

July 12/1945.

ACCOUNT MRS. PHOEBE TURNER

July 5/1945.

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

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date, a letter from the Superintendent of Health respecting the claim for hospitalization against the late Mrs. Phoebe Turner and advising that the Canadian National Railways has the sum of \$89.64 in their possession to the credit of the late Mrs. Turner, was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the said sum of \$89.64 be accepted and the previous resolution of Council amended accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

INSURANCE POLICE DEPARTMENT

June 28/1945.

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 renewing insurance on cars, radios, etc., of the Police Department, was considered.

It is recommended that the insurance be renewed with the same companies as last year viz:

A. J. Bell & Co., Ltd., R. K. Kelly & Co., Jack and Co., Ltd., and Thompson Adams & Co., Ltd., - with A. J. Bell & Co., Ltd., underwriting for the group for the following coverage:

Public Liability \$10/20,000, Property Damage \$1,000 on all cars except Patrol on which the Property Damage is \$2,000; Fire Coverage on all Cars. Radio Receivers and Transmitters are covered against fire, theft and full collision. The limit on the transmitters being \$400.00 and the radios \$150.00 - - - Premium \$543.33

It was also decided to report to Council for its information the following particulars respecting increas-

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ed coverage on the equipment as follows:

Public Liability \$25/50,000, Property Damage \$3,000 for
the same equipment \$608.68.
Collision on Patrol \$50.00 deductible - - - \$ 66.00
Premium - theft on all cars including motor cycle and
patrol - - - \$31.60

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Batson, seconded by Alderman Walker
that the equipment mentioned in the report be insured for
the higher coverage as set out in the last paragraph
thereof. Motion passed.

TENDER FOR SHIRTS

June 28/1945.

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

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held
on the above date a tender from William Scully Limited
offering to supply shirts to the Police Department at
\$3.00 each plus Sales Tax was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the tender
be approved and that the Chief of Police authorized to
purchase the number required for members of the Police
Department.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

GRANT HALIFAX PLAYGROUNDS COMMISSION

July 14, 1945.

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

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Recreation Committee
held on the above date, the matter of a request from the

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Halifax Playgrounds Commission for a grant of the sum of \$2,000.00 for the purpose of assisting it to carry on its work was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the sum of \$2,000.00 be granted to the Playgrounds Commission and that same be charged against the appropriation of the Recreation Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Alderman Walker suggested that the Playgrounds should be kept open in the evenings as a means of keeping children off the streets.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he would look into the matter and advise the Alderman.

PURCHASE OF WOOD CITY HOME

June 4/1945.

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

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date, a letter from Mr. A. E. Ettinger, superintendent of Public Charities and Welfare, suggesting that every effort should be made to acquire approximately 1500 cords of hardwood and 600 cords of slabs, was considered.

Your Committee recommends that Mr. Ettinger be authorized to acquire this wood.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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QUESTIONS

Alderman Ahern wanted to know what progress was being made with repairing streets to which Mr. MacKinnon replied that during the months of May and June nothing could be done on account of the wet weather but that now they were progressing very well.

WOOD CITY HOME

Alderman Hosterman referred to the difficulty experienced by the Internal Auditor at the City Home with regard to the wood situation and stated that he would like to know whether any action has been or will be taken whereby this wood will be received and measured as so many cords of wood and sales recorded against and so piled that the Internal Auditor can make an inventory. "The citizens interests should be protected. It is not being handled in any business-like manner. The proper authority should take action to see about this.."

His Worship the Mayor stated that Mr. Ettinger gave an explanation to the Public Health and Welfare Committee and a profit statement. "He explained that because of the pressure of incoming wood on his limited machinery for hauling it that that is the only way he could deal with it....by throwing it anywhere in the yard."

Moved by Alderman Hosterman that Mr. Ettinger be instructed that on receipt of future wood that it be properly measured into the yard and properly piled and kept that way so that the Internal Auditor can check it.

There was no seconder to this motion.

Alderman Burgess stated that Mr. Ettinger explained the situation last year. "Some days they unloaded 18 cars of wood. The shortage of help and time is the cause of the

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piling the way it was done."

Alderman Hosterman stated that an effort could be made to get a man to look after this matter. "There is a considerable amount of money involved in this."

Alderman Batson remarked as follows: "When you get 18 cars of wood to come in, I am thinking Alderman Hosterman that you are not very conversant with the matter. The kind of help we had I think it was stacked very well. I think Mr. Ettinger has done a swell job. The space is measured now, I can assure you that it was a difficult job. The citizens of Halifax would not have had wood last year if we had not done this. The wood is accounted for every day."

Aldermen Hosterman asked Alderman Batson if he had read the Internal Auditor's Report.

Alderman Batson stated that he was going to say as Churchill did: "Give us the men and we will do the work."

His Worship the Mayor stated this matter would be brought to the attention of the Public Health and Welfare Committee and a report will be submitted advising what precautions will be taken this year.

HOUSING

Alderman DeWolf asked if the Rehabilitation Committee had any record of the number of houses that might be required for service men to which His Worship the Mayor stated they have no record as yet.

Alderman Walker stated that as a member of that Committee, they have a big list.

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Alderman DeWolf stated that he didn't think that 100 houses would serve the needs of the great number looking for homes, "We should have some kind of a special meeting on this matter alone. We could see if materials might be made available for a greater number of houses and we could have a meeting to see how we could erect a greater number in a short time. There are a great many people still looking for houses."

His Worship the Mayor stated that he read in the press that materials and labour are going to be released for that purpose.

Alderman DeWolf stated that he was thinking about permanent homes. We want assurances of labour and materials also.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the Minister of Labor is releasing men for that very thing. "Your program is the National Housing Act."

BATHING BEACH HORSE SHOE ISLAND.....

Alderman Ahern stated that there should be a Special Officer there for supervision. "We have sufficient money in the Recreation Committee to look after this."

His Worship the Mayor suggested, "You should fence it in and get a Special Officer. We will work that out."

MOTOR MECHANICS

Alderman Walker asked that while His Worship the Mayor is in Ottawa that he interview the Minister of Labour with a view to having mechanics released to look after the

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trucks and cars which are used for transportation purposes such as fish, etc. He said that if cars and trucks break down there is no one to fix them. Everything is breaking down in the City of Halifax and the streets are bad too.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he would look into it.

FLEMING PARK

Alderman Batson brought attention to the fact that children at Fleming Park are being kept out late at night by the use of movies there and asked if the City had any jurisdiction there.

His Worship the Mayor stated that Mounted Police are patrolling the Park. He also stated that there is supposed to be a curfew law in this City and said he didn't know whether he could answer Aldermen Batson's question. "We have a Mounted man there from 2 p. m. to 8 p. m."

CITY DUMP

Alderman Ahern drew attention to the smoke nuisance at the City Dump.

Mr. MacKinnon stated that there is nothing we can do about it. "It is going to burn and we can't stop it. We have to burn refuse there that we can't put in the incinerator."

Mr. MacKinnon was requested to bring in a report on this matter.

VICTORY LOAN ARCH

Mr. MacKinnon asked if he should pay the \$500.00 over to the Victory Loan Committee.

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His Worship the Mayor stated that this should be taken down.

Alderman Walker asked if it could be sawed in three parts and taken to the Terminal Road for welcoming returning service men.

Mr. MacKinnon stated that it was not a knock-down type of structure and he didn't think it could be done. He stated that he received an estimate as to tearing down and putting it up at another location and that estimate was \$1,000.00 because it would have to be stripped of the trimmings and painted again.

Alderman Walker stated that the Rehabilitation Committee is meeting Wednesday and they will look after it.

His Worship the Mayor stated that we voted \$500.00 for it and it was to be ours.

He asked Alderman Walker to have the Rehabilitation Committee look after it in 15 days.

It was then agreed that \$500.00 be paid to the Victory Loan Committee.

WAIVER FOR FIREMEN ARLINGTON MASS.

His Worship the Mayor submitted and explained a waiver prepared by the City Solicitor of claims against the City of Arlington in respect of any accident which might be sustained by any of our firemen who are taking a course in fire fighting in that City.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Batson that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the waiver on behalf of the City of Halifax. Motion passed.

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CITY DUMP

Alderman Walker asked what was going to be done about the stench at the City Dumps.

Alderman Ahern stated that he received 8 or 10 calls a day in regard to this. He felt that some effort should be made to secure scows that are at present in Bedford Basin and have the garbage taken out to sea.

Mr. MacKinnon stated that the Dump will only be used for about another year when it will be filled.

Alderman Walker asked if anything was done about dumping bad meat and fish on the dump and was advised by Dr. Morton that it had stopped.

Alderman Hosterman advised that the scows were owned by the C.N.R. and that would be the ultimate solution in Halifax. He suggested to His Worship the Mayor that while he was in Ottawa he might take this matter up with Mr. Lockwood with a view to securing two or more of these scows.

Mr. MacKinnon was requested to see His Worship the Mayor before he goes away to Ottawa.

OVERHANGING SIGN FIRST REPORT

July 11/1945.

City Council;

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 3rd instant considered the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated June 22, 1945 on an application from the Maritime Furriers Ltd. for permission to erect an overhanging sign at their premises #52 Sackville Street.

On motion of Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman DeWolf the Committee recommended to Council that the lease referred to in the said report be executed.

Respectfully submitted, ©

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

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

OVERHANGING SIGN SECOND REPORT

July 11/1945.

City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 3rd instant considered the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated June 22, 1945 on an application from James Wong for permission to erect an overhanging sign at the premises #795¹/₂ Barrington Street.

On motion of Alderman Walker seconded by Alderman Ahern the Committee recommended to Council that the lease referred to in the said report be executed...

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Per: T. J. Moore.

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

OVERHANGING SIGN THIRD REPORT

July 11/1945.

City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 3rd instant, considered the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated June 13/1945, on an application from Pilcher's Nursery, for permission to erect an overhanging sign at their premises #72 Windsor St.

On motion of Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Moriarty the Committee recommended to Council that the lease referred to in the said report be executed.

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

Per: T. J. Moore.

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

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TENDERS FOR COAL

July 11/1945,

The City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 3rd instant on motion of Alderman Walker seconded by Alderman Moriarty, approved and recommended to Council for adoption the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated July 3/1945 and entitled, "Tenders for Coal."

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

July 3/1945.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:

In response to advertisements for tenders for coal for the various Departments in the City, the following were received:

<u>Anthracite</u>	<u>S. Cunard & Co. Ltd.</u>	<u>Archibald Coal Co.</u>
Various sizes	18.25 per ton	18.50
<u>Bituminous</u>		
Blower	13.50	12.00
Dominion Coke	14.00	13.60
Acadia Forge	11.90	10.52
Bras d'Or Screened	9.90	- -
Dominion Screened	10.75	10.35
Inverness Slack	7.70	8.30
Dominion Slack	8.65	- -
Emery Slack	8.65	- -
Acadia Coal	9.70	- -
Bras d'Or R. of M.	8.70	- -
Inverness Imperial R. of M.	9.20	- -
Dominion R. of M.	10.25	- -
Reduction allowed on account of being unable to make delivery .75		1.00

I would recommend that the contract for coal be awarded as follows:

S. Cunard & Co. Ltd.

Anthracite, Bras d'Or screened, Inverness Slack, Emery Slack, Acadia Coal, Bras d'Or R. of M., Inverness Imperial Dominion R. of M.

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Archibald Coal Co. Ltd.

Bituminous; Blower, Dominion Coke, Acadia Forge, Dominion Screened, Dominion Slack, all at the prices shown above.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,
Commissioner of Works.

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

FENCE VIEWER

June 12/1945.

City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 3rd instant, considered the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated June 30, 1945 and entitled "Appointment - Fence Viewer."

On motion of Alderman DeWolf seconded by Alderman Moriarty the Committee approved of the resignation of Mr. Edward J. Feetham formerly appointed as Fence Viewer and recommended to City Council in accordance with the said report of the Commissioner of Works that Mr. F. C. Higgins, Construction Inspector, for the Works Department be appointed to succeed Mr. Feetham as Fence Viewer.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk,
Per: T. J. Moore.

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

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SLAUENWHITE
AND WALSH

July 12/1945.

City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 3rd instant considered the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated June 30/1945, on a request

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by Mr. Herb Slauenwhite for financial assistance, as he finds himself unable to continue his employment.

The Committee considered also the attached extract from the minutes of a meeting of City Council held on the 14th day of June 1945 re Salary Allowance for Fred Walsh, a former employee of the Water Department.

On motion of Aldermen DeWolf seconded by Alderman Moriarty the Committee directed that the said matters be forwarded to City Council for discussion.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the Committee on Works should formulate a policy in regard to these matters.

After some discussion it was decided to refer the matter to the Superannuation Committee for consideration and report.

FINAL CERTIFICATE STANDARD PAVING MARITIME
LIMITED.

July 12/1945.

City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 3rd instant considered the attached Final Certificate dated June 28, 1945, in which the Commissioner of Works recommends payment to the Standard Paving Maritime Ltd., of \$6,933.84 as final payment in connection with their contract for trenching for water pipes, etc.

On motion of Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Moriarty the said certificate was approved and recommended to City Council for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

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

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APPLICATION H. LONG 177 GRAFTON ST.

July 12/1945.

City Council.

Gentlemen;

Attached hereto are the following which were considered by the Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 3rd instant:

1. A letter addressed to the City Clerk under date of June 26, 1945, by Nathan Green, Solicitor for Mr. Harry Long with reference to the matter of a building permit for a dry cleaning plant fronting on Grafton St., and back of his premises at 162 Argyle Street. (In the said letter Mr. Green advised in part that if the matter is not finalized in the very near future, his instructions are to issue a Writ of Mandamus against the City of Halifax to secure a permit to construct this building.)
2. Letter addressed to His Worship the Mayor under date of July 3/1945, in which the City Solicitor advised, that after reviewing all the facts in this case, he is of the opinion that the City has a favorable chance of defending an action for a writ of mandamus to compel the issuance of a building permit.
3. An extract from minutes of a meeting of the City Council held on the 14th day of June 1945, re Laundry Grafton St., relative to this matter.

Following discussion the Committee on motion of Alderman DeWolf seconded by Alderman Walker, recommended that a permit be granted to the applicant to build a two story building at the 177 Grafton St. location when he submits plans which in the opinion of the Inspector of Buildings, are suitable for that location, in view of the explanation given to the Committee of the Whole Council by Mr. George Bates, Executive Secretary, of the Civic Planning Commission, when in answer to a question by His Worship Mayor A. M. Butler, he reported that the said Commission's proposed diagonal street from the corner of Argyle and Duke Streets to the corner of Brunswick and Jacob Streets could be placed elsewhere, if City Council so desired; the Committee further recommended that the applicant be advised that the former fire station located at the corner of George and Brunswick Streets is not for sale.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Ahern that this matter be deferred and referred back to the Committee on Works. Motion passed.

FLEMING PARK BATHING

July 12/1945.

City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held this evening approved and recommended to Council for adoption the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated July 10/1945, and entitled "Warning Sign - Fleming Park."

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

July 10/1945.

His Worship the Mayor,

Sir:

Due to the fact that a life hazard is created by large numbers congregating at the Ferry Landing, Fleming Park, it has been suggested that the use of the float at the landing by bathers for swimming and diving be strictly prohibited.

I would therefore recommend that permission be granted to erect the following Warning Signal:

"The use of this float by persons for swimming or diving is strictly prohibited."

Signed - R. M. MacKinnon, Commissioner of Works.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,
Commissioner of Works...

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

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NEW FURNACE CITY HALL

July 12/1945.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held this evening opened and considered the attached tenders, as follows; for the installation of a new steam boiler at City Hall:

Hagen & Co. Halifax Ltd. - Cost plus 15% profit basis.
H. M. Semple - \$1080.00 (includes insulating boiler)
John J. Hines & Co. - \$953.00
F. W. McNally - \$1105.00

On motion of Aldermen Ahern, seconded by Alderman Walker, the Committee recommended that the tender of John J. Hines & Co. at \$953.00 be accepted, and that the cost be paid from funds authorized to be borrowed for this purpose by legislation obtained in 1943, Chapter 46, Schedule B.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

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

LEASE CITY PROPERTY FOR ARMDALE POST OFFICE

July 12/1945.

The City Council,

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held this evening considered the attached letter and lease application forms submitted to Mayor A. M. Butler by Mr. J. H. Whitford, District Resident Architect, Dept. of Federal Public Works, the lot of land proposed to be leased by the Crown from the City, near the southeast corner of Chebucto and Quinpool Roads, for the purpose of erecting a temporary post office.

On motion of Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Walker, the Committee recommended that the land indicated in the attached plan be leased to the Crown on a yearly basis, subject to three months notice, and that the amount of rental to be paid, be determined after negotiation.

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

Per: T. J. Moore.

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

ACCOUNTS RECREATION COMMITTEE

July 12/45.

City Council,

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held this evening approved and recommended for payment subject to the approval of the Chief Accountant and the Internal Auditor, the following accounts:

The Phinney Music Co.Ltd. Sporting Goods	\$419.19
T. Eaton Co. Ltd. ---- "	34.30
Moirs Limited. - Tag Day Boxes	5.94
T. Eaton Co. Ltd. - Model Crafts	.75
T. Eaton Co. Ltd. - Sporting Goods	38.75
T. Eaton Co. Ltd. - " "	22.50
T. Eaton Co. Ltd. - " "	107.10
T. Eaton Co. Ltd. - Stationery	1.73
The Brown Print - Printing Tags	7.00
Connolly's Ltd. - Stationery	4.65
T. Eaton Co. Ltd. - Needles & Thread	.40
T. Eaton Co. Ltd. - Broadcloth	1.77
George Wonnacott - Erecting Ocean Wave Apparatus and repairing the swings & poles	105.00
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	\$749.08

Respectfully submitted,

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

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

APPROVAL CAPITAL BORROWINGS DEPARTMENT MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

Halifax, N. S.,
July 12/1945.

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

Gentlemen:

Letters have been received from the Municipal Commissioner, C. L. Beazley, Esq., advising that the Department of Municipal Affairs has approved of the applications made by the City for the following capital borrowings:

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1. Resolution passed by the City Council on June 14/45 for the borrowing of sums aggregating \$234,900.00.
2. Resolution passed by the City Council on April 12/45 for the borrowing of sums agregating \$454,000.00.
3. Resolution passed by the City Council on November 16/1944, for the borrowing of the sum of \$250,000.00 for improvements to the Water system.
4. Resolution passed by the City Council on June 26/45 for the borrowing of the sum of \$250,000.00 for public schools.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

FILED

LETTER MRS. MORRISON ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CHEQUE

26 Henry Street,
Halifax, N. S.,
June 25/1945.

Mr. George Allen,
City Treasurer,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Mr. Allen:

This is to acknowledge receipt of cheque for five hundred dollars from the City of Halifax.

Will you please convey to the City my grateful thanks.

Yours very truly,

Annie M. Morrison -
(Mrs. Ewen N. Morrison)

FILED

APPOINTMENT OF COAL WEIGHER

July 11/45.

Office of the City Clerk,
City Hall, Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sirs:

Will you kindly arrange to swear in as permanent city coal weigher, William Duff Smith who is in our employ.

Thanking you, we are,

Per: J. N. Foster,
Managing-Director.

Yours very truly,
S.CUNARD & CO., Ltd.,

Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Burgess that the letter be approved. Motion passed.

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TAX COLLECTIONS FOR MONTH OF JUNE 1945.

Civic Year	Reserves	O/S Bal. May 31/45.	New Accounts and Adjust- ments.	June Collect- ions.	O/S Balances June 30/45.
1943-44	\$70,640.53	\$ 98,306.85	Cr. \$2,108.72	\$ 8,702.55	\$ 87,495.58
1944-45	12,900.89	199,866.23	Dr. 43.26	19,221.54	180,687.95
1945	43,982.33	1,664,078.30	Cr. .08	978,422.65	685,655.57
		\$1,962,251.38	Cr. 2,065.54	1,006,346.74	953,839.10

Poll Taxes

1943-44	30,542.52	Dr.	3.10	635.73	29,909.89
1944-45	19,340.11	Dr.	13.30	670.49	18,682.92
1945	58,668.10			4,214.53	54,453.57

Additional Collections Tax Arrears 1925-26 to 1942-43 Corresponding Period Last Year		1945 4,786.01	1944 12,409.99
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Collections per statement above Corresponding Period Last Year	1,006,346.74	750,519.87
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1,011,132.75 762,929.86

Collection of Poll Taxes Jan. 1st to June 30th., 1945 Corresponding Period Last Year	27,312.92	24,965.20
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Combined collections of May and June compared
with the same months of the previous year are
as follows:

	1945	1944
Tax Arrears 1925-26 to 1942-43	10,244.38	42,789.80
Collections as per statements	2,180,848.32	2,287,533.76
Poll Tax	27,312.92	24,965.20
	\$2,218,405.62	\$2,355,288.76

Respectfully submitted,

M. L. Bellew,
Chief Accountant.

FILED

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REPORT OF APPROPRIATIONS AS AT JUNE 30, 1945.

TO THE CITY COUNCIL:

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

<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>	<u>FREE BALANCE</u>
City Home Salaries & Maintenance.....	\$ 56,306.39
Fleming Park.....	3,067.95
Public Gardens.....	16,109.46
Library Salaries and Maintenance.....	3,227.71
T. B. Hospital Salaries & "	41,067.81
I. D. Hospital " & "	21,060.90
Pub. Health & Welf. Salaries & Maintenance	17,630.15
Co-Operative Health " & "	38,453.91
Police Department " & "	121,759.18
City Prison " & "	19,567.79
Works Department " & "	322,628.13
Fire Department " & "	151,961.63
Fire Alarm " & "	7,705.55
Printing & Stationery.....	7,247.92

Respectfully submitted,

M. L. Bellew,

Chief Accountant.

FILED

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

Meeting adjourned.

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W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

A. M. BUTLER,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN..

AFTERNOON SESSION
SPECIAL MEETING

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
July 17/1945,
5.10 p. m.

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

5.10 O'clock:

Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Walker, that the time of meeting be extended for a half-hour. Motion passed.

5.30 O'clock:

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.

There were present the above named and Alderman Breen.

The meeting was called specially to consider the following items:

1. Report Committees on Works and Finance & Executive re Big Indian Lake Contract.
2. Report Committees on Works and Finance and Executive re Tenders for Improvements to building at City Field.

BIG INDIAN LAKE PROJECT

The following letter from Mr. H. W. L. Doane, Manager of the Public Service Commission was considered, -

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Halifax, N. S.,
July 16/1945.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:

Shortly after the outbreak of the present war the various government services operating in the City came to the conclusion that the supply of water available was not sufficient to ensure an adequate and continuous supply for their purposes. The concern felt by the Government reached such a point that it resulted in negotiations being entered into between the Crown and the City, which led to the execution of an agreement under date of April 17/1942, between the Dominion Government and the City, for certain improvements in the water supply facilities of the City of Halifax. This agreement covered three projects:

1. The installation of larger distribution mains on Kaye and Water Streets leading to and along the water front.
2. The development of an additional source of supply, namely Big Indian Lake, and the connection of that source with the City's existing water shed at Long Lake.
3. The construction of a low service reservoir of approximately 5 million gallons in the City; or alternatively the installation of an additional supply main from Chain Lake to the City.

The total estimated cost of these three projects was set at \$800,000.00, of which the City's share was not to exceed \$600,000.00, and the Government's contribution was to be \$200,000.00. In no event was the City's share to exceed \$600,000.00, so that presumably the Government's share could be any portion of the cost in excess of \$600,000.00.

Only two of these three projects namely the first and second above mentioned, were completed; the first, on March 29, 1943, and the second on August 31, 1944. The costs as fixed under the terms of the contract were as follows:

1. Mains within the City.....\$242,272.35
2. Big Indian Lake.....462,468.05

or a total of \$704,740.40, of which the City's share under the terms of the contract, as interpreted by the Crown, was \$504,740.40.

After the setting up of the Public Service Commission this contract was studied by the officers of the Commission in consultation with Mr. J. R. Kaye, Engineering Service Company, and Mr. C. P. Bethune, K. C., and it was felt that this development of Big Indian Lake would

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not ordinarily be the logical step in the development of an economical water supply to care for the ordinary growth and requirements of the City. It did not provide water for the high service system, on which the largest percentage of growth has occurred and is anticipated to continue, without the heavy expense of pumping both at Big Indian Lake and within the City. It did not provide an additional trunk main from the source of supply to the City to care for an emergency or failure in one of the old mains and it did not provide any improvement in fire protection within the City as a whole, such as would a new and larger main from the high service source of supply to the City. It did not improve in any way the regulation of pressure over the distribution system in the City, which necessitated going ahead with the construction of additional pumping facilities at the Dutch Village Road station. In effect all that it did was to provide at a considerable cost an additional supply of water to the low service of the City if and when required.

The conclusion was reached that in the result the Big Indian project was entirely a wartime necessity in order to ensure an adequate primary supply to care for the very large increment in the consumption of water occasioned directly by the war. It is anticipated that with the termination of the war in Europe, a large part of this increment will disappear, in which case it is most likely that Big Indian would not be required for many years in the future until the normal growth of the City's population and industry had reached such a stage as to warrant it.

As a result of the conclusion arrived at, representations were made to Honorable C. D. Howe by Mr. Doane, Mr. Kaye and Mr. Bethune, and additional conferences were held with Mr. Howe's technical advisors, pointing out the facts above mentioned. Mr. Howe stated that he had every sympathy with our desire to extend and improve the distribution of water in Halifax and noted that the Big Indian Lake diversion would not benefit our plan for providing adequate service. He stated that he was favorably disposed toward recommending to the Government the following proposal:

1. The City to pay forthwith the sum of \$242,272.35, which is the cost of the mains within the City, together with interest thereon from March 29, 1943 (the date of the completion) at 3½%, which amount as of July 31, 1945, to approximately \$19,700.00, or a total as of that date of \$261,972.35.
2. That the Government will assume the full cost of the Big Indian Lake project, amounting to \$462,468.05.
3. That the payment by the City of Halifax of \$242,272.35 in cash together with interest thereon to date of payment will be regarded as liquidating in full all obligations entered into under the agreement dated April 17, 1942.

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4. That the City or Commission will not apply for rates for water supplied to the Government or to wholly-owned Government properties which will result in a discrimination against the Government as compared with other consumers.

After some further correspondence Mr. Howe agreed that his offer would stand if the Commission would withdraw its present application for the abolition of the 6¢ block in its water rates and defer action on any changes in rates until sufficiently reliable data is available to permit an application to be made for a general revision of the rate schedule of the Commission, and undertake that any recommendations made by the Commission to the Public Utilities Board will not impose an unfair burden on Federal Government purchases of water.

The net result of the negotiations and tentative agreement arrived at is that the City will be relieved from the obligation of paying an amount of \$262,468.05, being the net cost to the City of the Big Indian Lake project, together with \$8,400.00 of interest thereon to date, or a total of approximately \$271,000.00.

The City will have paid for the new mains installed within the City limits, which were necessary and form a permanent part of the general distribution system within the City, and Big Indian Lake will have been added to the water system free of any cost to the City.

At a meeting of the Commission held the 13th instant it was decided to recommend to the City Council that the proposal above set out be approved and that the City Council authorize the execution of an agreement supplementary to that of April 17, 1942, with the Government of Canada in terms satisfactory to the City Solicitor for this purpose, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the same on behalf of the City.

It is further recommended that the City take immediate steps to secure the funds with which to pay to the Government the amount of \$242,272.35 with interest as aforesaid and arrange for any necessary financing in connection with the same, in order to save any unnecessary increase in the accrual of interest on this sum.

Yours very truly,

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF HALIFAX

Sgd. - H. W. L. Doane.,
Manager.

Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that proposals 1, 2, 3 and 4 as set out in the above letter be approved and that authorization be granted for

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the execution of an agreement supplementary to that of April 17/1942, with the Government of Canada in terms satisfactory to the City Solicitor for this purpose, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the same on behalf of the City. Motion passed.

Due to the fact that two-thirds of the members of Council were not present at this meeting, the matters of the resolution respecting the borrowing and tenders for improvements to buildings at City Field, could not be dealt with and same were deferred until the next meeting of Council.

POST OFFICE ARMDALE

His Worship the Mayor referred to the matter of the lease of land on Quinpool Road to the Crown for the purpose of erecting a building thereon to be used as a temporary post office.

After considerable discussion on the matter it was agreed by those present to lease the property at a rental of \$96.00 per year with the understanding that this figure is not to have any relation to the price of the land, should the City decide to sell same at some future date and also that a three months clause to vacate be inserted in the lease.

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

Meeting adjourned at 5.55 P. M.

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W. P. PUBLICOVER,
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A F T E R N O O N S E S S I O N
S P E C I A L M E E T I N G

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
July 26/1945,
4:30 P. M.

A meeting of the City Council was held this date.

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 Batson, Coffin, Adams, DeWolf, Walker, Burgess and Ahern.

The meeting was called specially to consider the following items:

1. Resolution re Explosions.
2. Report Finance and Executive Committee re V-E Day Riots.
3. Tenders for Improvements to building at City Field.
4. Resolution re Borrowing "Water Supply."

EXPLOSION NAVAL ARMAMENT DEPOT

Read report and resolution as follows:

Halifax, N. S.,
July 23/1945.

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

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of representative citizens of Halifax, called by the Aldermen of Ward #6, and held in the Council Chamber on the above date, the matter of the explosion which occurred on July 18 and 19/1945, was considered.

It was unanimously agreed that the resolution as attached hereto be submitted to the City Council with the request that same be approved and copies forwarded to the Nova Scotia Government and the two Federal Members

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for Halifax County in order that appropriate action may be taken by responsible parties immediately.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

The considered and definite opinion of this meeting of representative citizens of Halifax, is:-

1. THAT any and all efforts made by the Mayor to have the City represented at the enquiry presently being conducted by the Naval Authorities concerning the cause and origin of the explosions that occurred at the Naval Armament Depot on the eastern shore of Bedford Basin on July 18 and 19/1945, be endorsed.
2. THAT immediate steps be taken by the proper authorities to abate the menace caused by the existing location of the Naval Armament Depot by removing the said Depot to a safe distance from the City of Halifax and that the citizens be informed and assured that such action will be promptly taken.
3. THAT a thorough appraisal be made of all damages arising as a result of the said explosions be conducted without any delay.
4. THAT full and adequate compensation be paid by the Dominion Government to all claimants for all damages sustained in consequence of the said explosions, irrespective of the amount and value involved; and
5. THAT demands be made and continued to be made until such time as satisfactory action is taken by the

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proper authorities in respect of the preceding matters.

Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Burgess that the report and resolution as submitted be approved.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he had received definite information from the Minister of National Defence for Naval Affairs that full disclosure of facts and findings of the enquiry now being held will be made public.

4:45 P. M. -

Alderman Moriarty arrives and takes his seat in Council.

After considerable discussion on the matter, it was moved in amendment by Alderman Coffin, seconded by Alderman Batson:

THAT the matter of the disposition of the Naval Armament Depot be deferred until such time as the findings of the official court of enquiry are released and that this Council request the Dominion Government to make full and adequate compensation to all claimants for all damages sustained in consequence of the explosions that occurred at the Naval Armament Depot on the eastern shore of Bedford Basin on July 18 and 19/1945.

Amendment put and passed, six voting for the same and two against as follows:

FOR THE AMENDMENT:

Alderman Batson
Moriarty
Coffin
Adams
DeWolf
Walker
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AGAINST THE AMENDMENT

Alderman Burgess
Ahern

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ACCOUNTS FOR V-E DAY RIOTS

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee
and resolution as follows:

Halifax, N. S.,
July 10/1945.

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, accounts totalling
the sum of \$4,523.03 in connection with V. E. Day Riots
were considered.

Your Committee recommends that the accounts
be approved for payment and the funds for same borrowed
under the provisions of Section 332A of the City Charter.

Your Committee further recommends that the
City Solicitor be requested to submit an account to the
proper authorities covering the City's claim.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

W H E R E A S the City requires money for the
purpose of defraying expenses in connection with V-E
Day Riots and no funds have been provided in the estimates
for the aforesaid purpose;

AND WHEREAS Section 332A of the City Charter as
enacted in Chapter 53 of the Acts of 1932, authorizes
the City to borrow for such a purpose;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that an amount not ex-
ceeding \$4,523.03 be borrowed from any bank or fund
available under the provisions of the said enactment;

The money so borrowed with interest thereon shall
be included in the estimates for the civic year 1946.

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Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Walker that the report and resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed, the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor:

FOR THE MOTION:

Alderman Batson
Moriarty
Coffin
Adams
DeWolf
Walker
Burgess
Ahern

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TENDERS CITY FIELD BUILDING RENOVATIONS

Read report of the Commissioner of Works as follows:

July 25/1945.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:

As instructed by the Committee on Works, tenders for renovations to the City Field buildings at City Field were opened by His Worship the Mayor and the Commissioner of Works.

The following bids were received:

Standard Construction Co. Ltd.	\$216,400
Fundy Construction Co. Ltd.	204,950
Foundation Maritime Ltd.	229,132
Nova Scotia Construction Co. Ltd.	191,210

The tender of the Nova Scotia Construction Co. Ltd., was the lowest received.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,
Commissioner of Works..

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Walker that the tender of Nova Scotia Construction Co. Ltd. at \$191,210.00 be approved.

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Motion put and lost six voting for the same and two against as follows:

FOR THE MOTION:

Alderman Adams
Batson
Coffin
DeWolf
Moriarty
Walker

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AGAINST THE MOTION:

Alderman Ahern
Burgess

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A two-thirds vote being required.

RESOLUTION RE BORROWING \$242,272.35

The following resolution was submitted;

W H E R E A S by Section 8 of Chapter 6 of the Acts of 1945, The Municipal Affairs Act, it is enacted among other things, in effect, that notwithstanding any of the provisions of any general or special Act of the Legislature of Nova Scotia, the City of Halifax shall have full power and authority to borrow or raise by way of loan from time to time on the credit of the said City, such sum or sums as the Council thereof deems necessary for the purpose of constructing, altering, extending or improving water works or water system for the City;

AND WHEREAS by said Section 8 of said The Municipal Affairs Act it is enacted among other things, in effect, that no money shall be so borrowed until such proposed borrowing has been approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs;

AND WHEREAS by said The Municipal Affairs Act the said sum shall in the discretion of the City Council be

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borrowed or raised in one sum at one time or in instalments at different times and the sum required shall be borrowed or raised by the issue and sale of debentures of the City to such an amount as such Council deems necessary to raise such sum;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed necessary by the City Council of the City of Halifax to borrow the sum of \$242,272.35 for the purpose of defraying the cost of installing additional trunk mains and the enlargement of existing mains and feeders in the northern and eastern sections of the City, which said work has been performed by Wartime Housing Ltd., pursuant to an agreement made therefor dated April 17th, 1942, between His Majesty the King in the right of Canada and the City of Halifax, and the City is desirous of discharging its liability thereunder pursuant to a subsequent agreement to be made between the parties thereto by which the original agreement was amended.

AND WHEREAS the said Council deems that the issue and sale of debentures of the City to an amount not exceeding \$250,000.00 as hereinafter mentioned will be necessary to raise that sum;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient to postpone the issue of such debentures and to borrow from any bank, fund, person or account available, such sums not exceeding \$250,000.00 as may be necessary for the purposes aforesaid; the said sums to be repaid from the proceeds of the debentures when sold;

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BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that under and by virtue of said The Municipal Affairs Act the said City do, subject to the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs, borrow or raise by way of loan on the credit of the City the said sum of \$250,000.00 for the purpose aforesaid;

THAT under and in accordance with said The Municipal Affairs Act the said sum be borrowed or raised by the issue and sale of debentures of the City to the said amount of \$250,000.00;

THAT the issue of said debentures be postponed and that the said City do under and by virtue of the provisions of Section 318A of the Halifax City Charter, of 1931, borrow from General Current Account a sum or sums of money not exceeding \$250,000.00;

THAT the said sum or sums be so borrowed for a period not exceeding nine months, with interest thereon to be paid at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per centum, and that the amount so borrowed together with the amount of any interest which may have accrued thereon be repaid the said General Current Account from the proceeds of the said debentures when sold.

Moved by Alderman Coffin, seconded by Alderman Adams that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed unanimously, the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor:

FOR THE MOTION:

Aldermen Batson
Moriarty
Coffin
Adams
DeWolf
Walker
Burgess
Ahern

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RESOLUTION RE INTEREST

The following resolution was submitted:-

BE IT RESOLVED that the interest which has accrued since March 29th, 1943, upon the sum of \$242,272.35 being the cost of that portion of the contract, dated the 17th day of April, A. D. 1942, and made between His Majesty the King in the right of Canada and the City of Halifax relating to the construction and installation of additional trunk mains and the enlargement of existing mains and feeders in the northern and eastern sections of the City, until the date of payment of the said sum be charged against the operating expenses of the water utility for the years 1943, 1944 and 1945 proportionately.

Moved by Alderman Coffin, seconded by Alderman Adams that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed unanimously, the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor:

FOR THE MOTION:

Alderman Adams
Ahern
Batson
Burgess
Coffin
DeWolf
Moriarty
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TENDERS FOR POLICE PATROL

His Worship the Mayor stated that the Chief of Police had received three tenders for the police patrol

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which was damaged by fire in the V-E Day Riots and while the item was not on the agenda for this meeting, it could not be dealt with legally but if the members of Council present would consent to the disposal of the patrol the matter could be ratified and confirmed at a later meeting.

The tenders received were as follows:-

Earl Goodwin.....	\$125.00
Halifax Auto Salvage.....	105.00
Richard Cickle.....	50.00

The Council agreed unanimously to accept the tender of Earl Goodwin.

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

Meeting adjourned. - 5.25 P. M.

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MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN...

W. P. Publicover
W. P. PUBLICOVER,
CITY CLERK.

A F T E R N O O N S E S S I O N
SPECIAL MEETING

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
August 6, 1945,
12.00 P. M.

A meeting of the City Council was called for the above named hour. There were present His Worship the Mayor Chairman; Aldermen Moriarty, Coffin, DeWolf, Walker and Ahern.

Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Moriarty that Council adjourn till 6 P. M. this date. Motion passed.

6 P. M. Council re-convened. 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 Deputy City Clerk, joined in repeating the Lord's Prayer.

There were present His Worship the Mayor Chairman; Aldermen Batson, Breen, Coffin, Adams, DeWolf, Walker, Burgess and Ahern.

The meeting was called specially to consider report from His Worship the Mayor re Housing.

Read letter from His Worship the Mayor as follows:

August 6/45.

The Members of the City Council,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Aldermen:-

At the July meeting of the Council, approval was given to undertake a program with Wartime Housing Ltd. which would cause to be erected 100 prefabricated houses in this city for the use of returned men. At this meeting authority was given to arrange for sewer and water extension at a cost of approximately \$43,000. for such improvements.

In due course I conferred with the officials of Wartime Housing Ltd, in Toronto and learned from them of their willingness to support the program for 100 houses but their estimate of the requirements of the City to meet the housing situation which will develop next year is some 500 houses.

I have consulted with our City Assessor the Deputy Commissioner of Works, the local directors of Wartime Housing Ltd and Mr. James Hall of the same company who was sent to Halifax to survey the situation and the conclusion at which we arrived was that the City's

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program should be 250 houses. This number, along with the houses now under rental arrangement by the City would involve about 500 homes.

There has been some variation from the original agreement with Wartime Housing Ltd. The original plan required the municipality to provide land serviced with water and sewerage, sidewalks and streets, and an obligation by the company to remove the houses after a certain fixed time.

The agreement under which the company now operates requires the municipality to provide the land with sewerage, water, sidewalks and streets, said land being deeded to the company.

At the conclusion of a period of from 15--18 years, the municipality has the right to purchase the houses for \$1000 each, and it is my understanding that the municipality must purchase all the houses or none at all. If such a purchase is made at the end of the term, the municipality is in a position to arrange for sales for such an amount as will cover its original investment in the land, including improvements and interest. It would appear that the houses which are to be on concrete foundations would be of sufficient value when ready for sale after ownership by the city, to insure against any loss on the undertaking at this time. The contributions made by the government through Wartime Housing Ltd., takes the form of adequate maintenance of the houses throughout the whole period, all rentals received by the company being credited against the original capital cost.

It is planned that Wartime Housing would administer these homes and under the terms of the agreement would make them available exclusively to returned men. The rental in the case of a six roomed house would be \$32.00 and in the case of four roomed houses, either \$27.50 or \$25.00. Taxes are limited to the same arrangement as in the case of the previously built houses, namely \$30.00 for the large houses, and \$24.00 for the smaller ones.

It should be pointed out that at the conclusion of the 15-18 year term when the houses will be re-sold, if the city buys them, the rate of taxation then applicable will be the rate common to all residential real estate.

Authority is sought to conclude the customary agreement with Wartime Housing Ltd. to be signed by the Mayor and Clerk to involve a program not exceeding 255 houses on sites to be selected. In granting this authority, the council will understand that it is probable further costs for sewerage and water extension and purchase of land may have to be arranged.

Yours very truly,

A. M. Butler,
M A Y O R

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Alderman Moriarty arrives at 6.15 P. M. and takes his seat in Council.

Moved by Alderman Coffin, seconded by Alderman Adams that this Council adopt the plan as outlined in the letter.

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

FOR THE MOTION:

Alderman Batson
Moriarty
Breen
Coffin
Adams
DeWolf
Walker
Burgess
Ahern

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BLASTS STONE QUARRY

His Worship the Mayor stated that he had received complaints from residents of the North End respecting blasts from The Fairview Crushed Stone Co. Ltd., in the North End of the City and that it was causing considerable anxiety and asked if Council wished to act to have this situation stopped.

Alderman Ahern stated that he had received about 27 calls with respect to the same matter.

His Worship the Mayor stated he would get a report from the Chief of Police and if Council wished to act, we would obtain an injunction against them.

Alderman Batson stated that if this were City property and under lease to them, the lease should be terminated at once.

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Alderman Adams stated that it should be brought up at the Safety Committee and they would send a report to Council. This was agreed to.

Alderman DeWolf suggested that the Public Health and Welfare Committee should consider the advisability of using that location for a City Dump.

PROTEST MEETING RE EXPLOSIONS

His Worship the Mayor stated that a meeting was being held at the Lou Goddard Memorial Park on Tuesday August 7, 1945, at 8.00 P. M. to deal with the claims arising from the recent explosions at the Magazine at Bedford. He stated that Council should send official delegates to this meeting.

Moved by Alderman Coffin, seconded by Alderman Adams that Alderman Burgess, Deputy Mayor Ahern and His Worship the Mayor be named as Special delegates from this Council to attend the meeting. Motion passed.

LETTER RE FORT NEEDHAM PROPERTY

Read letter from Burchell, Smith, Parker and Fogo as follows:

August 4, 1945.

Mr. Allan M. Butler,
Mayor, City of Halifax,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.

Re: Fort Needham Property

Dear Sir:

Further to the letter dated July 30th, 1945, from Mr. Gray, the General Manager of Wartime Housing Limited, and further to our conversation of August 4th, we

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wish to advise that Wartime Housing Limited would like to obtain a conveyance of the lot of land in Fort Needham fronting on the east side of Gottingen Street with a width of approximately 120 feet and a depth of 160 feet, upon which there are now erected certain Army barracks.

Wartime Housing Limited are willing to convert these Army barracks into dwellings in order to help relieve the housing shortage in this City.

Wartime Housing Ltd., in consideration of the conveyance of this lot by the City to them, will carry out the above mentioned work on this property and will enter into an agreement to reconvey the lot of land to the City at the end of ten years or sooner at their discretion, with an option to retain the property for a further period of five years and from year to year thereafter if the housing situation in the City so warrants.

Yours very truly,

BURCHELL SMITH PARKER & FCGO
Per C. W. Burchell.

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

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

FOR THE MOTION::

Alderman Batson
Moriarty
Breen
Coffin
Adams
DeWolf
Walker
Burgess
Ahern

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Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Burgess that this meeting do now adjourn. Motion passed.
Meeting adjourned. - - 6.45 P. M.

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MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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EVENING SESSION

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
August 16, 1945,
8.10 P. M.

A meeting of the City Council was held on the above date.

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 Batson, Breen, Adams, DeWolf, Walker, Burgess 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 Burgess, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the minutes of the previous meetings be approved. Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor stated that due to the fact that two-thirds of the members of Council are not present at this meeting, items requiring a two-thirds vote will necessarily have to be deferred.

ACCOUNTS

A resolution covering the accounts of the various committees was submitted as follows:

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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 \$9,171.81; the Committee on Safety amounting to \$1,334.57 chargeable to Fire Alarm; \$17,655.73 chargeable to Fire Department and \$19,624.80 chargeable to Police Department; the Committee on Public Health and Welfare amounting to \$15,324.23 chargeable to Health Department; \$10,627.01 chargeable to City Home and \$3,190.13 chargeable to City Prison; the Committee on Works amounting to \$12,823.59; the Directors of Point Pleasant Park amounting to \$77.12 under the provisions of Section 315 of the City Charter.

Moved by Aldermen Ahern, seconded by Alderman Breen that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

SALE OF LAND

August 14/1945.

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. A. H. Minshall offering, on behalf of Mr. Vincent Chranofsky, to pay the sum of \$175.00 for lot #88 Creighton Street, 30' x 52' was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the tender be approved and the lot sold to Mr. Chranofsky.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 6 SECOND READING

August 14/1945.

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 amendment to Ordinance No. 6, which was read and passed a first time at the last regular meeting of the City Council, was considered.

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

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

AMENDMENT

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

1. Section 2 of Ordinance Number 6 of the Ordinances of the City of Halifax is amended by striking out the last sentence thereof which reads:

"The City shall pay to the members of the Board who are not officials of the City such fees as the Council determines, not exceeding five dollars per day,"

and substituting therefor the following: ---

"The City shall pay to each of the members of the Board who are not officials of the City such fees as the

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Council may from time to time determine, not exceeding eight dollars for each day or part of a day on which such members may be in attendance at a meeting of the Board called as hereinbefore provided;"

Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Breen that the amendment to Ordinance No. 6 as set out above be read and passed a second time and forwarded to the Governor in Council for approval. Motion passed.

ACCOUNT OVER \$200.00

August 14/1945.

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 account from the Soulis Typewriter Co., Ltd., amounting to \$200.80 was approved and recommended for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

GRANT NAVY LEAGUE

August 14/1945.

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 the payment of a grant to the Navy League Sea Cadets was considered.

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Your Committee recommends that the sum of \$2,000 be paid to the Navy League of Canada as provided by Schedule A, Chapter 74 of the Acts of 1945.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

PURCHASE OF METERS

Deferred, a two-thirds vote being required.

EXTENSION WATER FAIRFIELD SUBDIVISION

August 14/1945.

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 Service Commission of Halifax respecting the extension of the water main from Jubilee Road to Fairfield Road and recommending that the consumers of water thereon pay an annual charge in addition to the water consumption rates, of 25¢ per foot frontage on each property, was considered.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

July 17/1945.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the Finance and
Executive Committee.

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Public Service Commission held the 13th instant, after discussion with the owners of the property on the Fairfield Road proposed ex-

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tension it was decided to recommend that the water mains be extended from Jubilee Road into this new street, provided that the consumers of water thereon pay an annual charge, in addition to the water consumption rates, of 25¢ per foot frontage on each property.

This will assist the Commission in obtaining a reasonable return on its investment in this extension.

Yours very truly,

CARL. P. BETHUNE,
CITY SOLICITOR.

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

DEBT RE-ORGANIZATION OFFER PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

August 14/1945.

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 correspondence from His Worship the Mayor and the City Solicitor respecting a debt re-organization offer made by the province of Alberta in connection with its defaulted bonds, was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the offer be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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The Chairman,
Finance and Executive Committee,
Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is correspondence from the City Solicitor and my reply thereto. This deals with the "Debt Re-Organization Offer" made by the Province of Alberta in connection with its defaulted bonds.

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Yours very truly,

A. M. Butler,
M A Y O R.....

July 30/1945.

A. M. Butler, Esq.,
Mayor of Halifax,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:

I wish to call your attention to a "Debt Re-organization Offer" by the Alberta Government in connection with its debentures and bonds.

I am drawing this to your attention so that if you think it advisable this matter can be gone into either by yourself or the Finance Department of the City.

I have received from the Alberta Bondholders Committee, 302 Bay Street, Toronto 1, Canada, a copy of this Debt Re-organization Offer, dated July 16th, 1945, and a copy of "Letters of Transmittal," and I will await your instructions as to what you wish done in the matter.

Yours very truly,

CARL. P. BETHUNE,
CITY SOLICITOR.

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

WOODCOCK INN PROPERTY

August 14/1945.

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 His Worship the Mayor enclosing a letter from the Chairman of the Civic Planning Commission respecting the Woodcock Inn Property at the Arm Bridge was considered.

Your Committee is forwarding same to Council for its information.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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July 27/1945.

To His Worship Mayor A. M. Butler,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:

At a meeting of the Civic Planning Commission held July 26th, 1945, all of the members present expressed regret that the City Council had decided not to purchase the Woodcock Inn property at the Arm Bridge.

The Commission, of necessity, and under its terms of reference, has given study to many matters affecting the future development of the City including housing, transit and transportation, recreation, public works, schools, education, industry and commerce, zoning etc., all of which are inter-related and inter-dependent in a modern city. Of these functions transportation and recreation are very closely allied to housing if the citizens are to have satisfactory living conditions.

The Woodcock Inn property, located as it is at one of the two main entrances to the City, is therefore of vital importance to the Master Plan being prepared by the Civic Planning Commission.

The opportunity of acquiring this property opened the way for an easy and early solution of some of the most pressing problems. If this opportunity is lost it will mean a considerable delay in time, and financially, not a saving of the few thousands of dollars asked for the property, but a loss of many thousands of dollars in future values, to say nothing of the increased cost of acquiring the property in the future, which must eventually be done in order to meet the transportation and recreational needs of the City.

It was, therefore, unanimously resolved that I, as Chairman, should ask you to appoint a special committee of the Council to meet with the Commission and discuss with them the aspects of the plan affected by the Woodcock Inn property.

Respectfully submitted,

Ira P. MacNab,
CHAIRMAN.

His Worship the Mayor speaking in regard to this matter stated that he was not in favour of the purchase of the property because the price was too high and the location of the Woodcock Inn would not seriously interfere with the view of the Arm. "I could not get the Provincial

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Authorities interested in saying how much they would assist the City financially."

Alderman Batson stated that attention should be given to coming down the St. Margaret's Bay Road and joining with the Dutch Village Road. "I think the City would be well advised in buying on that side of the Street."

Alderman Adams stated that His Worship the Mayor should appoint a committee to bring in a report on the matter.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Batson that His Worship the Mayor appoint a committee to confer with the Civic Planning Commission on this matter and report. Motion passed.

C. N. R. TAXATION

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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 City Solicitor requesting that he be relieved of general office work for the last two weeks of August in order that he may devote his full time to the Canadian National Railway Taxation Case, was considered.

Your Committee recommends that this request be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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Mr. A. M. Butler,
Mayor of Halifax,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.

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Dear Sir:

I am proposing to take my holidays commencing August 5th, and on my return I find it necessary to carry on with the work of the Canadian National Railway taxation case which is becoming increasingly important. We expect to have the facts completed, with some few exceptions, by the middle of September at which time it will be necessary to take some evidence to settle the points in dispute. We hope to have the matters dealt with by the Tax Appeal Court of this City and the Court of Revision of Saint John early in October and believe that we may be able to have the matter in the Supreme Courts of both Provinces by November.

This will require a great deal of continuous and concentrated work and since Halifax and Saint John are collaborating in this matter it is essential that many of these matters be done jointly by Mr. Teed and myself. It will therefore be necessary for me to be free to confer with Mr. Teed and I would like to be able to give all of my time for the last two weeks of August to the preparation of this case. For that reason I would ask that you submit to the Finance and Executive Committee my request to be relieved entirely of general office work for this period. I will be available, of course, if any particular matter arises but in view of the importance of the case and the difficult nature of the law involved I find it necessary to make this request.

Yours very truly,

CARL. P. BETHUNE,
CITY SOLICITOR.

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

WATER DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES

August 14/1945.

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, correspondence from the Public Service Commission and the Clerk of Works regarding the status of Mr. J. R. Hall was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the Public Service Commission be requested to employ Messrs. J. R. Hall, Gordon Gallagher and Daniel Carroll, in view of the

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fact that these men have been employed with the water department of the City for many years.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

His Worship the Mayor suggested that this matter be referred back to the Finance and Executive Committee for the purpose of conferring with the Public Service Commission.

Moved in amendment by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Ahern that this matter be deferred and a meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council held for consultation with the Public Service Commission. Amendment put and passed.

STATISTICS

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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, correspondence between His Worship the Mayor and Mr. Beazley of the Department of Municipal Affairs, respecting the forwarding of Halifax Statistics to the Department of Municipal Affairs, was considered.

Your Committee requested the Commissioner of Finance to submit a report to Council on this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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His Worship, the Mayor, and
Members of the City Council,
Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen:

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At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on August 14th, I was requested to report to you regarding statistical information of the City of Halifax required by the Department of Municipal Affairs.

In this connection, I may say that in the last week of June, Mr. U. J. Harrington of The Department of Municipal Affairs, visited my office and extracted from my office copies of the Financial Statements of the City of Halifax, of December 31, 1944, all the information he required excepting the statement of Revenue and Expenditure. I was advised that while this statement was not essential they would like to have a copy for their files.

At that time the Balance Sheet had not been typed. A copy of the Balance Sheet has been forwarded to The Department. It has been available in typewritten form since July 10th, but I presume because of my absence it was not sent to the Department.

My leave expired on July 31st, and I have been in my office every business day since, but the first indication I had of any complaint from the Department of Municipal Affairs was through the letter of His Worship the Mayor, read at the meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee on August 14th.

Yours very truly,

N. L. Sherman,
COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE.

Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Burgess that Mr. Sherman's reply be forwarded to the Finance and Executive Committee. Motion passed.

REPAIRS TO CITY PRISON

Deferred a two thirds vote being required.

DICTAPHONE T. B. HOSPITAL

August 14/1945.

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 the purchase of a dictaphone at a cost of \$650.00 for use in

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the Tuberculosis Hospital was considered.

Your Committee does not concur in the report of the Public Health and Welfare Committee and therefore recommends that the dictaphone be not purchased.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Moved in amendment by Alderman Walker that the report of the Public Health and Welfare Committee be approved.

There was no seconder to this amendment.

The motion was put and passed.

PROGRESS PAYMENTS T. B.
HOSPITAL ANNEX....

Deferred, a two-thirds vote being required.

.PURCHASE OF RANGE T.B.HOSPITAL ANNEX.

Deferred, a two-thirds vote being required.

ACCOUNT POLICE COURT RECORD BOOK

August 14/1945.

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 Safety Committee submitting an account from Phillips and Marshall amounting to \$39.42 for a police court record book was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the account be approved for payment and charged against Court Fines and Fees.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

August 16/1945.

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

SUPERANNUATION HOSEMAN RAFUSE

August 14/1945.

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 Safety Committee respecting the matter of a request from Mr. W. D. Rafuse, requesting that his pension be supplemented by the sum of \$215.00 per year, was read.

Your Committee recommends that legislation be obtained at the next session of the Legislature enabling the City to pay Mr. Rafuse for the remainder of his life the sum of \$215.00 annually in addition to his regular superannuation allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Moved in amendment by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Batson that this matter be referred back to the Finance and Executive Committee.

The amendment was put and passed, four voting for the same and three against it as follows:

FOR THE AMENDMENT:

Alderman Batson
DeWolf
Walker
Burgess
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AGAINST IT:

Alderman Breen
Adams
Ahern

- 3 -

Motion not put.....

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SUPERANNUATION CHIEF CONROD

August 14/1945.

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 Safety
Committee recommending that the Chief of Police, Mr. J. J.
Conrod be granted two months leave of absence with pay,
effective August 31, 1945, and that he be superannuated
at the end of that period at an annual allowance of
~~\$2,142.85~~ as provided by Section 270 of the City Charter,
was considered.

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Your Committee concurs in this recommenda-

tion.
Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

His Worship the Mayor stated that there should be
something on the record concerning the services of
Chief Conrod. "He has had a long career with the City
and has given valuable service and we want to record
our appreciation of that service. There may be an oppor-
tunity to say good-bye to the Chief later on."

It was agreed Chief Conrod had a good record of
service and that as suggested by His Worship the Mayor
Council should inscribe its appreciation on these minutes.

SUPERANNUATION CONTRIBUTIONS LATE JOHN J. HOGANSON

August 14/1945.

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

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Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, a report from the Safety Committee recommending that the contributions amounting to \$1,604.34, paid into the Firemen's Superannuation Fund by the late Mr. John J. Hoganson be paid to his widow, Mrs. Amelia Hoganson was considered.

Your Committee concurs in this report and recommends that the sum above mentioned be paid to Mrs. Amelia Hoganson as provided by section 870 of the City Charter.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

PURCHASE SIRENS POLICE DEPARTMENT CARS

August 14/1945.

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 Safety Committee recommending the purchase of six sirens to be installed in cars of the Police Department at a cost of \$315.00 was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the sirens be purchased providing funds are available in the current estimates of the Police Department.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Mr. Sherman advised that he didn't think there would be sufficient money in the Police Appropriation to pay for this.

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The matter was then deferred and the motion not put.

PURCHASE OF SNOW PLOWS

Deferred, a two-thirds vote being required.

PURCHASE LAND ST. PAUL'S GLEBE

Deferred, a two-thirds vote being required.

ARCHITECTS FEES ALTERATIONS BUILDING CITY FIELD

Deferred, a two thirds vote being required.

TRANSFER OF LAND FORT NEEDHAM

August 14/1945.

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 conveyance of land at Fort Needham to Wartime Housing Ltd., was considered.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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The Chairman and Members of the
Finance and Executive Committee.

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on the 8th instant, Assistant Solicitor R. L. Rooney submitted the attached letter addressed to Mayor A. M. Butler under date of August 4, 1945, by Burchell, Smith, Parker & Fogo, per C. W. Burchell, re Fort Needham Property.

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On motion of Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Moriarty the Committee approved and recommended to City Council the conveyance and offer referred to in the said letter.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

August 4/45.

Mr. Allan M. Butler,
Mayor, City of Halifax,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:

Re: Fort Needham Property

Further to the letter dated July 30th, 1945 from Mr. Gray, the General Manager of Wartime Housing Ltd., and further to our conversation of August 4th, we wish to advise that Wartime Housing Ltd., would like to obtain a conveyance of the lot of land in Fort Needham fronting on the east side of Gottingen Street with a width of approximately 120 feet and a depth of 160 feet, upon which there are now erected certain Army barracks.

Wartime Housing Ltd., are willing to convert these Army barracks into dwellings in order to help relieve the housing shortage in this City.

Wartime Housing Ltd., in consideration of the conveyance of this lot by the City to them, will carry out the above mentioned work on this property and will enter into an agreement to reconvey the lot of land to the City at the end of ten years or sooner at their discretion, with an option to retain the property for a further period of five years and from year to year thereafter if the housing situation in the City so warrants.

Yours very truly,

BURCHELL, SMITH, PARKER &
FOGO...

Per: C. W. Burchell.

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

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GORSEBROOK PROPERTY

August 14/1945.

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 respecting the sale of lots at Gorse-
brook was considered.

Your Committee concurs in this report.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

August 14/1945.

Chairman and Members of the
Finance and Executive Committee.

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held
on the 8th instant, on motion of Alderman DeWolf, seconded
by Alderman Moriarty approved and recommended for adoption
the attached report of the Deputy Commissioner of Works
dated August 7, 1945, and entitled as above.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

August 7th, 1945.

RE: SALE OF LOTS GORSEBROOK

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir, -

A reply dated July 5th, 1945, has been re-
ceived from the Board of School Commissioners, stating in
part that, "Quite definitely that this Board will not re-
quire any part of the land at Wellington and Inglis Streets."

A plan of subdivision was prepared showing
a possible layout at the corner of Wellington Street and
Inglis Street, and presented and approved at a meeting of

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the Town Planning Board held on June 27/1944. This plan LL-7-9442 showed five(5)lots measuring 54' x 140' all fronting on Inglis Street. I have also prepared a sketch (LL-1-9621) showing a different arrangement, namely 6 lots measuring 55' x 125' fronting on Inglis Street and a lot 64' x 125' on Wellington Street, reserving a 20-ft. right-of-way for possible sewer outlet to Wellington St.

At a meeting of the Board of Works held on March 6th, 1945, the Commissioner of Works was requested to consult with Ald. DEWolfe, and the combined opinion is that a restriction of a 20-foot building line be placed on all lots, a minimum value of residence building be \$7500.00 as at today's value, and when offered for sale tenders be called, with the stipulation that the minimum price be \$1500 per lot.

It is also suggested that Legislation be sought to abolish the southern end of Marlborough Street, due to the steep grade encountered when entering from Inglis Street; This would then make the latter plan to be desired, with a total of seven (7) lots.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris,
Deputy Commissioner of Works.

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

SCHOOL BOARD BORROWING

Deferred, a two thirds vote being required.

WARTIME HOUSING

Deferred, a two thirds vote being required.

ACCOUNTS OVER \$200.00

August 6/1945.

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

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date, the following accounts which are over \$200.00 were approved and recom-

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mended for payment:

Halliday Craftsmen Limited, for lumber etc.,
supplied to the City Home \$ 243.95
John Tobin & Company Limited, for groceries, supplied
to the City Home 551.61

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. STODDARD,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK

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

ACCIDENT TO POLICE CAR WANDERERS' GROUNDS

August 9/1945.

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

Gentlemen:

The Safety Committee at a meeting held on
the above date, had for discussion the matter of a Police
Car which was involved in an accident outside the Wanderer's
Grounds on September 4/1944.

A letter from Stewart, Smith, MacKeen and
Rogers advises that the Plaintiff Mr. G. B. Cushing, is
willing to accept the sum of \$900.00 in full settlement
and Mr. John Tanner, the Defendant, is prepared to settle
on this basis provided the City is prepared to make a
reasonable contribution on behalf of Robert Loye.

It is recommended that the City defend the
action against Robert Loye and also enter an action against
John Tanner and Levi D. Boyd.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. STODDARD,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

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

SALE OF POLICE PATROL

August 16/1945.

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

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Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the City Council held on July 26, 1945, His Worship the Mayor advised that the Chief of Police had received three tenders for the Police Patrol which was damaged by fire during the V-E Day Riots.

The tenders were as follows: -

Earl Goodwin	\$125.00
Halifax Auto Salvage	105.00
Richard Oickle	50.00

Council approved of the tender from Earl Goodwin for \$125.00 but this item was not on the agenda for this meeting and therefore could not legally be dealt with.

Confirmation of Council's action is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. STODDARD,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

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

MOUNTED SQUAD

August 9/1945.

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 the continuance or discontinuance of the Mounted Squad of the Police Department was discussed.

A letter was submitted from the Chief of Police recommending that the Mounted Squad be retained as a valuable asset to the City of Halifax.

After discussion on the matter it was decided to recommend to Council that the Mounted Squad be abandoned.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. STODDARD,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

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Moved by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman Walker that the report be approved.

Alderman Breen stated that in view of the fact that it took quite a lot of labour and time in establishing the Mounted Squad he would like a detailed report as to why the Safety Committee want it abolished. Also who was at the meeting of the Safety Committee when this item was dealt with.

His Worship the Mayor stated that Alderman Breen would be given the details by the Safety Committee.

Alderman Adams stated that he would like to ask the Aldermen to look into the matter thoroughly as we had recommendations from Mr. Barnes of Montreal and Chief Draper of Toronto, recommending in favour of the squad. "I asked Mr. Barnes if he though motorcycles were better than horses and he replied in the negative because of too many accidents. We know that a couple members of the Safety Committee have been against this from the beginning."

His Worship the Mayor stated that the Mounted Squad are only good at ceremonial affairs and that he didn't think it was right to say that members of the Safety Committee were prejudiced. "Cars can cover a lot more than horses."

Alderman Walker stated that he was against the Mounted Squad from the start and he is still against it.

Alderman Burgess stated that he was against it as he could not see that the horses had anything over cars.

The Deputy Chief of Police was requested to prepare a report for the Safety Committee giving full particulars of the cost of the Mounted Squad since its inception.

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This matter was then referred to the Safety Committee.

TRUCK FIRE ALARM DEPARTMENT

August 9/1945.

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

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date a letter was submitted from the City Electrician advising that the Fire Alarm Truck has cost the City considerable money for repairs and also that a new truck will have to be purchased in the near future.

It is recommended that the City Electrician be authorized to obtain a permit for a new truck.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

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

MOTION ALDERMAN WALKER RE RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT

This matter was deferred for one month at the request of Alderman Walker.

QUESTIONS

Alderman Ahern mentioned the fact that after the Public Service Commission dig up the streets they do not pave it again but leave a mound of ground and complaints have been received from residents in various sections of the City.

Mr. MacKinnon stated that the Commission leaves it to the Works Department to pave and they pay us for it but there have been so many excavations lately the Works De-

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partment cannot keep up with them.

Mr. MacKinnon was requested to take this matter up with Mr. Doane.

HALIFAX RELIEF COMMISSION RESTRICTIONS ON BUILDING

Alderman Burgess referred to the fact that the restrictions imposed by the Halifax Relief Commission with respect to building in that area should be abolished. A person wanted to build a store and the Commission would not grant him a permit. Alderman Burgess asked His Worship the Mayor to look into the matter.

Alderman Batson stated that he was talking with Major Tibbs and he advised the Alderman that he was bound by someone higher than himself.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he would interview Major Tibbs on the matter.

BLASTING IN THE NORTH END

Alderman Walker asked if there was anything new with respect to the blasting in the North End of the City and was advised by His Worship the Mayor that Mr. Rooney suggested that an Ordinance be established to take care of such situations as that. "We will have to have the law before we can act."

Alderman Breen stated that at the last meeting of the Committee on Works he moved that some action be taken to interview the Selective Service to release men to work on the City Streets and he asked if anything had been done.

Alderman Ahern asked if anything had been done with regard to acquiring the Exhibition Property.

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His Worship the Mayor advised the Alderman that considerable progress was made not so much in the acquisition of the Exhibition Property but in a general way with respect to Military Property. It is a little premature right now but in two or three months we might know.

Alderman DeWolf asked if Connaught Avenue, north of Quinpool Road was going to be repaired this year as it was very dangerous for cars to go through.

Mr. MacKinnon stated that he had discussed this street with Mr. Copp today. He said they might hire a steam shovel to fix the street and then it might be oiled but it would be more economical to pave it rather than oil it every year.

Alderman Walker stated that we always hire something. "We should have our own equipment."

Alderman Walker wanted to know what was wrong with the Aldermen who were not present at this meeting. "We often have to wait for a quorum and you see the same vacant seats all the time."

His Worship the Mayor stated that two Aldermen were sick and the others were away on vacation and that the situation will be remedied in September when the Aldermen will be back. "I will write them a letter at your request."

Alderman Walker replied that he would not object if His Worship the Mayor used his name.

CONVENTION UNION N. S. MUNICIPALITIES

His Worship the Mayor stated that he would leave an open invitation to the Aldermen to attend this convention.

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CITY'S 200th NATAL DAY

His Worship the Mayor stated that plans should be made for this event. "I suggest that you give the matter some thought and give me the names of citizens to serve on that Committee."

This was agreed to by the Council.

RENEWAL OF LEASE IRVING OIL CO., LTD.

August 16/1945.

City Council,

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 8th instant, considered the attached report dated August 7, 1945, from the Deputy Commissioner of Works on an application received on behalf of the lessee, the Irving Oil Co., Ltd., for renewal of their lease of City Property at the corner of Chebucto and Quinpool Roads, for a further period of ten years from August 14, 1945.

In the said report the Deputy Commissioner advised in part that the Public Service Commission is of the opinion that the rental should be increased from \$660 to \$1,000 per year.

During discussion of the question, Alderman DeWolf commented that the North West Arm main sewer runs through this property and that the City has the privilege of entering upon the property and of performing any required work in connection with the said sewer.

On motion of Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Moriarty the Committee recommended to Council that the land referred to, be leased to the Irving Oil Co., Ltd., for a period of five years from the expiration of the existing lease at a rental of \$750.00 per year and that in all other respects the terms of the new lease be the same as in the existing lease.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per; T. J. Moore,
Clerk of works....

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His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

An application has been received on behalf of the Lessees, the Irving Oil Co. Ltd., requesting renewal of the present lease which expires August 14, 1945, for a further period of ten years.

This property was bought by the City at an auction sale in 1890 from the Hurley Estate and I have been given to understand it was bought with Water Department Funds.

In this connection a letter has been received from the Public Service Commission, stating that the rental should be increased from \$660.00 to \$1,000.00 a year.

The City Charter, section 614, sub-sec. 3 does not permit the leasing of City property for a period exceeding 5 years.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris,
Deputy Commissioner of Works.

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

GROCERY STORE 63 WELLINGTON ST.

August 16/1945.

City Council,

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at meetings held on August 8th and August 10th, 1945, considered the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated July 25/1945, on an application from M. S. Myles for permission to make alterations to property No. 63 Wellington Street for the purpose of operating a retail grocery store.

At the meeting held on the 10th instant the Committee on Works on motion of Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Breen recommended to Council that the permission referred to in the said report be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

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July 25/1945.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:

An application has been received from M. S. Myles for permission to make alterations to property No. 63 Wellington Street for the purpose of operating a retail grocery store.

Notice of this application has been published in two newspapers, according to regulations.

A petition against the operation of such a business, and signed by nineteen residents of the street has been received in this office.

In view of this petition, I cannot recommend that a permit be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,
Commissioner of Works...

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

ADDITION TO STORE CEDAR STREET

August 16/1945.

City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 8th instant, considered the attached report of the Deputy Commissioner of Works dated August 4, 1945, on an application from Mr. Wm. Myatt for permission to erect an addition six feet by fifteen feet in the rear of his present store at 110-112 Cedar Street.

On motion of Aldermen Moriarty, seconded by Alderman DeWolf the Committee recommended to City Council that the permission referred to in the said report be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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August 4, 1945.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:

An application has been received from Mr. William Myatt to erect an addition 6' x 15' in the rear of his present store at 110-112 Cedar Street.

Mr. Myatt, as requested, inserted a notice in the local papers that if anyone had objections, please file the same with the Building Inspector.

Since no objections have been received I would therefore recommend that permission be granted to the owner to erect this addition.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris.,
Deputy Commissioner of Works.

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

BOOK & STATIONERY STORE 76 QUINPOOL ROAD.....

August 16th, 1945.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 8th instant considered the attached report from the Deputy Commissioner of Works dated August 7th, 1945, on an application from Miss Gertrude Meagher, for permission to alter the first floor of #76 Quinpool Road from a residence to a store, for the purpose of a book and stationery business, in the Residential District.

The Committee deferred consideration pending submission of a plan or sketch of the proposed alterations.

At a meeting held on the 10th instant, the Deputy Commissioner submitted a sketch etc., which had been forwarded by the applicant, and the Committee on Works on motion of Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Breen, recommended to Council that the permission referred to in the said report of the Deputy Commissioner, be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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August 7, 1945.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:

An application has been received from Miss Gertrude Meagher for permission to alter the first floor of No. 76 Quinpool Road from a residence to a store, for the purpose of a book and stationery business.

Miss Meagher was requested to insert a notice in the local papers, stating that if anyone had objections to this proposed store to file same with the Building Inspector.

The attached is a sketch showing the relation of the property of eight persons having objections to the alteration of this building into business premises.

Before permission may be granted the approval of the Committee on Works and City Council is necessary, as this property is in the residential district.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. HARRIS,
Deputy Commissioner of Works..

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

Alderman Ahern stated that there were 8 Objectors to this item.

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

FOR THE MOTION:

Alderman Batson
Breen
DeWolf
Walker

- 4 -

AGAINST IT:

Alderman Adams
Ahern
Burgess

- 3 -

Alderman Adams gives notice of reconsideration and moves that a stay of proceedings be granted., which was seconded by Alderman Burgess.

The motion was put and lost three voting for the same and four against it as follows:

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FOR THE MOTION:

Alderman Adams
Burgess
Ahern

- 3 -

AGAINST IT:

Alderman Batson
Breen
DeWolf
Walker

- 4 -

APPLICATION H. LONG

August 16th, 1945.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 8th instant, considered the attached extract from Minutes of a meeting of the City Council held on the 12th day of July 1945, re the above application.

The Deputy Commissioner of Works reported verbally that in the meanwhile, Mr. Long had made other arrangements relative to his proposed building and consequently the Committee on Works took no further action in the matter.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

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

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STREET LIGHTING MUMFORD
AND CHEBUCTO ROADS...

August 16/1945.

City Council,

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 8th instant, on motion of Alderman Moriarty seconded by Alderman DeWolf approved and recommended to City Council for adoption, the attached report of the Commissioner of Works, dated July 25, 1945, and entitled, "Street Lighting Corner Mumford and Chebucto Roads.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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July 25, 1945.

His Worship the Mayor,

Sir:

A request has been received for improved street lighting at the corner of Mumford and Chebucto Roads.

The City Electrician, Mr. Durling, has made a survey of the area and has recommended the installation of one 250 C. P. light on Mumford Road, north of Chebucto Road, and the installation of one light on Chebucto Road east of Mumford Road.

The estimated cost of installation is \$98.80.

The installation of these lights is recommended.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,
Commissioner of Works.....

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

STREET LIGHTING ST. MATTHIAS ST.

August 16/1945.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 10th instant, on motion of Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman DeWolf, approved and recommended to the City Council for adoption, the attached report of the Deputy Commissioner of Works dated August 9th, 1945, and entitled as above.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

August 9th, 1945.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:

A request has been received for improved street lighting on St. Matthias Street from Charles St. to Chebucto Rd.

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Mr. Durling, ^{the} City Electrician, has made a survey of the area and has recommended the installation of one 250 C. P. light.

The estimated cost of the installation is \$49.40.

I would recommend the installation of this additional light for St. Matthias Street.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. HARRIS,
Deputy Commissioner of Works.

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

STREET LIGHTING EDGEWOOD AVENUE

August 16th/1945.

The City Council,

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 8th instant, on motion of Alderman Moriarty, seconded by Alderman Breen, approved and recommended to Council for adoption, the attached report of the Deputy Commissioner of Works dated August 8th, 1945, and entitled as above.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

August 8/1945.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:

A request has been received for two additional street lights on Edgewood Avenue between Connolly and Oxford Sts.

The City Electrician has made a survey of the area, and has recommended the installation of two 150 watt lights.

The estimated cost of the installation is \$30.00.

This is in the Wartime Housing section, and I understand there is a contract between the Wartime Housing and the City of Halifax wherein the Wartime Housing pays for the installation and \$1.00 per house per year.

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I would recommend the installation of these two additional lights.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. HARRIS,
Deputy Commissioner of Works.

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

RENTAL MARKET BUILDING

August 16/1945.

City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 8th instant, considered the attached report dated July 24, 1945, from the Commissioner of Works, concerning occupancy of a portion of the City Market Building by the Reardon Glass and Paint Company.

Attached hereto is a letter addressed to the Commissioner of Works by the said company under date of July 27/1945, in which they ask that they be permitted to retain the use of the space they are now occupying in the Market Building for at least six months.

On motion of Aldermen Moriarty, seconded by Alderman Walker the Committee recommended to Council that the said portion of the City Market Building, be leased to the Reardon Glass and Paint Company for a period of six months, at a rental of \$35.00 per month.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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

PROPOSED PAVEMENT MORRIS STREET

August 16, 1945.

The City Council.

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Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 8th instant, considered the attached report of the Deputy Commissioner of Works dated August 6th, 1945, on an application from the Nova Scotia Light and Power Co., Ltd., to pave that portion of Morris Street eastwardly from Lower Water Street.

In the said report the Deputy Commissioner advised that "They propose to use Asphalt Plant Mix for a width of 18 ft. and a distance of 103 feet."

On motion of Alderman Moriarty, seconded by Alderman DeWolf, the said report in which the Deputy Commissioner recommends that permission be given to the Nova Scotia Light and Power Co., Ltd., to do this work provided that it is done at their expense, was approved and recommended to the City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK,

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

August 6, 1945.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:

An application has been received from the Nova Scotia Light and Power Co. Ltd. to pave that portion of Morris Street eastwardly from Lower Water Street.

They propose to use Asphalt Plant Mix for a width of 18 feet and a distance of 103 feet.

I would recommend that permission be given the Nova Scotia Light and Power Co. Ltd. to do this work provided that it is done at their expense.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris,
Deputy Commissioner of
Works.

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

Motion passed.

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OPENING LOWER WATER STREET

August 16/1945.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 8th instant, on motion of Alderman Moriarty, seconded by Alderman DeWolf recommended to the City Council that the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company Limited be requested to open for use by the public, that portion of Lower Water Street, from Morris Street to Terminal Road.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

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

LEASE COAL CHUTE DUKE STREET

August 16/1945.

The City Council,

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 8th instant, on motion of Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Moriarty, approved and recommended to the City Council for adoption, the attached report of the Deputy Commissioner of Works dated August 6th, 1945, on an application from the Allen Print Limited, for permission to construct a coal chute to their building #39 Duke Street.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

August 6, 1945.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:

An application and sketch attached has been received from The Allen Print Ltd., 39 Duke Street, asking permission to construct a coal chute to their building. This coal chute would project into the street approximately 2½ feet

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and along the street about 2 feet and would complete with a round metal cover.

Since this will be their only means of having coal put into their basement, I would recommend that permit be granted provided they enter into a lease with the City and pay the minimum fee of \$5.00 per year, as fixed by Ordinance.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris,
Deputy Commissioner of Works.

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

BOILER HOUSE CITY HOME

August 16/1945.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 8th instant, considered the attached report dated August 6th, 1945, from the Public Health and Welfare Committee concerning plans and specifications for the new boiler house at the City Home.

The Committee on Works directed that the said plans and specifications be forwarded to Supt. Ettinger, the Commissioner of Works, and the Plumbing Inspector, for inspection, and requested that a report thereon be submitted at a special meeting of the Committee on Works to be held on the 16th instant, prior to the meeting of the City Council.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 16th instant approved and recommended for adoption the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated August 16/1945, in which he recommends that permission be granted for the calling of tenders just as soon as the final plans are completed.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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

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ILLUMINATED SIGN GRANVILLE ST. (#138)

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The City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 8th instant, considered a report of the Commissioner of Works dated July 10th, 1945, on an application from Emile Beiner for permission to erect an overhanging sign at the premises #138 Granville Street.

On motion of Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Moriarty the Committee recommended to Council that the lease referred to in the said report be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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

ILLUMINATED SIGN ARENA

August 16/1945.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at meetings held on August 8th and 10th, 1945, considered the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated July 26th, 1945, on an application from the Imperial Tobacco Co. for permission to erect an illuminated sign over the Shirley Street entrance to the Arena.

At the meeting held on the 8th instant, the Committee indicated its approval of the application subject to the approval of the residents in the vicinity.

At the meeting held on the 10th instant, the Deputy Commissioner of Works reported verbally that the residents in the said vicinity had petitioned against the erection of the sign.

On motion of Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman DeWolf the Committee on Works consequently recommended to the City Council that the permission referred to in the said report be refused.

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Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

July 26/1945.

His Worship the Mayor,

Sir:

An application has been received from the Imperial Tobacco Company for permission to erect an illuminated sign as shown on Sketch, over the Shirley Street entrance to the Arena.

This sign will project approximately 12 inches over the sidewalk for its full length.

As this sign would advertise cigarettes as well as the arena entrance, it might possibly be termed an extension of business in the residential area.

At the present time there are signs over the western entrance off the street which advertise cigarettes, and in my opinion, too many signs on buildings do not improve the residential areas, whether used on commercial buildings or not.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,
Commissioner of Works.....

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

FINAL CERTIFICATE GEORGE E. ZINCK

Deferred, a two-thirds vote being required.

ACCOUNT OVER \$500.00

Deferred, a two thirds vote being required.

RECREATION COMMITTEE ACCOUNTS

August 16/1945.

City Council.

Gentlemen:

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The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 8th instant considered the attached report addressed to the Clerk of Works under date of August 8th, 1945, in which the Deputy City Clerk advised that the accounts referred to in the said report had been approved by the Recreation Committee and were recommended for payment.

On motion of Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Breen, the Committee recommended to Council that the said accounts be paid subject to the approval of the Chief Accountant and the Internal Auditor.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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T. J. Moore, Esq.,
Clerk of Works.
City Hall.

Dear Sir:

At a meeting of the Recreation Committee held on August 8, 1945, the following accounts were approved and recommended for payment, -

<u>INVOICE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
July 24/45	Carpenter Work & Material	Geo. E. Zinck	\$213.35
July 17/45	" "	Geo. E. Zinck	240.00
July 24/45	" "	Geo. E. Zinck	354.40
July 7/45	Trucking	Pearson's Trucking Ltd.	20.13
July 14/45	Material	St. Mary's Boat House	65.00
July 3/45	Hauling and Raking	F. H. Yates	15.00
Aug. 2/45	Model Planes	T. Eaton Co., Ltd.	1.50
July 17/45	Broadcloth	T. Eaton Co., Ltd.	1.48
July 31/45	Scratch Pads	Connolly's Ltd.	.35
July 25/45	Ribbon	Robert Simpson Ltd.	1.20
July 17/45	Drain Connection	Geo. E. Zinck	300.00
July 24/45	Installing Swings	Geo. E. Zinck	195.09
July 24/45	Moving and Building Addition on O'Connell Field Storeroom -	Geo. E. Zinck	784.71
Aug. 3/45	Glove	T. Eaton Co., Ltd.	6.95
July 16/45	Baseball Bats	Phinney's Ltd.	6.60
July 31/45	Plumbing at O'Connell Field	J. A. Moulton -	355.00
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			\$2,560.76

Will you please have these accounts approved by the Committee on Works at its next meeting.

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Yours very truly,

R. H. Stoddard,
Deputy City Clerk.

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

Alderman Breen wanted to know what the balance was in the appropriation of the Recreation Committee.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he would have this information mailed to Alderman Breen.

RESOLUTION TOWN OF DARTMOUTH RE EXPLOSIONS

W H E R E A S on the night of July 18th and the early morning of July 19th, 1945, explosions took place in the Magazine at Burnside as a result of which damages were caused to properties in the Town of Dartmouth, the City of Halifax and surrounding territory; and within the said Town of Dartmouth practically no building escaped being damaged.

AND WHEREAS the Minister of Finance has announced that the policy of the Dominion Government is that these damages will be paid as if they were damages under The War Risk Insurance Act; with the additional proposal that small claims which would not ordinarily be paid under that Act will be paid from other Government funds if they are otherwise qualified;

AND WHEREAS the result of this will be that many persons will have to bear their own loss;

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The Town Council of the Town of Dartmouth places itself on record as describing this entire proposal as discriminatory and unjust;
2. In the opinion of this Town Council the matter is not one for adjustment under the War Risk Insurance Act; but the damages caused by these explosions are the clear and distinct responsibility, both moral and legal, of the Government of the Dominion of Canada;
3. This Town Council therefore requests the Minister of National Defence for Naval Services, under whom the Magazine was operated, to make immediate arrangement for payment in full of all loss and damage caused by the said explosions;
4. This Town Council further requests that it be advised without undue delay, what attitude the Minister proposes to take upon this request.

RESOLVED:

That this Town Council petition the responsible authorities to remove the explosives magazine from its present site at Burnside to some location so far distant from Dartmouth as to eliminate danger to the town in the event of an explosion.

This matter was ordered filed and the City Clerk was directed to write the Town Clerk of Dartmouth advising that the City has decided to await the report from the Naval Enquiry before taking final action.

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LETTER COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE RE LEAVE OF ABSENCE.....

August 7/45.

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

Gentlemen:

I wish to thank you most sincerely for your kindness in granting me two weeks leave, supplementary to my annual vacation period.

This additional period permitted my taking a trip to Ontario where I was able to rest and relax amidst friends, in new and quiet surroundings. I returned feeling considerably improved, which condition I hope may continue.

Yours very truly,

N. L. Sherman,
COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE.

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LETTER D.O.C., M.D. #6, RE RECEPTION TO GENERAL H.D.G. CRERAR

Headquarters, M.D. No. 6,
Halifax, N.S., 7 August, 1945.

His Worship,
Mayor Allan M. Butler,
City Hall,
HALIFAX, N. S.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

I write to express again the most sincere thanks of the Army in Military District No. 6, for the wonderful reception given by you and the citizens of Halifax, to General H.D.G. Crerar, C.H., C.B., D.S.O., Commander of the First Canadian Army, upon his arrival on August the Fifth.

Your dignified and interesting presentation of the Keys of the City to both General and Mrs. Crerar on the dock seemed to open the door and from then on, the words of welcome, the Civic Luncheon, the delightful drive with the constant applause of the people of Halifax, all contributed to a most happy welcome.

Will you please extend our thanks to the Deputy Mayor and the Members of the City Council, as well as to Mrs. Butler who so graciously contributed to the great success of all the ceremonies.

Yours very truly,

D. A. White, Brigadier,
District Officer Commanding
Military District No. 6.

FILED

LIGHTS GRAFTON STREET:

August 16/1945.

City Council,

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on this date recommended that the permission applied for in the attached letter from the Chinese Patriotic Association be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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Chairman, and Members of
The Board of Works,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sirs:

We hereby apply for permission to string two rows of colored lights across Grafton Street in connection with our celebrations V.J. day, Sunday, August 19, 1945, this wiring to be installed in accordance with requirements of the City Wiring Ordinance.

This will only be for a period of four or five days from August 19.

Sgd. James Thomas
Chinese Patriotic Ass'n.

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

TAX COLLECTIONS MONTH OF JULY

CIVIC YEAR	RESERVES	O/S BALANCE JUNE 30/45.	NEW ACCOUNTS AND ADJUSTMENTS.	JULY COLLECTIONS.	O/S BALANCE JULY 31/45.
1943-44	\$70,640.53	\$ 27,495.58	\$	\$ 4,833.97	\$ 2,661.61
1944-45	12,946.74	180,687.95	Dr. 12.43	10,469.34	170,237.04
1945	44,191.83	625,655.57	Dr. 7.00	60,986.59	624,675.98
		\$953,839.10	Dr. \$25.43	\$76,289.90	\$277,574.63
Poll Taxes:					
1943-44		29,909.89	Dr. 21.00	525.47	29,405.42
1944-45		18,682.92	Cr. 16.00	675.80	17,991.12
1945		54,453.57		2,344.82	52,108.75

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<u>Additional Collections;</u>	<u>1945</u>	<u>1944</u>
Tax Arrears 1925-26, to 1942-43	\$ 4,064.07	
Corresponding Period last year		\$ 5,910.35
Collections as per statement above	76,289.90	
Corresponding Period last year		64,654.91
Total Collections for Month	\$ 80,353.97	\$ 70,565.26
Collections Poll Taxes Jan. 1st. to July 31st/45	31,421.57	
Corresponding Period Last Year		29,318.45

Respectfully submitted,
T. G. Murphy,
DEPUTY CHIEF ACCOUNTANT.

FILED

CITY DUMP

Alderman Burgess stated that there was a fire at the City Dump and that the rats were being driven into the homes in the surrounding area.

His Worship the Mayor asked Mr. MacKinnon if he had tried trenching the dump to stop the fire to which he replied in the negative.

Alderman Ahern stated that there was no control at the City Dump. There should be some kind of supervision. Once before rat poison was used and that was very effective.

Alderman Burgess stated that the system seems all wrong at the Dump.

Alderman Breen stated there should be a report from the Committee on Works.

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Alderman Walker stated that the employees are falling down on the job.

Alderman Burgess suggested a full time Policeman should be put there to look after the area.

Alderman Breen asked where the Patrol Cars were. "I don't think the Incinerator is capable of taking care of all garbage."

Alderman Ahern stated that Council understood there would never be another fire after the Incinerator was built.

Alderman Breen suggested that the Commissioner of Health make a report with recommendations for the next meeting of the Committee on Works.

Alderman Burgess stated that Mr. Copp has a good plan to stop the fires at the Dump.

Mr. MacKinnon stated that we could stop the fires at the Dump but the capacity of the Dump would be lessened.

His Worship the Mayor advised Mr. MacKinnon that he should stop the fires, to which he replied that he would look after the matter.

Moved by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman Ahern that this meeting do now adjourn until Monday, August 20, 1945 at 5.00 P. M., to consider the items which were deferred at this meeting. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned. -

- 9.50 P. M.

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CITY CLERK.

A. M. BUTLER,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

AFTERNOON SESSION
SPECIAL MEETING

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
August 20/1945,
5.10 P. M.

An adjourned meeting of the City Council was held on the above date.

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 Deputy City Clerk, joined in repeating the Lord's Prayer.

There were present His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen Batson, Moriarty, Hosterman, Adams, DeWolf, Walker, Burgess and Ahern.

HOUSING

Read letter from George T. Bates as follows:

Halifax, N. S.,
August 16/1945.

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

Gentlemen:

At the request of Mayor Butler and in co-operation with various officials and individuals the problem of locating sites for 255 houses has been considered.

The problem is of a three fold nature due to the urgency of the housing situation and the fact that Wartime Housing Limited are prepared to call immediately for tenders for the construction of these houses. Immediate construction requires lots already serviced by sewer, water, and rough grading of streets.

The three main phases of the problem due to these facts are as follows:

- (1) How many lots already serviced by sewer and water and rough grading are there in Halifax?
- (2) How many lots close to existing sewer and water installations are there in Halifax?

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(3) What other lots or land suitable for development which could be economically and quickly serviced are there available in Halifax?

In considering possible sites, top priority would naturally be given to land or lots already owned by the City of Halifax. Next in order of priority might be privately owned lots already serviced, and third, privately owned lots which could quickly and economically be serviced.

In the first category there are several properties for consideration. In Highland Park there are 18 lots already serviced by sewer, water and rough grading. These are the only lots owned by the City already serviced. Construction could start immediately on the Highland Park property. The Halifax Relief Commission own approximately 32 lots already serviced by sewer, water and rough grading and which could probably be acquired by the City for their present assessed value which approximates \$300.00 per lot. This would give a total of 50 lots where construction could begin immediately subject to the approval of City Council.

By completing a loop between Union Street and Dartmouth Avenue at an estimated expenditure of \$8,200 an additional 25 lots could be obtained, 16 of which would be City owned, the other 9 being owned by the Halifax Relief Commission and which could probably be acquired for their present assessed value.

There are three privately owned subdivisions which might be obtained by purchase as follows:

- (1) The Merson Property owned by the Lawrence Construction Co. consisting of 35 lots as outlined in the attached letter dated August 8th, to His Worship Mayor Butler and members of the City Council.
- (2) The Vaughan Property on Prescott Street consisting of 23 lots as outlined in the attached letter dated August 14th, and addressed to Mayor A. M. Butler.
- (3) The Barss Property consisting of 23 lots on Connaught Ave., and approximately 50 lots near Windsor Street as outlined in the attached letter dated August 14th, to His Worship the Mayor and members of City Council.

"The Commissioner of Works Department has estimated that sewer and water installations on the Vaughan Property would cost approximately \$6,500.00. On the Merson Property as noted in the letter from the Lawrence Construction Company sewer and water mains have been laid. Regarding the Barss Property, it is estimated that sewer and water installations for the 23 lots on Connaught Avenue would approximate \$8,100.00. I have no figures on the estimated cost of installation of sewer and water on the 50 lots near Windsor Street but understand that this matter is now being considered by the Commissioner of Works due to the building development in this area.

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The development of Fort Needham in accordance with a plan attached would give an additional 57 lots on City owned property.

Other possibilities including 18 City owned lots on Windsor Street and Kempt Road, upwards of 150 City owned lots on Bayers Road, approximately 150 lots on St. Paul's Glebe Property on St. Paul's Glebe Property on Bayers Road and approximately 60 lots of Halifax Relief Commission Property on Robie Street together with several other possibilities of approximately 10 to 25 lots per property are under consideration, all of which, however, would require the installation of sewer, water and rough grading which might not be as economical as the ones already outlined.

The important step at this time is the acquisition by the City of improved lots in order that construction can begin immediately.

Yours very truly,

George T. Bates.....

Alderman Walker remarked as follows: "How long are these houses going to stay up? There are men going away by the hundreds. There are lots of big places in the North End where they are storing equipment for War Assets Corporation. They could be turned into two or three flats. There were houses on the Commons in the last war. They don't pay any rent. The Aldermen should think this over for a while. I am not against the houses going up."

His Worship the Mayor stated that the Government made a survey of this City and they estimate that 500 houses are needed. "We have cut that down to 250 houses. Real Estate Agencies state that the demand for places is greater now than it was last year. The rooming house situation is improved. There will be troops coming back for another ten months. When they come home they must have a place to live. If the City does not do something about it, it will cause discontent. The City will be able to purchase these houses at the end of 15 to 18 years for \$1,000.00 each. I see a strong reason for this program."

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Alderman Welker drew attention to the discharges from the Navy, Army and Airforce.

His Worship the Mayor stated that that matter was gone into and the Civic Planning Commission say that the City is going to retain a big part of our population.

Alderman Walker stated that the slums should be cleared out and the houses should go up in their place.

Alderman Batson stated that he was in agreement that these places should be built. "We needed them before the war and we need them now. If we have to spend money for slum clearance we should buy those properties in."

His Worship the Mayor stated that when we approve of the 250 houses we will be back here to select the sites. The slum clearance is too big an issue to confuse with this plan."

Mr. Bates stated that in slum clearance you have a different type of problem. "The properties that are torn down will be replaced with multi-dwelling units rather than single ones. The number of dwellings in this City should be increased every ten years by 15%. Today we have a terrific shortage of housing in the low income group."

Mr. Bates then informed Council that there were several privately owned subdivisions that could be acquired for their assessed values, viz:

41 lots of Halifax Relief Commission Property
23 lots of the Vaughan Subdivision
35 lots of the Merson Subdivision
16 lots owned by the City and -

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73 lots of the Barss Property making a total of 188 lots with an approximate cost of \$101,075.00.

After considerable discussion on the matter His Worship the Mayor suggested that Council think the matter over and meet again on Friday, August 24, 1945 at 5. P.M.

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

6:00 P. M. - Meeting adjourned until Friday, August 24/1945, at 5:00 P. M.

A. M. BUTLER,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

R. H. STODDARD,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

A F T E R N O O N S E S S I O N

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
August 20/1945,
5.10 P. M.

A meeting of the City Council held on August 20/1945, adjourned to the above date. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen Moriarty, Hosterman, Adams, DeWolf, Walker and Ahern.

It was moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Moriarty that the time of meeting be extended to 5.30 P. M. Motion passed.

5.30 P. M. - The Chairman called the meeting to order, the following members of Council being present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman, Aldermen Betson, Moriarty, Hosterman, Adams, DeWolf, Walker and Ahern.

As all items of business to be considered required a two-thirds vote of Council for approval, it was moved by Alderman Moriarty, seconded by Aldermen Ahern that this meeting stand adjourned. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned. -

- 5.30 P. M.

A. M. BUTLER,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN....

R. H. STODDARD,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

EVENING SESSION
SPECIAL MEETING

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
August 28, 1945,
8.05 P. M.

A meeting of the City Council was held on the above date.

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.

There were present His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen Batson, Moriarty, Breen, Hosterman, Adams, DeWolf, McDonald, Doyle, Walker, Burgess, and Ahern.

The meeting was called specially to consider the following items:

1. Housing.
2. Report Fin. & Exec. Comm. re Purchase Meters.
3. " " " " Repairs City Prison.
4. " " " " Progress Payments T. B. Hospital.
5. " " " " Purchasr Range T. B. Hospital.
6. " " " " Purchase Snow Flows.
7. " " " " Purchase Land St. Paul's Glebe.
8. " " " " Architect Fees Alterations Building City Field.
9. " " " " School Board Borrowing.
10. Report Comm. on Works re Final Certificate G.E.Zinck.
11. " " " " Account Bailey Meter Co.Ltd.
12. Report Safety Committee re Fire Boat.
13. Letter Public Service Commission re Water Extension - Belmont Street.
14. " " " " " Water Extension - Greenwood Street.
15. Letter City Electrician re Truck.

AGREEMENT WARTIME HOUSING LTD.

His Worship the Mayor stated that there were letters from the Solicitor's Department pointing out that there

the houses, which should follow our plumbing regulations in order to prevent cross-connections and other defects in installation.

The agreement proceeds to state that:

"upon the completion of all such installations the portions of such connections lying within the boundaries of public streets shall become the sole property of the City without the payment of any compensation whatever therefor by the City to His Majesty and/or the Company and shall thereafter be maintained and repaired by the City at its own cost and expense except the cost of repairs to any private drain connection that has become blocked or obstructed by causes other than faulty construction or maintenance of such connection, which cost of repairs shall be paid by His Majesty or the Company to the City."

This paragraph raises the question of the title to new streets (if any are laid out.) Do they vest in the City? If so why is it necessary to say that the City owns the installations therein when the City under the terms of the agreement pays for such installations itself. This is particularly true of existing streets.

Moreover, unless the installations in the houses and from the house to the street line are not done in accordance with the specifications of the City and the Public Service Commission, but done by the Company or His Majesty, why should the City be responsible in such places for faulty construction or maintenance of the connections.

Presumably the liability accepted by His Majesty or the Company is for negligence and carelessness of the tenants,

3. Company is to lease houses to sailors, soldiers or airmen returned from general duty and if there are not enough of these to fill the houses they can be let to anyone. Dependents of such service men are also eligible for the houses.

All water, gas and electric rates must be paid by the tenants.

4. The Company will carry out the management of the houses and

"shall at all times well and sufficiently repair, maintain and keep the houses, with the appurtenances and all fixtures and things thereto belonging, in good and substantial repair, reasonable wear and tear and damage by fire, lightning, tempest, acts of God and His Majesty's enemies only excepted."

In view of the fact that the City, as a prospective purchaser, has an interest in the condition of the houses, I would suggest that some provision be made to enable the City to require the upkeep to be of a definite standard or to the City's approval. Otherwise the houses may depreciate to such an extent that they may not be worth \$1000.00 and the City would not be justified in exercising the option and would then find its investment in land and local improvements jeopardized.

5. City to provide normal municipal services to the houses.

6. Company to pay on October 1st in each of years 1946-1960 inclusive an annual sum for municipal services of \$24.00 for houses with 2 bedrooms and \$30.00 for those with more than two - the first payment to be prorated.

7. Company will pay \$1.00 per house per year for street lighting.

8. The agreement states that the dates and payments mentioned in the agreement are the same as those in the agreement dated August 9th, 1945. In my opinion this agreement is of no legal effect as it was not authorized at any meeting of the City Council and the terms and conditions were not before the Council, and the City in such agreement has agreed to the sale of land beyond its power to do so. In my opinion the execution of this agreement was unauthorized.

9. City is not to collect any taxes, assessments, rates or municipal or school charges of any kind or nature on or from the tenants or occupants of these houses while the same are owned by His Majesty.

This eliminates the imposition of Household tax which has been permitted under all previous agreements. I suggest that the words "or Household tax" be inserted after the words "business tax" at the bottom of page 5.

10. I am unable to understand the reason why if His Majesty sells any of the lots between the date of the agreement and December 31st, 1950, the City will receive \$400.00 for each lot, while if the same are sold between January 1st, 1951 and December 31st, 1955, the City only receives \$200.00.

No provision is made as to the period between January 1st, 1956 and January 1st, 1961.

11. It is important to note that although the City has an option to purchase the building lots owned by His Majesty on January 1st, 1961, His Majesty reserves the right to sell any or all of the houses and lands at such time or times as His Majesty may see fit.

12. The City receives an irrevocable option to purchase all the lots and buildings, etc., owned by His Majesty on January 1st, 1961 - as a whole and not individual parcels. The option is to be open for three months - January 1st, 1961 to March 31st, 1961. If the City exercises the option it must post 10% of the amount with the notice of acceptance of the option and the balance to be paid within 60 days.

Since His Majesty has the right to sell from time to time - the City's option only goes to what is left, and since probably the best locations will be sold the City may not be justified in buying the remaining houses and consequently may lose the greater part of its investment in land and improvements.

Moreover the three months clause may make it difficult for the City to come to a decision and obtain the necessary legislative authority and the funds to make the purchase. I would suggest that this period be at least

six months - having regard to the date of the sitting of the Legislature from whom the authority to purchase must come.

I do not find any provision protecting the City's investment in the land and improvements if the option is not exercised. How and when does it get it back?

I would like to refer to the agreement for the City-administered houses made in 1943 where the City was protected in the event of a sale by His Majesty by receiving out of the proceeds of the sale

(a) the agreed value of the lot, and

(b) the proportional part of the cost of the improvements together with interest thereon relating to the house and lot so sold, the same to be calculated by dividing the total cost of such improvements by the number of houses erected hereunder.

13. The agreement provides that after April 1st, 1961, if the land is owned by His Majesty, full taxes will be paid thereon.

14. As to paragraph 13 of the agreement:

"Any existing or future provisions of the charter and/or by-laws of the City respecting the manner, mode, location and type of construction of buildings shall not apply to any of the houses whether owned by His Majesty or otherwise."

I cannot approve of this paragraph without specific direction. It should not be proper for the City to bind its hands for all time regardless of the ownership of the land and houses and the physical condition of the same.

15. In signing the agreement the City is bound to submit legislation at the next session of the Legislature to validate and confirm the same. This means the entire agreement.

16. I wish to point out that in my opinion the City has no legal authority to purchase land for the purposes set out in the agreement nor to raise or borrow money for this purpose. Legislative authority will be necessary and the only agreement which should or can be entered into by the City would be to submit permissive legislation.

17. The City should not agree to convey lands "free from encumbrances" until we have had the opportunity of searching the titles to make certain that they are in fact free from encumbrances.

18. I would point out that in the message from the Mayor to the Council at its meeting on August 6th - in the last paragraph the words "authority is sought to conclude the customary agreement with Wartime Housing Limited."

I would suggest that there is as far as I am aware

no "customary agreement". In fact the present series of agreements seem to differ greatly from those of past years to which we have been accustomed.

Before approving of this agreement I would appreciate directions on the matters raised in this report.

Moreover I would suggest that the executed agreement dated August 9th, 1945, be recalled and if necessary re-executed after submission to Council if the terms of the same are found satisfactory.

Yours very truly,

CARL P. BETHUNE
CITY SOLICITOR.

CPB/EHJ

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were some legal disabilities with regard to the agreement between the City and Wartime Housing Limited and asked Mr. Rooney to explain same.

Mr. Rooney referred to the mimeographed letter from the City Solicitor dated August 24, 1945 a copy of which was supplied to members of the City Council previous to the meeting and same is attached to the original copy of these minutes.

Mr. Rooney stated that this matter was given to him one morning at 11 A. M. and that he did hold it up for some time before approving it. We have since gone into this matter thoroughly and we would suggest for your approval, that Wartime Housing Limited be requested to expropriate the necessary lands. The City has no authority to buy land for the purpose of erecting houses as contemplated by the agreements submitted by Wartime Housing Ltd., and it has no legal capacity to raise money for that purpose."

His Worship the Mayor stated that when Mr. Hall of Wartime Housing Limited was here, he was anxious to take the agreement back with him. "I consulted with Mr. Rooney and he concurred in the agreement being signed if I could contact eight Aldermen by phone and describe which land could be used. I received the assent of eight Aldermen and asked them if they would support it when it came to Council. If there are any disabilities it is the fault of the Legal Department rather than the Council."

His Worship the Mayor then called on Mr. Bates who was present to inform the Council as to what sites could be used.

Mr. Bates then suggested the following sites:

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32 lots owned by Relief Commission on the Richmond
Slope.
18 lots owned by the City on Highland Park.
16 lots owned by the City by completing a loop from
Dartmouth Avenue to Union Street at a cost
of approximately \$8,200.00
9 lots owned by Relief Commission by completing the
same loop.

75 lots in all.

Mr. McManus stated that at the meeting with Mr. Hall he was very definite as to the number of houses the City would finally get and that was 500. At that meeting it was agreed that the committee recommend to Council that 250 houses be erected with the 260 we now have. It may be possible to go ahead with the 75 now and negotiate with Wartime Housing Limited as to obtaining the balance of the 255 houses. You could see the Premier to get the Legislation passed.

His Worship the Mayor stated that there would be no delay in approaching the Premier.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that after making provision for the above mentioned 75 lots, Wartime Housing Limited be requested to expropriate such additional land as indicated by the City Council to complete the program for the erection of 255 houses and that City Council agree to seek legislation at the next session of the Legislature for authority to borrow sufficient funds to compensate Wartime Housing Limited for the amount involved in the expropriation proceedings.

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

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FOR THE MOTION:

Alderman Batson
Moriarty
Breen
Hosterman
Adams
DeWolf
McDonald
Doyle
Walker
Burgess
Ahern

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Alderman Burgess asked if the Walker Property on Bayers Road could be used for the erection of these houses and the Commissioner of Works was requested to look into the matter.

Alderman McDonald asked if the Harte Property on Bayers Road could be used to which Mr. McManus stated that the difficulty is with the sewer and there is no way of grading it at the front.

BARRACKS AT FORT NEEDHAM

Read letter from the City Solicitor as follows:

August 24/1945.

His Worship the Mayor, and
Members of the City Council,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen:

On August 16th, 1945, Council did approve of the conveyance to Wartime Housing Limited of a lot on Fort Needham on which are situated certain army buildings. These buildings are to be converted into five family units. Wartime Housing Limited is to carry out the work and will reconvey to the City on certain terms at the end of 10 years. The City will require legislation before this property can be conveyed.

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As the matter is urgent I would suggest that Wartime Housing Limited use its power of expropriation and then enter into an agreement containing the terms previously agreed on. The Council should ratify this later agreement.

Yours very truly,

CARL.P.BETHUNE.,
CITY SOLICITOR.

Moved by Alderman McDonald, seconded by Alderman Adams that the suggestion as contained in the City Solicitor's letter be approved.

Mr. McManus stated that Wartime Housing Limited will not do anything on land to which they have no title. This conversion is for emergency shelter.

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

FOR THE MOTION:

Alderman Adams
Ahern
Batson
Breen
Burgess
DeWolf
Doyle
Hosterman
McDonald
Moriarty
Walker

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EXECUTED AGREEMENT BETWEEN WARTIME HOUSING LIMITED AND THE
- CITY OF HALIFAX -

Read letter from the City Solicitor as follows:

August 24, 1945.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen:

On August 6th a special meeting of the Council authorized the City to enter into an agreement

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with Wartime Housing Limited regarding 255 houses on sites to be selected. Apparently on August 9th such an agreement was signed and attached to this agreement are plans showing lots in Highland Park owned by the City and all of Fort Needham. I am informed that this agreement was signed on behalf of the City after the Aldermen were contacted by telephone.

With regard to this agreement I wish to make the following comments:

1. This agreement, in my opinion, is invalid, inasmuch as the "sites to be selected" were never selected by the Council in meeting duly convened. The question of these sites should be passed on by the Council, meeting in the manner prescribed by the Charter.

2. The agreement itself should be presented to Council for its approval. There are no Council minutes on record showing that Council has approved the agreement in its final form. The consent of the Aldermen by telephone is merely an expression of opinion. Their consent must be given at a meeting of Council convened in the usual and proper manner.

3. The agreement requires the City to convey the lands in the Schedule annexed to His Majesty the King. Insofar as the Highland Park lots are concerned, they can be conveyed, having been bought in by the City at tax sale. Fort Needham on the other hand can only be conveyed after legislation is secured authorizing its transfer. The Fort Needham property was conveyed to the City in 1942 by the Relief Commission in exchange for other land and this transfer was authorized by statute. It is therefore not tax sale land and cannot be sold or conveyed without legislation.

4. On checking the plan of Fort Needham property attached to the agreement, it also appears that the plan is incorrect as it includes a lot belonging to the Relief Commission. The lines should be corrected to eliminate this lot.

5. The schedule and plan attached to the agreement also appear to include a lot already sold by the City to one Christobel Wilson by deed dated December 5th, 1932. This lot would also have to be eliminated from the plan.

6. The agreement itself and the contents thereof are open to the same objections mentioned in my letter respecting the lands proposed being purchased by the City for Wartime Housing Limited. The two agreements are almost identical.

Yours very truly,

CAPL. P. BETHUNE,
CITY SOLICITOR.

August 28/1945.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Batson that the agreement dated August 9, 1945, be recalled and rescinded and that a new agreement be entered into for the erection of houses on such lands that the City has legal capacity to convey.

The motion was put and passed unanimously.

With permission from His Worship the Mayor, Mr. Rooney remarked as follows: " The Mayor has seen fit to cast criticism on the Legal Department and I think it is only fair that I offer some explanation. At that time both Mr. Bethune and Mr. Doyle were out of the City. It was only after pressure that I yielded. It is not fair to blame the entire department when whatever responsibility involved is entirely mine.

LETTER OF PROTEST

Read letter of protest as follows:

To the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Halifax:

We the undersigned owners of brick houses recently constructed on Drummond Court by the Lawrence Construction Co., at a cost of \$6,000.00, with the guarantee that the balance of the lots would have houses of similar construction, now understand that the City of Halifax contemplates taking over these lots, and building a type of house inferior to the ones now built, thus lowering the value of our houses, do hereby protest against this contemplated action by the City, and strongly urge that any action taken should afford us protection in the value of our properties.

This petition was signed by ten people.

FILED

RESOLUTION RE MARITIME MARINE WORKERS FEDERATION

His Worship the Mayor stated that at the next regular meeting of the City Council he would bring in a resolution with respect to certain charges made against members of the

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City Council by members of the Maritime Marine Workers Federation.

PURCHASE OF METERS

Halifax, N. S.,
August 14/1945.

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 Public Service Commission, of Halifax requesting authority to purchase an additional 2,500 water meters at a cost of \$32,000 was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the request be granted.

Authorization for the borrowing of funds for this purpose has been approved by the Department of Municipal Affairs.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

July 17/1945.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of
The Finance and Executive Committee.

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Public Service Commission held on July 13th a report from the Manager recommended that an additional 2,500 water meters be purchased at a cost of \$32,000.00. The Commission approved of this recommendation and instructed me to write to you requesting that the City provide the necessary funds for that purpose and approve of the purchase.

It was pointed out that it has been found advisable to replace practically all of the meters in the system. It was decided in the interests of economy to replace the old meters with new meters rather than for the old meters to be repaired as it is found to be actually cheaper to purchase new meters than to repair the old ones. Moreover the result is far more satisfactory.

I would appreciate being advised when the authority above requested has been granted.

Yours very truly,

CARL. P. BETHUNE,
CITY SOLICITOR.

August 28/1945.

Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed unanimously, the Aldermen listed as being present at this meeting were in their seats and voted.

REPAIRS CITY PRISON

Halifax, N. S.,
August 14/1945.

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 respecting the damage caused to the roof and windows at the City Prison during the recent explosions was considered.

It is estimated that it would cost approximately \$400.00 to effect these repairs and as it is essential that these repairs be effected without delay, your Committee recommends that Governor Grant be authorized to proceed with same and that the funds required for this purpose be obtained under the provisions of Section 332A of the City Charter and submits herewith a resolution for Council's approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

W H E R E A S the City requires money for the purpose of effecting repairs to the roof and windows of the City Prison which were damaged in the recent explosions and no funds have been provided in the estimates for the aforesaid purpose;

AND WHEREAS Section 332A of the City Charter as enacted in Chapter 53 of the Acts of 1932, authorizes the City to borrow for such a purpose;

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BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT an amount not exceeding \$400.00 be borrowed from any bank or fund available, under the provisions of the said enactment, the money so borrowed with interest thereon to be included in the estimates for the civic year 1946.

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Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report and resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed unanimously, the Aldermen listed as being present at this meeting were in their seats and voted.

PROGRESS PAYMENTS T.B.HOSPITAL

Halifax, N. S.,
August 14/1945.

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 for payment the following accounts, was considered:-

C. A. Fowler and Company, Supervision and
Inspection....\$ 421.63
Foundation Maritime Ltd., Progress Payment No.2 17,567.80

Your Committee concurs in this report and recommends that the funds be provided as authorized by the Department of Municipal Affairs.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed unanimously, the Aldermen listed as being present at this meeting were in their seats and voted.

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PURCHASE RANGE T. B. HOSPITAL

Halifax, N. S.,
August 14, 1945.

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 the purchase of a Model 600 ESSE Major Heat Storage Cooker at \$2,250 plus flue piping at \$2.00 per foot from Foulis and Bennett Ltd., was considered.

Your Committee concurs in this report and recommends that the funds required for this purpose be borrowed in accordance with Legislation obtained at the 1943 session of the Legislature.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed unanimously, the Aldermen listed as being present at this meeting were in their seats and voted.

PURCHASE OF SNOW PLOWS

August 14/1945.

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 the purchase of six (6) snow ploughs complete with suitable mountings for use on six of our City owned trucks, from the Industrial Machinery Co. Ltd. at a cost of \$3,480.00 was considered.

Your Committee concurs in this report.

Authorization for the borrowing of funds for this purpose has been granted by the Department of Municipal Affairs.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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Chairman and Members of the
Finance & Executive Committee.

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 8th instant, on motion of Alderman Moriarty, seconded by Alderman DeWolf approved and recommended for adoption the attached report of the Deputy Commissioner of Works, dated August 7, 1945, and entitled as above.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

August 7/1945.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:

Tenders were invited for the supply of six (6) snow ploughs complete with suitable mountings for use on six of our City owned trucks. This equipment is necessary for the removal of snow encountered in lighter falls. In the late Fall of the year the mountings are placed on the front of the truck and when snow falls the blades are readily fastened and removed at the end of the storm.

The prices received are as follows, for six (6) complete units installed:

Industrial Machinery Co. Ltd.	\$3480.00
Maritime Steel & Foundries Ltd.	4086.00
Wm. Stairs Son & Morrow Ltd.	4440.00

I would therefore recommend that the price submitted by the Industrial Machinery Co. Ltd. be accepted and the order placed for the purchase of these ploughs.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris,
Deputy Commissioner of Works.

Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed unanimously, the Aldermen listed as being present at this meeting were in their seats and voted.

PURCHASE OF LAND ST. PAUL'S GLEBE

August 14/45.

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

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Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, a report from the Committee on Works recommending the acquisition of land belonging to St. Paul's Glebe near Fairview Cemetery required in connection with the extension of the sewer on Connaught Avenue, was considered.

Your Committee concurs in this report and recommends that the funds required for this purpose be provided from the sewer capital account.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

August 14/1945.

Chairman and Members of the
Finance and Executive Committee.

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 8th instant, on motion of Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Breen approved and recommended for adoption the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated July 27, 1945, and entitled as above.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

July 27, 1945.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:

A portion of land belonging to St. Paul's Glebe lands near Fairview Cemetery is necessary in connection with the extension of the sewer on Connaught Avenue north of Regent Street.

The area required is 7,524 sq. ft. and allowing $\frac{1}{2}\%$ per sq. ft. which is based on the rate for land bought in 1934 from St. Paul's Glebe, the amount of remuneration would be \$37.62.

I have contacted Mr. C. F. Jubien, and this amount of compensation is acceptable to him.

I would therefore recommend that the land be acquired from the Vestry and Wardens of St. Paul's Glebe Lands, or

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the owner that a subsequent search might reveal, for the amount stated above.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,
Commissioner of Works.....

Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed unanimously the Aldermen listed as being present at this meeting were in their seats and voted.

ARCHITECT FEES ALTERATIONS TO BUILDING AT CITY FIELD

August 14/1945.

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 for payment an account of C. A. Fowler and Co., amounting to \$6,840.00 covering architectural fees for the shops and offices at the City Field was considered.

Your Committee concurs in this report.

Authorization for the borrowing of funds for this purpose has been granted by the Department of Municipal Affairs.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed unanimously the Aldermen listed as being present at this meeting were in their seats and voted.

SCHOOL BOARD BORROWING

August 14/1945.

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 held on the above date, a letter from the Board of School Commissioners requesting that permission be granted for a capital expenditure if and when required, for the purpose of purchasing such articles as may be available from War Assets Corporation from time to time, was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the sum of \$25,000 be made available to the Board of School Commissioners for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

It was agreed that this matter be referred back to the Finance and Executive Committee.

FINAL CERTIFICATE GEO. E. ZINCK

August 16/1945.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the on the 8th instant, considered the attached final certificate from the Commissioner of Works for payment to George E. Zinck of the sum of \$694.48, as final payment on his contract for alterations to the North End Fire Station.

On motion of Aldermen DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Moriarty, the said certificate was approved and recommended to Council for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Burgess that the report be approved. Motion passed unanimously, the Aldermen listed as being present at this meeting were in their seats and voted.

ACCOUNT BAILEY METER COMPANY LTD.

August 16, 1945.

City Council.

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Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 8th instant, on motion of Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Breen approved and recommended to Council for payment subject to the approval of the Chief Accountant and the Internal Auditor the attached account from the Bailey Meter Company Ltd., amounting to \$2,408.00 chargeable against Water Capital Funds for 1 - 15" water meter, 1 - 24" water meter, 1 - 27" Water meter and 1 steel panel.

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

Per: T. J. Moore.

Moved by Aldermen Ahern, seconded by Alderman Burgess, that the report be approved. Motion passed unanimously, the Aldermen listed as being present at this meeting were in their seats and voted.

FIRE BOAT

August 9/1945.

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 the disposition of the Fire Boat "Rouille" was discussed.

After discussion on the matter it is recommended that the agreement concerning the Fire Boat "Rouille" be terminated as of October 1, 1945 and that in the future the City will undertake to protect Federal Government Property situated in the City providing the Federal Government will protect the City owned and privately owned property along the waterfront of Halifax Harbour.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. STODDARD,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he was thinking of relieving the City of the \$12,000 each year. "The Harbour Board will need a boat of their own. It was necessary that we enter into an agreement with them during the war but I don't see why we can't let that go now."

Aldermen DeWolf draw attention to the fact that oil from

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ships in the Harbour is creating a fire hazard around the various wharves. He said we will either need a fire boat or have that hazard removed.

Alderman Hosterman stated that the Harbour Commission will exercise authority to control this situation now that the war is over.

The motion was put and passed unanimously, the Aldermen listed as being present at this meeting were in their seats and voted.

WATER EXTENSION ON BELMONT ST.

August 20, 1945.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen: Re: Water Extension Belmont Street.

At a recent meeting of the Commission the matter of extending water mains on Belmont Street was considered and approved.

It was shown that the extension would be approximately 280 feet and would be on Belmont Street between Greenwood Street and Bellevue Street.

The owner is prepared to deposit the cost of the work, \$3,000 with the Commission until such time as the extension produces a satisfactory return.

The Commission is of the opinion that subject to the foregoing, the extension should be made.

The matter is submitted to you for consideration and approval.

Yours very truly,

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION,

CARL P. BETHUNE,
SECRETARY.....

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the report be approved. Motion passed unanimously, the Aldermen listed as being present at this meeting were in their seats and voted.

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WATER EXTENSION GREENWOOD STREET

August 20/45.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen: Re: Water Extension Greenwood St.

At recent meetings of the Commission held
in June and July the matter of the above extension was
considered.

The proposal is to extend the water main
on Greenwood Street between Inglis and Atlantic Streets
at a cost of \$2,000.00. The pipe installed would be an
8" pipe. The approximate frontage is 1400 feet.

The Eastern Trust Company is prepared to
advance the total cost which would be repaid to the Company
as and when the extension provided an adequate return to
the Commission.

This matter of an adequate return is now
being studied and the effect of the greatly increased
costs of installing water mains makes it very difficult
if not impossible to assure a reasonable return on the
investment under the existing water rate schedule.

For this reason the Commission feels that it
is justified in asking the owner of the subdivision to make
such financial arrangements as will protect the Commission.

The making of the above extension is submit-
ted to you for your consideration and approval.

Yours very truly,

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION,

CARL. P. BETHUNE,
SECRETARY...

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Ahern
that the report be approved. Motion passed unanimously
the Aldermen listed as being present at this meeting were
in their seats and voted.

LETTER FROM SOLICITOR RE WATER EXTENSIONS

Read letter from the Solicitor for the Public Service
Commission as follows:

August 28/1945.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council,
of the City of Halifax,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.

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Gentlemen:

Re: Water Extensions Belmont and
Greenwood Streets and Fairfield Rd.

At the hearing of the application on behalf of Public Service Commission by the Public Utilities Board this morning for approval of the above extension, as required by the Public Utilities Act, the Board was pleased to indicate its approval of the making of such extensions upon the following conditions, Namely:

That all consumers taking water from the new extension be required to pay as a surcharge, in addition to the present service charge and consumption rates, an annual payment of 25 cents for each foot of the property occupied by such consumer and that the same be approved as an interim water rate.

The Board made this decision upon it being shown that under present day costs of construction no extension for residential dwellings could provide a return to the Commission sufficient to carry the cost of the installation, even though all the lots were built upon and a normal consumption of water ensued. The above surcharge will enable the extension to be carried without loss.

In view of the fact that it is not considered likely that such costs will materially decrease for many years, it is probable that some revision of the general rates will have to be attempted. The proposed surcharge is intended to fill the gap between the present time and such revision in order that building development and normal expansion may continue.

Yours very truly,

CARL. P. BETHUNE,
Solicitor for Public
Service Commission...

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TRUCK FIRE ALARM DEPARTMENT

August 25/1945.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

August 28/1945.

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the City Council held on the 16th day of August, 1945, a report from the Safety Committee recommended the City Electrician be authorized to obtain a permit for a new truck. This was approved by Council.

I made application for a permit and also a priority Classification A and I have such permit and priority from the Regional Supervisor, Transit Control, Truck Division.

I would recommend that the City Electrician be authorized to advertise for tenders for one $\frac{1}{2}$ ton sedan delivery with standard equipment.

Respectfully submitted,

G. H. Durling,
City Electrician.....

Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Burgess that the report be approved subject to the approval of the Department of Municipal Affairs. Motion passed unanimously.

His Worship the Mayor requested the Commissioner of Finance to contact Mr. Beazley of the Department of Municipal Affairs regarding the borrowing of funds for the purchase of this truck and if assurance is given that the Department will approve of the borrowing that the City Electrician be advised to call for tenders for the truck.

Council agreed to this procedure.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he and the rest of the Council are glad to see Alderman McDonald back again after his recent illness.

Alderman McDonald stated that he was glad to be back again.

He said that it was just a matter of whether he could remain in office or not. "I am still going to continue for a while."

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

Meeting adjourned. -

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A. M. BUTLER,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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CITY CLERK.