Safety Committee referring to them a letter from Fire Chief Churchill asking for an increase in salary for Miss Condon was read. It was decided that if Miss Condon's work has increased due to the setting up of the Fire Prevention Board, then her salary should be reviewed by the Personnel Committee having in view that she will be carrying on this additional duty.

3. A letter from the Safety Committee referring a request of Deputy Chief of Police Fox was read asking for an increase in salary. The Personnel Committee feels that to disturb this one department and changing the scale of salary for him would entail changes of deputies salaries in many other departments and, therefore, it is recommended that no change be made at the present time.

4. A letter from the Safety Committee referring a letter from the dispatchers in the Police Department asking that their positions be changed from Constables to that of Sergeants with the usual change in salary be considered. The Personnel Committee recommends that no change be made at the present time as if they are given an increase it will again upset the scale of salaries for this Department and will bring them into the scale paid to Sergeants and further recommends that their rank should not be changed.

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5. A letter addressed to His Worship the Mayor, from the Civic Workers Association, No. 108, was read and considered. It requested that they be allowed representation at the next Personnel meeting. As it was felt by the members of the Personnel Committee present that this Association wished to bring before them facts in relation to cost of living bonus adjustments, and whereas, the Personnel Committee had already placed itself on record as feeling that cost of living bonus adjustments should not be handled by them, but by the Finance and Executive Committee or the City Council as a whole, no action was taken on the letter.

Respectfully submitted,

Allan R. Morton,
Chairman, Personnel Committee".

Request from Civic Workers Association

Mr. Charles Andrews addressed the committee and requested that the salary of meter readers be increased and that during the time an employee of the City Field was engaged in making brooms he receive an amount of 50¢ per hour.

Your committee, after considering rates applying in comparable positions, with respect to meter readers and the probability that the major portion of the salary scale would have to be changed in the event of an increase being granted, decided that they could not give approval to any increase in the scale.

The committee also considered the request of the Union to pay the broom maker at the rate of 50¢ an hour while so employed, and recommends to the Committee on Works that further consideration be given to this matter and the rate granted.

Respectfully submitted,

Donalda M. Crawford,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

The report was tabled.

Before reviewing the estimates, the Commissioner of Finance gave a summary of the situation.

The Commissioner stated that by projecting a rate of 3.50 against the residential realty and household tax a sum of \$1,182,200.00 is obtained.

If the City, he said, projected a rate of 4.30 against the business group, a revenue of \$1,392,800.00 is obtained. These two amounts, he

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said, added together, gives \$2,575,000.00 in round figures.

The Commissioner proposed that rather than increase the rate beyond 4.30 that legislation be obtained to use some of the reserve funds to overcome the deficiency.

The 4.30 rate, he said, is the rate that, in view of assurances given at the Legislative hearings ought to arise out of this plan in the first year.

The Council then dealt with the estimates, by schedule.

SCHEDULE "A" - JOINT ESTIMATES, MUNICIPALITY OF HALIFAX

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that Schedule "A" be approved. Motion passed.

SCHEDULE "B" - PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Ahern that Schedule "B" be approved. Motion passed.

5.10 P.M., Alderman MacKay arrives.

SCHEDULE "C" - CITY HOME

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Ahern that Schedule "C" be approved. Motion passed.

SCHEDULE "D" - FLEMING PARK

Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman O'Toole that Schedule "D" be approved. Motion passed.

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SCHEDULE "E" - PUBLIC GARDENS, PARKS AND COMMONS

Moved by Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Ahern that Schedule "E" be approved. Motion passed.

SCHEDULE "F" - POINT PLEASANT PARK

Moved by Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Kinley that Schedule "F" be approved. Motion passed.

SCHEDULE "G" - CITIZENS FREE LIBRARY

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Adams that Schedule "G" be approved. Motion passed.

SCHEDULE "H" - HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Moved by Alderman Coffin, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that Schedule "H" be approved. Motion passed.

This schedule includes the co-operate health budget.

Alderman Lloyd stated that this Council should place itself unanimously on record as having invited, through the co-operation of Dr. F. R. Davis, the Rockefeller Foundation report.

SCHEDULE "I" - SUPERANNUATIONS

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Ahern that Schedule "I" be approved. Motion passed.

SCHEDULE "J" - CITY GRANTS AND SUNDRIES

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Ahern that Schedule "J" be approved. Motion passed.

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SCHEDULES K, L, M, N, O

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Ahern that Schedules "K", "L", "M", "N" and "O" be approved. Motion passed.

SCHEDULE "P" - POLICE

Alderman Kinley said that he felt Council should go into the matter of salary increases for certain officials, as requested.

Moved by Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that Schedule "P" be approved. Motion passed.

SCHEDULE "Q" - CITY PRISON

Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Walker that Schedule "Q" be approved. Motion passed.

SCHEDULE "R" - WORKS DEPARTMENT

Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Coffin that Schedule "R" be approved.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Ahern that as this Schedule has been reduced considerably, that an amount of \$10,000.00 be restored to it for general estimates and the estimate then approved. Amendment passed.

SCHEDULE "S" - FIRE ALARM TELEGRAPH

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Ahern that this Schedule be approved. Motion passed.

SCHEDULE "S" - FIRE DEPARTMENT

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Ahern that this Schedule be approved. Motion passed.

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SCHEDULE "T" - MISCELLANEOUS

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Ahern that Schedule "T" be approved. Motion passed.

SCHEDULE "U" - SALARIES

A letter was read from the Commissioner of Finance re salary of Deputy City Clerk as follows:-

February 26th, 1943.

The Chairman
Finance and Executive Committee
and Members of City Council.

Dear Sirs:-

I should like to direct attention to the work of the Deputy City Clerk, especially during recent years when the estimates were in process of preparation and particularly in recent days when the same matter was before us.

Your committee is well aware that there were difficulties in carrying on.

I have a close knowledge of what I write of, and being aware of this official's zeal and interest in her work and having regard to the principle that certain employee groups reach their maximum salaries in six years, I strongly recommend that approval be given to Miss Crawford receiving her maximum salary for the position she holds, as from May 1st, 1942.

Miss Crawford has been with the City for over eleven years and in my opinion it would be a proper reward to her and in good measure would express the appreciation of the Council for her excellent services.

The members of the Personnel Committee support this proposal.

Yours very truly,

A. M. Butler,
COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the letter be approved and Miss Crawford granted her maximum salary as from May 1st, 1942. Motion passed unanimously.

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Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by
Alderman Hosterman that Schedule "U", as now
amended, be approved. Motion passed.

SCHEDULE "V" - ESTIMATED INCOME

This Schedule was approved.

CITY OF HALIFAX
ESTIMATES FOR CIVIC YEAR - 1943-44

ESTIMATES OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE CIVIC YEAR ENDING
APRIL 30th, 1944, AS PASSED BY CITY COUNCIL, FEBRUARY 26th, 1943.

Extra Assessment	1943-44	Increase	Decrease	1942-43
A-Joint estimates, Municipality of Halifax	\$67,908.22	\$4,085.97		\$63,822.25
B-Public Schools	924,721.48	61,035.86		863,685.62
C-City Home N. S. Hospital	49,284.60		\$10,000.00	59,284.60
D-Fleming Park	4,000.00	579.80		3,420.20
E-Public Gardens and Commons	20,000.00	1,765.40		18,234.60
F-Pt. Pleasant Park	5,689.60			5,689.60
G-Library	6,216.00			6,216.00
H-Health Board	22,582.98	1,939.98		20,643.00
Inf. Diseases Hosp.	25,423.80	4,506.00		20,917.80
T. B. Hospital	47,208.60	3,628.00		43,580.60
Co-operative Health	38,907.00	38,907.00		
I-Superannuations	59,949.09		6,277.55	66,226.64
J-City Grants & Sundries	272,044.27	22,477.14		249,567.13
K-Short Term Debentures and Interest	2,011.84		501.57	2,513.41
L-Interest on Consolidated Fund 1880	49,394.00			49,394.00
M-Interest on Consolidated Fund 1905	246,074.83		16,338.01	262,412.84
N-Sinking Fund Requirements	81,792.86		2,108.61	83,901.47
O-Interest and Instalments Serial Debentures	107,976.63	23,134.12		84,842.51
	<u>2,031,185.80</u>	<u>162,059.27</u>	<u>35,225.74</u>	<u>1,904,352.27</u>
General Assessment				
P-Police Department	168,051.36	24,586.56		143,464.80
Police Supplementary	17,590.00	17,590.00		
Q-Prison	32,442.00	1,275.00		31,167.00
R-City Works Dept.	360,000.00	39,234.02		320,765.98
S-Fire Department	234,465.00	47,282.00		187,183.00
Fire Alarm System	11,137.34	1,821.20		9,316.14
T-Miscellaneous	14,250.00	500.00		13,750.00
U-Salaries	127,250.28	2,282.28		124,968.00
	<u>855,185.98</u>	<u>134,581.06</u>		<u>830,604.92</u>
V-Less Estimated Income	339,172.36		121,536.19	217,636.17
Total General Assessment	626,013.62	134,581.06	121,536.19	612,968.75
Total Extra Assessment	<u>2,031,185.80</u>	<u>162,059.27</u>	<u>35,225.74</u>	<u>1,904,352.27</u>
	<u>2,657,199.42</u>	<u>296,640.33</u>	<u>156,761.93</u>	<u>2,517,321.02</u>
Add Provision Short Collections	39,708.00	1,948.00		37,760.00
	<u>2,676,907.42</u>	<u>298,588.33</u>	<u>156,761.93</u>	<u>2,555,081.02</u>
Less unexpended balance	5,000.00			5,000.00
Less estimated poll tax Civic Year 1943-44	75,000.00		35,000.00	40,000.00
	<u>2,616,907.42</u>	<u>298,588.33</u>	<u>191,761.93</u>	<u>2,510,081.02</u>
Previous Year	2,510,081.02	191,761.93		
INCREASE	<u>\$106,826.40</u>	<u>\$106,826.40</u>		

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

The following resolution was then submitted.

RESOLVED that the General and Ordinary Assessment amounting to \$965,185.98 less probable income \$339,172.36 making a total of \$626,013.62 and the extra assessment amounting to \$2,031,185.80 as set out in the yearly estimates herewith submitted for 1943-44 making a total of \$2,657,199.42 plus for short collections \$39,708.00 making \$2,676,907.42 less estimated poll tax \$75,000.00 and \$5,000.00 from unexpended balances making a total of \$2,616,907.42 be confirmed and do now pass and that the inhabitants and property within the City be assessed and rated for the said sum of \$2,616,907.42.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk is hereby directed to transmit the said estimates, together with a copy of this resolution to the Commissioner of Finance and Accounts on or before the 1st day of March next, and to instruct him to fix the rate of taxation for the year ending April 30th, 1944, on the basis of the said amount of \$2,616,907.42.

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

WATER ESTIMATES, 1943-44

The estimates of the Water Department were submitted as follows:-

<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Estimated 1943-44</u>	<u>Actual 1942</u>
Meter rates	\$258,000.00	\$258,943.00
Meter rentals	26,000.00	26,262.25
Special agreements	20,000.00	20,211.00
Fire protection	89,000.00	89,778.55
Bond rates	1,300.00	1,353.53
Interest	4,000.00	4,351.39
Miscellaneous	100.00	85.15
	\$398,400.00	400,984.87
<u>Less</u>		
Discounts	6,000.00	5,807.33
Reductions & adjustments	400.00	110.27
Short Collections	2,000.00	2,000.00
	8,400.00	8,317.60
	<u>390,000.00</u>	<u>392,667.27</u>

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Expenditures	Estimated Bonus 1943-44		Estimated Bonus 1942-43	
	Deputy Comm. of Works	\$3,500.00	\$120.00	\$3,400.00
Office Engineer (half)	1,250.00	60.00	1,250.00	60.00
Clerk of Works	2,500.00	120.00	2,500.00	120.00
Asst. Clerk of Works (half)	970.00	60.00	940.00	60.00
Supt. Water Dept.	2,400.00	120.00	2,300.00	120.00
Water Ledger Keeper	1,700.00	120.00	1,700.00	120.00
Water Ledger Keeper	1,700.00	120.00	1,700.00	120.00
Clerk-Grade 3	1,520.00	120.00	1,460.00	120.00
Clerk-Grade 3	1,260.00	120.00	1,100.00	120.00
Entry Clerk	1,300.00	72.00	1,300.00	72.00
Asst. Entry Clerk	1,000.00	72.00	868.00	72.00
Clerk-Grade 3	1,540.00	72.00	1,480.00	72.00
Clerk-Grade 2	1,020.00	72.00	780.00	72.00
Meter Reader	1,500.00	120.00	1,500.00	120.00
Meter Reader	1,300.00	120.00	1,300.00	120.00
Meter Reader	1,300.00	120.00	1,300.00	120.00
Meter Reader	1,300.00	120.00	1,300.00	120.00
Meter Reader	1,300.00	120.00	1,300.00	120.00
Meter Reader	1,300.00	120.00	1,300.00	120.00
Meter Shop Foreman	1,300.00	120.00	2,050.00	120.00
Blacksmith	1,684.80	120.00	1,684.80	120.00
Meter Foreman	1,830.00	120.00	1,830.00	120.00
Plumb. Inspector (half)	1,200.00	60.00	1,150.00	60.00
Cashiers Coll. Off (part)	700.00	60.00	700.00	60.00
Sub-Collector	1,600.00	120.00	1,600.00	120.00
Audit Clerk (3) part	900.00	90.00	900.00	90.00
Share Super. M.P.O. Tools	-	-	325.00	-
	<u>38,874.80</u>	<u>2,658.00</u>	<u>39,117.80</u>	<u>2,658.00</u>
Total		\$41,532.80		\$41,775.80
			Actual 1942	
Wages	72,000.00	7,200.00	65,672.24	6,474.45
Materials & Supplies	16,000.00		15,115.66	
General Expenses	35,000.00		18,052.34	
		<u>130,200.00</u>		<u>105,314.69</u>
Int. Consolidated Fund 1880			19,516.00	
Int. Consolidated Fund 1905			75,820.39	
Instalment Debenture			10,199.31	
Sinking Fund			20,925.63	
Dep. or Replacement Reserve			25,000.00	
				<u>151,521.33</u>
				\$ 298,611.82

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded
by Alderman MacKay that the estimates of the
Water Department be approved. Motion passed.

The Mayor stated that the Committee
on Works had received a request from the Dept. of
National Defence for permission to lay a cable
on South Street and he would like the members of
Council to indicate their willingness, subject to
regular
same being ratified at the next meeting of Council.

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Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded
by Alderman Ahern that the request be granted.
Motion passed.

LEGISLATION

The City Solicitor submitted the
following legislation.

1. Bill - changing name of Halifax Boxing Commission to Halifax Athletic Commission.
2. Sub-section 1 of Section 50 is amended by striking out the word "six" in the third line thereof and substituting therefor the word "seven".
3. Section 524 is repealed and the following substituted therefor -
"524. No street, the width of which is less than sixty feet shall hereafter be laid out under any enactment".
4. Sub-section (2) of Section 361, as that section is enacted by Section 4 of Chapter 55 of the Acts of 1936, is amended by adding thereto immediately after clause (p) thereof the following:

(q) By every person, firm or corporation not assessed for business tax, who or which carries on the business of constructing or altering buildings, installing plumbing, or heating, or electric wiring, or excavating
- \$250.00.
5. The City may from time to time expend a sum not exceeding Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) for the purpose of defraying any expense incurred by any Committee appointed by the Council for the purpose of studying post-war conditions as the same may affect the City and in particular the problems of housing and slum-clearance and reporting thereon to the Council, and the Council shall direct the matters upon which such sum or any portions thereof may be expended. Any sums required for the foregoing purpose may be borrowed from time to time from any fund or any bank, person or corporation available and with the interest included in the annual estimates next to be prepared.
6. Subsection (1) of Section 310, as that subsection was amended by section 13 of Chapter 51 of the Acts of 1942, is further amended by striking out the word "twenty" in the seventh line thereof and substituting therefor the words "twenty-five".

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7. Any balance remaining unexpended of the amounts appropriated for salaries or wages in the estimates for the civic year 1942-1943 shall not be paid into the unexpended balances account as provided by section 316 but may be applied for the purpose of supplementing the appropriation for salaries or wages in the civic year 1943-1944.
8. Section 360 is amended by adding thereto the following subsection:
 - (4) The Nova Scotia Light and Power Company Limited shall pay as an annual business tax under the authority of Section 357 in respect of its occupancy for the purposes of its business of real property on Lower Water Street and at Francklyn Park, commencing with and in respect of the civic year 1942-1943 and continuing annually during the present war and for one year thereafter, a business tax of \$20,000.00 in the place and stead of any other business tax imposed under said Section 357 in respect of the said real property.
9. The paragraph inserted in subsection (1) of Section 310 by Section 7 of Chapter 65 of the Acts of 1937 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:-

A sum not exceeding Two Thousand Dollars for the purpose of pruning, trimming and replacing trees in the streets by the Committee on Works.
10. The City may during the civic year 1943-1944 pay towards the expenses of the Commissioner appointed under the authority of Chapter 68 of the Acts of 1939, An Act respecting the Metropolitan Area of Halifax and Dartmouth, a sum not exceeding \$2500.00, and such sum may be borrowed from any fund or any bank, person or corporation available and with the interest thereon included in the estimates for the civic year 1944-1945 and repaid therefrom.
11. In any case in which the City may have authority to borrow any sums of money from any bank or fund available or from any fund or any bank, person or corporation available and has borrowed or may borrow money under the said authority but has not issued any stock or debentures therefore, the City may nevertheless issue and sell its stock or debentures to any person or corporation to such amount as may be required to repay the sums so borrowed from such fund, bank, person or corporation together with any interest which may have accrued thereon and apply the proceeds of such stock or debentures to the repayment of such sums, and such stock or debentures so issued and sold shall have the maturity set out in the enactment authorizing the City to borrow such sums as aforesaid.

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12. The City may borrow the sums set out in Schedule "A" hereof for the purposes set opposite each item respectively. The sums so borrowed, which may be borrowed from time to time and in such amounts as the Council of the City determines, shall be borrowed in accordance with the provisions of the Halifax City Charter relating to the Halifax City Consolidated Fund, and be in addition to the amounts previously authorized to be borrowed as part of that Fund, and shall form part of that Fund. They shall be secured by stock or debentures to be issued in conformity with the said provisions at a rate of interest to be determined by the Council of the City at the time of making any loan under the authority of this Act, and the dates on which the same are payable shall be determined by the Council.

The City may borrow from any fund or any bank, person or corporation available the sums set out in Schedule "B" hereto and expend the same for the purposes set out opposite each item. The sums so borrowed shall be repaid with interest respectively in such number of yearly instalments as the Council may determine, not exceeding ten such instalments, the first payment to be made from the appropriation provided therefor in the annual estimates next to be approved by the Council following the borrowing of such respective sums and shall be made at such time as the Council shall determine, and one instalment in each succeeding year at such time in such year as the Council shall determine and the amount of each instalment and the interest shall be included in the estimates for the year in which the same is payable.

The City may borrow from any fund or any bank, person or corporation available the sums set out in Schedule "C" hereto and expend the same for the purposes set out opposite each item. The sums so borrowed, with the interest thereon to the date of repayment hereof, may be included in the estimates for the civic year 1944-1945 and repaid therefrom.

Schedule "A"

For the construction of concrete sidewalks, curbs and gutters, etc., a sum not exceeding	\$10,000.00
To supplement the amount authorized to be borrowed for the purchase of two pumpers for the Fire Department and/or the erection of a new Fire Station by Schedule "A" to Chapter 51 of the Acts of 1942 and for the same purposes, a sum not exceeding	8,500.00
For the purchase of two motor-drawn ladder trucks for the Fire Department, a sum not exceeding	40,000.00

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For the purchase of lands on the watersheds of the lakes constituting the water supply of the City, a sum not exceeding \$42,000.00

To supplement the amount authorized to be borrowed for the purpose of defraying the cost of the erection of a new fire station and the purchase of land on which to erect the same or any portion thereon by Section 60 of Chapter 60 of the Acts of 1934, and for the same purpose, a sum not exceeding 46,000.00

For the purpose of defraying the cost of the erection of a building to be used as a police station and for the purchase of land on which to erect the same or any portion thereof, a sum not exceeding 250,000.00

To defray the cost of the erection and addition to the Tuberculosis Hospital and the equipping of the same, a sum not exceeding 200,000.00

For the purchase and installation of water pipes and pumps for the purpose of making the waters of Halifax Harbour available as auxiliary fire protection for the City of Halifax, a sum not exceeding 30,000.00

Schedule "B"

For the construction of a wharf and landing stage at Fleming Park, a sum not exceeding 800.00

For the construction and placing of safety zones in the streets of the City, a sum not exceeding 1,700.00

For the purchase and installation of a new furnace at City Hall, and to defray the cost of work incidental to the same, a sum not exceeding 3,000.00

To defray the cost of preparing and printing an office consolidation of the City Charter, a sum not exceeding 3,000.00

To defray the cost of rehabilitation of the Citizens Free Library, a sum not exceeding 1,000.00

For the purchase and installation of an X-ray machine for the Tuberculosis Hospital and equipment therefor, a sum not exceeding 2,500.00

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Schedule "B"

- To supplement the appropriation provided in the estimates for the civic year 1945-1946 for the purpose of pruning, trimming and replanting trees in the streets and for the said purpose, a sum not exceeding \$1,500.00
- To pay as a contribution to the Canadian Red Cross Society in accordance with the requests for contributions, a sum not exceeding \$10,000.00
- To pay the salaries as the appropriation for printing and stationery for the civic year 1945-1946, a sum not exceeding \$1,000.00
- To pay the salaries of the City Engineer for the civic year 1945-1946, a sum not exceeding \$500.00
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- To pay to the City Engineer for the civic year 1945-1946, a sum not exceeding \$1,500.00

13.

Section 265, as that section is amended by Section 8 of the Act of the 20th of 1935, is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

265. (1) Every debenture hereafter issued by the City, under the authority of any Act of the Legislature of the Province of Nova Scotia, shall have thereon a certificate as follows:

"This debenture is valid and binding according to its terms and its validity is not open to question in any Court in the Province of Nova Scotia and this certificate is given in pursuance of the provisions of the Halifax City Charter

Dated at Halifax, N. S. this _____ day of _____ 1945

City Engineer, City of Halifax."

(2) The said certificate on a debenture when signed by the City Engineer shall be conclusive that the City of Halifax had full power and authority in law and in fact to make and issue the same and that the same had been lawfully and validly made and issued, and such debenture shall be valid and binding upon the City of Halifax in pursuance of its terms, and its validity shall not be open to question in any Court in the Province of Nova Scotia.

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(3) The City Solicitor may give such certificate notwithstanding any irregularity in the proceedings prior to the issue of the debentures, or any departure from the forms in the City Charter, or any noncompliance with the requirements of the City Charter, if he is of the opinion that the provisions of the City Charter or enactment under the authority of which the debentures purport to be issued have been substantially complied with.

14. Section 33A, as that section is enacted by Section 25 of Chapter 48 of the Acts of 1935, is amended by striking out the words "at any time between the date of the publication in the Royal Gazette of its intention to do so and the expiration of one year therefrom" in the seventh, eighth and ninth lines thereof, and substituting therefor the words "at any time after the Council has passed a resolution to call in and pay off such permanent stock".

15. (1) Section 7 of Chapter 50 of the Acts of 1888 is amended by striking out all the words following the word "and" in the fifth line thereof.

(2) Said Section 7 of said Chapter 50 is further amended by inserting a semi-colon after the said word "and" in the fifth line thereof.

(3) Said Section 7 of said Chapter 50 is further amended by inserting therein immediately following the said word "and" in the fifth line thereof the following words

"all such notices to be given to the holders of the said permanent stock so to be called in and paid off shall be and be deemed to be validly given if sent by ordinary mail prepaid to the registered holders of the said permanent stock, and any and all such notices shall be deemed to have been given at the expiration of three days after the same have been posted. The failure of any holder of such permanent stock to receive such notice shall in no way invalidate or otherwise prejudicially affect the said calling in".

16. (1) The City may provide a sum not exceeding Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) and the same may be expended by the Council or by the Halifax Civilian Emergency Committee or by such other Committee as may be from time to time designated by the Council in that behalf for the purpose of providing safeguards and protection for the citizens of Halifax and for their property from possible dangers which may develop from the present state of war, provided that such Committee shall not make, incur, or authorize any expenditure or enter into any contract in excess of Two Hundred Dollars without the same having first been approved by the Council.

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(2) The bills and accounts for all expenditures to be charged against the appropriation provided in the preceding subsection shall be submitted to the Council for its information.

(3) Any sums from time to time required by the City for the purposes hereinbefore set out may as required be borrowed from any fund or any bank, person or corporation available and with the interest thereon be included in the estimates of the City next to be prepared following such borrowing and repaid therefrom.

17. (1) Section 42 of Chapter 56 of the Acts of 1941 is repealed.

(2) The inclusion in the estimates for the civic year 1943-1944 of the full amount of annual allowances for certain retired employees of the City other than or in addition to any allowance under any Superannuation Fund to which such employees are entitled is hereby ratified and confirmed.

18. Section 766A of the laws is enacted by Section 8 of Chapter 58 of the Acts of 1938, and amended by Section 17 of Chapter 22 of the Acts of 1942 is further amended by adding thereto the following subsections:

(5) The Collector may in writing request any employer to collect from any person named in any statement furnished by him to the Assessor purporting to contain the names of the persons employed by him as hereinbefore provided, who at the date of such request is in his employ, and also from any other person liable for the poll tax who is at such date in his employ, the poll tax due by such person in respect of the civic year then current or the preceding civic year or both such years unless such person has himself already paid such poll tax to the City. Such request may be made prior to the first day of June in the calendar year succeeding the year in which such statement is required to be furnished as hereinbefore provided.

(6) If the salary, remuneration or other income being received by such person at the time the request is made does not exceed the rate of One Thousand Dollars, such employer shall collect such tax within two months from the date of the said request and if such salary, remuneration or other income exceeds the rate of One Thousand Dollars such employer shall collect such tax within one month from the date of such request.

(7) Upon the receipt of such request from the Collector the employer shall, from the salary or other remuneration paid by him to such person, make such deductions for the purpose of paying such poll tax as may be necessary to collect the same together with any and any penalties or interest accruing thereon within the time set out in subsection (6) hereof, unless such poll tax has been paid to the City since the date of such request and such person produces an official receipt therefor.

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(8) Any such employer who has been requested to collect such poll tax as hereinbefore provided shall within fifteen days after the expiration of the respective times set out in subsection (6) hereof pay to the Collector the sums so collected together with any penalties or interest which may have accrued in respect of any such poll tax, and shall furnish a statement setting out the names and addresses of the persons from whose salary or remuneration the same has been deducted.

(9) Upon making such deductions, the employer shall give to the person from whose salary or remuneration any sum has been deducted a receipt stating the amount so deducted for the poll tax, which receipt or receipts shall be replaced by the official receipt issued by the City Collector as hereinafter provided.

(10) No employer shall be required to collect such tax in respect of any person named in such statement who was not in his employ on the date of such request, but every employer shall promptly notify the Collector of such fact and shall give such information as he may have which will enable the Assessor to locate such person.

(11) Every employer shall in each year prior to the fifteenth day of November in such year furnish the Collector with a statement under oath setting out the names and addresses of all persons over the age of twenty-one years who have been employed by such employer during such period, together with the date of the commencement of the employment and the name of the previous employer of such person if the same is known to him. The Collector shall each year in the month of October by six insertions in six consecutive issues of each of two newspapers published in the City of Halifax give notice to all employers in the City of the requirements of this section. Any employer who being liable to do so fails to furnish such list as required by this section shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding Fifty Dollars for each person so employed whom such employer has failed to include in such list and in default of payment thereof to imprisonment for a period not exceeding one month.

(12) Any employer who has been requested by the Collector to collect such poll tax and who fails to deduct the same as hereinbefore provided from the salary or remuneration paid by him to such person or who, having deducted the same, fails to pay the same to the Collector within the time limited in subsection (8) hereof shall nevertheless himself pay the amount of such poll tax so uncollected or any uncollected balance thereof and upon his failure to pay to the Collector the amount of such poll tax or poll taxes as hereinbefore provided the same may be collected from such

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employer by action in the name of the City as a debt due to the City and such employer shall also be liable in respect of each such poll tax so unpaid to a penalty not exceeding Fifty Dollars or in default of payment thereof to imprisonment for a period not exceeding one month.

(13) Upon receipt by the Collector from any employer of any poll taxes or portions thereof the Collector shall forthwith issue a receipt of same and issue an official receipt to each of the persons from whose salary or remuneration the same was deducted, as shown upon the statement thereof submitted by such employer, which receipt shall state the name of the employer who has remitted the amounts set out therein.

19. The Charter is amended by inserting therein, immediately following Section 857 thereof, the following section:

857(1) The City may establish a board, to be known as The Fire Prevention Board, and may appoint the persons constituting the same and such employees thereof as the Council shall determine to be necessary. The duty of such Board shall be to inspect all common and special fire hazards in the City and the facilities provided for combating and preventing fires, including the supply of water therefor, and the measures and precautions being taken for the protection of life and property from fire. Such board shall at least once in every civic year report upon its activities to the Council and shall from time to time make such recommendations as it may determine for the reduction of such hazards and the improvement of such facilities, measures and precautions.

(2) The Board shall also notify such persons as the Council may by ordinance prescribe respecting any violation of any statute or of any by-law, regulation or ordinance which may increase the danger from fire or which may affect the safety of life or property in the event of a fire occurring.

(3) The Council may by ordinance prescribe the manner in which such Board shall be constituted and governed and the duties of its members and employees.

(4) The members of such Board or any persons employed in carrying out the duties of such Board shall for the purpose of carrying out the objects of the Board have the right to demand admission into any building or premises in the City and to inspect any portion of the same, and any person refusing admission to such persons or obstructing or hindering them in the performance of their duties shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding One Hundred Dollars and in default of payment to imprisonment for a period not exceeding Two months.

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(5) The Council may pay such sums as it may determine to defray the salaries and other necessary expenses of the Board and of its employees.

(6) Any sums required during the civic year 1943-1944 to defray the cost of establishing and maintaining such Board may be borrowed from any fund or from any bank, person or corporation and included in the estimates for the civic year 1944-1945 and repaid therefrom, and any sums required for any civic year subsequent to the civic year 1943-1944 may be included in the estimates for such year.

20. Notwithstanding the provisions of clause (a) of subsection (1) of section 247, the City may appoint constables for the police force who at the time of application are over thirty years of age, who shall continue in office for the duration of the present war and to the end of the civic year commencing immediately thereafter unless their employment is sooner discontinued by the committee. Such constables shall comply with all other requirements demanded of applicants for the office of constable and shall be paid such salary as the Council shall from time to time determine. Such constables shall be subject to the same discipline and have the same authority and perform the same duties as the constables holding full qualifications set out in said Section 247.

21. (1) The City shall pay to James William Flannigan, a member of the Police Department of the City, as a pension 2% of his retirement annual allowance of \$100.00 payable in monthly instalments of \$0.60 for the remainder of his life.

(2) The said allowance shall be paid as from the date of retirement of the said James William Flannigan aforesaid, and the sums required to pay the portion of the said allowance for the civic year 1942-1943 and for the civic year 1943-1944 may be borrowed by the City from any fund or any bank, person or corporation available and with the interest thereon included in the estimates for the civic year 1944-1945 and repaid therefrom, and all sums necessary to pay such allowance for the civic year 1944-1945 and subsequent years shall be included in such estimates for the civic year in which such allowance is to be paid.

22. (1) Section 1771 a. that section is enacted by Section 23 of Chapter 56 of the Acts of 1940, is amended by inserting therein in the third line thereof between the words "and" and "shall" the words "to, during the layoff for the time being".

(2) said Section 1771 a. is further amended by inserting therein at the sixth line thereof between the words "and" and "shall" the following words:

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"The Mayor shall not be eligible for election as Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Committee or to move, second or vote on any motions before any meeting of the same but shall otherwise have equal rights and privileges with the other members of the Committee".

23. Section 375B, as that section is enacted by Section 25 of Chapter 51 of the Acts of 1942, is amended by striking out all the words following the word "value" in the eighteenth line thereof.

Subsection (1) of Section 409, as that section is amended by Section 32 of Chapter 51 of the Acts of 1942, is amended by striking out the words and figures "375B and 375C" in the second line thereof and substituting therefor the words and figures "and 375B".

24. Subsection (2) of Section 123, as that section is enacted by Section 19 of Chapter 56 of the Acts of 1940, is amended by adding to the proviso added thereto by section 4 of Chapter 56 of the Acts of 1941, the following words:

"and such bailiff shall be known as 'The City Marshal'".

25. The Solicitor submitted an outline of legislation proposed re setting up Superannuation Fund, providing for yearly contributions by employees and City and the contribution by the City of an additional annual sum for the first five years; the plan to be adopted by a two-thirds vote of Council and any amendments thereto by the same vote. Authority to be provided to enable City to secure funds to enable it to make its contribution and for provision that funds should be reviewed by qualified actuary after first five years thereof and thereafter in every tenth year; cost of same to be borne by the City.

The Solicitor was instructed to prepare and submit legislation along these general lines.

26. Section 840A is repealed.

27. The City may during the civic year 1943-44 withdraw from the Reserve fund referred to in Section 334 a sum not exceeding \$50,000.00 and apply the same to the estimates for the said civic year.

28. The following legislation arises from the report of the Rockefeller Survey.

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(a) Subsection (2) of Section 875, as that section is enacted by Section 26 of Chapter 56 of the Acts of 1941, is amended by striking out the words "and supervise the enforcement of sanitary regulations in effect in the City" in the ninth, tenth and eleventh lines thereof.

(b) The City may enter into an agreement with Dalhousie University respecting the use of the Dalhousie Public Health Clinic Building by the Department of Public Health and Welfare.

(c) Paragraph 1 of Clause (c) of subsection (1) of Section 109, as that section is enacted by Section 11 of Chapter 56 of the Acts of 1940, is amended by adding thereto the following words:

"One of the aldermen on such committee shall be selected from among the Commissioners of the Board of School Commissioners appointed by the Council. Any such alderman so appointed who ceases to be a Commissioner shall also thereby vacate his place on such Committee and the Council shall forthwith fill such vacancy as aforesaid".

(d) Section 880 is amended by adding thereto the following clause:

(1) the supervision and control of the medical and dental examination of the officers, teachers, janitors and pupils of the Public Schools in the City of Halifax and the medical supervision over the physical education provided in such schools.

(e) Clause (j) of Section 920 is repealed.

(f) The City may, out of the estimates approved for the Board of School Commissioners for the civic year 1943-1944, retain the amounts provided therein for medical inspection and dental inspection and include such amounts in the appropriations provided for the civic year 1943-1944 for the Committee on Public Health and Welfare to be used to defray the cost of the medical and dental examination of the officers, teachers, janitors and pupils of the Public Schools of the City.

The suggestion that the item dealing with the changing of the title of City Bailiff be referred to the Safety Committee with instructions to select the proper name and advise the Solicitor was approved.

Safety Com.

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Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the legislation as submitted, with the exception of the item re Bailiff, be approved. Motion passed.

GENERAL RESERVE

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reviser
The Commissioner of Finance stated that there should be authority granted to use up to \$50,000.00 of the general reserve if it should prove necessary in the striking of a moderate rate.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Ahern that an item be included in the legislation granting authority to use the general reserve in the manner outlined. Motion passed.

HEALTH SURVEY

Read report of the Public Health and Welfare Committee submitting report of the Commissioner of Health re health survey..

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His Worship the Mayor
and Members City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Public Health and Welfare, held on Tuesday, February 23rd, 1943, consideration was given to the recommendations embodied in a report covering a survey of the Public Health services of the City, made by the Rockefeller Foundation.

The Committee adopted a report, copy of which is attached, submitted by the Commissioner of Health, giving a resume of the important features brought out in a study of the report at several previous meetings held by the Committee.

The Committee recommends that the report be implemented by the City Council.

The Committee further recommends that Hon. Dr. F. R. Davis, Minister of Health for the Province of Nova Scotia, be requested to ask the Rockefeller Foundation to implement their recommendations financially.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur C. Pettipas,
SECRETARY TO COMMITTEE.

February 26th, 1943.

Halifax, N. S.,
February 23, 1943.

Chairman and Members
Committee on Public Health and Welfare.

Gentlemen:-

Following the meetings of this Committee held in the office of His Worship on Monday, February 15th, Friday, February 19th, and Sunday, February 21st, 1943, when a close study of the survey, as presented by the Rockefeller Foundation, on the Public Health services of the City of Halifax was made, the following is a brief resume of the points brought out in the study with explanations of the suggested proposals and an estimation of how and when these suggestions can be implemented. It also gives an estimate of the cost for each of these suggested changes, and which part the City would be called upon to finance, and the financial assistance proposed by the Foundation, which, of course, must be requested from them through Dr. the Hon. F. R. Davis, Minister of Health.

It will be recalled that in June of 1941, the Minister of Health, in a letter to His Worship, pointed out the Health situation and suggested certain immediate changes, which were in part carried out, and associated his Department with certain commitments in regard to a new Victoria General Hospital, if the City acted on his proposals. He suggested in that letter that the Rockefeller Foundation might assist, and they were later requested by Council to make the survey, and now propose certain changes, and their willingness, if asked, to assist in financing the same.

The changes which can be brought about immediately that legislation and finances are available are outlined below:-

1. Office of Administration:-
 - (a) Superintendent of Health to confine his work to the business management of the Health Department proper and the Tuberculosis and Infectious Diseases Hospitals.
 - (b) Accounts Clerk be appointed to look after the accounts for the above two Hospitals, either in the Health Department or in the Department of Finance of the City.
 - (c) Appointment of a Secretary to the Commissioner is already done.
 - (d) Clerk, Grade 2, to carry on routine work of the Department and act as Secretary to the Superintendent of Health.

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- (e) Clerk, Grade 1, to do other routine work in the Department.
- (f) That the Commissioner contact the authorities of Dalhousie Public Health Clinic with the aim of having same immediately and possibly the whole Department housed in their building, at no additional cost to the City and to report his efforts to the Committee on Public Health and Welfare for their approval and that of Council.

Cost over and above present estimates in 1943-44.

Accounts Clerk	\$960.00
Clerk, Grade 2	960.00
	<u>\$1,920.00</u>

This amount will be paid during the first year by the International Health Division of the Rockefeller Foundation. Office equipment, educational supplies, etc., totalling \$6,300.00, to be paid by the City, with \$420.00 assistance from the International Health Division of the Rockefeller Foundation, much of this would be a first year expenditure. Only a part of this cost is already in our regular estimates.

2. Vital Statistic Services:-

That a clerk, Grade 3, be employed and that her appointment be confirmed by the Provincial Government to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths and Issuer of marriage licenses for this area.

This service is now carried on in the office of the Provincial Health Department and paid for in part by the City (\$700.00) annually would give the City Department of Health valuable statistics necessary in the operating of a modern Health Department. That a Grade 2 clerk also be employed in the same Department along with the present Field Record clerk.

This Department to begin operations as soon as personnel is available and on the retirement of the present Halifax Divisional Registrar and the Provincial Department of Health makes way for the transfer, including necessary changes in the Provincial statutes. It is pointed out that the cost here would be an additional \$1,460.00 paid for in the first year by the International Health Division of the Rockefeller Foundation; this being made up of \$500.00 towards a Grade 3 Clerk, and \$960.00 for a Grade 2 Clerk; the balance of \$700.00 for a Grade 3 Clerk to be transferred from the grants estimate to the Health Department estimates, and it is further pointed out that the revenue of 25¢ for each birth certificate given and \$1.00 for each marriage license issued would be revenue coming in and would almost, if not in full, pay the salaries of those two additional clerks.

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3. Communicable Disease Control

Trained field director of communicable disease control be appointed, a man with medical and Public Health degrees and training to act as epidemiologist. He would be called upon to investigate all infectious diseases and trace their source, and this would include both tuberculosis work, special surveys, and Venereal Disease control, as well as the common notifiable diseases.

That legislation be obtained to increase the size of the City Tuberculosis Hospital and the purchase of an X-ray; for the benefit of patients in the Hospital and work of surveys, in the better control of this condition which is the largest single cause of death of citizens between the ages of 5 and 45 years of age.

The bringing of this section into operation depends upon obtaining a properly qualified director and permission from the Federal Government to enlarge the present Hospital. The cost of operation of this division would be paid in full for the first year by the International Health Division of the Rockefeller Foundation including salary of Social Hygiene worker, whose work under the director and in co-operation with the Morality squad and Policewoman, could round up venereal infected persons for treatment, and follow up those who are delinquent in treatment at the Provincially operated Clinic for same. Additional cost \$5,100.00.

4. Public Health Nurses

That a well trained and experienced Supervisor of nurses be appointed at once to supervise the work of the present City nursing staff, and further, that two additional nurses with Public Health training be appointed and the four School nurses be transferred to the Nursing staff of the Department of Public Health and Welfare.

The additional cost here would be very small, the only change being that the salary scale quotes \$1,300.00 and this should be increased to \$1,500.00, the difference of \$200.00 to be paid by the International Health Division of the Rockefeller Foundation. The item of \$1,300.00 should be included in the Health estimates for 1943-44.

This would mean 15 nurses doing School and General work, but each School would have a nurse in attendance each day of the week, and each nurse would have a small district of the City close to the Schools she was assigned.

This appointment of a Supervisor should be made as soon as possible so that plans can be drafted during the summer holidays for the implementation of this service at the beginning of the new school term.

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It is also suggested that in view of this change in School work a member of the School Board should act on the Committee on Public Health and Welfare and legislation be obtained to support this.

5. Maternal, Infant and Child Welfare

Under this heading the Rockefeller Report says:

"It is recommended that a full-time medical director with a public Health degree be employed to take charge of a section of the maternal, infant and child hygiene and to replace the two physicians now engaged by the School Commissioners to render part time school medical inspection services; that the nursing, dental, and physical education services of the schools be transferred from the direction of the School Commissioners to the Public Health and Welfare Committee, in order that the school health services may logically become an integral part of the program of this section".

To implement this recommendation would require a full-time Director whose time would be spent in school work during school hours and in well baby and pre-school clinics, after school hours. The maternal examinations by private physicians or Dalhousie Public Health Clinic is work which the V. O. N. will assist in as they do at present. Once the confinement period is over the baby is then under this Department or private physicians. The Doctor who examines school children can determine their fitness for school routine and also for physical exercise and training and arrange for correction of defects found.

The Director would be required to teach personal and community hygiene under the Public Health Education Section in conjunction with the Commissioner and have only medical direction over physical education in the schools.

This service cannot be established until a qualified Director is available; in any event it could hardly be possible to make it available before the re-opening of the schools after the summer holidays.

The School Dental Services would function under the direction of this division.

The cost to the City here would be one additional physician; \$2,600.00 to be paid in full by the International Health Division of the Rockefeller Foundation the first year, the balance, \$1,000.00 from School estimates.

That amounts now in school estimates for Nursing and Dental services be transferred to the Health Department to cover salaries of personnel so transferred.

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6. Dalhousie Public Health Clinic

Under this heading the Rockefeller Report says:-

"It is recommended that authorization be given the Commissioner of Health and Welfare to explore the desirability of working out a plan of co-operation for the consideration and action of the Committee on Public Health and Welfare, with the Director of the Dalhousie Public Health Clinic, which would provide for the further development and integration of the public health facilities of the Clinic with the preventive medicine facilities of the Department of Public Health and Welfare."

Co-operation is essential to have Preventive Medicine, Immunization, Pre and Post Natal, Well Baby, Pre School, Pre School Dental, Chest, and other Clinics, as well as Nurses' Headquarters radiating from the Health Clinic. The City now provides eighteen cents per visit. No more is to be given; in fact, the cost per visit would likely show a decrease if the building was used more extensively.

7. Sanitation Services:

Under this heading the Rockefeller Report says:-

"It is recommended that provision be made for the employment of a trained sanitary engineer as Director of sanitary section of the Public Health Division."

It is my opinion that such an appointment should be made so that the services of the sanitary engineer could be made available at the start of the civic year, 1943-44, on May 1st. The establishment of this new division is contingent upon enabling the Superintendent of Health to devote all his time to the business affairs of the entire Department. The salary of the engineer at \$2,400.00 is the only increase and is paid for by the International Health Division of the Rockefeller Foundation for the first year.

Briefly, the sanitary engineer would be required to direct:

1. Watershed survey and elimination of sources of possible contamination.
2. Water chlorination to be checked regularly under the control of this Department for advise, etc. Reserve Chlorinator to be provided.
3. Samples of water to be collected twice daily in different reservoirs or systems.
4. Classification of Restaurants.
5. Meat Market, sanitation improved City Market.

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6. Sanitary inspection public schools.
7. Housing survey.
8. Street cleaning, etc.
9. Regulations for control of these matters to be revised and modernized as soon as possible.

8. Public Health Operating Manual

Under this heading the Rockefeller Report says:

"It is recommended that a public health operating manual embodying the principles, policies, and procedures of the entire health organization, be prepared for the guidance and orientation of the staff in the fulfilment of their several functions."

The preparation of this Manual should be undertaken without delay, as this entails revamping most of the City Ordinances and Regulations of the Present Department to bring them in line with present day trend of public health.

9. It is also recommended that a co-ordinating committee be organized to consist of the Chief Health Officer of the Province, the Commissioner of Health and Welfare of Halifax, the Hygiene Officers of the Army, Navy, and Air Forces located in Halifax, a local representative of the Department of Pensions and National Health, and of the Halifax Medical Society.

In addition to the sums mentioned above the International Health Division of the Rockefeller Foundation would assist the City towards transportation to the extent of \$900.00; this makes a total contribution of \$15,000.00 during the first year and the additional expenses to the City would be about \$5,000.00 over and above amounts now showing in the estimates as tabled last week.

(sgd) Allan R. Morton M.D., M.P.H.
Commissioner of Health.

Moved by Alderman Coffin, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that the reports be adopted and the necessary legislation secured. Motion passed.

6.25 P.M.,

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, 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.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY
MARCH 11, 1943.

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corner Armview Avenue and
Pryor Street.
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17. Report Public Health and Welfare Committee re tenders for groceries.
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20. Questions by Aldermen.
21. Report Comm. on Works re underground cable, South Street.
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29. Letter Commissioner of Finance re tax rate 1943-44.
30. Report Chief Accountant re tax collections for the month of
February, 1943.

EVENING SESSION

8.05 o'clock,
Council Chamber,
City Hall,
March 11th, 1943.

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 Ahern.

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

The following named papers were submitted:-

MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman McDonald that the minutes of the previous meetings be approved. Motion passed.

ACCOUNTS

Read 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 \$14,894.71; the Committee on Safety amounting to \$762.31 chargeable to Fire Alarm; \$15,204.84 chargeable to Fire Department and \$12,987.99 chargeable to Police Department; the Committee on Public Health and Welfare amounting to \$9,731.06 chargeable to Health Department; \$14,054.85 chargeable to City Home and \$2,324.60 chargeable to City Prison; the Committee on Works amounting to \$12,941.57; Civic Defence Committee amounting to \$1,353.14 under the provisions of Section 315 of the City Charter.

Moved by Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the resolution as submitted be approved and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

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TAG DAYS

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

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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 this day, applications for permission
to hold tag days in the City of Halifax were
considered as follows:-

The Kiwanis Club - Saturday, April 17th
Cornwallis Street Baptist
United Church - Saturday, May 15th
Canadian National
Institute for the
Blind - Saturday, September 15th.

Your committee approves of the above
mentioned applications and recommends same to the
City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

Donalda M. Crawford,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

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

Motion passed.

APPLICATION - BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS

Mr. J. S. Beza
Read report of the Finance and Executive
Committee re application, Board of School
Commissioners.

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March 10th, 1943.

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, an
application from the Board of School Commissioners
for the sum of \$55,500.00 for capital expenditures
was read.

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Your committee recommends that the City Council make no opposition to this application when it is made before the Governor-in-Council.

Respectfully submitted,

Donalda M. Crawford,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

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

ADJUSTMENT OF SALARY TO MR. L. A. GASTONGUAY

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee re adjustment of salary to Mr. L. A. Gastonguay.

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March 10th, 1943.

His Worship the Mayor
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held this day, the attached letter from the Commissioner of Finance making application on behalf of Mr. L. A. Gastonguay for an adjustment of the salary paid to him when Mayor of the City of Halifax, was read.

The amount of the adjustment is \$900.00, and your committee recommends that legislation be obtained in order that Mr. Gastonguay be reimbursed the said sum.

Respectfully submitted,

Donalda M. Crawford,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

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

SURVEY OF WATER SYSTEM

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee and letters of the City Solicitor re survey of water system.

*Check of works
Board of Public
Works Halifax*

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Halifax, N. S.,
March 10th, 1943.

His Worship the Mayor
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held this day, a report from the City Solicitor on the subject - Survey of Water System - was read.

Your committee recommends the programme, as outlined by the Solicitor, for approval, and that legislation be secured to permit its being carried out.

Respectfully submitted,

Donalda M. Crawford,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

March 10th, 1943.

W. E. Donovan, Esq.,
Mayor and Chairman of the Finance
and Executive Committee.

Dear Sir:-

At the meeting of the Committee on Works held the 9th instant, the recommendation that an independent survey of the entire water system be carried out by engineers appointed by the Public Utilities Board was considered and recommended to the Council for adoption. This will entail some expense as will also any expenditure necessary to rectify the present situation. Both of these expenditures will be a matter of "Water Capital" and will enter the rate base of this utility.

I would suggest in view of the unknown amount of these expenditures and the consequent impossibility of estimating the amount for which we should secure legislative authority, that legislation be sought to enable the City to expend for this purpose such cost of the survey and also such other sums necessary to carry out any order made by the Board after such survey for the purpose of carrying out the improvements ordered to be made.

Our authority would then be controlled by the Public Utilities Board and would be in line with the control exercised by such Board over other utilities. A general approval of this plan will enable me to prepare the necessary legislation.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune,
CITY SOLICITOR.

March 11th, 1943.

March 8th, 1943.

W. E. Donovan, Esq.,
Mayor and Chairman of the
Committee on Works.

Dear Sir:-

As you are aware several weeks ago I advised your Committee that a complaint had been lodged with the Public Utilities Board by several consumers on Spring Garden Road in the section between Birmingham Street and Hastings Street to the effect that the supply of water available to them was most inadequate.

The Commissioner of Works and the undersigned attended on the Board as requested by the Board and instructed by your Committee. This hearing was held on February 20th, 1943. The matter was adjourned until March 6th, 1943, and the City was also represented at this time.

At the first hearing evidence was given by the complainants to the effect that it was not always possible to secure water at the fixtures on the upstairs level and this was particularly so when a tap was open on a lower level, and even when water was available upstairs the pressure was extremely low.

One particular witness gave evidence that at times it was impossible to obtain water from fixtures in the basement of the buildings. This last statement is most serious indicating that if true some major defect must exist.

The Board expressed itself as of the opinion that the type of supply now being given in many parts of the City is most inadequate in view of modern requirements and stated that some correction must take place.

It was suggested by the Board that first of all some steps must be taken to ascertain the cause of the deficiency in the distribution system before any action is taken to remedy the same, and that the City should agree to having the system completely surveyed by competent engineers, to be appointed by the Board, without delay.

The cost of such survey would, of course, be borne by the water utility.

The undersigned suggested that the matter be communicated to the City by letter and I have received the following letter today from the Chairman of the Board.

"March 8th, 1943.

Mr. Carl P. Bethune, K.C.,
City Solicitor,
City Hall, Halifax, N. S.

Dear Mr. Bethune:

In view of the information disclosed at the recent hearing before the Board touching

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the supply of water to certain consumers located on Spring Garden Road and on account of other complaints registered with the Board, it is of the opinion that the entire water system of the City should be investigated.

Under the Public Utilities Act the City is a Public Utility insofar as the distribution of water is concerned, and it is the duty of the Board to see that the City renders safe and adequate service to all of its customers.

It is obvious that such a service is not being rendered and while the war may be a contributing cause for many of the complaints, yet it is not the sole cause. The Board is of the opinion that a complete survey of the system by independent engineers should be made at once in order that any necessary improvements may be made during the spring and summer.

The cost of such a survey would be chargeable directly to the Water Utility and in order that the expense may be kept within a reasonable figure, the Board has agreed to give the services of Commissioner Macnab (without charge to the Utility) to assist the Engineer who will conduct the survey.

The Board would appreciate the cooperation of the City and this could be manifested by a favorable resolution passed by the City Council.

Yours truly,

(Sgd) J. A. Hanway,
CHAIRMAN. "

I would also like to add that I have been advised by representatives of Insurance Companies that they regard the hazard from fire in this City as very severe due in great part to the inadequacy of the water supply available for fires and that in view of the amount of the risks assumed by way of insurance by these Companies, some thought must be given to the matter either of increased rates or to refusal of risks.

Moreover, I am also advised that concern is felt by the Department of National Defence as to the adequacy of the water supply and it may be that some assistance may be forthcoming from this source if any programme of improvement is undertaken, as this would be of direct benefit to the property of the Government in this City.

There is no doubt that a survey would be of benefit not only to the City but also would clear up the uncertainty which has been expressed in several quarters as to the means provided to protect property from fire.

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Until this is done, I do not think that any constructive plan of improvement can be undertaken.

I do not propose to suggest any causes for the present condition which has caused so much comment - whether it be from heavy draughting of water for ships, defence establishments, or old, inadequate or leaking mains. I would recommend that in order to get a starting point the proposal of the Public Utilities Board be accepted and that this course be recommended to the Council.

I think too that the free offer of Commissioner Macnab's services for the purpose of assisting the engineer appointed by the Board for this purpose will be of great benefit and will ensure that the Board will be acquainted at first hand with the situation as it exists.

If this proposal is adopted, I recommend that authority be obtained to secure such funds as may be required to defray the cost of the survey.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune,
CITY SOLICITOR.

Moved by Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the report and letters be approved. Motion passed.

The following legislation in this connection was submitted.

The City may borrow such sums as may be required for the purpose of defraying the cost of any survey of and report upon the water department of the City, including the facilities provided for the supply and distribution of water by the City, which may at any time be ordered by the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities, and also for the purpose of defraying the cost of providing and installing any improvements or extensions to such department or to such facilities which may be necessary in order to comply with any Order made by such Board. The sums so borrowed, which may be borrowed from time to time and in such amounts as the Council of the City determines, shall be borrowed in accordance with the provisions of the Halifax City Charter relating to the Halifax City Consolidated Fund, and be in addition to the amounts previously authorized to be borrowed as part of that Fund, and shall form part of that Fund. They shall be secured by stock or debentures to be issued in conformity with the said provisions at a rate of interest to be determined by the Council of the City at the time of the making of any loan under the authority of this Act, and the dates on which the same are payable shall be determined by the Council.

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Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the legislation as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

*Chair of Works
Committee of Works
City Solicitor*

ABATEMENT OF SEWER ASSESSMENTS

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee re abatement of sewer assessments.

Halifax, N. S.,
March 10th, 1943.

His Worship the Mayor
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held this day, a report from the Committee on Works was received, regarding application of the Richmond Paper Company for relief from a sewer assessment on Kempt Road.

After discussing this matter, it was decided to recommend that legislation be obtained to permit the City, on recommendation of the Committee on Works, to cancel the sewer assessment, when it is proven that such sewer failed to service in any way the particular property liable to be assessed.

Respectfully submitted,

Donalda M. Crawford,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

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

Read legislation in this connection.

The Charter is amended by inserting therein, immediately following Section 598 thereof, the following section:

598(1) In any case in which, in the opinion of the Council, after receipt of a recommendation to that effect from the Committee on Works, any sewer laid in any street is unable to be used for the purpose of properly draining any building or structure situated, at the time such sewer was laid, upon any real property fronting upon such sewer, in respect of which real property an assessment has been made as provided by the City Charter, the Council may by resolution cancel such assessment and order that any moneys paid to the City on account thereof be returned to the person

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who paid the same together with any interest paid thereon and any sums required by the City for the purpose of paying such portion of the cost of such sewer may be borrowed by the City and repaid in the same manner as the other sums borrowed for the purpose of constructing such sewer.

(2) No recommendation to cancel any such assessment shall be made by the Committee on Works unless the same shall be also recommended by the Commissioner of Works in a report setting out the reason that such sewer cannot be used for the purpose of properly draining any such building or structure.

(3) In the event of an application being made at any time to have any building or other structure upon any real property fronting on any sewer, the assessment for sewer charges in respect of which has been cancelled as hereinbefore provided, connected with such sewer, the City may permit such connection to be made upon payment by the person then owning such real property as a connection charge therefor of a sum equal to the amount of sewer assessment so cancelled.

Moved by Alderman McDonald, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that the legislation as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

CONVEYANCE OF LAND TO THE DOMINION GOVERNMENT

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee re conveyance of land to the Dominion Government.

Halifax, N. S.,
March 10th, 1943.

His Worship the Mayor
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, the Committee had before it a report from the Committee on Works recommending for reconsideration the transfer of lands upon which Wartime Housing Limited has constructed the Manning Pool, Staff Houses and Individual Houses, to the Dominion Government.

This matter has been considered by the City Council at a meeting held on February 11, 1943, and the offer at that time of the Wartime Housing Limited was to pay the assessment value in each case.

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Your committee recommends to the City Council that the matter be now reconsidered.

Respectfully submitted,

Donalda M. Crawford,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the report be adopted and the matter now reconsidered. Motion put and lost, 5 voting for the same and 4 against it as follows:-

FOR THE MOTION

Aldermen MacKay
Kinley
Hosterman
Coffin
Lloyd

-5-

AGAINST IT

Aldermen Adams
McDonald
Walker
Ahern

-4-

A two-thirds vote being required.

COMFORT STATION - POLICE DEPARTMENT

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee re Comfort station, Police Dept.

Halifax, N. S.,
March 10th, 1943.

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 Works Committee recommending that improvements be made to the toilet facilities in the Police Station in order that same can be used as a Ladies' Comfort Station, was read.

To make this change, it is estimated, that the cost will be approximately \$300.00; funds for which can be obtained from the Comfort Station Appropriation.

Your committee approves of this recommendation and forwards same to Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

Donalda M. Crawford,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

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*Chair of Ladies
Work & Works
Committee of Works*

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Moved by Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Lloyd 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
Ahern

A two-thirds vote being required.

PURCHASE OF PROPERTY - S. W. CORNER ARMVIEW
AVENUE AND PRYOR STREET

*Copy of MacKay
report of works*

Read reports of the Finance and Executive Committee and Commissioner of Works re purchase of property, s. w. corner Armview Avenue and Pryor Street.

Halifax, N. S.,
March 10th, 1943.

His Worship the Mayor
and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, the attached report of the Commissioner of Works regarding intersections on the south west corner of Pryor Street and Armview Avenue, and the north east corner of Prince Arthur Street and Armview Avenue, was considered.

The report of the Commissioner of Works was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

Donalda M. Crawford,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

March 8th, 1943.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

In August 1941 a proposal was before the Board of Works for putting circular intersections at the south-west corner of Pryor Street and Armview Avenue, and the north-east corner of Prince Arthur Street and Armview Avenue.

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The latter has been completed by arrangement with Mr. H. McA. Wood, by paying approximately \$68.00 to the City, as the area which the City deeded to him exceeded the area required by the City from him.

As shown on the plan, 248 sq. ft. will be required from Mr. Kenneth Forbes who owns the lot on the south-west corner of Pryor Street and Armview Avenue. It is recommended that we pay Mr. Forbes at the rate for which he paid for this lot, viz: twenty-five cents per sq. ft. or \$62.00, for the land required.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,
COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

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

LEGISLATION

*City solicitor
superannuation
comm.*

Read letter from the City Solicitor submitting legislation regarding superannuation plan for the employees of the City.

Halifax, N. S.,
March 11th, 1943.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At the meeting of the Council at which the estimates were considered it was decided to arrange for legislation to enable the City to put into effect during the ensuing year a plan for superannuation for the employees of the City and for the Police Force and Fire Department. Since the actual plan proposed has not been determined it has therefore been very difficult to prepare proper legislation and I have given considerable amount of study to the attached draft which I am now submitting to you for your consideration.

You will note that such a plan might involve -

- (1) a contract with an insurance company, or
- (2) a plan of Government annuities, or
- (3) a superannuation fund operated by the City through trustees or in some similar manner.

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I have endeavoured to make this legislation as comprehensive as possible so that the City could adopt under its authority any type of scheme it desired and at the same time provided for certain definite obligations not only on the part of the employees contributing to the fund but also upon the City so that once a plan was undertaken both the employees and the City would feel that the same would be undisturbed in the future.

There is no doubt in my mind that this draft could be criticized but in view of the shortness of the time in which to prepare the same I suggest that it be adopted with the understanding that if any amendments are required to carry out any plan that the Council may adopt these amendments may be included in the legislation next year.

Yours very truly,

Carl F. Bethune,
CITY SOLICITOR.

(1) The Council may prepare and by a resolution passed by at least a two-thirds vote of the members of the Council adopt a plan or plans for the superannuation of the officials and employees of the City and such plan or plans may extend to and include the officers, members and employees of the Police Force and the Fire Department, and such plan or plans shall provide that the administration of the same and of any funds created thereby shall be by the City or by such other body created or designated in such plan or plans or by an insurance company licensed to carry on business in Canada or by such other properly constituted person or corporation or by any combination of the City, body, company of person or corporation as may be set out in such plan or plans.

(2) The resolution of the Council adopting any such plan or plans shall provide the date or dates upon which such plan or plans shall be in or shall come into force and effect and upon the adoption of such resolution, such plan or plans shall thereupon be and become binding upon the City and upon the persons or classes of persons affected thereby to the same extent as if the same had been enacted by the Legislature.

(3) Any plan or plans so adopted may be from time to time amended or altered by the Council after one month's notice of the actual amendment proposed has been given to the Council at a regular meeting thereof and any such amendment to or alteration of such plan or plans shall be passed by a two-thirds vote of the members of the Council and any such amendment or alteration so made as herein provided shall be binding upon the City and upon the persons or classes of persons affected thereby to the same extent as if the same had been enacted by the Legislature.

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(4) Any contract made by the Council with any insurance company in pursuance of any such plan or plans shall contain such provisions as may be determined for pensions, superannuations or compensation for disabilities for the persons or classes of persons named therein together with such provisions as may be set out therein respecting the payment of any sums to the surviving dependent or dependents or to the estate of any person named in such contract as a single payment or as an annual pension for such dependent or dependents of any such person. If any such contract is made by the Council the same shall not be altered, discontinued or suspended by the Council insofar as the persons who have made any contributions in pursuance thereof are concerned and the Council shall annually appropriate such sums as may be required by the City to meet the obligations imposed upon it by such contract.

(5) Any plan or plans adopted by the City may provide for the taking into consideration of the period of service in the employ of the City of any person affected by such plan prior to its inception and may contain regulations to permit the granting of credit for such service either partially or in full and may provide that any such person may make such payments into any fund established either by a single payment or by an increased rate of contribution to enable him to receive on his retirement or superannuation an allowance based upon his number of years service in the employ of the City.

(6) Any plan or plans adopted by the City other than by way of a contract with an insurance company may provide for the payment of allowances to the persons participating therein upon their retirement for any of the reasons set out in the same and for the payment of annual contributions into any fund or funds established under such plan or plans for such purpose by the City and the rates of the same and for the management, supervision and control of such fund or funds and the person or persons to exercise the same. Any such plan or plans shall require the City to contribute annually for the first five years of the said plan or plans an annual sum at least equal to One Hundred and Twenty-five percent of the amounts contributed in each such year by such persons.

(7) The City shall during the first year of such plan or plans defray the cost of preparing and putting the same into effect and any sums required for this purpose may be obtained in the manner hereinafter set forth.

(8) Any sums required by the City for the purpose of the preceding subsection and for the purpose of its contributions to any fund or funds established under any plan or plans as aforesaid during the first or any subsequent year of the same may be borrowed from any fund or any bank, person or corporation available and with the interest thereon included in the

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estimates next to be prepared following such borrowing and repaid therefrom, or the same may be included in the estimates for the year in which it is proposed to pay the same.

(9) When such plan or plans has or have been in being for five years, the City shall employ the services of a qualified actuary to examine the same and any funds provided thereunder and to report thereon to the Council, and thereafter in every tenth year the Council shall obtain a similar report upon such plan or plans and funds from a qualified actuary and any sums required to defray the cost of the employment of such actuary shall be paid by the City and included in the annual estimates thereof.

After considering the legislation regarding superannuation plan and agreeing to the principle of the proposed plan, it was moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman MacKay that in principle the adoption of this legislation be approved and that this Council vest in the Superannuation Committee and City Solicitor the authority to make such amendments to the plan as will be necessary to provide a general scheme of superannuation. Motion passed.

City Solicitor Alderman Kinley drew the attention of the Council to the fact that legislation had been approved which placed the Mayor on the Personnel Committee as an ex-officio member, and he felt that this was not in accordance with the Brittain report.

Moved by Alderman Kinley, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the legislation which included the Mayor on the Personnel Committee be now deleted from the City's Bill. Motion passed.

TENDERS FOR GROCERIES - CIVIC INSTITUTIONS

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

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Halifax, N. S.,
March 8th, 1943.

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 from John Tobin & Co. Ltd. for the supply of groceries to the City Home and City Prison for a period of one month, beginning March 20th, for the sum of \$268.40 and to the Hospitals for the same period for the sum of \$352.00 were considered and recommended for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Donalda M. Crawford,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman,

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

TENDERS FOR EGGS - CIVIC INSTITUTIONS

Read report of the Public Health and Welfare Committee re tenders for eggs, civic institutions.

Halifax, N. S.,
March 8th, 1943.

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, a tender from R. B. Colwell Ltd. for supplying eggs to civic institutions was considered as follows:-

For a period of one month	39¢ per dozen
" " three months	38¢ "

Your committee recommends that the tender for eggs for a period of one month at 39¢ be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

Donalda M. Crawford,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

March 11th, 1913.

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

BOILERS - CITY HOME

Read report of the Public Health
and Welfare Committee re boilers, City Home.

Halifax, N. S.,
March 8th, 1913.

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, a letter
was received from the Superintendent of the City
Home requesting authority to rebuild the present
boilers at the City Home on day labor basis rather
than contract and engage Mr. Thompson, who is at
present working on the bake oven, to direct this
work.

The total cost for this work, including
the resupporting of the boilers by overhead
suspension, is \$1,500.00 and this amount can be paid
from the current year's estimates.

Your committee approves of the request
of the Superintendent of the City Home and
recommends same to the City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald M. Crawford,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

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

His Worship the Mayor asked that the
Council now consider a letter from the Halifax
District Trades and Labor Council, to which the
Council agreed.