

October 14, 1943.

Moved by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman Adams that this meeting do now adjourn. Motion passed.

10.20 P. M.

Meeting adjourned.

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*J. E. Lloyd*  
J. E. Lloyd,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
THURSDAY  
NOVEMBER 12, 1943.

A G E N D A

- Prayer.  
Minutes.  
Accounts.
1. Report Finance & Executive Comm. re Tag Day Y's Men's Club.
  2. " " " " re Grant Children's Aid Society.
  3. " " " " re 5th Victory Loan.
  4. " " " " re Claim Hoseman Ross.
  5. " " " " re Bonding Civic Employees.
  6. " " " " re December Pay.
  7. " " " " re Deed of lot to Mrs. Purcell.
  8. " " " " re Deeding of land to Bd. School Commsr.
  9. " " " " re County Jail.
  10. " " " " re Salaries.
  11. " " " " re Legislation Capital Borrowing.
  12. " " " " re Addition to Incinerator.
  13. " " " " re Sedimentation Tank-Trunk Sewer.
  14. " " " " re Street Lighting.
  15. " " " " re Upholstering Chairs Council Chamber.
  16. " " " " re Account Water Department Survey.
  17. " " " " re Damage to Lockwood Property D. V. Rd.
  18. " " " " re Acquisition of Land D. V. Road.
  19. " " " " re Purchase of Property (Collins Field).
  20. " " " " re Amendments to Ordinance # 6 (2nd Read)
  21. " " " " re Claim Mr. G. W. Mitchell So. Park St.
  22. " " " " re Legislation Sub-Divisions of Land.
  23. " " " " re Tax Exemption Women's Voluntary Service
  24. " " " " re Adjustment of Wages James Wood.
  25. " " " " re Assessment Halifax Relief Commission.
  26. " " " " re Report Bd. Commissioners Public Utilities on Transportation.
  27. " " " " re Part time work Civic Employees.
  28. " " " " re City Solicitor Attending Convention.
  29. " " " " re Alterations Ward 5F City Home.
  30. Report Public Health & Welfare Comm. re Tenders for Potatoes.
  31. " " " " re Accounts over \$200.00.
  32. " " " " re Commissioner of Health attending Convention.
  33. Report Safety Committee re Fire Alarm Telegraph Service (Camp Hill Hosp).
  34. " " " " re Sale of Police Car.
  35. " " " " re Parking Fines.
  36. " " " " re Survey Police Department.
  37. Questions.
  38. Report Committee on Works re Weather-Proof extensions-Call Boxes.
  39. " " " " re Tenders re Plumbing Bedford Row Station.
  40. " " " " re Repairs Old St. Margaret's Bay Road.
  41. " " " " re Merchant Seamen's Manning Pool - Fence.
  42. " " " " re Desks City Council Chamber.
  43. " " " " re Application for Garage Irving Oil Limited.
  44. " " " " re Final Certificate Maitland St. Sewer.
  45. " " " " re Request for use of property City Field.
  46. " " " " re Final Certificate re Incinerator.
  47. " " " " re Payment of Accounts over \$500.00 (2)
  48. " " " " re Prohibition of building on Mumford Road.
  49. Letter W. T. F. & Trade Board re Children's Clothing.
  50. Report Commissioner of Finance re Tram Passes etc.
  51. Report Commissioner of Finance re Exhibition.
  52. Letter Hon. John A. McDonald re Exhibition.
  53. Order in Council re Borrowing School Board.
  54. Report Chief Accountant re Tax Collections.
  55. Report Chief Accountant re Appropriations.
  - 56.

EVENING SESSION

8 o'clock P. M.,  
Council Chamber,  
City Hall,  
November 12, 1943.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening.

After the meeting was called to order by the Chairman and before considering the regular order of business, the members of Council attending, led by the City Clerk, joined in repeating the Lord's Prayer.

At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor; Chairman; Aldermen Reardon, Batson, Hosterman, Breen, Coffin, Adams, DeWolf, McDonald, Doyle, 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 Reardon, seconded by Alderman Batson that the minutes of the previous meetings be approved. Motion passed.

ACCOUNTS

The following resolution covering accounts of the various committees was submitted:

RESOLVED that the Council approve for payment the bills and accounts of expenditures submitted to this meeting by the Finance and Executive Committee amounting to \$9,246.72; the Committee on Safety amounting to \$989.93 chargeable to Fire Alarm; \$16,240.83 chargeable to Fire Department and \$13,731.72 chargeable to Police Department; the Committee on Public Health and Welfare amounting to \$12,934.69 chargeable to Health Department; \$8,590.74 chargeable to City Home and \$2,227.56 chargeable to City Prison; the Committee on Works amounting to \$20,253.51 under the provisions of Section 315 of the City Charter.

November 12, 1943.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Batson that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

REPORTS

His Worship the Mayor suggested that due to the length of the agenda the titles of the reports be read only, and if any Alderman wished a report read in detail, to ask for it when the title is announced by the Clerk.

Moved by Alderman Coffin, seconded by Alderman Batson that only the titles of the reports be read unless the Aldermen request a report read in detail. Motion passed.

TAG DAY Y'S MEN'S CLUB

November 9, 1943.

To 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 Halifax Y's Men's Club for permission to hold a tag day on Saturday, December 11, 1943 was recommended for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Batson that the report be approved. Motion passed.

GRANT CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY

November 9, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a letter from the Commissioner of Finance regarding the payment of the sum of \$500.00 as a grant to the Children's Aid Society was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the sum of \$500.00 be paid to the Children's Aid Society in accordance with legislation secured at the last session of the Legislature.

Respectfully submitted,

November 12, 1943.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Batson that the report be approved. Motion passed.

5TH. VICTORY LOAN

November 9, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached letter from the Commissioner of Finance regarding subscriptions to the 5th Victory Loan by Civil Employees was approved and recommended to Council.

See  
Letter on  
Page 354.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Batson that the report be approved. Motion passed.

CLAIM OF HOSEMAN ROSS

November 9, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the matter of a claim of Hoseman John Ross of the Fire Department for hospital and medical expenses due to injuries suffered while in the execution of his duties was considered.

At the last regular meeting of the Council a resolution recommending that Ross be reimbursed if he had paid the accounts was approved but as same were not paid your Committee now recommends the payment of the following accounts:

Dr. R. Bond Nichols	\$10.00
Dr. W. Alan Curry	\$75.00
V. G. Hospital	\$83.70

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Batson that the report be approved. Motion passed.

November 12, 1943.

BONDING CIVIC EMPLOYEES

November 9, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached letter from the Commissioner of Finance submitting a list of Civic Officials and Employees bonded effective from August 1st, last was considered.

Your Committee recommends that same be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Churchill, J. W. Fire Chief \$2,500.  
Condon, Kathleen M. Fire Dept. Clerk 500.

Fire Alarm Telegraph

Durling, G. H. City Electrician 500.  
Colpit, M. B. Clerk 250.

City Prison

Grant, John W. Governor 1,000.

City Home

Ettinger, A. E. Superintendent 5,000.  
Garrison, H. A. Jr. Sec. City Home 2,000.  
Brown, Eliz. L. Asst. Matron, Office  
Stenographer & Cashier 2,000.

Police

Conrad, J. J. Chief of Police 2,500.  
Rogers, Bernard J. Secretary to Chief 2,500.

Finance and Accounting Dept.

Crosby, A. T. E. City Collector 15,000.  
Hagell, A. F. Asst. Collector 10,000.  
Currie, Thos. E. Tax Collection Clerk 1,000.  
Leitch, John L. Do Do Do 1,000.  
Burbridge, J. R. Do Do Do 1,000.  
Walker, Harold G. Do Do Do 1,000.  
Gass, R. H. Poll Tax Officer 5,000.  
Cook, S. G. Clerk, Collector's  
Office 1,000.  
Doyle, Elsie M. Clerk, Collector's  
Office 1,000.  
Curren, Olive M. Cashier Collector's  
Office 1,000.  
Hopewell, Margaret Clerk Collector's  
Office 1,000.  
Rising, Henry Street Collector 1,500.  
Merrick, John R. Do Do 1,500.  
Yates, Wm. C. Do Do 1,500.  
Wallace, D. D. Do Do 1,500.  
Priest, Norton V. Do Do 1,500.  
Duggan, Leo P. Do Do 1,500.  
Frawley, Wm. A. Do Do 1,500.

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CITY CLERK.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Churchill, J. W.	Fire Chief	\$2,500.
Condon, Kathleen M.	Fire Dept. Clerk	500.

Fire Alarm Telegraph

Durling, G. H.	City Electrician	500.
Colpitt, M. B.	Clerk	250.

City Prison

Grant, John W.	Governor	1,000.
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City Home

Ettinger, A. E.	Superintendent	5,000.
Garrison, H. A. Jr.	Sec. City Home	2,000.
Brown, Eliz. L.	Asst. Matron, Office Stenographer & Cashier	2,000.

Police

Conrad, J. J.	Chief of Police	2,500.
Rogers, Bernard J.	Secretary to Chief	2,500.

Finance and Accounting Dept.

Crosby, A. T. E.	City Collector	15,000.
Hagell, A. F.	Asst. Collector	10,000.
Currie, Thos. H.	Tax Collection Clerk	1,000.
Leitch, John L.	Do Do Do	1,000.
Burbridge, J. R.	Do Do Do	1,000.
Walker, Harold C.	Do Do Do	1,000.
Gass, R. H.	Poll Tax Officer	5,000.
Cook, S. G.	Clerk, Collector's Office	1,000.
Doyle, Elsie M.	Clerk, Collector's Office	1,000.
Curren, Olive M.	Cashier Collector's Office	1,000.
Hopewell, Margaret	Clerk Collector's Office	1,000.
Rising, Henry	Street Collector	1,500.
Merrick, John R.	Do Do	1,500.
Yates, Wm. C.	Do Do	1,500.
Wallace, D. D.	Do Do	1,500.
Priest, Norton V.	Do Do	1,500.
Duggan, Leo P.	Do Do	1,500.
Frawley, Wm. A.	Do Do	1,500.

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Allen, G. J.	City Treasurer	\$25,000.
Thomas, Frank	Treasury Clerk	25,000.
Vincent, Marjorie	Clerk	1,000.
Sneltzer, Ernest A.	Clerk	1,500.
Thompson, Gen. A.	Supt. C. H. Demet- ery.	1,000.
Chase, Shelia	Clerk	500.
Sherman, Norman L.	Commissioner of Finance	10,000.
MacDonald, Jas. Duncan	Sub-Collector	1,500.
McCorry, Marie Teresa	Cashier	2,500.
Durrant, Charles W.	Tax Collector	1,000.
Malay, E. A.	Summoning Officer	2,000.
Street, Ervin Fred	Cashier	20,000.
Thompson, Mrs. Jean B.	Clerk	1,000.
Slattery, Wm. Jos.	Tax Collection Clerk	1,000.

Marriage Licenses Dept.

Grant, Ralph MacKenzie	Deputy issuer of Marriage Licenses	2,500.
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Public Gardens

Hall, Wm. H.	Supt. Public Gardens	500.
Griffiths, Richard	Asst. Supt. "	500.

Health Board

Pettipas, A. C.	Cesty. City Health Bd.	2,500.
Morrison, Helen	Asst. " " "	1,000.
Pholan, Mary K.	Clerk " " "	1,000.

City Market

Ward, J. V.	Caretaker	2,500.
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Housing Commission

Mielke, F. J.	Sec. Housing Commission	5,000.
McDonald, Elva	Clerk " "	1,000.

City Court & Police Court

Palmer, F. C.	Clerk	5,000.
McLellan, Sergt. Angus	Desk Sgt. & Court Clerk	2,500.

Fleming Park

Sneltzer, J. A.	Supt. Park	250.
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Infectious Diseases Hospital

Keddy, Edna B.	Supt. of Hospital	250.
Scriven, Rufus Black	Collector	500.

T. B. Hospital

Cox, Agnes	Matron Hospital	250.
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City Clerk's Office

Publicover, W. P.	City Clerk	500.
Stoddard, Ralph H.	Deputy City Clerk	500.

Water Department

Moore, Thos. J.	Clerk of Works	2,500.
Carroll, D. E.	Ledger Clerk & Collector of Monies	1,000.
Gallagher, G. A.	Clerk in Works Dept.	1,000.
Phillips, W.	Ledger Clerk & Collector of Monies	1,000.
Hall, John R.	Temporary Clerk	1,000.
Sabean, J. B.	Asst. Clerk of Works	1,500.
Conrad, Wm.	Clerk in Works Dept.	1,000.
Woods, Doris Bernadette	Clerk, Payroll Unemp. & Stamps	1,000.



November 12, 1943.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Batson that the report be approved. Motion passed.

DECEMBER PAY

November 9, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached letter from the Commissioner of Finance regarding the payment of salary for the month of December to Civic Employees was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the full amount of December salary be paid to those employees desiring it on or about December 15th.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Batson that the report be approved. Motion passed.

DEED OF LOT TO MRS. PURCELL

November 9, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a letter from the City Collector advising that Mr. Harold Purcell who bought a lot of land on the S/S Cabot Street from the City wishes to have the deed made out to his wife Mary Rita Purcell.

Your Committee recommends that the request be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Batson that the report be approved. Motion passed.

DEEDING OF LAND TO BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS

November 9, 1943.

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

November 12, 1943.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report of the Committee on Works recommending that legislation be secured at the next session of the legislature to enable the City to deed to the Board of School Commissioners the lot of land on Connaught Avenue upon which the Edgewood Prefabricated School is erected was considered and concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Batson that the report be approved. Motion passed.

COUNTY JAIL

November 9, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a letter from the Chief Justice submitting a report from the Grand Jury regarding conditions at the County Jail was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the report be referred to the Court House Commissioners.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

TO: CHIEF JUSTICE SIR JOSEPH CHISHOLM

The Grand Jury after viewing the County Jail are of the opinion that the building is obsolete. There is not room to accommodate the prisoners resulting in a badly overcrowded condition.

Toilets in the corridors where prisoners eat and sleep are only partly partitioned off, with no windows, and no ventilation. Eating utensils supplied are open to criticism and the food is of very poor quality.

The Grand Jury recommends that steps should be taken to erect a modern building and that immediate improvements should be made to toilets, eating utensils and food.

Signed  
T. W. Clancy,  
Foreman.

Signed  
Harold J. Kenty  
Secretary,  
October 21, 1943.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Batson that the report be approved. Motion passed.

November 12, 1943.

SALARIES

November 9, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached report from the Personnel Committee making 4 recommendations regarding salaries was approved and recommended to the City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

November 5, 1943.

To The Chairman and Members of the  
Finance and Executive Committee.

Gentlemen:-

The Personnel Committee at a meeting held on the above date considered various matters and wishes to report thereon as follows:

1. That provision be made in the salary scale for a part time Technician in the Health Department at a salary of \$600.00 per annum.
2. A recommendation of the Commissioner of Health that the salary of Miss Rita Coade be increased to \$1,400.00 per annum as from October 18, 1943 plus transportation was approved.
3. A recommendation of the Commissioner of Health that the salary of Dr. Hazel Hall, full time School Dentist, be set at \$2,400.00 and that she reach this maximum by the regular automatic increases was approved.
4. It is the recommendation of this Committee that the maximum salary for sub-collectors be increased from \$1,400.00 to \$1,600.00 per annum.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman  
Batson that the report be approved. Motion passed.

LEGISLATION CAPITAL BORROWING

November 9, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

November 12, 1943.

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report from the Committee on Works recommending that legislation be sought for authority to borrow the sum of \$200,000.00 for various purposes was considered and concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

November 8, 1943.

BORROWING SEWER CAPITAL

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

At present, we have about enough authorized borrowing for our Sewer Capital Account to carry us through this year. It is evident, however, from the estimates for proposed work and for ordinary expansion developments, that a greater amount than usually borrowed will have to be provided for the next few years. I submit the following proposals, some of which have already been before the Committee:

For normal expansion	\$50,000.
Proposed abattoir service	25,000.
Auxiliary sewer to relieve present overloaded sewers	75,000.
Settling basin - Quinpool Road	5,000.
Change of outlet - Highway garage as ordered by Dept. of Highways	10,000.
Chlorination treatment plant on the sewerage discharging in the N. W. Arm	5,000.

This amount is for the improvements already considered.

For unforeseen improvements	30,000.
Total	<u>\$200,000.00</u>

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,  
Commissioner of Works.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Batson that the report be approved.

The motion was put and passed unanimously with the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor:

November 12, 1943.

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Batson  
Reardon  
Breen  
Hosterman  
Coffin  
Adams  
DeWolf  
McDonald  
Doyle  
Walker  
Ahern

ADDITION TO INCINERATOR

November 9, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report from the Committee on Works recommending that legislation be sought for authority to borrow an additional sum of \$3,000.00 required to complete an addition to the Incinerator was considered and concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Batson that the report be approved. Motion passed.

SEDIMENTATION TANK - TRUNK SEWER

November 9, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report from the Committee on Works approving of a recommendation of the Commissioner of Works that a sedimentation tank be constructed for improving conditions of the trunk sewer which terminates at the intersection of Quinpool and Chebucto Roads was considered and concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

November 8, 1943.

Sedimentation Tank - Trunk Sewer

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:

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November 12, 1943.

As you are no doubt aware, we have had a great deal of trouble with the northern end of the 48 inch Trunk Sewer which terminates at the intersection of Quinpool and Chebuoto Roads.

During every heavy rainstorm the rush of water down Chebuoto Road and tributaries carry a large amount of silt, gravel and ashes into the trunk sewer along Quinpool Road. Each year the cleaning of this sewer, apart from the nuisance caused, costs the City between \$1,500.00 to \$2,000.00.

I have had under consideration several schemes for the improving of this condition:

- (1) The construction of a separate storm sewer for the drainage area.
- (2) A storm water overflow.
- (3) A large underground settling tank which would lessen the velocity of water to a degree where the sediment is precipitated.

The first scheme would be the most complete, but the cost would be excessive. The second scheme would mean that domestic sewerage would be intermingled with the overflow. Therefore, I would recommend the third scheme. As yet, I have not gone into the details and only wish to present to you conditions that exist following severe storms, which have, of recent years, become quite frequent.

I would estimate the cost of this work to be approximately \$5,000.00.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,  
Commissioner of Works.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Batson that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### STREET LIGHTING

November 9, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report from the Committee on Works recommending the installation of lights on various streets was considered and concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

November 3, 1943.

#### STREET LIGHTING APPROPRIATION

His Worship the Mayor.

Sirs:-

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November 12, 1943.

At the request of the Committee on Works we checked over our expenditures for Street Lighting to date, also estimated the amount required for the balance of the Civic Year 1943-44, and find that as far as we can ascertain there will be approximately \$1,300.00 plus a credit of \$541.80 received from the Wartime Housing for lighting the streets in the Wartime district, making approximately \$1,842.00 left to be spent.

It is also requested that a survey be made of the streets of the City to see where lights are required, and the following is the location and the estimated cost of the installation and the maintenance for this civic year.

<u>BARRINGTON STREET</u> -Spring Garden Road to Bishop St.-		
Cost of installation	\$106.00	
Maintenance to Apr. 30/44	18.00	
		\$124.00
<u>ELM STREET</u> -Two poles south of Chebucto Road 250 C. P. light.		
Cost of installation	\$31.00	
Maintenance to Apr. 30/44	10.00	
		\$ 41.00
<u>ROCKCLIFFE STREET</u> - 250 C. P. Light		
Cost of installation	\$62.00	
Maintenance to Apr. 30/44	20.00	
		82.00
<u>REGINA TERRACE</u> - West end 250 C. P. Light.		
Cost of installation	\$31.00	
Maintenance, Apr. 30/44	10.00	
		41.00
<u>MOLEAN STREET</u> - 250 C. P. Light south of Atlantic St.		
Cost of installation	\$62.00	
Maintenance Apr. 30/44	20.00	
		82.00
<u>POLAR PLACE</u> - 250 C. P. Light		
Cost of installation	\$31.00	
Maintenance Apr. 30/44	10.00	
		41.00
<u>WINDSOR STREET EXTENSION</u> - 250 C. P. Light		
Cost of installation	\$31.00	
Maintenance Apr. 30/44	10.00	
		41.00
<u>LADY HAMMOND ROAD</u> - 4-250 C. P. Lights rearranged between Robie St. and W. Side Standard Paving Co.		
Cost of installation	\$136.00	
Maintenance Apr. 30/44	40.00	
		176.00
<u>NORTH STREET</u> - 250 C. P. Light on first pole north side West of Oxford St.		
Cost of installation	\$31.00	
Maintenance, Apr. 30/44	10.00	
		41.00
<u>MILLER STREET</u> - 1-250 C. P. Light between present light and South Park St. Gates.		
Cost of installation	\$31.00	
Maintenance Apr. 30/44	10.00	
		41.00

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CORNWALLIS STREET - Between Gottingen & Maitland  
Sts. Present 250 C.P. be replaced with 600 C.P.  
modern unit.

Cost of installation	\$73.00	
Maintenance Apr. 30/44	8.00	\$81.00
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		\$791.00

Total for installation and maintenance  
for balance of civic year for above additional  
lights.

It will be seen from these figures that we  
cannot instal lights on the Dutch Village Road with  
our present appropriations and I would recommend  
that it be included in our estimates for 1944-45.

It also must be borne in mind that we will have  
to allow an amount for adjustment in cost of power  
which may or may not be required.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,  
Commissioner of Works.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman  
Batson that the report be approved. Motion passed.

UPHOLSTERING CHAIRS COUNCIL CHAMBER

November 9, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Exec-  
utive Committee held on the above date a report  
from the Committee on Works recommending that the  
chairs in the Council Chamber be upholstered at an  
estimated cost of \$120.00 was considered and con-  
curred in.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman  
Batson that the report be approved. Motion passed.

ACCOUNT WATER DEPARTMENT SURVEY

November 9, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-



November 12, 1943.

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report from the Committee on Works recommending for payment an account of the Engineering Service Co., Ltd., amounting to \$2,979.50 for professional services and expenses in connection with the survey of the Water Department was considered and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Batson that the report be approved. Motion passed.

DAMAGE TO LOCKWOOD PROPERTY D. V. ROAD

November 9, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report from the Committee on Works recommending payment of a claim of Mr. Bernard Lockwood for the sum of Fifty Dollars for damages caused to his property on D. V. Road by the flow of water from a broken main was considered and concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Batson that the report be approved. Motion passed.

Alderman Burgess arrives.

ACQUISITION OF LAND D. V. ROAD

November 9, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report from the Committee on Works recommending the purchase from the N. B. Light & Power Co., Ltd., of a piece of land with frontage along the D. V. Road Diversion of 99 feet and a depth of 50 feet for the sum of \$123.75 was considered and concurred in. Alderman Adams dissenting.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

November 12, 1943.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Batson that the report be approved. Motion passed with Alderman Adams wishing to be recorded against.

PURCHASE OF PROPERTY (COLLINS FIELD)

November 9, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached report from the Committee on Works recommending that legislation be secured to enable the City to purchase the remainder of the property known as Collins Field lying between Inglis, Robie and South Streets at a price of \$75,000.00 was considered.

Your Committee is forwarding same to Council without recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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PURCHASE OF COLLINS FIELD PROPERTY  
NORTH OF INGLIS STREET

Chairman and Members of the  
Finance and Executive Committee.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on this date, considered the attached letter dated November 4, 1943, from H. G. Stevens, Real Estate Officer, of the Eastern Trust Company, to His Worship Mayor John E. Lloyd.

On motion of Alderman Reardon, seconded by Alderman Ahern, the Committee recommended that City Council be asked to secure legislation necessary to purchase the remainder of the property known as Collins' Field lying between Inglis, Robie and South Streets at a price of \$75,000.00 cash, in accordance with the terms of the said letter.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per T. J. Moore,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

November 12, 1943.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the report of the Committee on Works be approved. Alderman Hosterman submitted and read the following:

Halifax, N. S., November 12, 1943.

Your Worship and Gentlemen:

As you are aware, I opposed the present motion to purchase twenty-seven acres of the Gorsebrook Golf Club at the Finance and Executive Committee Meeting, as I was not, at that time, prepared to vote intelligently on the matter. Since that meeting I have been able to give the matter some thought and also at the same time to contact interested citizens of the vicinity to ascertain their views on the matter and as a result of my investigation, I still am of the opinion that we should not enter into this purchase. Due to the war we have been called upon this year to make very heavy expenditures all of which I grant were most necessary. If the present project was one of necessity, apart from the argument of post war planning, I would be the first one to agree. The whole situation appears to me to be a very unsound business proposition. To start with, a tentative offer of \$75,000.00 was made for 27 acres of this property. This offer was promptly accepted, and I would have been greatly surprised if it had not been. The amount that we so generously offered is far in excess of the value of the property, and I am sure that if you will make inquiries from real estate men of this City, you will find that \$60,000.00 would be the outside figure. Why then should the City of Halifax pay an additional \$15,000.00. It has been argued that this is essential from post war planning point of view and as one periodical puts it, to avoid congestion experienced in other places. Granting that we make this purchase, has the Board of Works gone into this matter fully with a view to ascertaining just how much additional expenditure will be required to put this piece of land into shape. Take for instance the space that would be required for playground purposes. The conservative estimate would place this at five acres and it is assumed that the most level spot would be selected for this purpose, and the most favorable spot available could not be levelled and put into shape with a less average than two feet of levelling, which, if done by the latest methods, using the latest type of equipment, will cost at least \$800.00 per foot per acre. Taking this, together with the usual additional unforeseen expenses, an amount of some \$10,000.00 will be involved. Now we have our playground. What are we going to do with the balance of this land? Is it proposed to sell it off into building lots? If so, is there any member in this Council who has the idea that they can be sold in their present state of contours, and, to make them saleable, heaven knows how much fill will be required which will put the worth of these lots out of reach of any citizen who may wish to purchase, except, of course, that the City forego the cost of preparation, which it most likely would do, if past methods were followed.

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At the present time there is an assessment, I understand, on this property that brings into the City Treasury some \$2100.00 yearly, and the minute we purchase this property, that amount ceases to be available, which will tend to keep the tax rate up rather than help to reduce it. It has been said that if the Airforce expropriates the property, we will not get any taxes, but this statement as made in one of our leading periodicals is misleading. The Airforce, I understand, have no intention of expropriating the whole property but only some nine acres, the amount required by them, and do not forget that this nine acres is the best portion of the whole twenty-seven acres in question.

It is my opinion that we should not go ahead with this purchase, that the Airforce should be so advised so that they may proceed with their expropriation proceedings and leave the whole matter until after the war, and more than likely the Federal Government, in consideration of the amount and extent of co-operation made to them during the war by the City of Halifax, would be pleased to deed this property to us for a very small consideration, or at least for the amount which they will pay for the portion that they require and which, if I mistake not, will be at a very much lower rate per acre than we will pay for this, if this motion goes through tonight, and we do not now purchase, when the war is over, the agents for the Collins' Estate are going to find it very difficult to find a purchaser either privately or otherwise that would be willing to pay them \$75,000.00 for the 27 acres in question.

If the Airforce expropriate the nine acres required by them, I want to point out that while we will lose taxation on this block of land, we will still retain on our tax rolls the remaining eighteen acres and further, we would not be called upon to float a bond issue of \$75,000.00 on which the taxpayer would be called upon to pay interest at the rate of approximately  $3\frac{1}{2}\%$  yearly for a period of at least ten years, and this seems to me to be the business way to view this whole situation.

C. H. Hoosterman.

Alderman Batson stated that when this matter was brought up at the Finance and Executive Committee it was the first time he had heard anything about it. Since then a lady had called him and said that she would like to see this land used for a recreational centre or playground for children and would not mind paying the extra taxes if the City purchased it. He thought that \$75,000.00 was a lot of money to pay for a 9 hole golf course and that we should be more interested in having houses built on land like this for the men when they come back from overseas.

Alderman Reardon stated that he thought it was going to be used for general purposes and if the City wished to sell part of it, they could do so. He could see no reason to change his mind and that he was in favor of purchasing the land.

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Alderman Walker stated that at the present time the City is looking for land to build houses and would vote for it if the City would put up houses. He also stated that he could not see it used for playgrounds and referred to the Commons or Point Pleasant Park for children to use for recreation.

The Deputy Mayor assumes the Chair while His Worship the Mayor addresses the Council from the floor.

His Worship stated that in the future of Halifax open spaces will be required for building purposes which are now occupied by buildings that are undesirable. We also need to hold onto places for recreational facilities. He said that the North Common would be a good place for children and that the North End of the City also needs a lot of open spaces for its development.

He further stated that St. Mary's had leased some land to Gorsebrook Club for the benefit of golfers. He had received calls from people in the area who would like to see this land under public control rather than lose it to the Government. The building regulations in this City are not what a modern City should demand and that they have to be revised to meet post war conditions. The City's tax bill for the whole area, he said was \$2,100.00. The Airforce has already taken part of the property and are preparing to go ahead and build. If the City owned it, the Government could lease it from the City for whatever purpose they desired. The Eastern Trust Company has indicated that the property is going to be sold. The price was gone into very carefully with Mr. Stevens and the Eastern Trust Company were willing to wait for legislation to get their money. He felt that we should have all the vacant areas under our control for post war conditions.

His Worship the Mayor resumes the Chair.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Adams that this matter be deferred for a period of 2 weeks and that a Special Meeting of Council be held to deal with it.

Alderman Coffin stated that if we had control of this land it would be a great asset to the City.

Alderman Breen stated that for the present he was not in favor of the purchase and seconded Alderman Adams' amendment.

The amendment was then put and passed eleven voting for and one against as follows:

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Alderman Adams  
Ahern  
Batson  
Breen  
Burgess  
Coffin  
DeWolf  
Doyle  
Hosterman  
McDonald  
Reardon

AGAINST THE AMENDMENT

Alderman Walker

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AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 6 SECOND READING

November 9, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report from the Committee on Works approving of amendments to Ordinance # 6 respecting electric wiring and the use of electrical energy which were read and passed a first time at the last regular meeting of the City Council, was considered.

Your Committee recommends the amendments to Ordinance # 6 to the Council for second reading subject, however, to a change in clause (b) of Section 16 of the said amendments, whereby the 6th paragraph of Section 57 of said Ordinance # 6 is to be repealed entirely instead of being replaced by another paragraph as was set out in the amendments when the same received their first reading.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the report be approved. Motion passed.

Read amendments to Ordinance # 6 as follows:

BE IT ENACTED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HALIFAX AS FOLLOWS:

Ordinance No. 6 of the Ordinances of the City of Halifax respecting electric wiring and the use of electrical energy is amended as follows:

1. Section 1 of said Ordinance No. 6 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

1. No wiring or apparatus shall be installed, or electrical energy used for illumination, decoration, power or heating in any building or structure in the City of Halifax, except as in this ordinance provided,

2. Section 36 of said Ordinance No. 6 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

36. The rules governing the installation of electric wiring and apparatus in buildings, and which are hereby approved, shall be what is known as the "Canadian Electrical Code", latest edition, together with authorized "Interim and Emergency Revisions" made to the said "Canadian Electrical Code", and together with the following special local rules. In case of a conflict between any specific rule set out in this Ordinance and a rule of the "Canadian Electrical Code" and such "Interim and Emergency Revisions", the specific rule shall in every case govern.

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3. Section 37 of said Ordinance No. 6 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

37. A list of approved material and appliances shall be kept on file at the office of the Electrician. All materials used and appliances installed shall comply with the requirements of the rules forming part of this Ordinance and shall be approved by the Electrician.

4. Section 38 of said Ordinance No. 6 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

38. The Electrician may permit the installation of approved armoured cable in any case in which he may consider it advisable so to do.

5. Section 40 of said Ordinance No. 6 is repealed.

6. Section 42 of said Ordinance No. 6 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

42. In all metal work, the fuses for control of a branch circuit or circuits shall be installed in approved cabinets.

7. Section 43 of said Ordinance No. 6 is repealed.

8. Section 46 of said Ordinance No. 6 is repealed.

9. Section 47 of said Ordinance No. 6 is repealed.

10. Section 48 of said Ordinance No. 6 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

48. An approved compensator, or device for limiting the current in starting A. C. motors, shall when required by the Electrician be furnished with all motors over 5. H. P.

11. Section 51 of said Ordinance No. 6 is repealed.

12. Section 52 of said Ordinance No. 6 is amended by repealing the second paragraph thereof and substituting therefor the following:

Branch circuits to radiators other than mantle luminous type shall not be less than No. 12 B. & S. guage.

13. (a) Section 53 of said Ordinance No. 6 is amended by repealing the first paragraph thereof and substituting therefor the following:

In wiring buildings exposed to extreme variations of temperature or dampness, special precaution must be taken so as to prevent leakage through grounded conditions.

(b) Said Section 53 of said Ordinance No. 6 is further amended by repealing the third paragraph thereof.

14. Section 54 of said Ordinance No. 6 is repealed.

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15. Section 55 of said Ordinance No. 6 is amended by repealing the second paragraph thereof.

16. (a) Section 57 of said Ordinance No. 6 is amended by repealing the fourth paragraph thereof and substituting therefor the following:

Switches for all signs and exterior lighting must be of approved type so as to disconnect all live wires.

(b) Said Section 57 of said Ordinance No. 6 is further amended by repealing the sixth paragraph thereof.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the amendments to Ordinance # 6 as set out above be read and passed a second time and forwarded to the Governor in Council for approval. Motion passed.

CLAIM OF MR. G. W. MITCHELL

November 9, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached report from the Committee on Works recommending that a claim of Mr. G. W. Mitchell, 135 South Park Street in connection with flooding of his basement be settled for the sum of \$39.40 plus the cost of replacing an electrical unit attached to the blower was considered and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the report be approved. Motion passed.

LEGISLATION SUB-DIVISIONS OF LAND

November 9, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-



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At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee hold on the above date the attached report from the Committee on Works recommending that legislation be secured at the next session of the legislature to repeal legislation obtained in 1943 concerning Committee on Works approval of "Sub-Divisions of Land" was approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the report be approved. Motion passed.

TAX EXEMPTION WOMEN'S VOLUNTARY SERVICES

November 9, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a letter from the City Assessor in connection with a request from the Women's Voluntary Services regarding assessment at 86 Granville Street was considered.

Your Committee recommends that this organization be dealt with in the same manner as other organizations under the provisions of Section 52, sub-section 3, Chapter 56 of the Acts of 1941.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the report be approved. Motion passed.

ADJUSTMENT OF WAGES JAMES WOOD

November 9, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached report from the Committee on Works recommending that Mr. James Wood's claim for adjustment of wages be settled at \$600.00 without prejudice was considered and concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the report be approved.

It was moved in amendment by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Burgess that this matter be referred back to the Committee on Works.

Alderman Reardon stated that this matter has been kicked around for 20 years and that this Council has to decide what is going to be done about it and wished to dispose of the matter immediately.

Alderman Breen asked if this were the full claim and was told by His Worship, the Mayor that it was not but that he understood Mr. Wood was willing to settle for this sum.

Aldermen Ahern and Reardon stated that they would not attend anymore meetings of the Committee on Works to deal with this question if it were referred back tonight.

The amendment was put and lost four voting for the same and eight against it as follows:

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Alderman Breen  
Hosterman  
Adams  
Burgess

AGAINST THE AMENDMENT

Alderman Batson  
Reardon  
Coffin  
DeWolf  
McDonald  
Doyle  
Walker  
Ahern

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The motion was then put and passed nine voting for the same and three against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Ahern  
Batson  
Coffin  
DeWolf  
Doyle  
Hosterman  
McDonald  
Reardon  
Walker

AGAINST THE MOTION

Alderman Adams  
Breen  
Burgess

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ASSESSMENT HALIFAX RELIEF COMMISSION

November 9, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached letter from the Halifax Relief Commission regarding Voluntary Assessment on their properties was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the proposal as outlined in the letter be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the report be approved. Motion passed.

REPORT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES  
ON TRANSPORTATION

November 9, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a letter from the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities submitting accounts of the Halifax Herald Limited amounting to \$16.80 and the Chronicle Company Ltd., amounting to \$9.52 covering advertising in connection with the investigation into the transportation system of the City of Halifax in so far as tramways and busses are concerned was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the accounts be passed for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the report be approved. Motion passed.

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October 25, 1943.

His Worship Mayor J. E. Lloyd,  
City of Halifax,  
City Hall,  
Halifax,  
N. S.

Your Worship:-

Following our conference with your Committee this morning regarding voluntary Assessment of the properties of the Halifax Relief Commission, we beg to confirm to you the following decisions that were arrived at:

Notwithstanding the statutory exemption of the properties of the Halifax Relief Commission, from any assessment by the City of Halifax, in respect to such properties the Halifax Relief Commission has agreed to accept the voluntary assessment for the tax year 1944-45 of Five Hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00)

Taxes will be paid on this voluntary assessment at the general rate decided upon by the City Council, in the usual manner and the discount provided for ordinary tax payers will also apply to taxes paid by this Commission. This voluntary assessment is accepted on the same basis and the same terms as is set forth in Sections 10 and 11 of the adjustment made by the Commissioners in the City of Halifax Claim dated December 30, 1926, as well as the specific conditions accepted as a result of later discussions and referred to in our letter of November 25, 1936 and accepted at a meeting of the City Council of January 14, 1937, as advised us in letter dated January 19, 1937, from the City Clerk.

The Commission agrees that our voluntary assessments shall continue to be reviewed annually for the duration of the war.

We would like to take this opportunity of assuring you that we are most anxious to co-operate with the Government of the City of Halifax in every way possible for the furthering of the interests of the City.

Yours very truly,

Halifax Relief Commission.

W. E. Tibbs,  
COMPTROLLER

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached letter from the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities enclosing a copy of a decision of the Board rendered in connection with transportation in the City as supplied by the N. S. Light and Power Co., Ltd., was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the report be acknowledged and filed.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

NOVA SCOTIA BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

IN THE MATTER OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES ACT

-and-

IN THE MATTER OF THE TRANSPORTATION IN THE  
CITY OF HALIFAX

On the 13th day of October 1943, the City Council of Halifax passed the following resolutions:

\*Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Reardon that the Board of Public Utilities be requested to investigate the public transportation services in the City of Halifax supplied by the Nova Scotia Light & Power Company Limited in order to ascertain whether the same is reasonably safe and adequate and in all respects, just and reasonable.

and a copy of this resolution was filed with the Board on the 18th day of October.

In accordance with the above, the Board decided to hold a public inquiry into the transportation system of the City operated by the aforesaid Company, and public notice was given of said inquiry. Representatives of the Navy, Army and Air Forces, industrial concerns, labor organizations, Board of Trade, and other Civic organizations were requested especially to send representatives.

Pursuant to notice, the inquiry opened at the offices of the Board on the 22nd day of October A. D. 1943 and, after hearing a number of submissions, it was adjourned to the 29th day of October 1943. Among those making submissions were Mayor John Lloyd; C. P. Bethune K. C.; H. E. Hill, representing the Edgewood Community; W. A. Russell, President of the Progressive Club; J. R. Clarke, representing the Halifax North Civic Improvement Association, Frank Waterhouse, Traffic Manager, Halifax Shipyards;

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T. M. Vaughan, Halifax Merchant, and G. C. Thompson, Manager of United Service Bus Operations. The Board also had the benefit of the expert opinions of Mr. N. D. Wilson of Toronto, Deputy Federal Transit Controller, and J. B. Hayes, Manager of the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company Limited.

In 1939 at the outbreak of war, the Company carried 9,626,000 passengers with 59 streetcars. In 1943 Mr. Hayes estimates the Company will carry three times as many passengers, or approximately 29,000,000. As pointed out, in 1939 the Company had 59 cars. The number was increased to 77 in 1942, and five additional cars were purchased by the Company in the year 1942, making a total of 82 presently operated by the Company.

In addition, in the northwest part of the City a bus service is being operated by the United Service Corporation Limited under contract with, and as part of, the system of the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company Limited. These busses operate a half-hour schedule during non-peak hours and a ten-minute schedule during peak hours. Transfer privileges from bus to tram and from tram to bus are accorded passengers during non-peak hours, but during peak hours passengers pay a straight ten cent fare. Weekly passes are sold to the patrons of trams only and are not valid on the busses. Mr. Hayes stated that the busses were operated at a net monthly loss of more than \$7,000.00.

Complaints made by those appearing for the bus riders were that:

1. The busses were not suitable for urban traffic;
2. The busses were not in good mechanical condition;
3. The busses were not properly cleaned;
4. The busses were insufficient in number to carry the peak hour traffic.

They asked that:

1. Transfers be permitted from bus to tram and from tram to bus;
2. Weekly tramcar passes be honored on the busses;

Insofar as transportation in the area of the city served by the tramcars was concerned, it was complained that:

1. There were insufficient tramcars;
2. The tramcars were overloaded;
3. There were delays in transportation.

The question was raised also as to whether or not the tracks were in proper condition to carry the anticipated increased traffic during the winter of 1943-44.

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The Public Utilities Act places on the Board the obligation of seeing that the service rendered by a utility is "reasonably safe and adequate and in all respects just and reasonable." In time of war, when it is extremely difficult or impossible to secure sufficient equipment or material and when there is an abnormal increase in population, it is obvious that the same interpretation cannot be placed upon "reasonably safe and adequate" as would be placed upon it in ordinary peace times. It must be obvious from the many control and rationing regulations and from the overcrowding, delays and other inconveniences occurring on the railways, interurban busses and on every transportation system in the country, that the public cannot expect the same service as they would in normal times. The Board must be guided in its decision in an inquiry of this kind by the opinion of experts and it might be well to point out the qualifications of the two experts, Messrs. Wilson and Hayes. Mr. Wilson stated:

"I was a consultant in city planning and interurban transportation. I have been in urban transport work from what might be called the "study end" for the past twenty-five years, mainly having to do with the adequacy of service for municipalities and the facilities of transportation services to serve the municipalities. I was with the Toronto Transportation Commission for nine years, part of the time as the "engineer of traffic study". I have been in private business since 1923 and have been consultant on traffic for Brazilian Light & Power since about that date, in fact, 1925, and consultant for Mexico Trams. I have reported to the Provincial Government or Hydro Electric on the Parks Transportation, as well as private work on the Windsor system, which has now been replaced by busses, and also in private work to Calgary and Edmonton, Winnipeg and Kingston, and several other smaller places around Ontario."

Mr. Hayes has been General Manager of the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company Limited since 1929 and in addition, he stated:

"I came to Halifax from a position as General Superintendent of Transportation in the cities of Norfolk and Portsmouth, Virginia."

Both Mr. Wilson and Mr. Hayes agreed that some of the track was not good, but no tramway rails are to be had. Rails have been on order for well over a year, they are not made in Canada, and there is no certainty when delivery may be made. Also, great difficulty has been experienced in obtaining labor. Both Mr. Wilson and Mr. Hayes, however, expressed the opinion that the condition of the rails and equipment were such that the tram system could be operated during the coming winter without danger of any serious tie-up.

Insofar as overcrowding was concerned, no more trolleys are available and no cars, which can be operated on this system, are now being manufactured. The chief difficulty was the handling of traffic during the peak hours, particularly between 7.30 A. M. and 9 A. M. and between 5 P. M. and 7.30 P. M. Both Mr. Wilson and Mr. Hayes were of the opinion that

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with the number of trancars now in service, the Company should be able to reasonably handle the traffic during peak hours if the time of employment of those using the tramways during the peak hours were adjusted to make the best use of the service.

It was suggested that in the area presently served by the trancars, busses be secured and operated either as feeders to the trolley system or over the same route as trancars. We quote Mr. Wilson's opinion on the use of busses in this area:

"I am adverse to operating busses with the street car system, due to the fact that it creates a more or less competitive service even when operated under the same management. It leads to more congestion along the street and does not perhaps give as good service in the end. The topographical features of Halifax are the really controlling factor. You are up against very steep hills in the business part of the town and very narrow streets and sharp corners joined by steep hills, and I frankly feel that bus operations in the down town district along with the tramway operation might lead to worse conditions than now exist. There would be delays and broken service and things like that."

Mr. Hayes gave his opinion as to the use of busses in this area:

"There seems to have grown up an idea that all you have to do is press a button marked "busses" and solve the transportation problems. Transit control will make busses available only where they are absolutely needed. In my opinion, and I speak soberly and with fairly wide experience behind me, such is not the case in Halifax. Here is the reason. The popular idea of busses in Halifax can be illustrated in a simple way, this way. To serve the west end of the city where the bulk of the residential district is, you have Quinpool Road and Coburg Road supplied with trams. Splitting that section in two is Jubilee Road. People say that there should be busses put on Jubilee Road, on South Street and North Street. Nothing could be further from sound transportation policy than that. As we now operate on the tramcar streets, Spring Garden and Coburg and Quinpool, serving that area, there are 10 cars per hour, that is a six-minute headway, and if you wanted to increase the service to an additional 10% to serve that area you could do it by putting on one extra bus per hour on those roads. No one in the world living in that section would go down to Jubilee Road to pick up a bus that comes once in an hour. They would go down to Coburg or Quinpool to get a vehicle that would go by every five minutes. So if busses were acquired in Halifax they would operate in parallel with the existing system. There would be that much waste of manpower and materials. If you were going to design the system, you should have Coburg Road and Quinpool Road as far apart as you can get them, to give people reasonable walking distance in order to give the vehicles proper headway distance. You should not have close together parallel lines. The idea that some people have, that



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if you got 6, 10 or 12 busses it would solve the problem, just isn't so. That I believe is what Mr. Wilson meant when he said he didn't approve of busses and trams operating in parallel."

Mr. Wilson was asked what he thought about staggered hours as a solution to the traffic problem in Halifax and he replied as follows:

"I think staggered hours is the solution. While the riding in Halifax has had a tremendous increase, on the other hand the peak riding is not relatively as great in Halifax as it would be in a straight industrial City. There is an increase of not quite 50% in the tram service between the normal and the peak service. Take the town of Leaside near Toronto, it jumps over five times from the normal to the peak conditions. Toronto runs three times the peak conditions, there are three times the equipment on the streets at night and the overcrowding is just as pronounced as it is here. So I don't think Halifax suffers from a tremendous peak load."

It is clear from the evidence that the most pressing problem is that of the carriage traffic during the peak hours. On a wartime basis almost every occupation in the City might be considered as essential. Yet there are degrees of essentiality, it being absolutely necessary that certain industries, directly connected with the conduct of the war, be given priority. If the war effort is to be protected from interruption, it is obvious that the workers in these industries should be given priority as to transportation, while the hours of those in occupations less essential should be staggered to flatten the peaks.

Apparently there is no legal enactment to enforce the staggering of hours and such a scheme can be brought into effect only by the voluntary cooperation of the public generally. Discussion arose as to whether it was the duty of the Company or the City to take the initiative in bringing about the staggering of hours, but no definite decision was reached. Rather than that there should be any delay in bringing this about, the Board itself has decided to make the effort, and should it fail, the failure will be due to the lack of cooperation on the part of employers and employees and the public in general.

Insofar as the complaints registered against the busses in the northwest area of the City are concerned, the Board has made a personal inspection of the equipment. These busses were built for interurban transportation and not for urban use, but were the only available equipment at the time. They are mechanically sound but require minor repairs. Being built for interurban traffic, luggage racks run the whole length of the busses, limiting their passenger capacity, and the Board is of the opinion that if possible, these racks should be removed. The Bus Company is experiencing difficulty in securing help and the Board suggests that women might perform a better service in cleaning these vehicles than the teen-age boys presently employed. The Board is satisfied that the service is essential and is of

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the opinion that with a re-routing of the busses and the addition of units which may become available before the end of the year, an efficient service can be secured.

As this is part of the City transportation system, there should be no discrimination against the people who, due to the exigencies of war, must live in this area. The Board has therefore come to the conclusion that all tickets, passes and transfers now in use on the tramcars shall be valid on these busses at all hours on and after December 1st, 1943.

After hearing the evidence, the Board has decided that it will be necessary to rearrange the routing and it may be found necessary to enlarge the schedule. This would necessarily be brought about by a conference with Mr. Hayes, Mr. Wagner, Regional Transit Controller, representatives of the Dockyard and Shipyards and the Board, which conference will be held at an early date.

An Order will issue directing the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company Limited on and after December 1st to honor at all hours on these busses all tickets, passes and transfers now in use on the tramcars; and to instal or have installed additional equipment in this area when Transit Control makes such equipment available.

DATED at Halifax, N. S., this 6th day of November, A. D. 1943.

(Sgd) J. A. Hanway

(Sgd) Ira P. Macnab.

(Sgd) George Farquhar

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the report be approved. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Doyle that Council give recognition to the North End Civic Improvement Association for the part played by it in this matter and also an expression of thanks to the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities for the prompt action they took in the matter of investigating and reporting on the transportation system. Motion passed.

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PART TIME WORK CIVIC EMPLOYEES

November 9, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the matter of Civic Employees accepting part-time employment was considered.

Your Committee recommends that no objection be taken to Civic Employees accepting part-time work for the duration of the war providing that same does not interfere with their Civic duties and that they first inform the Head of their respective Department specifying the work which they contemplate accepting.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the report be approved. Motion passed.

CITY SOLICITOR ATTENDING CONVENTION

November 9, 1943.

To 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 His Worship the Mayor stated that he had received a letter from the National Institute of Law Officers requesting that the City Solicitor be permitted to attend a conference which will be held by that body in Chicago on November 30, December 1, 2 and 3, 1943.

Your Committee recommends that the City Solicitor be authorized to attend this conference and his expenses in connection therewith, charged against the appropriation for printing, stationery and office expenses.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the report be approved.

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Alderman Burgess asked why the difference between the Chief of Police and the Solicitor in referring to the refusal given to the Chief to attend a convention earlier in the summer.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he thought it was a mistake not to let our representatives attend conventions and also that we should let them go away to show that we can be represented and help to let the people know what is going on in this City.

The motion was put and passed unanimously.

ALTERATIONS WARD 5 F CITY HOME

November 9, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report from the Public Health and Welfare Committee recommending that alterations be made to Ward 5 F of the City Home to provide temporary quarters in which to house Venereal Disease suspects while undergoing inspection and treatment was considered.

It is estimated that the alterations will cost approximately \$500.00 and same will be paid for by the Provincial Department of Health.

Your Committee therefore recommends that authority be granted to have the alterations proceeded with.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the report be approved. Motion passed.

TENDERS FOR POTATOES

November 8, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

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At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date tenders for supplying 1900 bus. of potatoes to the City Home were considered as follows:

B. A. Blakeney Ltd 1200 bus. Canada # 1 White Potato at \$1.65 per 75 lb. bag.

Canada Packers Limited 1200 bus. # 1 Green Mountain potato at \$1.34 per bus.

700 bus. Red or Irish Cobbler Whites at \$1.34 per bus.

Your Committee recommends that the tender of B. A. Blakeney Limited be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed.

ACCOUNTS OVER \$200.00

November 8, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

The Public Health and Welfare Committee at a meeting held on the above date approved and recommended to the City Council for payment the following accounts:

Nova Scotia Trucking, Body Building & Paint Works	\$270.00
J. & M. Murphy Limited	\$609.67
Tip Top Tailors Limited	\$389.00

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH ATTENDING CONVENTION

November 8, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

November 12, 1943.

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date a letter from the Commissioner of Health requesting permission to attend a National Venereal Disease Control Conference which is being held in Ottawa, December 6 to 9 inclusive, was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the Commissioner be permitted to attend the Conference, expenses in connection therewith, will be paid by the Provincial Government.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed.

FIRE ALARM TELEGRAPH SERVICE CAMP HILL HOSPITAL

November 3, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date the attached report from the City Electrician in connection with an application from the Department of Pensions and National Health requesting that connections be made to Camp Hill Hospital with the City Fire Alarm Telegraph Service was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the City Electrician be authorized to write the Department of Pensions and National Health that when the new Fire Alarm Central Equipment is installed, the service connections requested be granted on the payment of a yearly service connection charge satisfactory to the City.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Doyle that the report be approved. Motion passed.

SALE OF POLICE CAR

November 3, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

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At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date the Chief of Police reported that the sum of \$415.00 was realized from the sale of a 1940 Ford car. This car was disposed of by public auction as authorized by the City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Doyle that the report be approved. Motion passed.

PARKING FINES

November 3, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date the matter of fines imposed for violations of parking regulations was discussed.

In the opinion of this Committee the minimum fine of Five Dollars is excessive and it is therefore, recommended that representations be made to the Provincial Authorities to have the minimum fine of Five Dollars for violation of Section 121 of the Motor Vehicle Act reduced to two dollars.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Doyle that the report be approved. Motion passed.

SURVEY POLICE DEPARTMENT

November 12, 1943.

To the Members of the  
City Council of the  
City of Halifax.

Dear Aldermen:-

At the meeting of the Safety Committee held last week, it was decided that a survey of the administration of the Police Department of this City should be held and it was decided to request the co-operation of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

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The Committee therefore recommends that the Mayor be authorized to communicate with Commissioner Woods of the R. C. M. P. and request that some qualified member or members of that force be made available to the City for the purpose of conducting such survey. The matters to be included in such survey should be the administration of the Department, the types of police methods used, and the methods used in making appointments and promotions.

When such survey has been made, a report on the same will be made to the Council.

Yours very truly,

J. E. Lloyd,  
M A Y O R.

Moved by Alderman Doyle, seconded by Alderman Burgess that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### QUESTIONS

Alderman Ahorn referred to the regulations prohibiting smoking on tram cars and asked why the offenders had not been punished. He suggested that the Safety Committee should take action to have the law enforced.

This matter was referred to the Safety Committee for action.

Alderman Batson referred to the puddles of water on the sidewalk in front of the Government House on Barrington Street. He stated that these things were only a reflection on the City because he had heard two men who had stepped in the water say that you can't expect anything else in the City of Halifax.

He said it was suggested to bore holes in the sidewalk to let the water run away but he felt this was impracticable and thought it was up to Government House to look after this.

The matter was referred to the Committee on Works.

Alderman Reardon referred to the New Fire Station and stated that after the inspection he was satisfied the contractor did his part well and asked to have a letter of appreciation sent to the contractor for the extras he put there at no charge to the City and if there was anything wrong with the Station, it was not the fault of the contractor.

Moved by Alderman Reardon, seconded by Alderman Burgess that the Rules of Order of Council be suspended in order to consider this matter. Motion passed.

Mr. MacKinnon was asked by His Worship the Mayor if he were satisfied with the construction from an Engineering point of view, and was answered by Mr. MacKinnon that there were only 2 items of trifling importance but that he was willing to release the



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contractor from the contract.

Moved by Alderman Reardon, seconded by Alderman Burgess that a letter be written to the contractor advising him that due to the recent publications in the press about the erection of the new fire station in the North End, this Council approves that the contractor should not be held responsible for the remarks by the public and expresses its appreciation for the work done by him. Motion passed.

Alderman Burgess referred to the Post War Planning Committee and asked if it were going to be increased and if anyone had been contacted in the North End Civic Improvement Association.

His Worship the Mayor replied that the Association was contacted and as a result of this Mr. George A. Smith was put on the Committee.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Batson that the Rules of Order of Council be suspended in order to discuss this matter. Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor stated that Council had approved of the appointment of a Post War Planning Committee consisting of three members but he felt this number was insufficient and asked Council to approve of increasing the number to six members.

Moved by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman Batson that Council approve of the appointment of a Post War Planning Committee consisting of six members. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that the Rules of Order of Council be suspended in order to discuss the following matter. Motion passed.

SALE OF LAND

November 12, 1943.

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

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a tender from Mr. James K. Feener offering to pay the sum of \$400.00 for lots 35 & 36 W/S Robie Street was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the tender be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the report be approved. Motion passed.

WEATHER PROOF EXTENSIONS WARTIME TAXI CALL BOXES

November 12, 1943.

INSTALLATION OF WEATHER-PROOF EXTENSIONS  
WARTIME TAXI ASSOCIATION CALL BOXES

City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on October 26, 1943 considered the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated October 25, 1943 and entitled "Installation of Weather-Proof Extensions Wartime Taxi Association Call boxes".

On motion of Alderman Coffin, seconded by Alderman DeWolf, the said report was approved and recommended to City Council for adoption subject to the execution of an agreement containing terms satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per T. J. Moore,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

October 25, 1943.

INSTALLATION OF WEATHER PROOF EXTENSIONS  
WARTIME TAXI ASSOCIATION CALL BOXES

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on an application from the Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Company, for permission to install two weather-proof extensions for the Wartime Taxi Association, one to be located at the south-east corner of George and Granville Streets and the other on the east side of Windsor Street, one pole north of Almon.

I consulted the Chief of Police in regard to these locations and he advises that the box at the corner of George and Granville Streets will be satisfactory. In regard to the second location, the only objection would be the room taken up by parking on hockey nights, but he is satisfied that he can overcome this objection by arranging angle parking on such nights.

It is therefore recommended that both locations be approved.

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Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,  
Commissioner of Works.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Doyle that the report be approved. Motion passed.

TENDERS RE PLUMBING BEDFORD ROW FIRE STATION

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TENDER RE PLUMBING AT BEDFORD ROW FIRE STATION

City Council.

Gentlemen:-

City Council in October 1943 on the recommendation of the Safety Committee accepted a tender of Hillis & Sons Limited re Plumbing at the Bedford Row Fire Station.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on November 9, 1943, the attached letter from Hillis & Sons Limited to His Worship the Mayor under date of November 8, 1943 was submitted, advising as follows: "With reference to our letter September 25, 1943 re plumbing at the Bedford Row Fire Station we would like to withdraw this letter as we are not prepared to do this job at the present time."

On motion of Alderman Coffin, seconded by Alderman Doyle the Committee on Works recommended that City Council release Hillis & Sons Limited from all obligation resulting from Council's acceptance of the abovementioned tender in October 1943, and that Council direct that new tenders be sought.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per T. J. Moore,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Doyle that the report be approved. Motion passed.

REPAIRS OLD ST. MARGARET'S BAY ROAD

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REPAIRS OLD ST. MARGARET'S BAY ROAD

City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on November 9, 1943 considered the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated November 5, 1943 entitled "Repairs Old St. Margaret's Bay Rd"

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On motion of Alderman Reardon, seconded by Alderman Doyle the Committee directed that the attached resolution drafted by the City Solicitor be recommended to City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per T. J. Moore,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

November 5, 1943.

REPAIRS OLD ST. MARGARET'S BAY ROAD

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

At a meeting held in the Mayor's Office on Wednesday, November 3, 1943 at 11.00 a. m. by a sub-committee of the Committee on Works and representatives of residents on that portion of the St. Margaret's Bay Road between the present St. Margaret's Bay Road and the Meter House, Chain Lake, it was agreed that while the City does not acknowledge any responsibility for the maintenance of the above mentioned Road, yet, as it is being used at times by the City Water Department, the City should to a certain extent, do some maintenance work on it.

I inspected the road and two bridges on it yesterday and would estimate the cost for repairs at \$200.00. I would recommend that repairs be made chargeable to Water Maintenance.

Respectfully submitted,

E. M. MacKinnon,  
Commissioner of Works.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the City of Halifax is the owner of certain lands lying outside the City of Halifax and being formerly part of the Old St. Margaret's Bay Road.

AND WHEREAS the use of the said Road as a public highway was extinguished by virtue of certain enactments of the Legislature of the Province of Nova Scotia.

AND WHEREAS the said lands and premises have been used by the City for the purpose of securing access to certain properties of the Water Department of the City and for this purpose were used by the City as a road;

AND WHEREAS the said property is in need of repair in order for the same to be used by the City for the purpose aforesaid.

AND WHEREAS the said property is also used by certain residents of the district without any specific permission from the City therefor for the

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purpose of securing access to their premises abutting upon the said property.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that for the purpose of efficient operation of the Water Department of the City of Halifax that certain repairs be made to the said lands to an amount not exceeding \$200.00 to be charged to the maintenance account of the Water Department of the City, to enable the same to be used as a means of access to the facilities of the Water Department of the City, and it is expressly hereby declared that such repairs are not intended by the City to be made for the purpose of converting the said premises into a public road or highway, nor any admission on the part of the City that it is liable to any person for making the said repairs to the said premises for the purpose aforesaid.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Doyle that the report and resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

MERCHANT SEAMAN'S MANNING POOL - FENCE

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MERCHANT SEAMEN'S MANNING POOL  
FENCE - NORTH ALBERT STREET

City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on November 9, 1943 considered the attached report from the Commissioner of Works dated November 9, 1943, entitled as above, on an application from Mr. Arthur Randles, Director of Merchant Seamen, for permission to allow the fence erected around the Merchant Seamen's Manning Pool, one side of which encroaches on North Albert Street to remain in its present position for the duration of the war.

On motion of Alderman Reardon, seconded by Alderman Ahern, the said report was approved and the Committee recommended to City Council that the said permission be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per T. J. Moore,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Doyle that the report be approved. Motion passed.

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DESKS CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER

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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 November 9, 1943 and entitled as above on a request from the Women's Volunteer Service Centre for the loan of three desks which were formerly in the City Council Chamber and are now stored at the City Field.

On motion of Alderman Reardon, seconded by Alderman Doyle the said report was approved and the Committee recommended to Council that the three desks requested be loaned to the Women's Volunteer Service Centre for the duration of the present war.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per T. J. Moore,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Doyle that the report be approved. Motion passed.

APPLICATION FOR GARAGE IRVING OIL LIMITED

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APPLICATION FOR GARAGE IRVING OIL LIMITED

City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 9th instant considered the attached report dated November 5, 1943 from the Building Inspector on an application from the Irving Oil Limited to construct a garage 60 feet by 150 feet on their property at Fairview to replace their former building which was destroyed by fire a few months ago. The said report advises in part that, "Owing to present wartime conditions, the Company has been refused the use of steel for roof trusses and reinforcing steel for a concrete roof by the Construction Control Board of the Department of Munitions and Supply, Ottawa. The alternative is to employ the use of wooden trusses and a built-up roof using T. & G. Boards. This, of course, is contrary to Part IX of the Building Act."

On motion of Alderman Reardon seconded by Alderman Doyle the Committee approved and recommended that City Council authorize the Inspector

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of Buildings to permit the applicant to employ the use of wooden trusses and a built-up roof using T. & G. Boards, under the authority of Section 728 A (Wartime Legislation 1942).

The Committee further recommended that permission to use eight inch tile walls in this building instead of twelve inch as specified by the Building Act be refused, as the Building Inspector advised that it is possible to secure sufficient twelve inch tile to comply with the Law.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per T. J. Moore,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

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APPLICATION FOR GARAGE IRVING OIL LIMITED

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

An application has been received from the Irving Oil Limited to construct a garage 60 feet by 150 feet on their property at Fairview, to replace their former building which was destroyed by fire a few months ago.

Owing to present wartime conditions, the Company has been refused the use of steel for roof trusses and reinforcing steel for a concrete roof by the Construction Control Board of the Department of Munitions and Supply, Ottawa. The alternative is to employ the use of wooden trusses and a built-up roof using T and G. Boards. This, of course, is contrary to Part IX of the Building Act.

It is therefore recommended that, under Section 728 A (Wartime Legislation 1942), which states in part that "the Inspector of Buildings may, for the duration of the present war.....with the approval of the Committee on Works, and the Council therefor, grant permits for the erection....etc. notwithstanding that such building is to be erected contrary to the Building Act", permission be granted to this Company to obtain the approval of the Committee on Works and City Council.

Permission is also asked to use 8-inch Tile walls instead of 12-inch as specified by the Building Act. Upon further inquiry with the Company, I find that it is possible to secure sufficient tile to enable them to comply with the law, and I would suggest that this be done and permission refused to use 8-inch walls.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,  
Commissioner of Works.

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Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Doyle that the report be approved. Motion passed.

FINAL CERTIFICATE MAITLAND STREET SEWER

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FINAL CERTIFICATE FOR PAYMENT TO  
LEWIS COREY RE MAITLAND STREET SEWER

City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 9th instant, on motion of Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Reardon, approved and recommended to Council for payment the attached final certificate of the Commissioner of Works recommending payment to Mr. Lewis Corey of the sum of \$5,045.03 in full on his contract for the construction of a sewer on Maitland Street.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per T. J. Moore,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Doyle that the report be approved. Motion passed.

REQUEST FOR USE OF PROPERTY AT CITY FIELD

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NAVY LEAGUE OF CANADA REQUEST FOR USE  
OF PROPERTY AT CITY FIELD

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 9th instant considered the attached letter dated October 22, 1943 from Mr. R. A. Major, President of the Navy League of Canada, Nova Scotia Mainland Division, to His Worship Mayor J. E. Lloyd, requesting the use, as a dance hall, of a portion of the Public Works Building situated on the City Field.

On motion of Alderman Coffin, seconded by Alderman DeWolf, the Committee recommended that the approval of the City Council as sought in the said letter be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per T. J. Moore,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

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October 22, 1943.

His Worship,  
Mayor J. E. Lloyd,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Mayor Lloyd:

As you no doubt know, the Navy League of Canada, Nova Scotia Mainland Division, has been operating the Forum during the summer months for the benefit of the services, having installed a dance floor and stage and having operated a regular schedule of weekly dances for the benefit of the men and women of the armed forces.

These dances proved very popular, so much so that close to 80,000 people danced at the Forum during the summer months. At the present time, it is necessary for us to discontinue this service so that the Forum may be made ready for the coming Hockey season, and the Navy League is most anxious to continue to offer to the men and women of the services a continuation of this most popular form of entertainment.

As an extension of the services now being offered by the Navy League Recreation Centre, it has been suggested that the City of Halifax might be good enough to offer the use of a portion of the Public Works Building situated on the City Field. The size and construction of one of the large rooms now used for storage would be ideal for this purpose and could be readily converted into use as a dance hall.

We realize, of course, that it would be our responsibility to construct for the City of Halifax a suitable temporary shelter to house materials now stored in this particular space and we are prepared so to do.

I believe that you are personally aware of the great demand for recreation of this sort and recognize that it will, in a great measure, alleviate many other City of Halifax problems. It will keep a great number of soldiers, sailors and airforce men and women off the streets and will provide them with healthy and satisfying recreation.

I will not attempt to set down here all the points covered in our discussion yesterday but can assure you that we would be very grateful indeed if this matter could be put before the City Council for approval in general, after which time any further problems arising out of the granting of this request could very easily be ironed out. In granting this request, the Council of the City of Halifax would be making a major contribution to the War effort and one which would reflect highly to the credit of the City.

We recognize the stress and urgency of your many problems today but we do hope that it will be possible for you to look into this matter very shortly, so that the work necessary to improvement of the building could be given ahead.

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with promptly and the premises be opened for dancing at the earliest possible moment.

Trusting that we may have the favour of an early reply.

Yours very truly,

R. A. Major,  
President, Navy League of Canada,  
Nova Scotia Mainland Division,  
Halifax, N. S.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Doyle that the report be approved. Motion passed.

FINAL CERTIFICATE RE INCINERATOR

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FINAL CERTIFICATE FOR PAYMENT TO FRANCIS HANKIN & CO. LTD. RE INCINERATOR

The City Council:

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 9th instant, on motion of Alderman Reardon, seconded by Alderman Ahern, approved and recommended to City Council for payment the attached Final Certificate of the Commissioner of Works recommending payment to Francis Hankin & Co., Ltd., of the sum of \$12,569.02 being the amount in full on their contract for the erection of a new incinerator on the old incinerator lot on Kempt Road.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per T. J. Moore,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Doyle that the report be approved. Motion passed.

PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS OVER \$500.00 (2)

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PAYMENT FOR ACCOUNTS OVER \$500.00

City Council:

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 9th instant, on motion of Alderman Reardon, seconded by Alderman Coffin, approved and recommended to Council for payment the following accounts each of which are for an amount in excess of \$500.00.

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Standard Clay Products Limited \$570.90  
for sewer pipes.

Imperial Oil Limited \$977.13  
for asphalt.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per T. J. Moore,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman  
Doyle that the report be approved. Motion passed.

PROHIBITION OF BUILDING ON MUMFORD ROAD

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PROHIBITION OF CONSTRUCTION OF DWELLINGS ON MUMFORD  
ROAD

City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 9th instant considered the attached report from the City Clerk of two recommendations approved by the Public Health and Welfare Committee at a meeting held on the 8th instant.

On motion of Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Coffin the Committee on Works concurred in the recommendation contained in Item # 1 of the said report and recommended it to City Council for adoption.

Relative to the recommendation contained in Item # 2 of the said report the Committee on Works on the 9th instant recommended a proposal of the Commissioner of Works that authority be sought to borrow funds for the installation of an auxiliary sewer.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per T. J. Moore,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

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To The Chairman and Members  
of the Committee on Works.

Gentlemen:-

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At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date a report from the Sanitary Engineer making certain recommendations was considered.

The following recommendations were approved and recommended to you for consideration and necessary action:

1. Recommendation is hereby made to prohibit the construction of any more dwellings on Mumford Road until such time that the section can be supplied with water and sewerage.
2. In the past years some trouble has been reported with backing up of sewerage in some houses on South Park Street between Morris Street and Spring Garden Road.

The trouble as far as can be learned, occurs when heavy rains overtax the sewers and the College St. sewer, running full, causes a back-up in the South Park Street sewer north of their intersection.

Recommendation is hereby made that this situation be cleared up. A possible solution would be to re-locate the College Street sewer so that its connection is placed as far south on South Park Street as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Doyle that the report be approved. Motion passed.

LETTER W. T. P. & T. BOARD RE CHILDREN'S CLOTHING

Halifax, N. S.,  
October 28, 1943.

His Worship Mayor J. E. Lloyd,  
City of Halifax,  
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Mr. Mayor:-

I have to acknowledge your letter of the 23rd inst., bringing to my attention the shortage of children's clothing in the City of Halifax, and I am very pleased to be able to advise you that this matter has been receiving our most earnest attention and we are doing everything possible to rectify the situation.

A survey is now underway to determine just what the shortages are and how best they may be overcome and it is a little discouraging to find in every case, that the retailers have received their full quotas and in many cases, in excess of that quantity, which makes the solution a little harder to deal with.

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We are convinced from our investigations up to date, that a good part of the trouble is due to that phantom population in the City of Halifax, represented by the purchases made by members of the merchant navy, buying and carrying home overseas, children's clothing especially, intended by the manufacturers for the use of the Halifax civilian.

This is possibly one of the most difficult problems we have to contend with and certainly the hardest to control, but we hope very shortly to be able to submit some solution to the retail trade and you may rest assured that we are working our very hardest to deal with it as promptly as possible, as we realize and understand the urgency with the approach of colder winter weather.

Thank you very much for your kind understanding of the situation and I assure you that we will leave no stone unturned in bringing a solution to the problem.

With kindest personal regards,

Yours very truly,

W. S. Lee,  
Prices & Supply Representative.

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REPORT COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE RE TRAM PASSES

It was agreed that copies of the report should be forwarded to the Aldermen.

REPORT COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE RE EXHIBITION

It was agreed that copies of the report should be forwarded to the Aldermen.

LETTER HON. JOHN A. McDONALD RE EXHIBITION

Halifax, N. S.,  
October 25, 1943.

Mayor J. E. Lloyd,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Mayor Lloyd:-

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 23rd with copy of clipping from the City press of September 30th entitled "Amherst Seeking Provincial Exhibition".

We do not anticipate now that there will be anything done in the near future towards re-establishing a provincial exhibition. I rather suspect that the stir among some of our Amherst friends was caused by talk that a major agricultural fair was to be established at Truro.

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Many of those interested in the welfare of agriculture in this Province have thought for some time that a first-class agricultural fair should be established in or near Truro. I think you will agree this is a central location especially for the farmers of the Province and is surrounded by a lot of good farms and successful farmers which would help to make the agricultural fair a success.

If you or the members of your Council had any particular representations that you would like to make regarding this matter we would be glad to have them.

Yours very truly,

John A. McDonald.

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ORDER IN COUNCIL RE BORROWING SCHOOL BOARD

CERTIFIED COPY OF ORDER IN COUNCIL

Whereas the Board of School Commissioners for the City of Halifax requires an amount necessary for extending the basement of ten room school at Ardmore Park over the whole building area, the said extension to cost approximately Nine Thousand Three Hundred and Thirty Dollars (\$9,330.00);

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

And whereas the Governor in Council appointed Saturday, the 16th day of October, A. D. 1943, at twelve o'clock noon, in the Executive Council Chamber, Province House, City of Halifax, as the time and place at which the matter of such application should be heard;

And whereas due notice of the amount so required and the purpose for which the same is required and of the time and place so appointed was given to the Mayor of the City;

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

Now therefore the Lieutenant Governor acting by and with the advice of the Executive Council, and under and by virtue of Section 921 1 (b) of the Halifax City Charter, is pleased to order and direct and hereby orders and directs the City of Halifax to issue debentures or stock to raise the amount so required.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an Order of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia in Council made the 26th day of October, A. D. 1943.

Arthur S. Barnstead,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

TAX COLLECTIONS OCTOBER 1943

Arrears Taxes

Civic Year	Reserve	Outstanding Balances Sept. 30/43.	New Accounts and adjustments.	October Collections.	Outstanding Balances October.
1941-42	\$89,682.18	\$ 121,075.73		\$ 7,247.75	\$113,827.98
1942-43	\$30,131.33	229,475.65		11,930.01	217,545.64
Current 1943-44	\$39,858.00	479,501.34		38,098.63	441,402.71
Water Rates		93,539.11		14,985.89	78,553.22
		<u>\$923,591.83</u>		<u>\$ 72,262.28</u>	<u>\$851,329.55</u>

Poll Taxes

1934-35	490.94	22.50	468.44
1935-36	94.42	28.00	66.42
1942-43	4,069.66	649.37	3,420.29
1943-44	63,795.95	2,136.05	61,659.90

Additional Collections		<u>1943-44</u>	<u>1942-43</u>
Tax Arrears 1908-9 to 1924-25		3.74	
Corresponding Period last year			27.30
Tax Arrears 1925-26-1940-41		7,993.73	
Corresponding Period last year			3,002.60
Collections as per statement above		72,262.28	
Corresponding Period last year			<u>99,772.54</u>
		<u>\$80,259.75</u>	<u>\$102,802.44</u>
Collections of Poll Taxes May 1, 1943 to October 31, 1943.		\$22,917.40	
Corresponding Period last year			22,179.77

M. L. Bellow,  
Chief Accountant.

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The Chairman,  
Finance & Executive Committee,  
City Hall.

Dear Sir:

Subscriptions to the Fifth Victory Loan have been received from 437 employees of the City of Halifax, in a total amount of \$38,300.00. Of this amount, \$25,400.00 will be paid for by the employees concerned, by semi-monthly or fortnightly deductions from salary or wages, over a period of six months.

Authority is requested for the purchase of \$25,400.00 in Fifth Victory Loan Bonds through the Royal Bank of Canada, same to be held for delivery to individual subscribers as and when subscriptions have been met by pay roll deductions.

Yours very truly,

N. L. Sherman,  
Commissioner of Finance.

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

Meeting adjourned.

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J. E. Lloyd,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

  
W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

M O R N I N G S E S S I O N  
SPECIAL MEETING

11.10 A. M.,  
Council Chamber, .  
City Hall,  
November 25, 1943.

A meeting of the City Council was held this day. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor; Chairman; Aldermen Batson, Coffin, Adams, DeWolf, Doyle, Walker, Burgess and Ahern.

The meeting was called specially to consider,  
MAKING AVAILABLE TEMPORARILY TO CRANE'S LIMITED  
SPACE IN THE CITY MARKET BUILDING.

His Worship the Mayor stated that Crane's Ltd. lost a considerable amount of equipment in the recent fire which destroyed their plant and that they were now ready to rent a part of the City Market Building and because of their anxiety to have an early decision from the Council, this special meeting was called.

Mr. R. M. MacKinnon, Commissioner of Works, stated that he went over the Market Building with Mr. Pond, a representative of the abovementioned company and that the company required about 45 or 50% of the floor space and that the City would still have access to the building through the doors on Market and Duke Streets. He said that he based the rental on 6% of the cost of the building which would bring it to \$300.00 per month but felt that this was too high and suggested that it should be settled at \$250.00 per month.

Alderman Burgess stated that the Company was in need of space very badly and that the people coming into the Market would not be affected very much and that he would be willing to let the Company have the

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required amount of space.

Moved by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the space Mr. MacKinnon has defined be leased to Crane's Limited at a rental of \$250.00 per month for a period of 6 months with the option of renewing or terminating the lease on one month's notice and that an agreement satisfactory to the City Solicitor be executed.

Alderman Walker asked if the Company was going to put up a brick wall and was answered by His Worship the Mayor that it was just a wooden partition to which Alderman Walker replied that it would be a fire trap.

Mr. MacKinnon stated that it would be 12 feet high enough to separate the Market.

Alderman DeWolf asked if the Company would take the partition down when they were ready to move out.

Mr. Pond stated that they would leave the partition or remove it whichever the City preferred.

Alderman Batson stated that he was very much in favor of granting the space to the Company as in his opinion he thought that the Company had done a great deal in the prosecution of the war effort.

His Worship the Mayor asked Mr. Pond if the Company would be agreeable to signing a lease and was answered in the affirmative.

Alderman DeWolf questioned if the Company would be willing to pay any increase in the Fire Insurance if the rate went up and was answered by Mr. Pond that the Company would be willing to do so.

The motion was put and passed unanimously with the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor:

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FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Batson  
Coffin  
Adams  
DeWolf  
Doyle  
Walker  
Burgess  
Ahern

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

Meeting adjourned.

11.25 A. M.

  
J. E. Lloyd,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN

  
W. P. PUBLICOVER,  
CITY CLERK.